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SEPTEMBER 22, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: 25X1  
FROM:  
SUBJECT:

THE PRESIDENT  
BRENT SCOWCROFT  
INFORMATION ITEMS

THAILAND HOPES TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH U.S. [REDACTED] 25X1

[REDACTED] THAI FOREIGN MINISTER PHICHAI HOPES TO  
CONFER WITH YOU, SECRETARY KISSINGER, AND SELECTED MEMBERS  
OF CONGRESS IN JANUARY IN AN ATTEMPT TO "READJUST THAILAND'S  
SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE U.S." WHILE REAFFIRMING  
THAILAND'S RECENT POLICY OF BALANCING ITS RELATIONSHIPS  
WITH COMMUNIST COUNTRIES AND ITS INTENTION OF LEAVING SEATO, 25X1

[REDACTED] THAILAND MUST ULTI-  
MATELY RELY ON U.S. MILITARY POWER FOR PROTECTION AGAINST  
COVERT AGGRESSION AND HOPES TO CONTINUE ITS "SPECIAL RELATION-  
SHIP" WITH THE U.S., BUT IN A LESS OBVIOUS MANNER. 25X1

LAJES NEGOTIATIONS MAY BE DELAYED: [REDACTED] PORTUGAL WANTS  
TO DELAY SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS ON THE LAJES BASE AGREEMENT  
UNTIL AFTER THE U.S. ELECTIONS AND THE DECEMBER MUNICIPAL  
ELECTIONS IN PORTUGAL. [REDACTED] CONFLICTS WITH A PUBLIC  
ANNOUNCEMENT IN EARLY SEPTEMBER BY PRIME MINISTER MENEZES  
FERREIRA THAT LISBON WANTS TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS AS SOON  
AS POSSIBLE. 25X1

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