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DURING COURSE OF HOUR'S TALK WITH PRESIDENT SUKARNO  
THIS MORNING HE REPEATED HAT HE WANTED PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT  
TO MALAYSIA DISPUTE AND WOULD SEEK OCCASION WITHIN NEXT FEW  
DAYS TO REVIVE QUADRIPARTITE COMMISSION PROPOSAL AT WHICH TIME  
HE WOULD ALSO AGAIN PLEDGE PUBLICLY TO AGREE TO ACCEPT WHATEVER  
RECOMMENDATIONS WERE MADE BY THE COMMISSION. HE ALSO SAID  
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THAT HE OULD BE WILLING TO ATTEND ANOTHER SUMMIT MEETING IF THIS  
WOULD BE USEFUL.

THIS WAS FIRST TIME I HAD SEEN PRESIDENTS SINCE MY RETURN.  
SUKARNO GREETED ME CORDIALLY, SAID THAT HE HAD "PRAYED FOR MY  
RETURN" BECAUSE HE FELT THAT MY RETURN WOULD INDICATE THAT  
JOHNSON ADMINISTRATION WAS NOT CHANGING ITS BASIC POLICY  
TOWARD INDONESIA. HE HEN INQUIRED ABOUT MY ESTIMATE OF  
AMERICAN ELECTION, SHOWED SERIOUS CONCERN ABOUT POSSIBILITY  
OF GOLDWATER ELECTION, ASKED SEARCHING QUESTIONS AS TO HOW I  
EXPLAINED SOURCE OF SUPPORT FOR SO REACTIONARY A CANDIDATE".

I TOLD SUKARNO THAT DOMESTIC POLITICS WAS NOT  
WITHIN PROVINCE OF AN AMBASSADOR AND A CAREER  
DIPLOMAT PARTICULARLY WAS SUPPOSED TO BE POLITICALLY SEXLESS.

WE DISCUSSED SUBJECT PERHAPS  
QUARTER OF HOUR, SUKARNO DEMONSTRATING WELL-INFORMED INTEREST  
IN CAMPAIGN IN TERMS OF CANDIDATES, ISSUES, AND REGIONAL  
DIFFERENCES.

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I TOOK ADVANTAGE OF OPPORTUNITY THUS OFFERED TO EMPHASIZE MY HOPE THAT INDONESIA WOULD NOT BECOME A POLITICAL ISSUE IN THE CAMPAIGN, BECAUSE I FELT DEEPLY THAT EMOTIONAL REACTION THUS ENGENDERED WOULD TEND TO HAVE DELETERIOUS EFFECTS UPON AMERICAN-INDO

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RELATIONS. I EMPHASIZED THAT ADMINISTRATION IN WASHINGTON HAD BEEN DOING ITS UTMOST TO AMP DOWN UNFAVORABLE CONGRESSIONAL REACTION TOWARD INDONESIA FOLLOWING SUKARNO'S AUG 17 SPEECH AND THE MANY ANTI-AMERICAN DEMONSTRATIONS WHICH HAD TAKEN PLACE IN HIS COUNTRY RECENTLY WHICH WE FOUND DIFFICULT TO UNDERTAND. AMERICAN GOVT WAS SHOCKED AND DISAPPOINTED BY HIS AUG 17 SPEECH AND HIS FRIENDS IN AMERICA HAD BEEN DEEPLY HURT BY SOME OF THINGS HE HAD SAID. MY GOVT HAD GIVEN HIM AMPLE EVIDENCE OF ITS DESIRE TO REMAIN

FRIENDS WITH INDONESIA. REACTION OF ADMINISTRATION IN WASHINGTON HAD BEEN NOT ONLY RESTRAINED BUT POSITIVE EFFORTS HAD BEEN MADE TO KEEP REACTION WITHIN BOUNDS. IN THIS CONNECTION I CITED TOWER AMENDMENT AND MY OWN CONVICATION THAT, UNLESS SITUATION DETERIORATED FURTHER,, TOWER AMENDEMENT WOULD BE TAKEN CARE OF IN HOUSE-SENATE CONFERENCE.

AT THIS POINT, SUKARNO NODDED, SAID COMMENTS IN HIS AUG 17 SPEECH WERE DIRECT REACTION TO STATEMENT OF US SUPPORT TO TUNKU IN COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT TIME OF TUNKU'S VISIT. AS FOR ANTI-AMERICAN DEMONSTRATIONS IN INDONESIA, HE SAID "YOU MUST

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REALIZE THAT THERE HAS BEEN GROWING FEELING ON PART OF PEOPLE HERE THAT AMERICA IS AGAINST INDONESIA." HE CITED AS HE HAS REPEATEDLY DONE PREVIOUSLY, STATEMENTS OF CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS AND PRESS. IF WE WERE TO ACHIEVE IMPOROVEMENT IN AMERICAN-INDONESIAN RELATIONS, RATHER THAN FURTHER DETERIORATION WHICH I ASSUMED HE ALSO WANTED TO AVOID, IT WAS IMPORTANT, I SAID, THAT RESTRAINT BE EXHIBITED ON BOTH SIDES. WE HAD BEEN MORE THAN DOING OUR PART; IT WAS UP TO HIM TO DO HIS PART. SUKARNO REFERRED TO BOYCOTT AGAINST AMERICAN MOVIES AND SAID HE HAD INSTRUCTED MINISTER MALIK TO MAKE STATEMENT OPPOSING THIS. HE IMPLIED THAT CONTROL OF THIS SITUATION HAD BEEN MORE DIFFICULT THAN HE HAD ANTICIPATED.

I TOLD SUKARNO THAT AMERICA HAD ALWAYS BEEN FRIEND TO INDONESIA, I REVIEWED OUR SUPPORT OF HIS ANTION AND SAID THAT

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WE STILL DESIRED RELATIONSHIPS WITH INDONESIA ON BASIS OF FRIENDSHIP. THIS, HOWEVER, WAS TWO-WAY STREET. I THEN ADVERTED TO MALAYSIA COMPLAINT IN UN, TOLD SUKARNO THAT ON BASIS OF FACTS US HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO SPEAK OUT AGAINST INDONESIA'S USE OF FORCE TO ATTAIN HER OBJECTIVES, POINTED OUT THAT THIS HAD BEEN OUR HISTORICAL POLICY, CITED US POSITION

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AT TIME OF SUEZ CRISIS AMONG OTHER EXAMPLES. AT SAME TIME, POINTED OUT THAT OUR EMPHASIS WAS ONE OF OBTAINING PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THIS DISPUTE AND THAT WE WERE READY TO ENCOURAGE ANY EFFORT IN THIS DIRECTION THAT HELD OUT PROMISE. I WAS MOST DISAPPOINTED THAT RESULTS OF LAST TOKYO MEETING HAD NOT BEEN FOLLOWED UP. I SAID I ASSUMED, HOWEVER THAT SUKARNO'S POSITION AS STATED IN TOKYO REMAINED THE SAME, VIZ. THAT HE IS STILL WILLING TO ACCEPT AN A-A QUADRIPARTITE COMMISSION THAT WOULD MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF THE MALAYSIA DISPUTE AND THAT HE WOULD PLEDGE TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THIS COMMISSION WHATEVER THEY MIGHT BE.

SUKARNO NODDED VIGOROUSLY, AND IT WAS AT THIS POINT HE SAID HE WOULD PUBLICLY REAFFIRM THIS POSITION AT FIRST OPPORTUNITY. HE THEN TOSSED OUT SUGGESTION THIRD SUMMIT MEETING MIGHT BE IN ORDER.

IN COMMENTING ON HIS POSITION SUKARNO SAID FLATLY, "I WILL ACCEPT ANY RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMISSION", THEN, REGARDING ME INTENTLY, HE REPEATED, "I SAID ANY RECOMMENDATION", OBVIOUSLY EXPECTING ME TO CONCLUDE THAT HE WOULD WITHDRAW HIS GUERRILLAS IF COMMISSION ASKED HIM TO. THIS CONCLUSION WAS REINFORCED BY HIS NEXT STATEMENT.

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