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1. On 10 October the Shah gave audience which lasted one and one half hours to General Hedayatollah Guilanshah, who is now very close to Prime Minister Zahedi.
2. The Shah was worried over revival of the National Front and asked if the British were backing it.
3. Guilanshah urged the Shah to remain at Saadabad Palace for two months until the Tudeh threat has been eliminated. The Shah refused.
4. Guilanshah told the Shah that Chief of Staff General Batmangelich and Military Governor of Tehran General Dadsetan have been feuding and that on 9 October Batmangelich had asked Dadsetan to resign. The Shah said that he would summon both of them and order them to cooperate.
4. Guilanshah gave the Shah plan for reducing the Air Force personnel to a level consonant with the amount of equipment on hand and projected. The Shah said that he would study the plan.

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