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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

PARTICIPANTS:

Ambassador William R. Kintner. U.S. Ambassador to Thailand
Lt. General Scowcroft, Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

Mr. W. R. Smyser, National Security Council Senior Staff Member

DATE, TIME & PLACE:

Thursday, May 8 3:00 p.m. White House

Ambassador Kintner said he would do a study on Asia as a whole and hoped to have some conclusions in a few months time. He said he hoped the study could be useful. Ambassador Kintner said we should look at the Soviet Union by way of Asia and analyze the Soviet position more. The Soviets have a real asset in the DRV which will be a major power.

The Ambassador observed that the only tough people left in the world are in Asia and that we have to maintain a position.

He said he had several staffers working with him and did not want more. He might, however, need to extend his study beyond the end of August.

General Scowcroft said that the study could not be more timely and that he was very interested in looking at it.

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

GENERAL SCOWCROFT

FROM:

W. R. SMYSER Memorandum of Conversation

SUBJECT:

Attached at Tab A is a memorandum of conversation covering your meeting with Ambassador Kintner.

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That you approve the memorandum at Tab A. APPROVE DISAPPROVE

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