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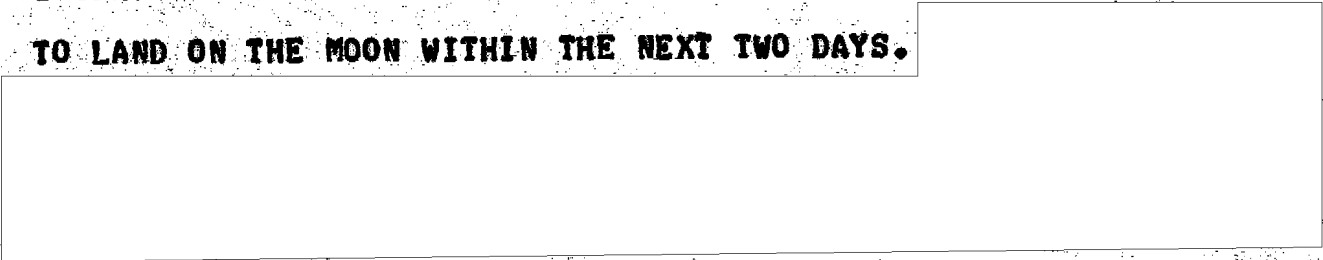
MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER

FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM

SUBJECT: EVENING NOTES

NUCLEAR WEAPONS WILL NOT BE USED IN VIETNAM: THE WHITE HOUSE, THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT TODAY RULED OUT THE USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS BY THE UNITED STATES IN THE VIETNAM WAR. THE SUBJECT CAME UP AS THE RESULT OF TESTIMONY BY WILLIAM CLEMENTS. RON ZIEGLER SAID THAT THE PRESIDENT HAS MADE CLEAR REPEATEDLY THAT NUCLEAR WEAPONS ARE "NOT ONE OF THE CONTINGENT ELEMENTS HE WILL USE IN RELATION TO VIETNAM." MEANWHILE, CLEMENTS ISSUED A STATEMENT SAYING THAT HE WISHED TO REITERATE SECRETARY ROGERS' WORDS: "WE ARE NOT GOING TO USE NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN SOUTH VIETNAM OR NORTH VIETNAM."

**SOVIET LUNAR PROBE: THE UNMANNED LUNAR SPACECRAFT LAUNCHED FROM TYURATAM MISSILE TEST RANGE ON JANUARY 8, WAS SUCCESSFULLY INSERTED INTO LUNAR ORBIT AT 12:15 P.M. TODAY. IT IS EXPECTED TO LAND ON THE MOON WITHIN THE NEXT TWO DAYS.**



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**STENNIS COMMITTEE PASSES SCHLESINGER: JAMES SCHLESINGER TODAY PASSED WHAT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE CALLED A "FULL EXAMINATION" ON HIS NOMINATION TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY. CHAIRMAN STENNIS SAID HE WAS IMPRESSED WITH THE NOMINEE'S "FIRM ANSWERS" TO THE COMMITTEE IN RECOGNITION OF AN OBLIGATION TO MAKE HIS OWN ULTIMATE CONCLUSIONS FROM INTELLIGENCE DATA INDEPENDENT OF ANYONE IN OR OUT OF GOVERNMENT. STENNIS SAID SCHLESINGER EXPRESSED UNEQUIVOCAL WILLINGNESS TO RESPOND WHEN CALLED UPON BY THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.**

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**BEAM ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT: EMBASSY MOSCOW ANNOUNCED TODAY  
THAT AMBASSADOR BEAM WILL LEAVE HIS POST JANUARY 24 AND RETIRE.  
OFFICIALS SAID NO SUCCESSOR HAS BEEN CHOSEN BY THE PRESIDENT.  
ADOLPH DUBS, MINISTER-COUNSELOR AT THE EMBASSY, WILL SERVE AS  
CHARGE PENDING THE ARRIVAL OF A NEW AMBASSADOR.**

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