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JUNE 2, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ITEMS

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NATIONAL-LEVEL CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN PHNOM PENH: A
NATIONWIDE CONFERENCE OF KHMER COMMUNIST OFFICIALS IS
SCHEDULED TO GET UNDERWAY IN PHNOM PENH ON THURSDAY AND
SOME IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS MAY FOLLOW.

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THE GATHERING WILL PROBABLY LAST FOR
THREE DAYS. THE CONFERENCE PROBABLY MARKS THE COMPLETION
OF THE INITIAL PERIOD OF DOMESTIC CONSOLIDATION, AND THE
NEW LEADERSHIP MAY USE THE OCCASION TO SET OUT ITS LONG-
TERM GOALS AND POLICIES. A FORMAL UNVEILING OF THE NEW
GOVERNMENT AND FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS ON PRINCE Sihanouk's
FUTURE MAY ALSO BE IN THE OFFING. THE CONFERENCE IS THE
THIRD THIS YEAR. THE FIRST WAS HELD IN LATE FEBRUARY AND
RESULTED IN SOME GENERAL DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN POLICY STATE-
MENTS. THE SECOND, HELD IN THE CHAOTIC DAYS IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE SURRENDER OF THE LON NOL GOVERNMENT, ENDED
WITH THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT PRINCE Sihanouk HAD BEEN ASKED
TO STAY ON AS "HEAD OF STATE."
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TOHAK 03

JUNE 2, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER
SUBJECT: INFORMATION ITEMS

AMERICANS CONTINUE TO DEPART VIENTIANE: THE NUMBER OF AMERICANS IN LAOS CONTINUES TO DECLINE. OUR EMBASSY REPORTS THAT AS OF YESTERDAY, THERE WERE 151 OFFICIAL AMERICANS STILL AT THEIR POSTS. THE NUMBER OF NON-OFFICIAL AMERICANS HAS BEEN REDUCED TO 89.

NEAR-TERM PROSPECTS FOR INDIA: A NEAR-TERM ASSESSMENT OF INDIA INDICATES THAT IT IS ENTERING A PERIOD OF GROWING POLITICAL FERMENT. MRS. GANDHI'S PRESTIGE WILL CONTINUE TO DECLINE, AND SHE WILL PROBABLY BE FORCED TO RELINQUISH SOME OF HER UNPRECEDENTED CONCENTRATION OF POWER, BUT SHE WILL REMAIN THE DECISIVE FACTOR IN INDIAN POLITICS. THE NEXT NATIONAL ELECTIONS, DUE BY THE SPRING OF 1976, WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY RETURN THE CONGRESS PARTY TO POWER BUT WITH A REDUCED MAJORITY. PUBLIC PROTESTS ARE LIKELY TO GROW IN SIZE AND FREQUENCY, AND THE GOVERNMENT IS LIKELY TO REACT MORE OFTEN WITH FORCE. YET THERE APPEARS LITTLE PROSPECT EITHER FOR SERIOUS INSTABILITY OR FOR BETTER GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE DURING THIS PERIOD. THE GOVERNMENT IS UNLIKELY TO MAKE THE CHANGES IN POLICY NECESSARY TO EXPLOIT INDIA'S POTENTIAL FOR MORE RAPID ECONOMIC GROWTH OR TO MEET THE NEEDS OF ITS GROW-

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ING POPULATION.

INDIA WILL CONTINUE TO BE PREEMINENT IN SOUTH ASIA BUT ITS INTERNATIONAL ROLE WILL REMAIN LIMITED. THE LIKELIHOOD OF MAJOR ARMED CONFLICT IN SOUTH ASIA INVOLVING INDIA IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS SEEMS SMALL, AND PRESENT TRENDS INDICATE THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN INDIA AND PAKISTAN WILL BE STABLE. INDIA AND CHINA MAY RESTORE FULL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS, BUT THERE IS LITTLE MOTIVATION ON EITHER SIDE FOR A RESOLUTION OF FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCES. INDO-SOVIET RELATIONS ARE NOT LIKELY TO REGAIN THE CLOSENESS OF 1971, IN SPITE OF CONTINUED EXTENSIVE SOVIET MILITARY ASSISTANCE. INDIA IS UNLIKELY TO MAKE MAJOR CONCESSIONS TO MOSCOW ON THE LATTER'S ASIAN COLLECTIVE SECURITY PROPOSALS OR ON THE USE OF INDIAN BASES. ALTHOUGH INDO-U.S. RELATIONS ARE LIKELY TO BE MORE STABLE THAN IN THE PAST, THEY WILL PROBABLY REMAIN SHALLOW AND SUBJECT TO UNCERTAINTIES. INDIAN SUSPICIONS AND DOMESTIC POLITICS WILL CONTINUE TO GENERATE PERIODS OF ANTI-U.S. INVECTIVE.

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