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MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

OP-006 Subj: Possible Reaction in the United Nations' Forum to a U.S. ConductedP-900 Engineering Survey of the Island of Diego Garcia (S)

1. (S) In response to Op-61's query Vice Admiral McCAIN, Vice Chairman of U.S. Delegation to the UN Military Staff Committee, sounded out senior USUN officials (Ambassador Pedersen and Counselor Finger) as to likely subject reaction to this survey. He reports that under any conditions some adverse fallout can be expected from a few members of the United Nations. Additionally, this survey might complicate US efforts to secure Afro-Asian support on important General Assembly agenda items if it were conducted while the General Assembly was still in session.

2. Op-61's Comment.

(S) As the 21st General Assembly probably will adjourn about 20 December 1966, and as it is currently planned to commence the survey after the first of the year at the earliest, our survey plans should pose no problem for the U.S. delegation at the 21st General Assembly.

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