

addition #2

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

Bud :

Inasmuch as you have been directly involved in this Arab boycott operation ever since Pod Hills first surfaced it several months ago, you understand as well as I that we have never been able to resolve the problem of where primary responsibility resides. This has had the practical effect of leaving the bureaucratic responsibility with Euchen's shop, while we try (sometimes desperately) to keep up with what is happening and ensure that the substantive foreign and economic policy considerations are properly represented. On the question of scheduling a meeting with the *resident, Euchen's office has taken the lead and requested the meeting right after receiving Jim Conners memo with the President's decision to approve it. What form their request to Nicholson took, I do not know but they did associate NSC. As it stands, there will be no meeting before the President returns from Paris, since there is no time on his schedule. We will have a memo presenting options in lieu of the strategy meeting which the President can study on the trip. *Bob*

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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Bob Oakley

The General has reviewed the attached and asked that you coordinate with Seidman and or Buchen to urge a strateg meeting this week and submit a quick schedule proposal which we can walk through. If Seidman and or Buchen have a problem with holding a meeting then we can submit a proposal on our own. Please let me know how you want to proceed and I will be glad to move it promptly.

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