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Meeting in President's Office

Date: January 29, 1966

Time: 12:45 (a.m. or p.m. not specified)

Present: President, Vice President, Rusk, Goldberg, Bundy, Moyers,

and Valenti

(From notes by J. Valenti)

Rusk: It's up to you and me, Arthur, to draft a first class resolution to the Security Council.

President: Let me tell you my views. I was against the first pause, and the second pause. It has created a situation of doubt. I don't want to fail to explore every possible avenue. I don't want to fail the men out there.

After the 12-hour and the 30-hour truce and the Pope's message -- I decided on the pause.

We should write the Pope, encourage him --we must figure out what to do in reporting to the UN -- in accordance with SEATO Treaty.

What can we ask the UN to do? I want the diplomats to keep moving.

First, letter to the Pope.

Second, a report to the UN.

Third, how can we keep the initiatives going? Don't want to be constantly reacting to Ho.

Goldberg: We have already good reporting on our peace efforts.

Two other moves:

1. Go to Security Council. I favor going because it is demonstration of desire for solution. But don't think it will get anywhere. Whatever you do there are risks. Wilson did it cleverly. He (preempted? or prevented?) the resolution. If the resolution did go for, we still have enough strength to defeat a resolution we don't want.

Rusk: The Japanese are dying to do something for peace, so they will be eager.

President: This afternoon and tomorrow figure out what we need to do to emphasize peace.

Goldberg: Our friends will tell us not to go, but we shouldn't let them rule us. The dominant theme is disengagement between us and the Soviets.

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President: I've played out my pause -- not from 115 countries have I gotten anything. I want you men to evolve for me political and peace moves -- initiatives of my own.

- -- Letter to Pope.
- -- Report to UN and advocate peace.

Because I certify that the Fulbrights and the Morses will be under the table and the hard liners will take over -- unless we take initiatives.

I can see lot of things developing in the future to distress us. So let us keep peace emphasis on.

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