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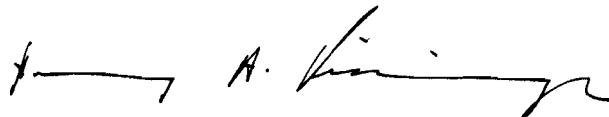
TO: The Secretary of State
 The Secretary of Defense
 Director of the Bureau of the Budget
 Administrator of the Agency for
 International Development
 President of the Export-Import Bank

SUBJECT: U. S. Foreign Aid Policy

The President has directed the preparation of a paper on U. S. foreign aid policy for NSC consideration. The paper should consider alternative strategies for overall U. S. policy and include analysis of the political aspects of aid, the costs and benefits of different types of aid, and the costs and benefits of different aid levels.

To prepare the paper, the President has directed the creation of an Ad Hoc Working Group chaired by the Deputy Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, and to include the Deputy Administrator of AID, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs, the Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for International Affairs, appropriate representatives from the Bureau of the Budget and the Export-Import Bank, a member of the NSC staff, and/or their alternates. As appropriate, the chairman of the Working Group may invite other agencies to send representatives to specific meetings.

The report of the Group shall be forwarded to the NSC Review Group by March 15, 1969.

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