

LTS-HK-AD252J

***** ~~TOP SECRET~~ ***** COPY

OP IMMED
ZCZCWP400
O 230436Z
FM SITUATION ROOM TONAK 22

State Dept. review completed

TO COL GUAY PARIS

ON-FILE NSC RELEASE
INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

~~TOP SECRET SENSITIVE CONTAINS CODEWORD~~

TOP SECRET/SENSITIVE
CONTAINS CODEWORD

JANUARY 23, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER
FROM: SITUATION ROOM

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ITEMS

HANOI RESIDENT REPORTS ON EFFECTS OF BOMBING: ON JANUARY 11, A LOCAL RESIDENT OF HANOI, WHO HAD EVACUATED THE CITY DURING THE PERIOD DECEMBER 26 TO JANUARY 5, TOLD A WESTERN OBSERVER THAT THE HANOI POPULATION HAD BEEN IN A STATE OF "PANIC." HE ALSO STATED THAT HE ESTIMATED BOMBING CASUALTIES TO BE IN THE "TENS OF THOUSANDS" AND BELIEVED THE AUTHORITIES HAD MISINFORMED THE POPULACE IN RESPECT TO CASUALTY FIGURES.

ACCORDING TO THE SAME SOURCE, RUMORS WERE CIRCULATING IN HANOI (AS OF JANUARY 11) THAT THE BOMBING WOULD CONTINUE, BUT THAT B-52S WOULD NO LONGER BE USED. INSTEAD, THE U.S. WOULD EMPLOY LONG-RANGE SHIP-BORNE MISSILES AGAINST HANOI, AND THE USE OF ATOMIC WEAPONS WAS NOT EXCLUDED. (STEARMAN)

AMILCAR CABRAL'S ASSASSINATION: AMILCAR CABRAL, PORTUGUESE AFRICA'S BEST KNOWN AND MOST SUCCESSFUL LIBERATION LEADER, WAS GUNNED DOWN IN FRONT OF HIS HOME IN CONAKRY, GUINEA, ON LATE SATURDAY NIGHT. CABRAL WAS 48 AND BELIEVED TO BE ON THE VERGE OF DECLARING AN INDEPENDENT STATE OF BISSAU IN PORTUGUESE GUINEA. THIS WAS EXPECTED TO RESULT IN THIRD WORLD AND SCANDINAVIAN RECOGNITION OF BISSAU AND IN AN APPLICATION FOR UN MEMBERSHIP. INSTEAD, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE INDEPENDENCE TIMETABLE HAS SUFFERED A SETBACK. PRESIDENT SEKOU TOURE OF GUINEA BLAMED CABRAL'S DEATH ON PORTUGUESE AGENTS. HOWEVER, [REDACTED] INDICATED THAT DISSIDENTS WITHIN THE PORTUGUESE LIBERATION MOVEMENT (PAIGC) MURDERED CABRAL. (RONDON)

25X1

THE U.S. ROLE IN THE ZAMBIAN-RHODESIAN CONFRONTATION: AFTER THREE YEARS OF RELATIVE QUIET, GUERRILLA ACTIVITY REAPPEARED IN RHODESIA IN MID-DECEMBER. THIS LED SALISBURY TO CLOSE THE RHODESIAN-

TOP SECRET/SENSITIVE
CONTAINS CODEWORD

TOP SECRET/SENSITIVE

***** WHSR COMMENT *****

SCOWCROFT, HOWE, LORD, KENNEDY, SEC.

PSN:036072 RECALLED TOR:023/05:23Z DTG:230436Z
PAGE 01

***** ~~TOP SECRET~~ ***** COPY

MORI/CFD
C03355547

***** T O P S E C R E T ***** COPY

CONTAINS CODEWORD

-2-

ZAMBIAN BORDER IN ORDER TO PRESSURE ZAMBIA TO DENY SANCTUARY TO RHODESIAN REBELS. ZAMBIA REFUSED TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AND INSTEAD MOVED TO REDIRECT ITS TRADE VIA TANZANIA AND MOZAMBIQUE. THE ZAMBIAN DECISION WAS TAKEN NOTWITHSTANDING THE HARDSHIP THEIR LAND-LOCKED COUNTRY MIGHT SUFFER.

ZAMBIA HAS REQUESTED BOTH POLITICAL SUPPORT AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE I.E., 500 TRUCKS FROM THE UNITED STATES, BUT WE HAVE NOT RESPONDED BECAUSE OF PRESIDENT KAUNDA'S VOCAL CRITICISM OF OUR VIETNAM POLICY AND BECAUSE THERE HAS BEEN NO NEED TO INJECT OURSELVES WITH THE UK, LISBON, AND PRETORIA WORKING TO RESOLVE THE SITUATION. OUR EMBASSIES HAVE, HOWEVER, KEPT BOTH PRETORIA AND LUSAKA INFORMED OF CONCILIATORY COMMENTS MADE ON BOTH SIDES TO HELP EASE TENSIONS. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT A MORE ACTIVE AMERICAN ROLE MAY SEEM ADVISABLE AT A LATER DATE, PARTICULARLY IF THE ZAMBIAN-RHODESIAN BORDER REMAINS CLOSED FOR A LONG TIME LEADING EITHER TO FOOD SHORTAGES IN ZAMBIA OR POSSIBLY TO GREATER TENSION IN THE AREA. (RONDON)

MOROCCO: ROBERT MURPHY WILL BE VISITING MOROCCO WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS TO PROVIDE KING HASSAN WITH AN INDICATION OF OUR CONTINUING SUPPORT AND TO OPEN TALKS ON OUR COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES THERE. HE WILL BE ARRIVING IN MOROCCO AT A TIME WHEN THE INTERNAL SITUATION LOOKS PARTICULARLY DIFFICULT. THE MOST OMINOUS DEVELOPMENTS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- THE RECENT EXECUTION, ON THE EVE OF AN IMPORTANT RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY, OF ELEVEN MEN IMPLICATED IN LAST YEAR'S COUP ATTEMPT HAS RAISED TENSION.
- THE RECEIPT ON THE SAME DAY, BY A NUMBER OF OPPOSITION LEADERS OF LETTER BOMBS, ONE OF WHICH CAUSED MINOR INJURIES. THE ORIGIN OF THE BOMBS IS UNKNOWN, BUT MOST KNOWLEDGEABLE MOROCCANS SEEM TO BELIEVE THE KING IS BEHIND THIS OPERATION.
- THE INDICATION OF THE KING'S PERSONAL SECURITY CHIEF, COLONEL OLI MI, OF THE NEED FOR CHANGES IN THE U.S. MILITARY TRAINING PROGRAM AT KENITRA. HE FEELS THAT THE "PHILOSOPHY" OF THE TRAINING GIVEN TO THE FIGHTER PILOTS HAS CONTRIBUTED TO ANTI-MONARCHIAL SENTIMENTS. SOME OFFICIALS NOW FEEL THAT THE U.S. IS A THREAT TO MOROCCO RATHER THAN A FRIEND AND SUPPORTER. MURPHY WILL

TOP SECRET/SENSITIVE

CONTAINS CODEWORD

TOP SECRET/SENSITIVE

CONTAINS CODEWORD

-3-

BE PREPARED TO LAY THE GROUNDWORK FOR REDUCING U.S. VISIBILITY, BUT MOROCCAN CONCERNS ARE PROBABLY MORE DEEPLY ROOTED IN DOMESTIC UNREST THAN IN THE U.S.-MOROCCAN RELATIONSHIP.

- THIS SAME COLONEL OLI MI HAS BEEN RELIABLY REPORTED TO BE TRYING TO CONTACT ALGERIA'S PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENE IN

RECALLED

PSN:036072

PAGE 02

TOR:023/05:23Z

DTG:230436Z

***** T O P S E C R E T ***** COPY

***** T O P S E C R E T *****S COPY

ORDER TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF ALGERIAN SUPPORT FOR A MOVE AGAINST THE KING. SO FAR THE ALGERIANS HAVE PREFERRED TO STICK WITH A POLICY OF DETENTE IN THE MAGHREB, BUT THEY HAVE APPARENTLY HINTED THAT IF THE MOROCCAN OPPOSITION WERE TO BEGIN A GUERRILLA WAR, THEN ALGERIA MIGHT CONSIDER LENDING SUPPORT TO AN EFFORT TO OVERTHROW HASSAN.

GIVEN ALL OF THESE INTERNAL DIFFICULTIES, THE KING IS REPORTED TO FEEL THAT HE CANNOT AFFORD TO LEAVE MOROCCO THIS YEAR TO VISIT THE UNITED STATES. THIS, OF COURSE, IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE, BUT IT DOES PERHAPS SUGGEST GOING SLOWLY ON THE QUESTION OF A VISIT SINCE HASSAN HAS CANCELLED AT THE LAST MINUTE ON TWO PREVIOUS OCCASIONS.

A DIFFICULT PERIOD APPEARS TO BE AHEAD, IN TERMS OF BOTH U.S.-MOROCCAN RELATIONS AND MOROCCAN DOMESTIC POLITICS. THE KING HAS BROUGHT MUCH OF THIS UPON HIMSELF AND HAS NOT TAKEN MEASURES THAT MIGHT REGAIN THE LOYALTY OF HIS FORMER SUPPORTERS OR WIN HIM THE HELP OF FOREIGN FRIENDS. MURPHY WILL TRY TO CONVEY REASSURANCE OF OUR INTEREST IN MOROCCO'S PROGRESS AND STABILITY, AND HE WILL ATTEMPT TO PROTECT OUR SPECIFIC INTERESTS THERE, BUT MOROCCAN DOMESTIC DEVELOPMENTS ARE MORE LIKELY TO SET THE COURSE OF OUR RELATIONSHIP THAN ANYTHING WE CAN SAY OR DO. IT CANNOT BE RULED OUT THAT EVEN KING HASSAN'S RIGHT-HAND MAN MIGHT TURN AGAINST HIM, AS HAPPENED IN BOTH 1971 AND 1972. (SAUNDERS) MILITARY-GOVERNMENT COMPROMISE IN CHILE:

25X1

25X1

PRESIDENT

ALLENDE HAS MADE CONCESSIONS IN ORDER TO PERSUADE THE MILITARY MEMBERS OF HIS CABINET TO REMAIN. THE MILITARY MEMBERS REPORTEDLY HAVE AGREED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GOVERNMENT AT LEAST UNTIL AFTER THE MARCH 4 CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS. IN RETURN ALLENDE HAS ALLEGEDLY AGREED TO POSTPONE THE IMPOSITION OF CONTROLS ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD (THE IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF FRICTION WITH THE MILITARY) AND TO DELAY ANY FURTHER EXPROPRIATIONS UNTIL AFTER THE ELECTIONS. ONLY MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS ADMIRAL MUERTA WILL RESIGN, AND HE REPORTEDLY WILL BE REPLACED BY AN ADMIRAL WHO IS MORE SYMPATHETIC TO ALLENDE'S GOVERNMENT. (JORDEN)

TOP SECRET/SENSITIVE
CONTAINS CODEWORD

TOP SECRET/SENSITIVE
CONTAINS CODEWORD

-4-

PERU AND THE FISHERIES PROBLEM: DESPITE CONTINUING TUNA BOAT SEIZURES AND PUBLIC ASSERTIONS BY PERUVIAN OFFICIALS THAT EVERY SHIP FOUND FISHING IN PERUVIAN-CLAIMED WATERS WITHOUT A PERMIT WILL BE CAPTURED, FOREIGN MINISTER DE LA FLOR TOLD OUR AMBASSADOR LATE LAST WEEK THAT HE BELIEVES CONTINUATION OF INFORMAL DIALOGUE ON THE PROBLEM COULD BE ADVANTAGEOUS FOR BOTH THE U.S. AND PERU. HE SUGGESTED THAT THE UN WOULD PROVIDE A GOOD COVER FOR DISCUSSIONS, WHICH HE HOPED MIGHT LEAD TO AN INFORMAL AGREEMENT ON THE PROBLEM. PERU HAS SEIZED 20 U.S.-OWNED TUNA BOATS SINCE THE

PSN:036072 RECALLED PAGE 03 TOR:023/05:23Z DTG:230436Z

***** T O P S E C R E T *****S COPY

***** T O P S E C R E T ***** COPY

BEGINNING OF THIS YEAR. (JORDEN)
TOP SECRET/SENSITIVE
CONTAINS CODEWORD

PSN:036072 RECALLED
PAGE 04 OF 04 TUR:023/05:23Z DTG:230436Z

***** T O P S E C R E T ***** COPY