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VLF Eubtel 738. In conversation with Gough Whitlam and Ambassador Beale July 6 Assistant Secretary of Defense Nitze said VLF project being reconsidered because of its cost. You may explain to Extstaff at your discretion that remark should be taken in context of review currently being made at highest DOD levels of major new construction overseas FYI and its effect on US balance of payments END FYI. Foregoing not meant to imply that VLF project being abandoned nor that other Australian programs being singled out. You will be informed of developments.

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SPA - Mr. Bell
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G/FE - Mr. Winfree (draft)
L/FE - Mr. Salans (draft)

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