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Luncheon Meeting in the Mansion

Date: April 5, 1966

Time: 1 p.m. to 2:20 p.m.

Present: President, Vice President, Rusk, McNamara, General Taylor, Admiral McDonald, Rostow, Moyers, and Valenti.

(from Valenti notes)

Information from Vietnam seems unclear. Taylor thinks situation in Danang is better, but what will Buddhists do? Rostow feels this morning is much better than we anticipated last night.

(President suggested Jay Taylor as Ambassador to Pakistan.)

Rusk discussed use of B-52's in Laos. Need to talk to Souvanna Phouma about this if we go in beyond several thousand yards.

President approved talking to Souvanna Phouma about this.

President wants meeting with Seaborg before decision to test more (AEC).

On NATO: Rusk wants two-year extension in leaving France. And to allay fears we may want to stay, he also recommends bringing home a squadron or two immediately.

Taylor disagrees -- thinks it will scare allies if we withdraw units.

President says to talk to allies first. McNamara says in terms of cost, sooner we leave the better.

On India:

Rusk: Under orders from President, will get with B. K. Nehru and put heat on for help from other countries. Rostow to urge Marks and USIA to increase flow of information on our compassion for India.

Thursday before President leaves: meeting with Rusk and Macy. (Tell Watson.) President suggested J.R. Parten as Ambassador to Pakistan.

McNamara has request from Fulbright to testify in open session on foreign aid. President suggests McNamara talk with Russell and get Russell to tell him he should not testify. Then see Mansfield and Dirksen.

President discoursed on need not to reveal war plans.

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