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SEPTEMBER 19, 1967 - 5:55 p.m.

Secretary McNamara  
Secretary Katzenbach  
Walt Rostow  
George Christian

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FOR THE PRESIDENT

**Tom**  
FROM: Tom Johnson

Attached are the notes of your meeting on September 19, 1967 in the Cabinet Room with Secretary McNamara, Under Secretary Katzenbach, Walt Rostow, and George Christian.

The meeting began at 5:55 p. m. The meeting ended at 6:35 p. m.

Attachment.

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NOTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT  
WITH  
SECRETARY McNAMARA  
UNDER SECRETARY KATZENBACH  
WALT ROSTOW  
GEORGE CHRISTIAN

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September 19, 1967  
Cabinet Room

The President read a tally sheet on a canvas of committee of those Senators favoring and opposing the Asian Development Bank proposal.

The President asked if the message had been reviewed and checked carefully. Mr. Rostow suggested one change which would indicate that no expenditures would be made under the proposal in this fiscal year.

The President suggested the following change in language: "Under this authorization, the budget for 1968 will not be affected because no expenditures will be made."

The President then approved the message.

The proposed U. N. speech by Ambassador Goldberg was discussed. The President said he hoped that the Ambassador would stick with what already has been said and Ho's position as expressed in his released letter. The President said nothing good could come from a U. N. speech at this time.

The President read a tally sheet on votes in committee compiled by Senator Mansfield related to the Asian Development Bank. Senator Mansfield said Senator Fulbright has asked the Department of State to handle the bill. The President said Eugene Black should talk with Senator Fulbright about his handling the legislation.

Secretary Katzenbach raised the question of a delegation to the South Vietnamese inauguration. The President asked the date. Secretary Katzenbach said it was in late October. The President said we had plenty of time to consider the delegation. Secretary Katzenbach suggested that the Vice President head the delegation.

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Bombing policy was discussed. Secretary McNamara said there was no need for new targets to be approved this week since the JCS has 49 targets already authorized but not struck.

The Secretary said improved jamming techniques have prevented loss of any aircraft using the new Air Force devices.

The Secretary said it may be necessary to begin escorting reconnaissance aircraft since one was shot down by enemy jets this week. They previously had been flying without escort.

The President asked for a status report on ABM and reaction to Secretary McNamara's speech before the UPI editors in California.

Secretary McNamara said he thought the speech accomplished two objectives: It provided an effective answer to the hawks who say we aren't doing enough. It avoided friction with Asian and European allies.

The President reiterated that he wanted an urgent priority given to talking with Senators and Congressmen on the Asian Development Bank message.

Secretary McNamara said it will be 3 - 6 months before we get the barrier working along the DMZ. He said he would like to have it operational by November.

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