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THE WHITE HOUSE  
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September 27, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

Information Items

Disaster Relief Effort in Central America: The disaster relief effort in Honduras continues, with the emphasis shifting to transportation of large amounts of foodstuffs and supplies to areas in need. The UN Disaster Coordination Officer puts current priorities on water supplies, food, and medicines. In addition to the relief effort in Honduras, the U.S. has contributed 340 tons of corn for relief in Belize and authorized expenditure of \$25,000 for additional relief costs there. Guatemalan officials are also in the process of estimating losses, particularly of an agricultural nature. Requests for assistance which have been met, together with those expected imminently from Honduras and the disaster relief authorized for Belize, are expected to exhaust the current funds committed for the hurricane (\$350,000). Efforts to obtain additional funds from Congress are in progress but until approved, allotted, and obligated, we will be unable to proceed with new procurements for the relief effort.

Indochina Military Situation: Cambodian government forces have stemmed the Khmer Communist advance toward the provincial capital of Kompong Chnnang, some 50 miles northwest of Phnom Penh, and are now counterattacking. The insurgents, however, have destroyed several bridges on Route 5, halting road traffic between Kompong Chnnang and the provincial capital of Pursat to the northwest. Light and inconclusive fighting continues around other provincial centers and Phnom Penh remains the target of sporadic and ineffective rocket attacks.

There have been no significant developments in the fighting in South Vietnam for the past few days.

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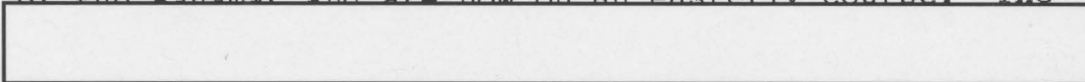
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Rumors of Impending Military Move Against Lon Nol: Recent reports indicate that rumors are afoot in Phnom Penh of an impending move against the Lon Nol government by senior Cambodian army officers. Although unfounded coup rumors have emerged during times of stress in the past, the current rumors are particularly worrisome, given the continuing public discontent with recently implemented economic reform measures. This domestic backlash could embolden senior officers who are rankled, among other things, over the recent return to Phnom Penh of Brigadier General Lon Non. A number of unit commanders in the Phnom Penh area recently claimed that they would join with their troops in support of any move against the government by senior generals.

Guyana Passes Bauxite Levy: The legislature in Guyana has passed and published a bill imposing a levy on Reynolds Mines bauxite production. The legislation now awaits only signature by the President, expected imminently, before going into effect. The bill allows the company only ten days in which to pay the levy for the first two quarters of 1974, which is estimated to be about \$3.5 million. In addition, the company has ten days to deliver statements of the amount of bauxite produced and the prices received for that period. The bill also provides for personal sanctions, including imprisonment, against the local manager and other principal officers of the company for failure to meet the requirements of the legislation.

Soviet Task Force To Cuba Changes Plans: Only one cruiser of a Soviet task group entered Havana harbor on Wednesday, although all four ships in the group had been expected to do so. The task group is composed of two guided-missile cruisers and two attack submarines. Failure of the three ships to enter port is unusual, as both the Soviet and Cuban governments had previously announced the dates of the visit. The second cruiser and two submarines lingered in the strait of Florida on Wednesday. They moved north of the Bahamas and are now on an easterly course. The

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Portuguese Political Tensions Increasing: Political tensions are increasing in Portugal as preparations continue for a large pro-Spinola rally on Saturday. Spinola has not publicly expressed his support or disapproval for the rally. Media coverage of the rally has connected Spinola with a resurgence of fascism that may be difficult for him to live down. Nonetheless, if the rally is successful, Spinola's position will have been strengthened. He will then be able to move ahead with his efforts to establish a system of government less vulnerable to a takeover by authoritarian elements on either the right or left. The political turmoil in Lisbon has brought unconfirmed reports that some elements of the extreme right are preparing to mount a coup against the provisional government. A power grab by conservative forces would probably be encouraged by any violence that came from the rally, especially if Spinola should seek to dismiss Prime Minister Goncalves as a result. Spinola has been dissatisfied over his management of the government, particularly the decolonization process.

Cuba May Release U.S. Citizen: There are some signs that the Cuban government may use the visit of Senators Javits and Pell this weekend to release a U.S. citizen jailed for espionage nine years ago. The prisoner, Lawrence K. Lunt, is no longer in his usual place of confinement, according to a European recently released from prison. Mrs. Lunt, a Belgian national also received a telegram from a friend in Cuba who strongly implied that Lunt would soon be free.

West Germany Frees Bank Assets: The West Germany Bundesbank yesterday announced an 8-percent decrease in the minimum reserves banks are required to hold against their domestic and foreign liabilities. Effective October 1, the measure will free about \$1.5 billion of assets that the banks can use as the basis for new lending. Bundesbank President Klasen said

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the move was designed to offset the contractionary effect on the supply of credit caused by continuing outflows of foreign exchange.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

September 27, 1974

PRESIDENT'S EVENING REPORT

Export Administration Act - Conferees yesterday agreed on the Export Administration Act and, in the process, disposed of the important anti-Soviet amendments which Jackson had pushed through in the Senate. Committee staff tell us that House conferee Ashley was responsible for this, and that, in the process, the conference bill not only knocks out Jackson's proposed amendment on this act, but has the effect of negating the Jackson Amendment on the same subject which he successfully attached to the military procurement bill. Other Senate amendments did carry, including three Stevenson-sponsored efforts to strengthen the Administration's ability to control exports to countries which are deemed to be applying economic pressures on the United States.

Foreign Aid - As of this afternoon, no decision had been made in the Senate as to whether to bring the Foreign Aid Bill up next week. It appears that if the Rockefeller nomination is reported out, the Bill will not come to the floor until after the recess.

*Robert D. Ingersoll*  
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Deputy Secretary



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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September 27, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM: The Situation Room

SUBJECT: Additional Information Items

Argentine Reaction to CIA Involvement in Chile: The subject of CIA involvement in Chile has received widespread publicity in Argentina, as it has throughout Latin America. Noting that President Ford has openly admitted intervention in other countries, a national deputy has called for an investigation of CIA activities in Argentina and for the American ambassador in Argentina to clarify CIA involvement in Argentina's internal affairs. In his note to the minister of interior setting forth these requests, the congressman accused the CIA of being behind the right-wing death squads that have recently murdered a number of prominent leftists. The congressman reportedly is high on their list for assassination. Our embassy doubts the government will follow up on the demand for an investigation, which will nonetheless result in embarrassment to the Argentine government as well as to us. (Low)

Makarios Reportedly to Return to Cyprus: [redacted]

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[redacted] Archbishop Makarios' present plans call for his return to Cyprus on October 20. A member of Makarios' entourage, who expects to accompany the archbishop, said that Makarios would remain in New York for two weeks and then fly to Cyprus via Athens. [redacted] as of September 24 the plans seemed to be firm, but that the itinerary might be changed to include a stop in London.

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Argentinian Takes Asylum in Mexico: The recently ousted rector of the University of Buenos Aires has requested and

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been granted asylum in Mexico. While he had received threatening phone calls and no doubt feared assassination by right-wing terrorists, his decision to seek asylum was clearly an effort to embarrass the Peron government. He could have departed Argentina freely at any time and was under no restrictions from the government. The government will almost certainly guarantee him safe conduct out of the country despite its embarrassment and its claim he does not qualify for asylum. (Low)



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