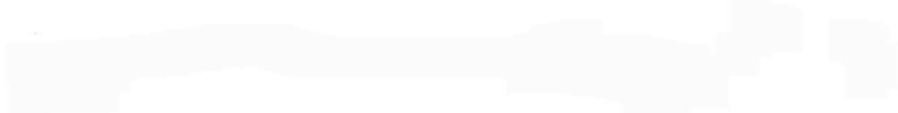


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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 18, 1966

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I appreciate the frankness with which you have written me concerning our Food for Peace Program in Jamaica.

As was explained to your Acting Prime Minister when he was in Washington last month, increasing world demands for food have sharply reduced our existing food surplus. In order that adequate assistance may be made available to programs benefiting the children of the world, the group most vulnerable to malnutrition and most dependent on the help of others, we have made a decision to give lowest priority to family feeding type programs. This policy is being applied world-wide. As you point out in your letter, the shift from a family feeding program to assistance to children in Jamaica will take place gradually so as not to cause undue hardships.

I understand that representatives of our two countries have already discussed the possibility of expanding the school luncheon and maternal child welfare programs. We would be pleased to consider proposals for additional commodity assistance for programs of this type. If we can agree on such proposals, there is no reason why the existing level of food commodity assistance to Jamaica cannot continue and possibly expand.

Again, Mr. Prime Minister, I thank you for the confidence with which you have written me. It is a measure of the deep and long-standing good-will which exists between our two countries.

*Cy Zandler (Revised + CF 2/23)*

I send you best wishes for your continued good health  
and happiness.

Sincerely,



The Right Honorable  
Sir William Alexander Bustamante  
Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs  
of Jamaica  
Kingston.

*Secretary*

MEMORANDUM

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Wednesday - August 17, 1966 - 5:00 p.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT - ACTION

SUBJECT: Letter from Jamaican Prime Minister

Jamaican Prime Minister Bustamente has written you complaining about the shift in our Food for Peace Program from indigent family feeding to programs benefitting children (Tab B).

The reasons for the shift are:

- the indigent feeding program in Jamaica has not gone well from the beginning due to Jamaican politics and poor Jamaican administration support.
- we are shifting on a world-wide basis away from indigent feeding to programs more specifically directed at helping children.

The shift in Jamaica is to be made over an 18-24 month period so as to cushion its efforts. We are prepared to increase school lunch and material child welfare programs so that there need be no net decrease in food assistance.

All of this was explained to Acting Prime Minister Sangster when he was in Washington early last month.

The attached suggested reply (Tab A) goes over the same ground reviewed with Sangster.

I recommend that you sign the letter.

WGB

William G. Bowdler

Bowdler Smith

Attachments

Tabs A & B.

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JAMAICA HOUSE  
Kingston 10, Jamaica

July 19, 1966

*Received in  
State Aug 2*

Lyndon B. Johnson, Esq.,  
President,  
The United States of America,  
The White House,  
Washington, D. C

My dear President,

The United States of America through some agency has been very generous to a great portion of the world inclusive of Jamaica - only to some extent to Jamaica, of course, in supplying food for the indigent for which the Jamaica Government is more grateful.

Our friendship, particularly mine who lived in the United States for many years, is a genuine one. It is not based on any kind of help that the United States may or may not afford Jamaica.

It has come to my certain knowledge that it is proposed to cut off the supply of food which is now being made to approximately forty thousand families, because it is said that the food is not being properly distributed, and the Jamaica Government has been advised by the State Department that this will be done gradually.

I take a profoundly dim view of this decision to a friendly country as Jamaica is, and I deem it my duty to advise you. I regard this action as unfriendly and I wish to have the decision reconsidered with a view to having the supply to Jamaica continue.

Believe me, that whatever action might be taken to cut off this supply will not affect my good feeling for your Government.

Good luck and good health.

Yours sincerely,

/signed/ A. Bustamente

PRIME MINISTER.

P.S. I have asked our Ambassador to deliver this letter to you.

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*Note: The Jamaican Ambassador delivered the letter August 2 to the State Department, Bowley Smith*



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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALT W. ROSTOW  
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letter to the President from  
Prime Minister Bustamante of  
Jamaica, dated July 19, 1966

In my memorandum of August 6 on the same subject, it was stated that the Department had queried Embassy Kingston for its recommendations for an appropriate reply to the Prime Minister. These have now been received and a suggested reply from the President to the Prime Minister is enclosed.

  
Benjamin H. Read  
Executive Secretary

Enclosures:

1. Suggested draft reply.
- ②. ~~Copy of~~ letter from Prime Minister Bustamante. *Rec'd, 8/23*  
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SUGGESTED PRESIDENTIAL REPLY

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

~~Thank you for your sincere and frank letter of July 19 regarding the United States Food for Peace Program in Jamaica and the reports that you have received that it will be discontinued.~~

As you know, increasing world demands for food have <sup>sharply</sup> ~~resulted~~ <sup>reduced</sup> in the elimination of the <sup>our</sup> ~~previously~~ existing food surplus. ~~of the United States.~~ In order that adequate assistance may be made available to programs benefiting the children of the world, the group most vulnerable to malnutrition and most dependent on the help of others, <sup>we have</sup> ~~my government~~ has made a decision to give lowest priority to family feeding type programs. This policy is being applied world-wide. As you pointed out, in Jamaica the shift from a family feeding program to assistance to children will take place gradually so as not to cause undue hardships.

I understand that ~~in discussions between~~ representatives of <sup>our two countries have already discussed</sup> ~~Jamaica and the United States~~ the possibility ~~has been raised~~ of expanding the school luncheon and maternal child welfare programs. We would be pleased to consider <sup>proposals for additional</sup> ~~provision of~~ commodity assistance ~~to such~~

The Right Honorable  
Sir William Alexander Bustamante,  
Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs  
of Jamaica, Kingston.

for these ~~purposes~~ <sup>programs of this type</sup>. If we can agree on such ~~to such expansions should this be proposed. In this regard,~~

<sup>proposals</sup> ~~If mutually agreeable programs of this nature are developed,~~ <sup>there is no reason why the</sup> ~~the~~ existing level of food commodity assistance to Jamaica ~~cannot~~ <sup>cannot</sup> continue and possibly expand.

~~Allow me to reaffirm the deep and long-standing goodwill which exists between our two countries and to express my warmest wishes for your good health and happiness.~~

Sincerely,

~~You are so precious to me that I want  
me just that and your health.~~

<sup>As</sup> I send you best wishes for your continued good health & happiness.

Mr. Prime Minister,  
Again, I thank you <sup>for the confidence</sup> ~~for your faithfulness~~ with which you have written me. It is a measure of the deep and long-standing goodwill which exists between our two countries.



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August 6, 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALT W. ROSTOW  
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letter to the President from  
Prime Minister Bustamante,  
dated July 19, 1966

The Department has asked our Embassy in Kingston for any background information and comments on the points raised in Prime Minister Bustamante's letter, delivered to the Department on August 2, and for recommendations regarding a reply.

The Department's recommended reply will be forwarded as soon as our Embassy's views have been received.

*for Larry C. Williamson*  
Benjamin H. Read  
Executive Secretary

Enclosure:

Prime Minister Bustamante's letter  
to the President dated July 19.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALT W. ROSTOW  
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letter to the President from  
Prime Minister Bustamante,  
dated July 19, 1966

There is enclosed a letter to the President from Sir Alexander Bustamante, Prime Minister of Jamaica which was delivered to the Department on August 2 by the Jamaican Embassy in Washington.

The Department's recommendation as to a reply will follow.

Benjamin H. Read  
Executive Secretary

Enclosure:

Letter to the President from  
Prime Minister Bustamante, dated July 19, 1966. 7 Deyto  
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JAMAICA HOUSE  
KINGSTON 10, JAMAICA

July 19, 1966.

Lyndon B. Johnson, Esq.,  
President,  
The United States of America,  
The White House,  
Washington D.C.

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It has come to my certain knowledge that it is proposed to cut off the supply of food which is now being made to approximately forty thousand families, because it is said that the food is not being properly distributed, and the Jamaica Government has been advised by the State Department that this will be done gradually.

I take a profoundly dim view of this decision to a friendly country as Jamaica is, and I deem it my duty to advise you. I regard this action as unfriendly and I wish to have the decision reconsidered with a view to having the supply to Jamaica continue.

Believe me, that whatever action might be taken to cut off this supply will not affect my good feeling for your Government.

Good luck and good health.

Yours sincerely,

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PRIME MINISTER.

P.S. I have asked our Ambassador to deliver this letter to you.

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Please deliver following message dated March 23  
to Acting Prime Minister Sangster from the President:

QUOTE:

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

Your thoughtful letter regarding the tragic hotel fire in Kingston last month both saddened and pleased me. I regret the loss caused by the fire. At the same time I am very glad that our men on the USS Johnston and the USS Suribachi were able to work alongside your firemen in preventing the destruction from being more extensive.

I am grateful to you for taking the time from your busy schedule to write to me about this incident. I am sending your letter to Secretary of Defense McNamara so that he can

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ships your very generous words on their actions.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

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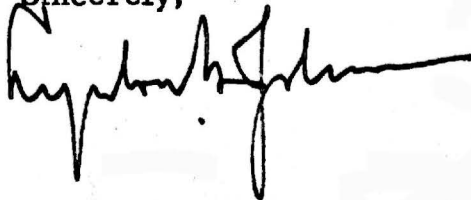
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Sincerely,



The Honorable  
Donald B. Sangster  
Acting Prime Minister  
of Jamaica  
Kingston.

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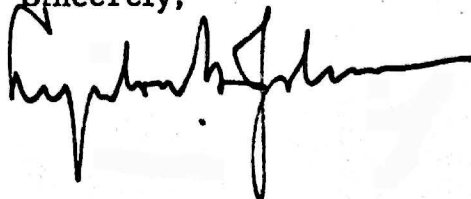
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The Honorable  
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March 23, 1966

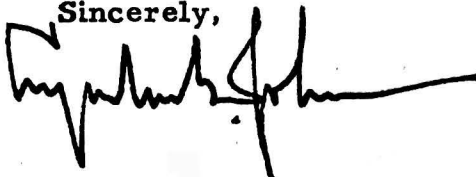
Dear Bob:

It is always a great personal pleasure to hear of the gallantry of our service men whether on the field of battle or on humanitarian missions.

Acting Prime Minister Sangster of Jamaica has written me about the gallant help given by the men of the USS Johnston and the USS Suribachi in fighting a serious fire in downtown Kingston last month. I am enclosing a copy of his letter.

I request that you convey to Commander John T. Mingo and Captain D. B. Harris, and through them to the officers and men of the two ships, the Prime Minister's generous words of appreciation. I also want them to know how proud and grateful I am.

Sincerely,



Honorable Robert S. McNamara  
Secretary of Defense  
Washington.

Enclosure

August 25, 1966

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

The President and I are grateful for your and Mrs. Bustamante's good wishes on the wedding of our daughter, Luci, to Patrick John Nugent. We deeply appreciate your friendly and thoughtful greeting on this occasion which means so much to us.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson

The Right Honorable  
Sir William Alexander Bustamante  
Prime Minister and Minister of  
External Affairs of Jamaica  
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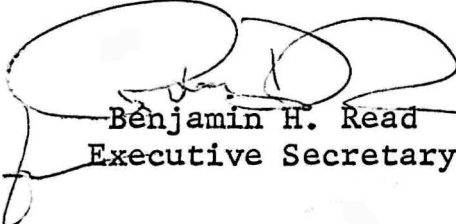
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~~MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALT W. ROSTOW  
THE WHITE HOUSE~~

Subject: Telegram to the President from  
Sir Alexander Bustamante,  
Prime Minister of Jamaica

In response to Mr. Bromley Smith's memorandum of August 10 transmitting a copy of a telegram to the President from the Prime Minister of Jamaica congratulating the President on the marriage of his daughter, the Department recommends that the enclosed reply be made.

  
Benjamin H. Read  
Executive Secretary

Enclosures:

1. Copy of Telegram.
2. Suggested reply.

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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

ON THE OCCASION OF THE MARRIAGE OF YOUR LOVELY DAUGHTER LUCI  
MY WIFE AND I EXTEND WARMEST GOOD WISHES FOR THEIR LIFELONG  
HAPPINESS STOP PLEASE ACCEPT PERSONAL AND WARM REGARDS FOR  
YOURSELF LADY BIRD AND LYNDA

SIR ALEXANDER BUTAMANTE PRIME MINISTER JAMAICA.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 18, 1966

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

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As was explained to your Acting Prime Minister when he was in Washington last month, increasing world demands for food have sharply reduced our existing food surplus. In order that adequate assistance may be made available to programs benefiting the children of the world, the group most vulnerable to malnutrition and most dependent on the help of others, we have made a decision to give lowest priority to family feeding type programs. This policy is being applied world-wide. As you point out in your letter, the shift from a family feeding program to assistance to children in Jamaica will take place gradually so as not to cause undue hardships.

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Again, Mr. Prime Minister, I thank you for the confidence with which you have written me. It is a measure of the deep and long-standing good-will which exists between our two countries.

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and happiness.

Sincerely,



The Right Honorable  
Sir William Alexander Bustamente  
Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs  
of Jamaica  
Kingston.



JAMAICA HOUSE  
KINGSTON 10, JAMAICA

July 19, 1966.

Lyndon B. Johnson, Esq.,  
President,  
The United States of America,  
The White House,  
Washington D.C.

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I take a profoundly dim view of this decision to a friendly country as Jamaica is, and I deem it my duty to advise you. I regard this action as unfriendly and I wish to have the decision reconsidered with a view to having the supply to Jamaica continue.

Believe me, that whatever action might be taken to cut off this supply will not affect my good feeling for your Government.

Good luck and good health.

Yours sincerely,

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PRIME MINISTER.

P.S. I have asked our Ambassador to deliver this letter to you.

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Lyndon B. Johnson, Esq.,  
President,  
The United States of America,  
The White House,  
WASHINGTON D.C.

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GRATEFUL FOR YOUR TELEGRAM WITH ITS KIND EXPRESSIONS AND  
CONGRATULATIONS ON JAMAICAS FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE STOP  
MAY OUR COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES CONTINUE TO COOPERATE IN THE INTEREST  
OF PROSPERITY AND WORLD PEACE

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13th July, 1966.

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Dear President,

Please accept my sincere thanks for the photographs of the Moon which you so kindly sent to me through your Embassy in Jamaica. This is a "fine gesture" of friendship and co-operation.

During the present decade, science has made rapid progress and the United States of America have done much in research to accomplish this achievement.

Humanity stands to be benefited by the breaking into of the vast untapped store-houses of knowledge.

Yours sincerely,

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President Johnson.

President Johnson,  
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SIR CLIFFORD C. CAMPBELL, G.C.M.G.,

GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF JAMAICA,

KINGSTON.

On the occasion of this anniversary of the independence of Jamaica it gives me great pleasure, on behalf of the people of the United States and my own behalf, to send to you and through you to the people of Jamaica sincere good wishes and assurances of our warm friendship. May the ties of mutual trust and understanding between our two countries be strengthened from year to year.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

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FYI following message will be sent direct via commercial channels to Governor-General, August 1.

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Department will release upon confirmation of receipt unless objection perceived.

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The Ambassador of Jamaica presents his compliments to the Acting Secretary of State and has the honour to request that the following message from the Acting Prime Minister of Jamaica be conveyed to the President of the United States:

"On behalf of the Government and People of Jamaica I have great pleasure to extend to you my sincere congratulations on the anniversary of your Independence. I take this opportunity to express best wishes for the continued well being of the people of the United States and for cordial relations between our two countries."

The Ambassador of Jamaica avails himself of the opportunity to renew to the Acting Secretary of State the assurances of his highest consideration.

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Washington, D.C.

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1. Following text of 4 of July message from GOJ to President:

QUOTE.

/ The Ambassador of Jamaica presents his compliments to the Acting Secretary of State and has the honor to request that the following message from the Acting Prime Minister of Jamaica be conveyed to the President of the United States of America on behalf of the government and people of Jamaica.

INNERQUOTE.

/I have great pleasure to extend to you my sincere congratulations on the anniversary of your independence.

I take this opportunity to express best wishes for the continued well-being of the people of the United States and for cordial relations between our two countries. END/

The Ambassador takes this opportunity to renew to the Acting Secretary of State the assurance of his highest consideration.

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2. Following reply should be conveyed to the Acting Prime Minister:

QUOTE. On behalf of our people and Government, I thank you for your good wishes on the 190th anniversary of the independence of the United States of America.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson UNQUOTE.

3. The White House does not plan to release this reply but has no objection if the GOJ wishes to do so.

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July 2, 1966

FOR: Mr. Walt W. Rostow  
The White House

FROM:  Benjamin H. Read  
Executive Secretary

Enclosed is a congratulatory  
4th of July message from the Acting  
Prime Minister of Jamaica to the  
President. This message was  
telephoned to the Department by the  
Jamaican Embassy for transmission  
to the White House.

Enclosure:

Message from the Acting  
Prime Minister of Jamaica.

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The following message was telephoned to the Department by the Jamaican Embassy. An identical message will be sent to the Department for delivery to the White House on Tuesday, July 5:

"The Ambassador of Jamaica presents his compliments to the Acting Secretary of State and has the honor to request that the following message from the Acting Prime Minister of Jamaica be conveyed to the President of the United States of America on behalf of the government and people of Jamaica:

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June 10, 1966

Dear Governor General:

I thought you might want these copies of photographs of the surface of the moon taken by the Surveyor I spacecraft.

These and other photographs will be distributed to the scientific community of the world in the hope that they will contribute to our combined knowledge of the lunar surface.

I have the strong feeling that if we are wise and earnest, what is happening in outer space can help us live better together on earth.

Sincerely,

His Excellency  
Sir Clifford C. Campbell, G.C.M.G.,  
Governor General of Jamaica,  
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Please deliver following message dated March 23 to Acting Prime Minister Sangster from the President:

QUOTE:

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

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I am grateful to you for taking the time from your busy schedule to write to me about this incident. I am sending your letter to Secretary of Defense McNamara so that he can

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Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

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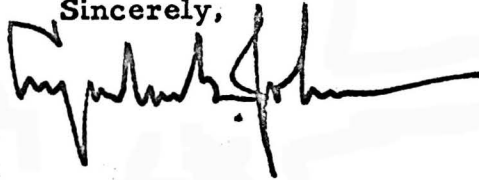
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I request that you convey to Commander John T. Mingo and Captain D. B. Harris, and through them to the officers and men of the two ships, the Prime Minister's generous words of appreciation. I also want them to know how proud and grateful I am.

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Honorable Robert S. McNamara  
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Enclosure

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PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE,  
P.O. BOX 512,  
KINGSTON,  
JAMAICA, W.I.

28th February, 1966

Dear Mr. President,

On behalf of the Jamaica Government, I would like to bring to your attention the gallant help which was provided to our Jamaican Fire Brigade, by the navy men from the U.S.S. "Johnston" and the U.S.S. "Suribachi".

Last evening in the business section of downtown Kingston, we suffered a tragic fire which completely destroyed the Myrtle Bank Hotel. Had it not been for the quick assistance which the Captains of both these vessels provided, a major section of downtown Kingston would possibly have been devastated. Through Commander John T. Mingo and Captain D.B. Harris, the entire fire fighting units of both vessels voluntarily came to our assistance and their help cannot be over estimated.

As Commander in Chief of your country's armed forces, do accept, on behalf of the Jamaican Government, our heartfelt appreciation for this assistance.

Yours sincerely,

(D.B. Sangster)  
Acting Prime Minister

The President of the United States,  
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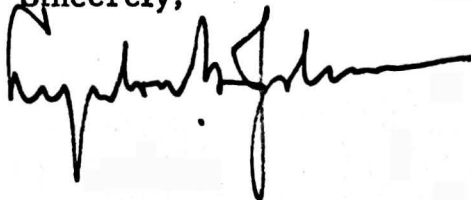
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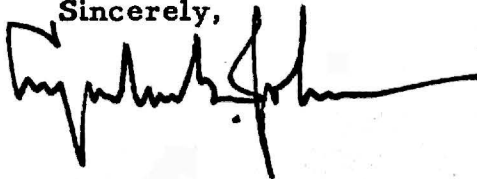
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