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## Iranians, Americans jointly protest Westmoreland visit

Iranian and American students jointly participated in a protest demonstration against the Shah of Iran and Gen. William Westmoreland's appearance on campus Friday.

About 100 people circled the Broyhill Memorial Fountain in front of the Nebraska Union with banners and protest signs.

An Iranian Student Association spokesman said that the protest by the Iranian students was intended to coincide with Westmoreland's visit.

"Our motto is 'Iran is the next Vietnam,'" he said.

One American student, who chose to remain unidentified, was protesting Westmoreland's visit but agreed with the Iranian students' protest.

Most of the Iranian students were masked to protect themselves and their families in Iran, the Iranian spokesman said.

"We are going to get Americans aware of what is happening in Iran," another Iranian student spokesman said.

"The shah is killing thousands of people in Iran and we want this to come to a stop," he added.

One Iranian observer who chose not to participate in the protest remarked that Americans do not know enough of what is going on outside the United States. "It is a worthless attempt," he said.

An American observer of the protest said it was "ridiculous because Westmoreland has nothing to do with the situation in Iran.

"I don't think there should be any criticism as to whether Westmoreland should come on campus. Everyone has the right to express their views," he said.

Several leaflets also were handed out to students at the demonstration by the Iranian students and the Committee for Facts about Vietnam.

Bruce Erlich, a spokesman for the committee, said the leaflet, "The Crimes of William C. Westmoreland," was prepared by faculty and student members who feel that the Vietnam war was too easily forgotten.

The leaflet states that the situations in Iran and South Africa may be new Vietnams in the making and that Gen. WestImoreland knew about the war crimes committed in Vietnam.

The leaflet also urged that "even as William Buckley was balanced by Jane Fonda last year, so a speaker closer to the political, military, and human truth of the war than Westmoreland should be brought later this year: we suggest Noam Chomsky, Daniel Ellsberg, or Richard Falk."

### Regents...

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In other business, the regents approved nearly \$9.6 million in non-state funded capital improvements to be submitted to the State Department of Administrative Services.

Included in the list is a \$2.7 million student housing project at the NU Medical Center contingent on a U.S. Department of Urban Development loan, and a proposed expansion to Memorial Stadium.

#### Funding Source unknown

Source of funding for the stadium expansion has not been determined. Regents say the will take up the matter no earlier than December.

Other projects included a \$4 million parking structure at the Medical Center; \$805,000 for additions on the UNL Sports Complex; \$733,102 to renovate UNL student housing; \$480,000 to renovate the Nebraska Unions; \$225,000 to finish renovation of restrooms in Memorial Stadium; \$260,000 in two phases to build a new baseball stadium; \$220,000 to improve field laboratories at Mead, and \$160,000 to buy land at a North Platte research station.

#### The regents also approved:

-naming the new baseball stadium Buck Beltzer Field, commemorating a UNL baseball and football player from 1907-1909;

-approved program statements for the Curtis Animal Holding Facility, Westbrook Music Library, Curtis Horticulture Facility and remodeling the second and third floors of Nebraska Hall for the engineering department;

-approved Clark Enersen Partners, a Lincoln architectural firm, to do \$805,000 in restroom, concession and locker additions at the Sports Complex.

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