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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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October 3, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

Information Item

Guatemala-Belize Dispute: On instructions from President Laugerud, Guatemalan Acting Foreign Minister Obiols and Defense Minister Lucas met with Ambassador Meloy Wednesday to discuss the Belize dispute. Our ambassador describes the tone of their presentation as passionate, hawkish, intense, and disheartening. The officials renewed appeals for U.S. mediation of the dispute and reiterated Guatemalan territorial demands. Meloy believes the primary purpose of the meeting was to convince the U.S. of the reality of impending Guatemalan military action, particularly if UN action on the subject should be unfavorable to Guatemala's position. Meloy believes that Guatemala hopes that we would urge some concessions or movement by Belize and the British. They may also want to establish a clear record that the U.S. was fully warned in the event that a military invasion should take place. Assistant Secretary Rogers also discussed the issue in New York with Foreign Minister Molina, who was somewhat more moderate in tone. At the meeting, our ambassador was also informed that the Guatemalan government is canceling its contract for the purchase of eleven C-47 airplanes. The move follows Ambassador Meloy's informing President Laugerud that we could not respond favorably to the Guatemalan request for the planes so long as there was any doubt about their possible use against Belize.

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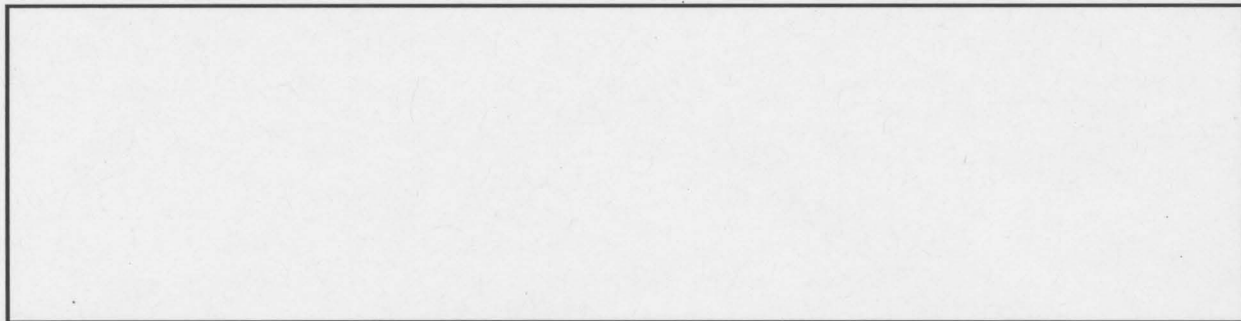
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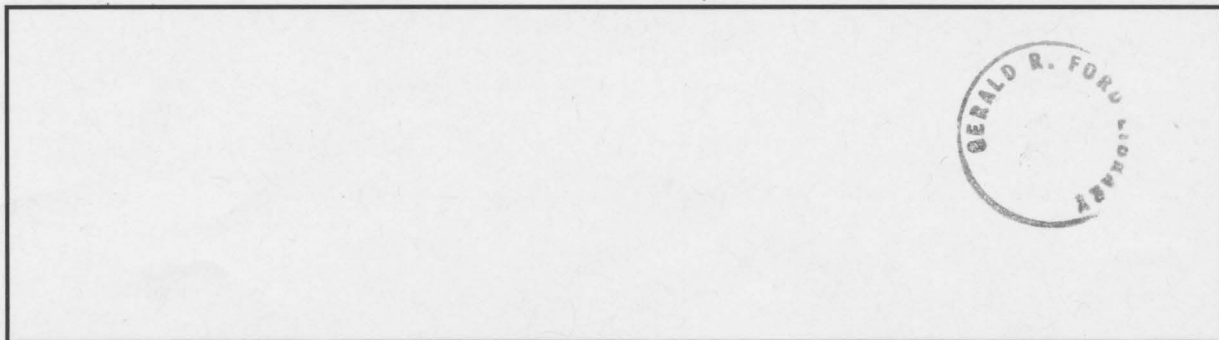
Japanese Press Reports Your Remarks to Miyazawa on Talks With North Korea: The Tokyo Daily Yomiuri on October 1 carried an article by its New York correspondent citing sources close to the Japanese UN mission, that the U.S. and North Korea are expected to hold talks toward the end of this month in New York. The article noted that this assessment following Foreign Minister Miyazawa's "statement" last Saturday that he had talked with you about the possibility of such talks. (We have not seen the Miyazawa statement referred to.) According to the correspondent, his sources said the U.S.-North Korean talks would be held through arrangements by UN Secretary General Waldheim. This item may cause some nervousness in Seoul. (Taylor)

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