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FROM MARVIN WATSON
FOR DEKE DE LOACH

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PLEASE COORDINATE INFORMATION FROM YOUR SOURCES AND CIA ON AMTICIPATED ACTIVITIES IN CITY THAT YOU AND I HAVE DISCUSSED FOR PAST TWO DAYS. INFORM ME THROUGH THIS CHANNEL AT LEAST EVERY TWO HOURS.

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COMMUNIST PARTY IS MEETING ROME AT 5:00 TODAY. HAVE YOUR PEOPLE AND CIA PEOPLE SUGGEST, EXPECTED PARTY IS NOW SCHEDULED FOR MADRID, SPAIN. FURTHER DEMONSTRATION WILL CASUE BAD PUBLIC OPINION. REACTION.

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FROM WALT ROSTOW
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COULD YOU HANDLE PRESIDENTIAL PARTY OF 170 INCLUDING PRESIDENT

MADRID TONIGHT IF NECESSARY?

COULD YOU MEET PRESIDENT AT MADRID AIRPORT IF WE STOPPED FOR REFUELING AT ABOUT 8:00 P.M. LOCAL TIME.

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AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. PLANS NOW FIRM FOR AIRCRART TO REACH KARACHI ABOUT 1320 LOCAL TIME FOR REFUELING. PLEASE ADVISE AYUB AT ONCE,
- PLEASE STRESS AGAIN VITAL IMPORTANCE OF PRESERVING SECRECY ON THIS ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE IFCLUDING TOP SECRET FLIGHT PLAN ETC. WE PLAN NO ANNOUNCEMENT AND SECRECY IS TRULY VITAL IF WE ARE TO AVOID EMBARRASSIFG CONSEQUENCES AHEAD.
- PRESIDENT DELIGHTED TO MEET AYUB IF HE COMES TO AIRPORT,
  BUT DOES FOT WISH TO INCOFVENIENCE HIM AND WILL OF COURSE UNDER
  STAND PERFECTLY IF THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE.
  ABOVE ALL MUST NOT REPEAT NOT GIVE AND EXPECTATION THAT PRESIDENT
  CAN STAY LONGOR THAN A MINIMUM REFUELIFG TIME, WHICH IS CRUCIAL
  TO SAFE MEETING ONWARD SCHEDULE.
- 4. YOU SHOULD ARRANTGE SPREAD OF RUMOR THAT WE PLAN OVERNIGTH STOP KARACHI PERHAPS BY INTQUIRY OF OR MASSIVE HOTEL SPACE.
- 5. CONFIRM ACTION TAKEN BY FAASH MESSAGE TO DEPARTMENT, WHICH WILL RELAY TO PRESIDENT PARTY VIA WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM

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FROM WALT ROSTOW

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FLASH FOLLOWING FOR AMBASSADOR DUKE EYES ONLY MADRID

LET FOLLOWING RUMOR SPREAD SOONEST MADRID.

PRESIDENTIAL PARTY PLANS REFUEL MADRID APPROXIMATELY 8:00 PM TONIGHT WITH LIKELY LAYOVER. INQUIRE FOR POSSIBLE HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS 100 PRESIDENTIAL PARTY GIVING HIGH PRIORITY SECURITY ADVANTAGES OF PRESIDENTIAL LOCATIONS.

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TO MARVIN WATSON
FROM BROMLEY SMITH

Deke tells me as of now there is nothing new here. He believes persons you know who are on the ground mix are far better informed than Washington.

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IN NEW DELHI, TENERAN, ANKARA, ATHENS, MADRID, AND LISBON,

- AND TWO ACCOMPANYING PLANES WILL RETURN TO WASHINGTON VIA KARACHI AND POINTS BEYOND, INCLUDING THE AZORES. THIS WILL HEQUIRE CVERFLIGHT OF INDIA BETWEEN APPROXIMATELY 1200 AND 1300 LOCAL ON SATURDAY, OVERFLIGHT OF IRAN BETWEEN APPROXIMATELY 1630 AND 1800 LOCAL, OVERFLIGHT OF TURKEY AND GREECE THEREAFTER IN EARLY EVENING, OVER FLIGHT OF SPAIN AND PORTUGAL DURING LATE EVENING OR EARLY MORNING. AIRCRAFT ALTITUDE AND FLIGHT PLAN WILL, OF COURSE, BE CLEARED WITH AIR THAFFIC CONTROL CENTERS EN ROUTE. THREE AIRCRAFT ARE INVOLVED—INCLUDING PACKUP PRESIDENTIAL PLANE AND PAN AMERICAN CHARTER AIRCRAFT FOR PRESS (WHICH ACTUALLY DOES NOT HAVE OFFICIAL STATUS).
  - 2. PLEASE APPROACH HOST GOVERNMENTS AT ONCE AT APPROPRIATE LEVELS FOR OVERFLIGHT CLEARANCE AND SEND YOUR REPLY FLASH TO DEPARTMENT, WILL RELAY TO OUR AIRCRAFT. PLEASE STRESS ABSOLUTE NECESSITY OF SECURITY AND NO LEAK REPEAT NO LEAK WHATSOEVER TO ANY ONE AT ALL.

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PLEASE INFORM RTG OF HIGHEST LEVELS AVAILABLE BE DESIRE TO MAINTAIN MAXIMUM SECURITY UNTIL DEPARTURE ON LOCATION VISITED. STRESS THIS IN STRONGEST TERMS BT

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WE ARE OPERATING UNDER TIGHTEST POSSIBLE SECURITY. WHITE HOUSE PRESS WILL NOT FILE AT KORAT. ANY LOCLAL OR FOREIGN PRESS WILL JEOPARDIZE SECURITY. PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE ASAP. PLEASE ASSURE NO DISTRIBUTION WHATSO EVER UNGERS INCOMING.

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FROM BUNDY
TO THE WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM

CITE YOUR MSG 661

MOUR ARE AUTHORIZED TO ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPHS THREE AND THE CONCERNING PROPOSED MESSAGE, HOWEVER TEXT SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE RELEASED TO PRESS PENDING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.

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J. IF HE IS NOT THERE TO PERFORM THE FOLLOWING, ASK REMHART TO TELL SARAGAT WITH MAXIUM URGENCY.

IF THE PRESIDENT COMES TO ROME

HE WISHES TO SEE SARAGAT EN ROUTE TO DISCUSSION PEACE WITH POPE.

IS THERE ANY SECURE WAY TO LAND A CHOPPER NEAR A RESIDENCE OF

SARAGAT EN ROUTE TO POPE FOR BRIEF COURTESY CALL.

IF NOT COULD SARAGAT MEET THE PRESIDENT AT ONE AIRPORT AND HELICOPTER

WITH HIM LB ATFOTHER.

- A. ONE GENE FOLLY HAS BEEN ACTING IN THIS MATTER AND REINHART
- 5. REPLY REQUIRED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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FROM WWALT ROSTOW
TO BROM SMITH

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- 1. XCCEPT KCRAT.
- 2. WE ARE LEAVING MELBOUR AT ABOUT 3 PM FRIDAY. HERFORE
  DIRECT STOP VIETNAM WOULD BRING US IN ABOUT MIDNIGHT. WE HAVE ASSUMED
  THIS UNACCEPTABLE FOR SECURITY REASONS.
- 3. WOULD PREFER FIRST STOP KORAT WITH ARRIVAL VIETNAM ABOUT
  13 AM SATURDAY. WE CAN WITH COOPERATION KORAT AUTHORTIES, PREVENT
  PRESS FILING AND TELEPHONES CALLS THERE.
- 4. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSATANCES WHICH ALTERATIVE DO YOU RECOMMEND?
- 5. PRESIDENT WOULD BE PLEASED TO HAVE YOU BOTH JOIN HIM
  IN AUSTRALIA IF SUPERVISION ARRANGEMENTS DOES NOT PRECLUDE

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BEF: WHITE HOUSE DTG 231125Z DEC 67

CITATIONS FORWARDED BY TELECON TO NMCC WASHINGTON 240511Z DEC.

I HAVE NO ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS.

I HAVE JUST RECEIVED DSM CITATION FROM PRESIDENT FOR WHICH PLEASE TELL PRESIDENT I WILL DO MY I AM DEEPLY GRATEFUL. INTMOST TO LIVE UP TO IT.

PERSONAL REGARDS TO YOU AND A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

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FM GENERAL WESTMORELAND SAIGON

TO YSHKLRC/THE PRESIDENT THE WHITE HOUSE

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ON BEHALF OF THE FNTIRE COMMAND, I EXTEND OUR
HEARTFELT APPRECIATION FOR YOUR VISIT TO CAM RANH BAY YESTERDAY.
IN ADDITION, I OFFER MY PERSONAL THANKS FOR YOUR RECOGNITION OF GEN
ABRAMS AND MY SENIOR COMMANDERS THROUGH PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED
SERVICE MEDALS AND, IN AMBASSADOR KOMER'S CASE, THE MEDAL OF FREEDOM.
I ALSO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS MY PERSONAL GRATITUDE FOR THE
DSM WHICH YOU PRESENTED TO ME AND FOR THE THOUGHTFUL GIFT. THE LATTER
WILL BE DISPLAYED PROMINENTLY IN MY OFFICE WITH GREAT AND LASTING PRIDE.

THE DFFICERS AND MEN OF THE COMMAND JOIN ME IN WISHING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY A MOST JOYOUS CHRISTMAS AND A SUCCESSFUL NEW YEAR.

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TO YSHKLRC/MR WALT ROSTOW THE WHITE HOUSE

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INCLAS E F T O. MAC 12608 EYES ONLY

BOB HOPE HAS ARRIVED IN SAIGON AND REQUESTS THAT THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE BE DELIVERED TO THE PRESIDENT:

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VERY SORRY WE DID NOT GET A CHANCE TO SEE YOU AT KORAT. WE WERE PACKED AND WAITING IN THE LOBBY IN BANGKOK. HOWEVER, YOU TRAVEL A LITTLE TOO FAST, EVEN FOR ME; BUT I HOPE TO SEE YOU FEBRUARY 11TH AT THE NEW MADISON SQUARE GARDEN OPENING. TROOPS IN GREAT SHAPE; MORALE VERY HIGH, AS FAR AS WE'VE BEEN. MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL.

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TO WHITE HOUSE
FR AMEMBASSY ROME

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PRESIDENT LYNDON B JOHNSON CARE OF UNITED STATES EMBASSY ROMA

OFFICERS AND CREW NUCLEAR SHIP SAVANNAH EXTEND HEARTIEST YULETIDE WISHES TO YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR STAFKKAND WISH YOU UTMOST SUCCESS IN YOUR CONTINUINT QUEST FOR PEACE IN 1963

CAPT EC KAMINSKI

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TO: THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, CANBERRA

FROM: GEN WESTMORELAND, SAIGON

I WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD HAVE THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE DELIVERED TO PRIME MINISTER THANOM OF THAILAND.

QUOTE:

TO: PRIME MINISTER THANOM, CANBERRA

FROM: GEN WESTMORELAND, SAIGON

THE ROYAL THAI REGIMENT. THE QUEEN'S COBRAS. HAS ENGAGED A VETERAN VIET CONT UNIT AND DECISIVELY DEFEATED IT. I HAVE JUST RETURNED FROM THE FIELD, WHERE I WAS BRIEFED BY YOUR OFFICERS IN COMMAND, TALKED TO SOME OF YOUR TROOPS, AND SURVEYED THE BATTLEFIELD. LAST NIGHT THE ENEMY ATTACKED IN BATTALION STRENGTH THE IST COMPANY OF YOUR REGIMENT. USING MORTARS.IANTI-TANK ROCKETS. SATCHEL CHARGES. HEAVY AND LIGHT MACHINE GUNS, AND SMALL ARMS. 52 ENEMY WERE KILLED BY YOUR INFANT-RYMEN, AND THERE IS EVIDENCE THAT MANY OTHERS WERE KILLED BY MORTAR FIRE ARTILLERY. AND ARMED HELICOPTERS. ALSO, A NUMBER OF WEAPONS AND A SIZEABLE QUANTITY OF AMMUNITION AND EQUIPMENT WERE CAP-TURED. YOUR LOSSES WERE SIX KILLED. THREE BY A SINGLE MORTAR SHELL, AND SIX WOUNDED, MOSTLY BY MORTAR FRAGMENTS. YOUR TROOPS DISPLAYED AN AGGRESSIVE COMBAT SPIRIT, MANNED THEIR WEAPONS IN A HIGHLY PROFESS-IONAL MANNER, AND SEVERELY DEFEATED A DETERMINED ENEMY ATTACK. MORALE IS EXTREMELY HIGH, FROM GENERAL YOSE DOWN TO THE YOUNGEST PRIVATE. I AM CONFIDENT THAT THIS EXCELLECT PERFORMANCE BY YOUR TROOPS WILL BE A MATTER OF SATISFACTION AND PRIDE TO YOU. CONGRATULATIONS.

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AMBASSADOR BUNKER HAS ASKED MR TO RESPOND TO YOUR MESSAGE CONCERNING BOB MOPE. ON FRIDAY, BOB WILL BE TAKING A DAY OF REST IN BANGKOK AND IS SCHEDULED TO PLAY AT UBON AT 1100 HOURS ON SATURDAY AND IN VIETBAM AT BIEN HOA AT 1400 HOURS ON SUNDAY. WE COULD ASK BOB TO FLY TOMORROW FROM BANGKOK TO KORAT TO BE ON MAND WHEN HIGHEST AUTHORITY ARRIVES THERE LATE EVENING. ALTERNATIVELY AND PERFERABLY, THE PERFORMANCE SCHEDULED ON SATURDAY IN THAILAND COULD BE SHIFTED WITH THE ONE ON SUNDAY IN VIETBAM. THIS CHANGE IN SCHEDULE IN MANAGEABLE. BOB WOULD RETURN TO THAIL LAND FOR A COMMAND PERFORMANCE FOR THE KING AND SUPEN SATURDAY EVENING.

1 AM SENDING AN OFFICER TO BANGKOK TO EXPLORE THE PROPOSED CHANGE IN

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From WALT ROSTOW

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By NARA, Date 6/19/02

## DRAFT 5 AS AT 0230 HOURS - 21/12/67

## MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR MR. HOLT - VISITING REPRESENTATIVES

Cor	intry	Representative		Other Members of Party	Time and Place of Arriv	val
1.	New Zealand	Mr. K. Holyoake, Prime Minister and Minister for External Affairs	One		Arrived Wednesday evening Canberra. To Melbourne Friday VIP 1015.	
2.	United States	President Lyndon B. Johnson		Mr. Walt Rostow, Presidential Assistant, Mr. William Bundy, State Department, plus 396 including 100 Press	Thursday 0440 Canberra U.S.A.F.	[1 of 3] -
3.	Korea	President Park Chung Hee	For	Kyu Ha Choi, Minister for eign Affairs plus 47 luding 25 Press	Thursday, 0920, Canberra Charter Boeing 707.	
4.	Vietnam	President Nguyen Van Thieu	Min Vy.	Tran Van Do, Foreign ister, General Nguyen Van Minister for Defence, eral Nguyen Duc Tang plus 7	Thursday 0810, Sydney, QF 732 then to Canberra VIP0925 then to Melbourne Friday VIP1005.	
5.	Laos	Mr. Sisouk na Champassak, Minister of Finance and Minister in Charge of National Economy			Thursday 0810 Sydney, by 0F732 then to Canberra VIP at 0925. Then to Melbourne Friday VIP1005	
6.	Thailand	Field Marshal Thanom Kittikachorn Prime Minister	Min and Dev Sen of	Pote Sarasin, Acting ister for Foreign Affairs Minister for National elopment. General Sawaeng anarong, Secretary General Government. House retariat plus 3.	Thursday 0810 Sydney QF732 then to Canberra VIP0950 then to Melbourne Friday VIP0945.	
7.	Taiwan (China)	Vice President C. K. Yen	Thr	ee aides	Thursday 0930, Sydney, QF275 then to Canberra VIP1100. Then to Melbourne Friday VIP1015.	

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Country	Representative	Other Members of Party	Time and Place of Arrival
8. Philippines	President Ferdinand E. Marcos and Mrs. Marcos and three children.	Mr. Narciso Ramos, Minister of Foreign Affairs. General Belasco, Chief of General Staff. Mr. Syquio Under Secretary of Defence plus approximately 15 including 6 Press	Thursday, 1500, Sydney PAL then to Canberra VIP1625. To Melbourne Friday VIP0950.
9. Cambodia	Prince Norodom Phurissara Minister for Foreign Affairs	One aide	Thursday, 0910, Sydney TE222 then to Melbourne AN15, 1215.
10. Japan	Mr. Shojiro Kawashima, Vice President Liberal Democratic Party	Naomi Nishimura, Liberal Democratic Party Member of Lower House, Harunori Kaya, Chief of Commonwealth Section, Foreign Ministry.	Thursday, 0930 Sydney, QF275 then to Melbourne TN407, 1410.
11. Malaysia	Tun Abdul Razak, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence and Economic Development	Two aides	Thursday probably1115, Sydney, BA714 (flight delayed) then to Melbourne TN593.
12. Singapore	Mr. Lee Kuan Yew, Prime Minister	Three Aides	Thursday probably 1115, Sydney, BA714 (flight delayed) then to Melbourne Friday VIP0955.
13. Canada	Hon. Arthur Laing, Minister for Indian Affairs and National Development	Mrs. Laing and one aide	Friday, 0710, Sydney QF531 then to Melbourne VIP0955.
14. India	Mr. B. R. Bahagat, Minister of State for External Affairs		Friday 0735, Sydney QF754 then to Melbourne AN9 1015.
15. Fiji	Ratu K. K. T. Mara, Chief Minister		Friday 0825 Sydney PA811 then to Melbourne AN9 1015.
16. Nepal	Bharat Raj Bhandry (Ambassador to Japan)		Thursday, 0930 Sydney QF275 then to Melbourne Thursday TN405, 1200.

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17. Indonesia	Mr. Adam Malik Minister for Foreign Affairs	Air Marshal Rusmin Nurjadin Chief of Air Force, Doctor Emil Salim, Chairman, National Planning Council One aide	Thursday 1735 Avalon AURI Jetstar.
18. Britain	H.R.H. Prince Charles Mr. Harold Wilson Mr. E. Heath		Friday 0800, Avalon RAF, VC10.
19. Nigeria	Mr. Alhai Kam Walem, Inspector- General of Police, Member of Supreme Military Council, Member of Executive Council and Commissioner for Internal Affairs	Mr. George Dove-Edwin, Nigerian High Commissioner in India	Direct to Melbourne.
20. West Samoa	Prime Minister Mataafa		

# FOR THE PRESIDENT FROM WALT ROSTOW REPEAT TO GEORGE CHRISTIAN

sent Red man

- 1. Secretary Rusk had a long tough talk with Kay Graham,

  Kay took the remarkable view: "If the story is wrong, the burden of proof
  is on the government to correct it!"
- 2. I called Chuck Roberts, whom I had briefed on the Rome visit as instructed by the President. Before I could speak, he said:
  - -- in seventeen years with NEWSWEEK he has never come so close to resigning;
    - -- the story was "malicious" and "unforgivable";
  - -- he was "shocked" and "frightened" by their ignoring his substantive account, based on talks with Jack Valenti and me, on the grounds that we were merely "putting the best face on the matter."

I told him I had full faith in his personal integrity, but it was the most irresponsible piece of journalism I had seen in my years in Washington.

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The Presidents visit to the Pope

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MR. PRESIDENT:

HEREWITH THE BACK CHANNEL MESSAGE I HAVE JUST DISPATCHED, AS INSTRUCTED, TO AMBASSADOR BUNKER AND GENERAL WESTMORELAND.

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SECRET EYES ONLY VIA FOR AMBASSADOR BUNKER AND GENERAL WESTMORELAND FROM WALT ROSTOW

THE PRESIDENT WISHES YOU TO KNOW THAT THERE WERE THREE MAJOR ELEMENTS IN HIS DISCUSSION WITH POPE PAUL IN ROME.

- 1. THE PRESIDENT MADE A STRONG CASE FOR OUR BOMBING POLICY, AND A STRONG CASE AGAINST A UNILATERAL PAUSE. HE CITED PREVIOUS COMMUNIST EXPLOITATION OF PAUSES; OUR NEGATIVE EXPERIENCE IN TRYING TO FLOAT THE FAIR SAN ANTONIO FORMULA; AND CURRENT EVIDENCE THAT THEY WERE PREPARING TO EXPLOIT LOGISTICALLY EVEN THE BRIEF PAUSES SCHEDULED FOR CHRISTMAS, NEW YEAR'S, AND TET.
- 2. POPE PAUL AGREED THAT HE WOULD TRY TO HELP U.S. PEACE INITIATIVES AND ESPECIALLY USE SUCH INFLUENCE AS HE MIGHT HAVE IN SOUTH VIETNAM TO EXPLORE IN AN OPEN-MINDED WAY ANY POSSIBILITIES THAT MIGHT OPEN UP FOR A SOUTHERN SOLUTION ALONG THE LINES OF THE PRESIDENT'S FIVE-POINT TV STATEMENT.
- 3. POPE PAUL AGREED, IN RESPONSE TO THE PRESIDENT'S STRONG APPEAL, TO BE AS HELPFUL AS HE COULD ON THE QUESTION OF U.S. PRISONERS HELD BY HANOI.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION ONLY, POPE PAUL ASKED THE PRESIDENT TO CONSIDER AN EXTRA DAY'S PAUSE AT NEW YEAR'S. THE PRESIDENT REPEATED HIS ARGUMENT THAT SUCH PAUSES ARE PAID FOR IN U.S. AND OTHER CASUALTIES; BUT SECRETARY RUSK MAY BE EXPLORING THE MATTER FURTHER WITH YOU BOTH.

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#### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

December 28, 1967

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ROSZOW

SUBJECT: Follow-up to the President's conversation with Prime Minister Thanom of Thailand

Dick Steadman wanted the attached as a weapon with which to reopen the whole question of training schedules for the Thai troops. I checked with Bill Bundy, who agrees that this summation of the President's conversation with Thanom is accurate.

Marshall Wright

Att.

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December 27, 1967

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARD STEADMAN
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
FOR INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: The President's conversation with Prime Minister Thanom in Australia

The President stressed the importance of the earliest possible deployment to Vietnam of additional Thai forces. Prime Minister Thanom agreed, but pointed out that the training of the forces could not begin until the necessary equipment was in hand. Thanom undertook to guarantee deployment in Vietnam of the forces in a maximum of 90 days from the receipt in Thailand of necessary equipment. The President promised that the equipment would be provided at the earliest possible moment.

I would appreciate having from you a status report on where we are in providing the human and material resources needed for the training of the Thai expeditionary force. I would be particularly interested in anything which we will have difficulty in providing in time to meet the accelerated schedule implicit in the President's conversation with Prime Minister Thanom.

Marshall Wright

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# TEXT OF STATEMENT

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CANBERRA, Australia-The text of the joint statement issued by President Johnson and South Vietnamese President Thieu:

President Nguyen Van Thieu of the Republic of Vietnam and President Lyndon B. Johnson of the United States held an informal working dinner this evening, both being present in Canberra for the memorial service for the late Prime Minister Har-

There was a full exchange of views on all aspects of South Vietnam's struggle to defend its freedom from external force.

The military situation was reprogress.

Progress was also noted in the work of pacification and of economic reconstruction with the intention that this could be speeded up in the coming months.

President Johnson congratulated President Thieu on the completion of a constitution, the firmed a willingness to discuss holding of successful national elections and the installation of a constitutional government.

#### Thieu Outlined Plans

problems remained to be over-ganization in any sense. He notcome, and President Thieu outlined the plans of his government to deal with these problems, along the lines of his inaugural speech and the later ods to obtain their political ends. program presented to the people of South Vietnam by Prime Minister Loc.

their objective remained an hon- affirmed that they were fully orable and secure peace in ac- consistent with a policy on which cordance with the basic state-the government of Vietnam and ment of the South Vietnamese the government of the United position contained in the Manila States have long agreed. communique of October 1966 and President Johnson stated the

supported by the other partici-intent of the United States to pants.

They regretted that there was no sign that North Vietnam was prepared to take any of the many avenues to peace that had been opened.

They agreed that in these circumstances there was no alternative to continuing appropriate military actions.

President Thieu once again explained his government's policy of reconciliation enunciated at Honolulu in February 1966.

In the light of the elections which have subsequently taken place, he noted that the government of Vietnam is now pre-pared to grant full rights of citiviewed and found to show good zenship to those now fighting They agreed that these elements against the government who are prepared to accept constitutional processes and to live at peace under the constitutionally elected government.

#### The NLF Issue

President Thieu likewise reafrelevant matters with any individuals now associated with the so-called National Liberation Front, while making clear that his government could not regard It was recognized that many the Front as an independent ored that it was not useful to attempt constructive discussions with any elements in South Vietnam committed to violent meth-

Noting press comment on President Johnson's five points as stated in his television broad-Both presidents agreed that cast Dec. 19, President Thieu

continue its support for this policy of national reconciliation.

#### One-Man, One-Vote

Both presidents agreed that the basic principle involved was the right of the South Vietnamese people to determine their own future through democratic and constitutional processes noted in the principle of one-man one-vote.

They further agreed that the removal of external interference and the acceptance of this principle by all the citizens of South Vietnam were fundamental elements in any enduring and honorable peace in South Vietnam. were totally consistent with the spirit and essential terms of the Geneva agreements of 1954 and the Geneva agreements of 1962 respecting Laos.

## JOHNSON TRIBUTE TO HOLT PRAISED BY SYDNEY PAPER

By a Star Staff Writer

CANBERRA, Australia -The Sydney Daily Mirror, an afternoon tabloid newspaper, paid tribute this afternoon to President Johnson for his tribute to Harold Holt on his arrival in Canberra.

"In the time of bereavement," the Mirror said editorially, "very often a friend can express things better than the immediate relatives."

It went on to quote some of Johnson's remarks about Holt and concluded: "We

### MEETINGS WITH PRIME MINISTER HOLT

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#### U.S. Information Agency

December 23, 1967 2:00 p.m.

# FOREIGN MEDIA REACTION TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S TRIP TO AUSTRALIA

As President Johnson completed his mission to Australia and took off for Southeast Asia, Australian media expressed appreciation for his "great and splendid gesture" in flying so far to honor the late Prime Minister.

Heavy news and editorial treatment also stressed the President's "deep sympathy and concern" for Mrs. Holt. All papers carried big picture spreads, showing the President with the Holt family, Lady Delacombe, McEwen, Wilson, and leaders of allied countries in Asia.

SYDNEY: The Daily Telegraph said: "The Prime Minister of Great Britain and the President of the U.S., both of them beset at home with most urgent problems, made the great and splendid gesture of flying across the world to pay their last respects to Mr. Holt."

CANBERRA: The Australian said: "With nine softly-spoken words yesterday, President Johnson openly showed his deep sympathy and personal concern for Mrs. Zara Holt: 'Take good care of my dear friend in there', he earnestly told Lady Delacombe...before leaving Government House to fly out of Australia."

The paper carried a story on the President's meeting with Prince Charles, saying they met privately in an upstairs room of Government House, talked for about fitteen minutes, and "seemed to get along rine."

Other stories featured the President's brief meeting with his close friend Dame Mabel Brookes, his visit with the Holt family, his missing Lady Bird's birthday, and the police seizure of guns from weekend kangaroo hunters before his arrival at Port Darwin.

MELBOURNE: The <u>Sun</u> carried a story about Christopher Holt with the headline "My Pal the President." The paper said that President Johnson "showed signs of emotion after the memorial service. He stood on the Cathedral steps wiping tears from his eyes."

SEOUL: Today's press continued to give major prominence to talks in Melbourne involving the leaders of seven Viet-Nam war allies. Papers emphasized that the leaders reconfirmed their determination to continue the war until an honorable peace is achieved, and reaffirmed their cooperation in building Asian prosperity.

Top headlines in the afternoon papers announced President Johnson's visit to Thailand, and President Park's return to Korea.

NEW DELHI: Several newspapers front-paged stories and photos of the memorial service for Mr. Holt. The <u>Times of India</u> carried a three-column, page-one picture of President Johnson and other leaders attending the service, while the <u>Statesman</u> and the <u>Express</u> had the same Associated Press photo on an inside page.

RAWALPINDI: The Pakistani press gave considerable prominence to McEwen's reassurance of Australia's continued support for U.S. policy in Viet-Nam.

ROME: Papers yesterday were filled with speculation on whether President Johnson would see the Pope on Christmas Eve.

Communist Unita said: "Every indication is that Johnson is coming in order to try to break out of the circle of isolation that surrounds him. He is a world symbol of the 'dirty war' and of its horrors and escalation... Johnson will have plenty of opportunity here in Rome to see how detested he and his war are."

LONDON: The British press today gave top prominence to President Johnson's trip and the possibility of his meeting the Pope at the Vatican to discuss peace prospects.

MOSCOW: Press and radio condemned the gathering of allied leaders in Australia "to fan the flames of war in Southeast Asia." Moscow Radio declared: "The world public is also alarmed by the fact that the Pentagon is hatching plans to transfer military operations to the territory of states bordering Viet-Nam, particularly Cambodia and Laos."

PEKING: The New China News Agency carried a lengthy attack on President Johnson's trip to Australia. It said: "Johnson's latest trip to Australia was to explain to the South Viet-Namese puppet chieftain and the gang of Washington's vassals in the Viet-Nam war the increased U.S. efforts to step up its aggression, and to ask them to render greater service."

The commentary emphasized that the U.S. was "preparing public opinion for the American expansion of the war and the invasion of Cambodia and Laos."

#### PROSPECTS OF PEACE TALKS

Indian and Mexican commentators variously judged the chances for talks with the Viet Cong. An Indian paper saw "a glimmer of hope" in the Johnson-Thieu joint statement and in "the National Liberation Front's new interest in the U.N."

A Mexican editor said the President's peace plan was "an advance in the search for a solution to the conflict."

Meanwhile, the NLF today addressed "a message to the American people on the occasion of Christmas and New Year", offering its thanks "for having struggled this year continuously and vigorously to demand that the U.S. Government put an end to its war of aggression in Viet-Nam, stop the bombing of the DRV, withdraw U.S. troops from South Viet-Nam, and respect the Viet-Namese people's right to self-determination."

#### "A GLIMMER OF HOPE"

Indian papers wondered whether talks with the Viet Cong were feasible. The independent Times of India of Bombay and New Delhi said:

"The present rulers of South Viet-Nam may find themselves in a precarious position of the impression spreads that the U.S. has decided to come to terms with the National Liberation Front. But it looks as if President Johnson has decided to take the risk and push the Sai gon government towards accommodation with the NLF.

"He could not have been guided solely or even primarily by domestic political considerations, though these cannot be far away from his mind in an election year. He has also been able to overcome the first hostile reaction of the South Viet-Nam government and to persuade President Thieu, in direct talks in Canberra, of the correctness of his stand.

"But it is an open question whether President Three can carry his other colleagues like Air Marshal Ky with him and open a dialogue with top NLF leaders.... President Johnson's present move, President Thieu's willingness to fall in line and the NLF's new interest in the U.N. offer a glimmer of hope."

#### CONTACTS DURING CHRISTMAS TRUCE?

The influential <u>Indian Express</u> of Bombay reported that "there are definite indications that some kind of informal contacts between the Viet Cong and the South Viet-Namese government may be established during the truce, but observers doubt that there will be substantial results because of Chinese Communist obstruction and President Thieu's refusal to recognize the NLF."

Independent Vishwamitra feared that escalation would result. It asserted that "the pressure of public opinion in the U.S. has prompted the President to suggest a new formula.... The American people have begun to realize that there can be no military solution in Viet-Nam.... The NLF is ready for peace negotiations with the U.S., but it is not ready for any talks with the South Viet-Namese government. Thus the situation is very uncertain. Whether or not the NLF does agree to talk to the Saigon government, President Johnson will get publicity to the effect that the Communists do not want negotiations. With this excuse he may also escalate the war in Viet-Nam."

The right-center Nav Bharat Times of New Delhi said U.S. homefront opposition to the war "has given the Viet Cong and North Viet-Nam hope that the U.S. may withdraw. It is clear that if the U.S. and its allies aim at a military victory, they must be prepared to face Communist China as they did in Korea. But U.S. public opinion is veering away from such major war involvement."

Yesterday's Pakistan Times of Lahore termed President Johnson's "peace proposal.... a hopeful sign."

Today's Times of London ran a year-end editorial which described the Viet-Nam war as "not merely a local conflict but a major tragedy for the world. It is not just devastating Viet-Nam itself; it is corrupting American society, destroying her moral position in the world, severely hampering the necessary development of East-West relations in Europe, and increasing the risk of a major clash with China."

#### "A FIRST STEP TOWARD NEGOTIATIONS"

Mexico City's independent Ovaciones hoped for an extended Christmas truce. It observed that "apparently President Johnson has ceded some rigid positions.... and accepts talks between the South Vietnamese government and the Viet Cong as a first step toward the negotiating table."

Moderately conservative Excelsior or Mexico City termed the President's proposal "an advance in the search for a solution to the conflict" and called on "the socialist countries to exert pressure on Hanoi and the Viet Cong to accept a dialogue."

FOR ROSTOW

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#### Background

You aware from separate messages major elements programs we developing. Heaviest impact all three major new elements -- capital, trade, tourism -- on surplus countries of which Italy major example. In case border task, effectiveness now and ultimate use as adjustment process device depends on EEC actions. Also, programs will give new force to principle of offsetting ballance of payments a impact military expenditures in alliance -- and elsewhere.

#### Talking Points

- 1. Greatly appreciate Italy's cooperation at London and Rio and particularly in standing firm with us to contain disorder in foreigh exchange and gold markets following devaluation. Minister Finance, Colombo and Governor Carli played enormously helpful roles -- despite domestic political criticism.
- 2. As we told gold pool partners, we will soon announce effective new balance of payments program. Fiscal restraint and tax increase important backdrop. But program will deal directly to improve capital and current accounts.
- 3. We aim move toward equilibirium in ways that will help strengthen entire system -- not shift deficits around. Cooperation surplus countries essential.

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- 4. Unfortunate we have to take restrictive measures in fields where others are affected. But believe it essential in our interest and in interest world system we move toward balance effectively but with least harmful impact on world. Essent We must work together to keep gold problem in hand and to extend and make more effective the adjustment process under which surplus and deficit countries undertake responsibilities together to move toward equilibrium.
- 5. As we bring out deficit down, problem of world reserves will come into sharper focus. We have SDR system. We should move to bring it into operation before, not after, we all get hurt. Recent events require us to accelerate the pace of orderly transition from the system we have known in the past to one that relies less on gold and more on wider and more intense international cooperation.
- Ambassador Reinhart will go over program with you before it is announced.

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Dictated by Mr. Christian -- 12:45 p.m. -- December 23, 1967

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Rome, December 23 -- President Johnson arrived here tonight for conferences with Pope Paul and Italian President Saragat. Saragat.

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TO: Mr. Bromley Smith Mr. Art McCafferty

The White House

I am attaching several messages for your forwarding to the President's party when appropriate.

- 1. An Analysis of Pope Paul's Initiative.
- A series of 5 Talking Points for the President's use with Ayub.
- 3. Over flight messages to Mrs. Gandhi, the King of Afghanistan, the Shah of Iran, President Sunay of Turkey.
- 4. A message from the Secretary and Governor Harriman suggesting that the President raise POW problems with the Pope.

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NARA, Date 4-211 Benjamin H. Read Executive Secretary

Attachments:

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#### TALKING PAPER - PRESIDENT AYUB OF PAKISTAN

#### 1. Improvement in U.S.-Pak Relations

#### Anticipated Pakistan Position

President Ayub will probably refer to the improvement in U.S.-Pakistan relations as characterized by the appointments of Ambassadors Locke and Oehlert.

#### Recommended U.S. Position

You might wish to thank President Ayub for his thoughtful comments and express your desire that the improved relationship be further strengthened.

#### 2. U.S. Participation in Pakistan Irrigation Projects

#### A. Mangla Dam

#### Anticipated Pakistan Position

President Ayub will express his appreciation for your sending a delegation headed by Governor Harriman in connection with the inauguration of the Mangla Dam in Pakistan. The Pakistani press gave prominence to your letter to Ayub on this occasion.

#### Recommended U.S. Position

You may wish to express gratification at the U.S. participation in the Mangla Dam project. (You sent by Governor Harriman a National Geographic map case as a gift for President Ayub.)

#### B. Watershed Management and Soil Erosion

#### Anticipated Pakistan Position

President Ayub will probably express his gratitude for your favorable response to his request for a Watershed Management and Soil Erosion Team.

#### Recommended U.S. Position

You may wish to assure President Ayub of your desire to assist in the solution of Pakistan's problem of economic development.  $\underline{\text{FYI}}$ : An advance

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team has already visited Pakistan and President Ayub had a long friendly discussion with the team members. We hope to send a high-level team to work on this worthwhile project. END FYI

#### 3. Military Supply

#### A. Defense Expenditures

#### Anticipated Pakistan Position

President Ayub may point out his desire to reduce defense expenditures (the GOP reduced defense expenditures by 3 per cent last year), which he feels is contingent upon India's making similar reductions.

#### Recommended U.S. Position

We suggest you express satisfaction with Pakistan's reduction in defense spending, and our hope that further reductions will be possible.

#### B. Request for 200 Tanks

#### Anticipated Pakistan Position

President Ayub will probably remind you of his request for USG approval of the sale of 200 US-interest M-47 tanks from third countries to Pakistan.

#### Recommended U.S. Position

Ambassador Oehlert will have just talked to President Ayub on this matter. It now appears likely, subject to your decision, that we will be in a position soon to approve a sale of 100 (one hundred) U.S. controlled tanks from Italy or Belgium.

#### 4. Viet-Nam

## Anticipated Pakistan Position

President Ayub is not likely to take any initiative on this subject but he may inquire about progress there. Ayub has not criticized the U.S. position and he has recently taken the position that the GOP should not criticize positions of the Great Powers on internationalissues. This

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has resulted in a much less adverse press on Viet-Nam. President Ayub along with an impressive group of high-level Pakistan officials attended a recent briefing by U.S. officers from Viet-Nam.

## Recommended U.S. Position

You may wish to review with President Ayub the current situation in Viet-Nam and explain to him U.S. policy objectives.

#### 5. Wheat Purchase

We received word December 22 that in response to Ambassador Oehlert's efforts of a few months ago, the GOP is prepared to purchase 100,000 tons of wheat commercially from the US under CCC terms. You may wish to express your gratification at this development to Ayub.



MEMORANDUM

# THE WHITE HOUSE

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December 20, 1967

TO: George Christian

FROM: Fred Panzer

SUBJECT: Add Press Log PM December 20, 1967

Late Edition Washington Star leads with "LBJ in Australia, Security Tight." Also pix of LBJ, umbrella over head, in Honolulu arrival speech. Horner says he might visit Pope on way home, adds Christian won't comment beyond Friday schedule. Extra troops assigned to guard route from airport to hotel.

Earlier lead items of Gwertzman and Kirk dropped lower on page one.

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Dec. 19, 1967

Date

Mr. Walt W. Rostow The White House

The enclosed is for White House clearance prior to transmission.

Executive Secretary

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Tel to London, Canberra re President's trip

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Prior to his departure XXX for Australia today the President reviewed his calendar for the coming weeks. would like you to seek an early appointment with Prime Minister Eshkol. Please advise him that the decision of Congress NAM not to reconvene until January 15 and the President's own schedule would now permit an earlier visit to Washington by the Prime Minister. The President wonders if the Prime Minister would be willing to advance the dates of his visit to January 7 and 8. The preferred site would be the President's Ranch in Texas.

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From Mr Rostow - Newould Take you
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via Set. Rush, The President approves.

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THERE FOLLOWS TELEGRAM FROM AMBASSADOR BARBOUR TO SECRETARY RUSK WHO APPROVES THREE RECOMMENDATIONS AND WOULD APPRECIATE HEARING BEFORE YOUR RETURN WHETHER THEY ARE ACCEPTABLE TO THE PRESIDENT.

- 1. I SAW P.M. ESHKOL THIS MORNING. HE IS HAPPY TO ADVANCE DATES HIS VISIT TO JANUARY 7 AND 8 WITH SITE AT PRESIDENT'S RANCH IN TEXAS.
- 2. OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR ARRANGEMENTS FOR ESHKOL'S TRIP URGE THAT WASHINGTON WORK OUT WITH ISRAELI EMBASSY EARLIEST POSSIBLE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT SINCE THEY MUST CANCEL PUBLIC ENGAGEMENTS BOTH IN U. S. AND HERE ON WHICH WORK ALREADY BEGUN AND RESCHEDULE OR SUBSTITUTE ALTERNATIVES, AND TIME EXTREMELY SHORT. ALSO MUST REVISE DATES OF STOP-OVER IN LONDON.
- 3. ESHKOL INQUIRED WHETHER MRS ESHKOL INCLUDED IN INVITATION TO RANCH AND OBVIOUSLY HOPES SHE CAN BE.
- 4. HE ALSO ASSUMES ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE THERE OR NEARBY FOR ADVISERS WHOM HE WISHES ACCOMPANY HIM. I AM INFORMED THESE WILL NUMBER FOUR: A) DR YA'ACOV HERZOG, DIRECTOR PRIMIN'S OFFICE, B) MOSHE BITAN, FONOFF, C) AVIAD YAFEH, PRIMIN'S POLITICAL SECRETARY, AND D) COLONEL LIOR, MILITARY AIDE.

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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

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Tuesday, December 19, 1967 -- 8:00 a.m.

Mr. President:

Herewith Wilson raises the question of whether you would be prepared to budget for a short conversation with him after the service on Friday in Melbourne.

He will not be going to Canberra.

As you will note from Bunker's latest, Westy wants us in some time between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. I don't have a schedule of times and distances in front of me, but that may require that we leave Australia late on Friday unless we go to the airfield in Thailand and spend the night and back track on Saturday to Vietnam.

In any case, we should get off a telegram to Wilson this morning; and, in the circumstances, I would be inclined to recommend that you find an occasion after the service in Melborne for a short talk.

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S TRIP TO AUSTRALIA

- 1. MPM ASKED I COMMUNICATE, HOPING FOR URGENT REPLY, ABOUT POSSIBILITY HIS SEEING PRESIDENT JOHNSON DURING LATTER'S VISIT AUSTRALIA.
- 2. PM WOULD FIND IT DIFFICULT TO GO UNLESS HE CAN MEET PRESIDENT PRIVATELY, NO MATTER HOW SHORT THE CONVERSATION. HE UNDERSTANDS ONLY PERIOD PRESIDENT MIGHT BE FREE WOULD BE AFTERNOON OF DECEMBER 22 AT MELBOURNE. PM WILL NOT BE GOING TO CANBERRA.
- 3. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST, SINCE PM MUST MAKE HIS PLANS TODAY.
- 4. RECOMMEND, IF PRACTICABLE, PRESIDENT DO SO. BRUCE BT

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S/S-O will send special telegraphic EXDIS summaries twice daily to WH Special Assistant Walt Rostow who is accompanying the President to Australia. The summaries will be filed according to the following schedule:

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The President's Trip to Australia
(Holt Funeral)
December, 1967

United Kingdom

Talking Paper - Prime Minister Harold Wilson

The President last saw Prime Minister Wilson in Washington in June, 1967. There are current efforts to find a mutually convenient date in February when Prime Minister Wilson can again come to Washington for talks with the President.

#### 1. Viet-Nam

Prime Minister Wilson will be interested in an assessment of the prospects for the Viet-Nam issue being brought into the Security Council. He will probably tell you that he hopes to explore this issue thoroughly on his visit to Moscow in January. You may wish to express your appreciation for the Prime Minister's support for our position in Viet-Nam.

# 2. Devaluation of Sterling

The UK's 14.3 percent devaluation, together with a new package of measures to reduce Government spending and restrict domestic consumption, provides it with an opportunity to achieve a substantial and permanent improvement in its balance of payments. Whether Britain can take advantage of this opportunity remains to be seen. Much will depend on the Government's ability to take the

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politically unpopular but necessary steps to cut Government spending and hold price and wage increases within reasonable bounds; the benefits of the devaluation could be frittered away by undue wage and price hikes. The devaluation is already affecting the domestic political scene and defense policy. The reputation of the Labour Government has been further tarnished, but a General Election does not appear imminent. There are increased pressures for further reductions in defense spending; these could lead to more cutbacks in Britain's overseas defense commitments and possibly to a reduction in military purchases from the U.S.

#### 3. Middle East

The President may wish to say that we were pleased the UK resolution was approved in the Security Council and that the locus of negotiations has now shifted to the Middle East. Prime Minister Wilson may note that the UK's resumption of diplomatic relations with the UAR on December 12 may enhance the prospect of HMG's having some influence on Nasser.

## 4. UK-EEC

At his November 27 press conference, General de Gaulle said that Britain could not enter the European Communities until its economic and monetary situation had undergone a profound transformation. As an alternative, he offered Britain some form of association arrangement. The British want full membership, not association, and have made this clear. They are asking the Six for a clear answer on whether negotiations can begin. At the December 18 session of the December 18-19 meeting of the EC Council, the Five remained united and insistent on opening negotiations without delay, but no change appeared in the negative position of France. The prospects for December 19 are uncertain.

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#### 5. Arms Embargo of South Africa

Since 1963, the U.S. and the UK, have embargoed the sale of arms to South Africa in compliance with a UN Security Council resolution which condemned South Africa's repressive racial policies. These policies have worsened with South Africa's illegal tampering with the territorial integrity of the international Territory of South West Africa, the dispatch of South African police units into Southern Rhodesia, and by increasingly repressive racial measures within the Republic itself.

Strict British observance of the UN embargo did not begin until the formation of the Labor Government. Economic pressures have led to controversy within the Cabinet in the past few days over whether the British should not return to a less restrictive policy. Although financial pressures for a relaxation of the embargo will continue, the press reported today that Prime Minister Wilson has announced that Britain will maintain its ban.

You may wish to express the hope that our two Governments can continue to keep in touch on this problem.

## 6. Bilateral Issues

There are no major bilateral issues pending between the United Kingdom and the United States which would warrant your attention on this occasion.

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SUBLECT:

Status on Holt Memorial Service - INFORMATION

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Time. The Australians should be empoweding almost at once that the memorial service will take place on Friday at moon in Melbourne. I have the air thes being worked out by the White House, but I voted say that this macht departure Tuesday afternoon for our representative, overnight in Menoluly, and arrival in Australia late Theretry afternoon.

# Other Attoudence.

- set for Friday.
  - b. Holyoake will definitely go.
- to be able to make his announcement before we do. We could meet this need if we FLASH our decision to Porter during the day and urgo Park to go sheed at 5:00 PM our time (7:00 AM his time), with our own announcement fol-
- d. Thieu had picked Ky, but will go himself if the President does.
  - e. Sato cannot go ledause of the Diet.
- f. No word yet from Subarto or others. My own guess would be that Subarto would not go, but rather send Makik

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(who has visited Australis). I think it highly likely that the Tunky would go and that this would mean that had would probably go. There is just the chance that Housens would go, having recently visited Australia. No word from Harves, but I would bet substantially that he would go.

Possible Schedule. With this attendance, I am sure the President would wish to stey over in Australia at least through Saturday and try to have his appointments on that day rather than on the day of the service, which I assume he would wish to devote to Australian calls. Since Helmbourne is a rather confused place to talk, I would think he and the others suight well wish to go to Camberra Friday right we on the basis of paying their respects to the Government of and then telk quietly Saturday before dispersing.

As to the feture trip, the President could leave Seturday night and get back to Texas Sunday for Christmas. There is the alternative of his going for Christmas somewhere also in the area, and I have asked for air times on this route.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. W. Rostow

This constitutes a National Estimate.

Richard Helms

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Memo of 18 Dec., Subject: The Security
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SUBJECT: The Security Situation in Australia

- 1. We believe there is little risk to the President in connection with his trip to Australia. The Australian police and security agencies are well-trained and competent. They will take all possible precautions to prevent any situation which might endanger President Johnson. Of course, a solitary act by some demented individual cannot be ruled out.
- 2. As for political demonstrations, Australians are generally well disposed toward the US. There are groups that on occasion have made vociferous (but peaceful) anti-US demonstrations on Vietnam or other issues. The chances of even this sort of unpleasantness will be minimized, however, by the solemn circumstances of the President's visit.

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WE HAVE JUST BEEN INFORMED BY SECRETARY PRIMIN'S DEPT, SIR JOHN BUNTING, THAT WHILE FINAL DECISION NOT REACHED, IT QUOTE STRONGLY APPEARS UNQUOTE FUNERAL OR MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR PRIMIN HOLT WILL BE HELD FRIDAY DEC 22, PROBABLY AT 11 AM. SERVICE WILL BE IN MELBOURNE OR CANBERRA. BUNTING SAID FINAL DECISION WILL BE MADE SOMETIME TONIGHT AND WE WILL BE IMMEDIATELY INFORMED BUT REITERATED THIS IS NOW FAIRLY CRETAIN. HE URGED THAT WE TREAT THIS AS HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL ANNOUNCEMENT MADE.

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AT SERVICES FOR PRIME MINISTER HOLT BUT THAT IF PRESIDENT AND
OTHER. CHIEFS OF GOVERNMENT PLAN TO ATTEND HE HIMSELF WILL
GO. HE WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITYTO MEET WITH THE PRESIDENT.
HE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW PRESIDENT'S PLANS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
SO HE CAN MAKE ARRANGEMETS FOR TRANSPORTATION. HE WOULD
ALSO LIKE TO KNOW WHO WILL BE ACCOMPANYING PRESIDENT SO
THAT HE CAN MAKE PLANS ACCORDINGLY FOR PERSONNEL WHO SHOULD
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SUB.1: ATTENDANCE HOLT MEMORIAL SERVICE

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- 1. PRESIDENT PAK STATED HE WILL ATTEND MEMORIAL SERVICE IF RPT IF PRES JOHNSON DOES.
- 2. PAK STRONGLY URGES THAT FOR OBVIOUS DOMESTIC POLITICAL REASONS HE BE ABLE ANNOUNCE HIS TRAVEL PLANS TO AUSTRALIA BEFORE RPT BEFORE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT IN WASH OF PRES JOHNSON'S PLAN TO ATTEND HOLT SERVICES. IF THIS NOT FEASIBLE, PAK WANTS SIMULTANEOUS ANNOUNCEMENT OF HIS AND PRES JOHNSON'S PLANS TO GO TO AUSTRALIA.
- 3. COMMENT: SINCE PAK DESIRE FOR PRIOR PUBLIC ANNOUNCE-MENT CLEARLY RELATED TROOP DISPATCH PROBLEM, RECOMMEND

PAGE 2 RUALOS 2957E 3 E C R E T HE BE GIVEN OPPORTUNITY MAKE ANNOUNCEMENT ON TRAVEL PLANS FIRST.

4. THOUGH QUESTION OF TRANSPORTATION NOT RAISED, URGE WASHINGTON CONSIDER POSSIBILITY OF RESPONDING AFFIRMATIVELY AND PROMPTLY SHOULD PAK ASK FOR USAF JET AIRLIFT TO AND FROM AUSTRALIA FOR HIMSELF AND HIS PARTY.

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PRIME MINISTER REGRETS THAT BECAUSE OF CRUCIAL DIET DEBATE, AT WHICH HE MUST PERSONALLY BE PRESENT, IT WILL NOT BE

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FOSSIBLE FOR MIM TO ATTEND SERVICES FOR HOLT IN AUSTRALIA.
AS OTHER CABINET MEMBERS MUST ALSO BE PRESENT AT DEBATE,
HE PLANS TO SEND SHOJIRO KAWASHIMA, VICE PRESIDENT OF LIBERAL
DEMOCRATIC PARTY, AS MOST SENIOR POLITICAL PERSONNAGE
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EYES ONLY FOR THE SECRETARY AND AMBASSADORS

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- 1. THIS MORNING I SPOKE TO PRIMIN ALONG LINES DEPTEL.
  THANOM SAID HE WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO GO TO AUSTRALIA
  FOR THE SERVICE BUT HE COULD NOT DO SO IF IT WERE HELD
  ON WEDNESDAY. ON THAT DAY HE MUST BE PRESENT IN KHON
  KAEN WHEN HIS MAJESTY THE KING FORMALLY OPENS THE NEW
  UNIVERSITY THERE.
- 2. THE PRIME MINISTER ALSO COULD NOT COMMIT HIMSELF
  ON FRIDAY, BUT SAID HE WOULD GO THEN IF PLANE
  SCHEDULE COULD BE ARRANGED; QANTAS HAS ALREADY BEEN ASKED BY
  HIS OFFICE TO TRY TO WORK OUT ACCEPTABLE SCHEDULE. PRIMIN
  COULD LEAVE WEDNESDAY P.M. OR THURSDAY A.M., BUT MUST BE
  BACK IN BANGKOK ON SATURDAY, THE 23RD. ON THE 24TH EARLY HE
  LEAVES FOR VISIT TO THAI FORCES IN SOUTH VIETNAM, FROM WHICH
  HE WILL RETURN TO BANGKOK ON THE 25TH. (THIS IS APPARENTLY WHAT
  HAS BEEN WORKED OUT BETWEEN RTG AND GVN SINCE REPORT CONTAINED
  MY TEL 7489 OF DEC 17.)
- 3. I EMPHASIZED PRESIDENT'S PERSONAL INTEREST IN MATTER, VALUE OF GESTURE AND USEFULNESS OF INFORMAL MEETING EVEN IF BRIEF. MY IMPRESSION IS THAT THANOM WILL MAKE GREAT EFFORT ATTEND IF SERVICE ON FRIDAY, AND ESPECIALLY IF MOST OR ALL OTHER CHIEFS OF GOVERNMENTS FROM AREA ATTEND.

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1. PRIMIN HOLYCAKE IN CABINET SESSION AND NOT IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE BUT SECRETARY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LAKING ASSURES ME THAT PRIME MINISTER IS CERTAIN TO ATTEND HOLT FUNERAL. LAKING BELIEVES PRIMIN WILL NOT WISH TO DISCUSS FUNERAL PLANS UNTIL HOLT DEATH OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED.

2. WE BELIEVE HOLYOAKE WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO TALK INFORMALLY WITH PRESIDENT IN CANSERRA. HENNING BT



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FOLLOWING IS BRIEF SUMMARY OF WHAT IS KNOWN HERE REGARDING TRAGIC DISAPPEARANCE PRIMIN HOLT.

1. ON DECEMBER 17 SOON AFTER 11 A.W. HE LEFT SUMMER HOME AT PORTSEA IN COMPANY WITH FOUR PERSONS. HE AND MR. ALAN STEWART ENTERED WATER AT CHEVIOT BAY WHICH IS ON OCEAN (SOUTH) SIDE OF PENINSULA WELL TO WEST OF PORTSEA. BEACH AT CHEVIOT BAY IS ON PROPERTY OF QUARANTINE STATION WHICH OCCUPIES ENTIRE AREA AND TO WHICH ENTRY IS CONTROLLED. ALAN STEWART LEFT WATER ALMOST IMMEDIATELY APPARENTLY FINDING IT TOO TURBULENT. PRIMIN WAS SEEN SWIMMING DOWN A CHANNEL BETWEEN TWO OUT-CROPPINGS OF ROCKS. WATER IS FAIRLY DEEP IN THIS CHANNEL AND PRIMIN SAID TO BE

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FAMILIAR WITH THIS SPOT. SURF DESCRIBED AS FIFTEEN FEET HIGH.

WHEN STEWART REALIZED THAT PRIMIN HAD DISAPPEARED FROM VIEW,

HE HURRIED TO CAR AND DROVE TO NEAREST BUILDINGS WHERE HE GAVE

ALARM WHICH RESULTED IN POLICE AND RESCUE UNITS BEING ALERTED

AND BROUGHT TO CHEVIOT BEACH. DURING AFTERNOON FROGMEN

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AND TROOPS WERE RUSHED TO SCENE AND HELICOPTERS AND BOATS OF ALL TYPES PARTICIPATED IN SEARCH. NAVAL PATROL BOAT EQUIPPED WITH SEARCH LIGHTS CONTINUED PATROL THROUGHOUT NIGHT AND TROOPS USING FLASH LIGHTS PATROLLED THE SHORE IN THAT AREA. FULLSCALE SEARCH WAS REACTIVATED AT APPROXIMATELY 5 A.M. WHEN WIND BEGAN TO INCREASE AND GUSTS OF RAIN HAMPERED OPERATIONS REFUELING—FACILITIES FOR HELICOPTERS HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED DURING NIGHT. SIX HELICOPTERS WERE IN CONTINOUS OPERATION BY 6A.M. AND SCUBA DIVERS WERE WORKING INTENSIVELY DESPITE HEAVY SURF. POLICE COORDINATOR ON HEIGHTS ABOVE CHEVIOT BAY ESTIMATED 300 PERSONS WERE TAKING PART IN COORDINATED SEARCH ACTIVITIES. BY 7:45 A.M. A BLACK WALL OF HEAVY RAIN BROUGHT BY SOUTHWEST WIND OF 25 KNOTS SWEPT OVER CHEVIOT BAY REDUCING VISIBILITY TO POINT WHEREHELICOPTERS HAD TO TEMPORARILY GIVE UP THEIR OPERTIONS AND MANY SEARCHERS HAD TO SEEK ANY AVAILABLE SHELTER.

# PAGE 3 RUEHBAM 189 UNCLAS ROCK SHELVES AT CHEVIOT BAY ARE HONEY COMBED WITH DEEP HOLES AND SEA HAS SCOURED OUT CAVERNS UNDER LEDGES. IN ADDITION, WEATHERING ACTION OF SEA HAS MADE ROCKS EXTRAORDINARILY SHARP AND

ING ACTION OF SEA HAS MADE ROCKS EXTRAORDINARILY SHARP AND DANGEROUS SO THAT A PERSON WHO IS DASHED AGAINST ROCK IN TURBULENT CONDITIONS COULD BE INJURED GRAVELY. END OF SUMMARY.

- 2. I WENT TO CHEVIOT BAY THIS MORNING AND SPOKE WITH POLICE COORDINATOR AND WITH TONY EGGLETON, PRESS SECRETARY TO PRIMIN WHO ACCOMPANIED MRS. HOLT BY PLANE FROM CANBERRA YESTERDAY. DESPITE LETHARGIC REACTION NEWS MEDIA AFTERNOON DECEMBER 17 TO GRAVITY OF SITUATION, BY DAWN THIS MORNING TELEVISION, RADIO AND NEWSPAPER REPRESENTATIVES WERE ON THE JOB AND HAD ESTABLISHED DIRECT COMMUNICATION LINKS WITH THEIR MELBOURNE OFFICES.
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Sunday, December 17, 1967 4:05 p.m.

Mr. President:

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The tragic loss of Prime Minister Holt has been a great blow not only for Australia but for all of us. At this moment Australian Government has not officially announced it considers him lost but we understand that there is no hope and that announcement could come soon. We further understand that Australians are considering a memorial service on either Wednesday or Friday. Our President is strongly inclined to attend personally but no completely final decision has been made. If he goes, he would very much hope that your Chief of Government would also go. This would represent not only good neighborliness to a responsible member of the Asian and Pacific community but would give the President a chance to talk informally

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with your Chief of Government. We do not have in mind a Conference but quiet and tactful discussions such as occurred at Chancellor Adenauer's functal. Please see your Chief of Government immediately but most discreetly and ask whether there is a chance that he could come to Australia on this occasion if the President comes. We will flash you first information we get from Australians and final decision of President when both are available but the present prospect is that the President will come. To avoid misunderstanding, Chiefs of Government means President Park, President Marcos, President Thieu, Prime Minister Thanom, General Suharto, Prime Minister Holyoake, and Prime Minister Sato.

Please advise flash.

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#### CAMBODIA

- 1. If Prince Sihanouk comes to the Australian Memorial Service, there is no formal reason why the President and Prince Sihanouk could not exchange greetings or engage in conversation. The United States recognizes Cambodia as a State and recognizes Prince Sihanouk's Government as a Government. We do not have diplomatic relations but this is at Prince Sihanouk's option. Prince Sihanouk himself may not desire contact or conversation but this would evolve naturally under the circumstances.
- 2. In any conversation, however informal, the President might wish to make the following points to Prince Sihanouk:
  - a) The United States desires normal and friendly relations with Cambodia and is interested in its independence, safety, neutrality and prosperity.
  - b) Obviously the United States is gravely concerned about the abuse of Cambodian territory by Viet Cong and North Vietnamese forces. Much information on this matter has been made available to the Cambodian Government. The United States has no interest whatever in seeing Cambodia

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thrown into the unhappy conflict in Viet-Nam and Laos. It does, however, believe that strenuous measures should be taken by the Government of Cambodia and by appropriate international machinery to insure that Cambodian territory is not abused.

- c) The United States is prepared to support in every way the reinforcement of the ICC to give Prince Sihanouk maximum assurance that the neutrality of Cambodia is being respected and that Cambodia remains non-involved in the present conflict.
- d) With regard to the establishment of normal relations, the United States is interested in having the normal processes of diplomacy available between Cambodia and the United States. It should be recognized that the purpose of diplomatic relations is to have machinery through which all problems can be discussed, including differences between the two countries. It is not possible to condition the maintenance of international relations upon agreement on outstanding issues between the two countries.

However, we do not on our side see any reason why normal relations could not be resumed.

- e) The President would be glad to arrange for discreet discussion with the Cambodian Government about any problems which exist between us. This could take the form of a special emissary visiting Phnom Penh or of talks between representatives of both countries at some mutually convenient third capital.
- f) As for relations between Cambodia and its immediate neighbors, the United States sees no reason why these relationships cannot be developed in a more normal fashion and is prepared to use its influence to contribute to that result. We are inclined to believe that discreet bilateral contacts between Cambodia and its immediate neighbors could produce useful results.
- g) One of the benefits of a more normal relationship would be the opportunity for discreet exchanges of views rather than a public airing of differences which can only increase misunderstanding on both sides.

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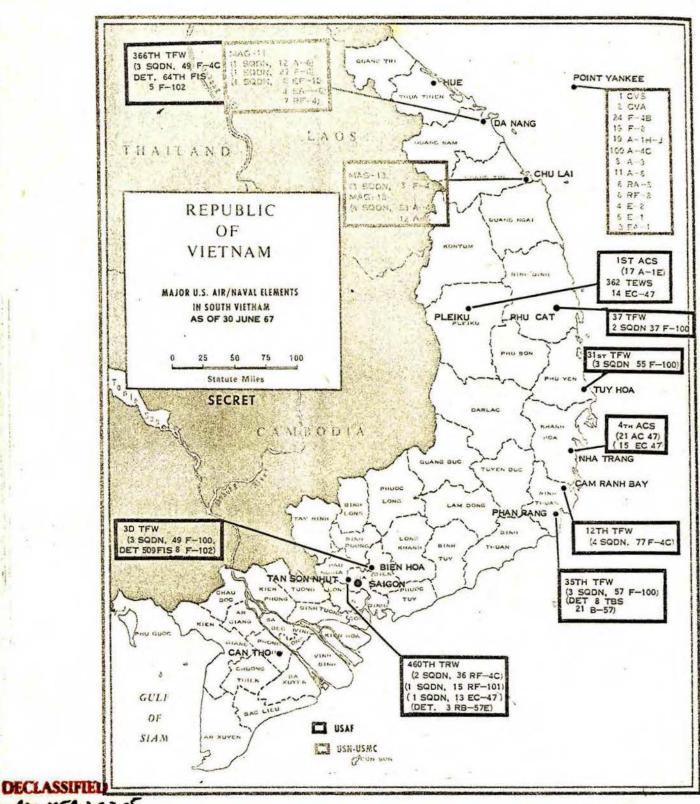
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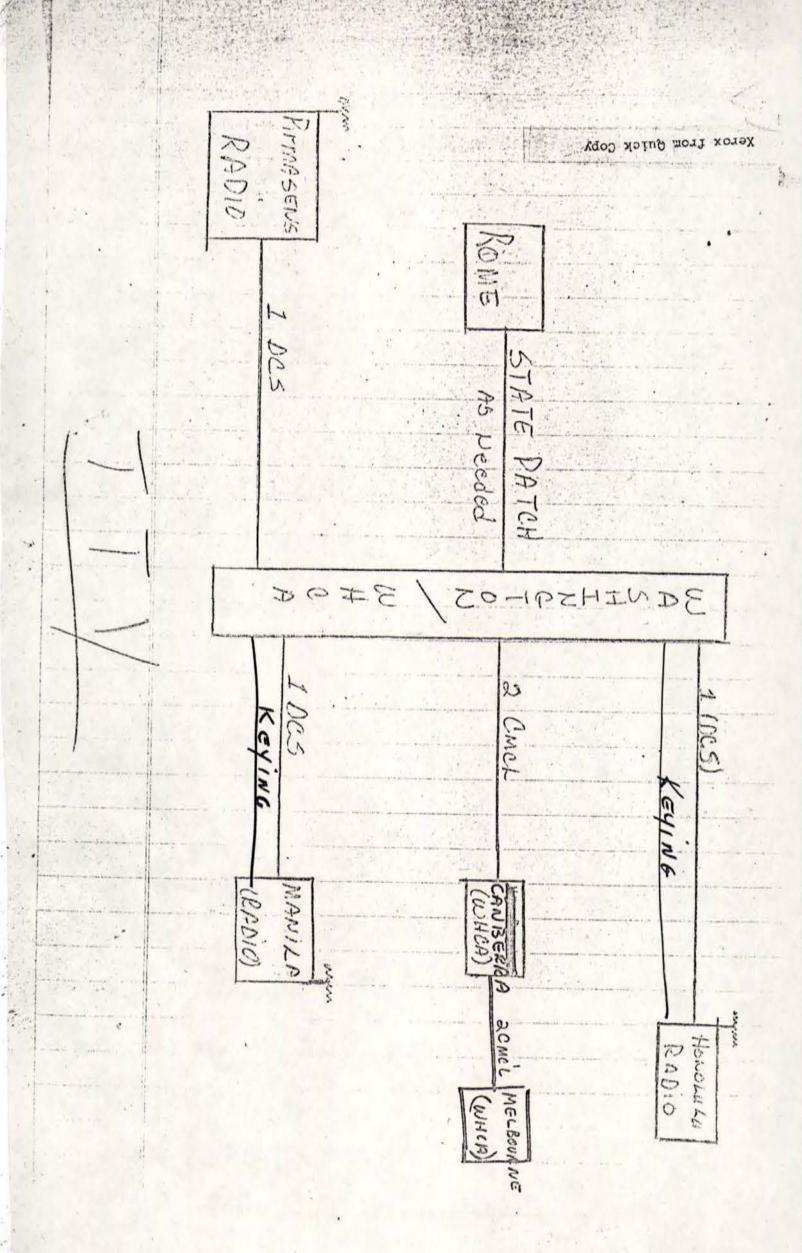
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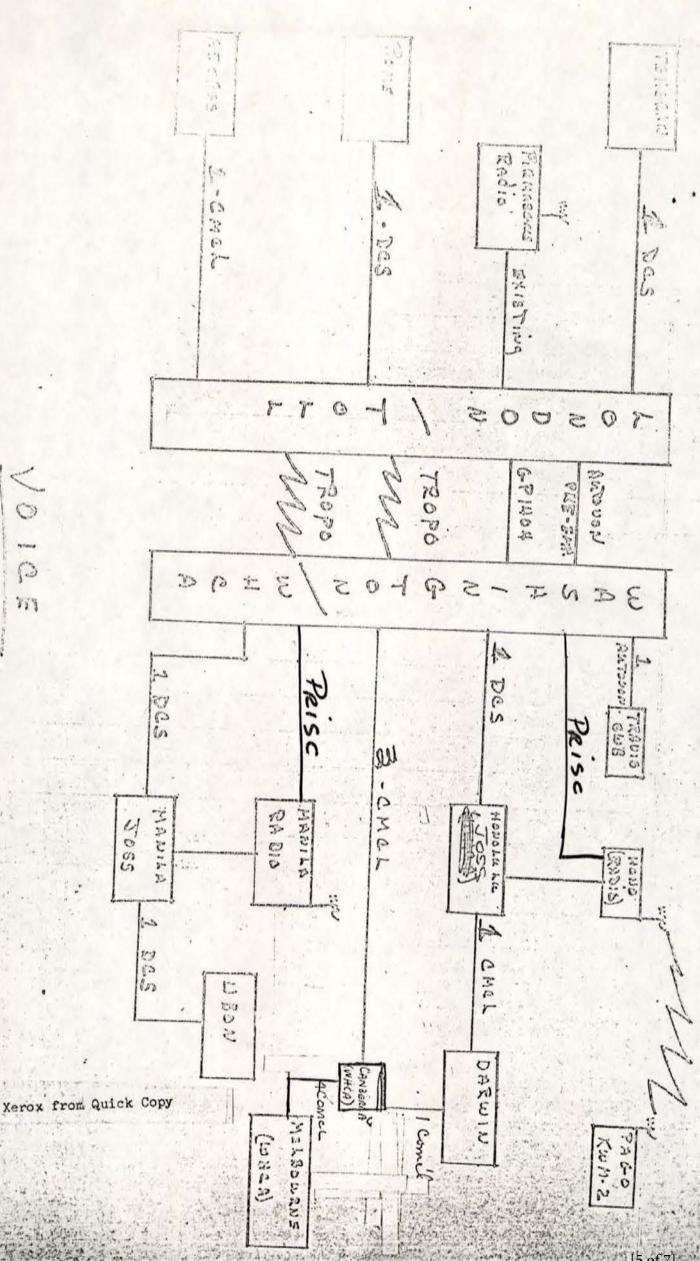
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