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Friday, October 6, 1967, 11:45 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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**SUBJECT: Informing Cabinet Members of Eisenhower-Kennedy
Discussion on Southeast Asia**

The Clifford memorandum on the Eisenhower-Kennedy discussion of Laos and Southeast Asia in January 1961 can be brought to the attention of Cabinet members by

1. Asking Secretary Rusk to read the memorandum to the Cabinet members who will be attending his dinner Tuesday evening.
2. Circulating copies, Eyes Only, to Secretary Rusk and Secretary McNamara and copies to other Cabinet officers to read and return to my office.

I recommend the first alternative. If handled in this way, we could avoid unnecessary risk of compromise of a privileged Presidential document.

W. W. Rostow

_____ Ask Secretary Rusk to read to the Cabinet

_____ Circulate copies as proposed

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