

THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

May 18, 1981

Dear Mr. Holtzmann:

It is an honor to appoint you as an arbitrator on the Iran-United States Claims Tribunal established for the purpose of deciding certain claims of U.S. and Iranian nationals, pursuant to the agreement of January 19, 1981, concerning the settlement of such claims.

As you know, the Tribunal will be a vital part of the largest international claims settlement program ever undertaken. The decisions and awards of the Tribunal are certain to make a most substantial contribution to the development of the rule of law in international affairs.

The Department of State is grateful for your willingness to undertake this important responsibility, and we wish you every success as you serve with your colleagues on the Tribunal.

Sincerely,



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