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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

The India-Pakistan Situation  
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1. Heavy fighting continues in the Sialkot area, with Pakistan and India making widely varying claims. According to Pakistani sources nearly 100 Indian tanks have been destroyed in the past two days and the Indian attack has been halted. The Pakistani's also claim to have crossed the Indian border south of Lahore. According to Indian reports their forces in the Sialkot area are having success and have destroyed large numbers of Pakistani tanks. South of Lahore the Indians claim they have penetrated five miles inside Pakistan. There is no confirmation of the Pakistani claim that the southernmost Indian invading force has been driven back across the border into Rajasthan Province.

2.

[redacted] subtle change in the tone of official Pakistani statements in the past few days. Emphasis has changed from victory claims and a discussion of the necessity of fighting to a discussion of how peace can be brought about. [redacted] this may reflect concern that Pakistan lacks the men and material to continue to repel Indian attacks, and may be seeking to end the war before its military forces are neutralized. [redacted]

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3. An Indian note to Communist China, made public yesterday, accused Peiping of a "mischievous" attempt to connect India's fight with Pakistan and the India-China border troubles. The Indians rejected Chinese allegations that India had violated the Chinese

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border in August, and warned that the involvement of external forces in its dispute with Pakistan would only impede peace efforts.

4. Indonesia's ambassador in Karachi reiterated his country's support for Pakistan telling a Karachi crowd that Indonesia is ready to send a million volunteers to fight against India.

5. Early yesterday Iranian Prime Minister Hoveida told the US ambassador in Tehran that Iran was considering token military assistance to Pakistan which would be primarily non-MAP materials, but could include some F-86s. Ambassador Meyer's strong objections to the sending of MAP material apparently changed the Iranians' minds, however, because later the Shah told the ambassador he had decided to forego sending MAP material. Although the Shah has apparently decided to give Pakistan only slight military assistance, the ambassador is not entirely convinced that some MAP material will not be sent from Iran to Pakistan.

6. The American Broadcasting Company has told the State Department that one of its correspondents and two cameramen--both British subjects--have been arrested in Rawalpindi. On 10 September, without giving any reason for its action, Pakistan expelled a US Army colonel.

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