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SUBJ: CONDOLENCES ON DEATH OF SENATOR KENNEDY

1. ABDEL RAHMAN AL-GHONEIM, SON-IN-LAW OF FORMER KING SAUD, CALLED ON ME THIS MORNING TO EXPRESS SAUD'S PERSONAL CONDOLENCES ON DEATH OF SENATOR KENNEDY. HE ASKED THAT THESE BE PASSED ON TO KENNEDY FAMILY AND USG.

2. REQUEST THAT ANY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BE PASSED THROUGH US. SAUD IS NOW LIVING AT KAVOURI HOTEL NEAR ATHENS.

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 2784  
INFO AMEMBASSY BENGHAZI  
AMEMBASSY BAIDA GRERQ

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1. AMONG MANY INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE EXPRESSED CONDOLENCES TO EMBASSY ON DEATH OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY, FOLLOWING MAY BE OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO DEPARTMENT.

2. BY SIGNING BOOK IN TRIPOLI: (A) GOVERNMENT OF LIBYA: AHMAD AWN SAUF, MINISTER OF INTERIOR; FATHI AL-KHOJAH, MASTER OF ROYAL CEREMONIES; SAALIM MURAYYID, MUHAFIGH OF GHARIAAN; SHEIKH MUHAMMAD AL-MA'AIZI, MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT; JUDGE JAMES ROBINSON (AMERICAN), JUSTICE SUPREME COURT; JUDGE ALI HAADI AL-TURKI, PRESIDENT COURT OF APPEALS; AHMAD ABBAS, DIRECTOR, OFFICE MINISTER INTERIOR; MUHAMMAD UTHMAAN AS-SAID, FORMER PRIME MINISTER; NAAFATI UTHMA, RETIRED UNDERSECRETARY,

NAZIRATE OF INTERIOR. (B) BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL MEN: HAJ MUHAMMAD SHAYBAANI, PRESIDENT SHEBCO; IZZ AD-DIIN ABU RAWWI, PRESIDENT BAR ASSOCIATION OF TRIPOLI; (C) DIPLOMATIC CORPS: MIDHAT FITFIT, AMBASSADOR OF LEBANON AND DEAN OF DIPLOMATIC CORPS; PAUL FOUCHET, FRENCH AMBASSADOR; GIUSEPPE CASSAR, HONORARY CONSUL OF NETHERLANDS; RICHARD LOUIS, CHARGE D'AFFAIRES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY ACCOMPANIED BY TWO EMBOFFS; SECOND SECRETARY MONGI SLAAMA ON BEHALF STAFF TUNISIAN EMBASSY; EDOUARD CORBI, ATTACHE BELGIAN EMBASSY.

3. BY TELEGRAM: FORMER PRIME MINISTER ABD AL-QAADIR AL-BADRI; SENATOR ABU BAKR NA'AMAH (FORMER MINISTER LABOR); 'ALI ANIIS, CHAIRMAN TRIPOLI ELECTRICITY CORPORATION; AWNI DAJAANI, FORMER JUDGE, LEGAL COUNSEL TO ROYAL HOUSEHOLD.

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AND MEMBER ESSO BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

4. BY LETTER: FIRST PERSON NOTES FROM CARLO CALENDÀ, AMBASSADOR OF ITALY; FERNANBO R-PORRERO DE CHAVARRI, AMBASSADOR OF SPAIN; MUSTAFA BOROVALI, AMBASSADOR OF TURKEY; LETTER FROM DIRECTOR AND ENTIRE STAFF OF OIL INDUSTRY MEDICAL SOCIETY. NEWSOM

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MASTER OF ROYAL CEREMONIES VISITED EMBASSY ON JUNE 7  
AND STATED KING IDRIS HAS REQUESTED THAT EMBASSY  
CONVEY HIS MAJESTY'S HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES ON DEATH  
OF SENATOR KENNEDY TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON AND TO  
SENATOR KENNEDY'S WIFE AND FAMILY. NEWSOM

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 5883  
INFO AMCONSUL ASMARA

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FOLLOWING TEL FPPFVD FM ASMARA THIS DATE REPEATED SECSTATE  
FOR YOUR INFO QUOTE:

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SUB: PRESS REACTION KENNEDY ASSASSINATION

1. ASMARA'S GOVERNMENT-RUN, ITALIAN LANGUAGE DAILY IL QUOTIDIANO ERITREO ON THURSDAY MORNING RAN A FRONT-PAGE, FOUR-COLUMN STORY ON TO SHOOTING OF ROBERT KENNEDY. HEBRET, THE GOVERNMENT-RUN TIGRIGNA LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER USED THE SAME STORY THAT APPEARED IN QUOTIDIANBRM THE QUOTIDIANO HEADLINE WAS AS FOLLOWS: "BOBBY KENNEDY VICTIM OF A SHAMEFUL MURDER ATTEMPT IMMEDIATELY AFTER HIS VICTORY IN THE CALIFORNIA

PRIMARY." SUBHEAD: "HORROR AND INDIGNATION BOTH IN AND OUT OF THE CONFINES OF THE UNITED STATES - THE ASSAILANT IS CAPTURED BUT HIS IDENTITY IS NOT DEFINITELY KNOWN - THE CONSTERNATION OF JOHNSON AND PROFOUND GRIEF EVEN FROM SENATOR MCCARTHY - JACQUELINE SUFFERING DEEPLY -

THE PROTECTION OF ALL CANDIDATES AND THEIR FAMILIES ORDERED - REACTIONS

IN THE UNITED STATES AND GREAT BRITAIN - OPERATION LASTS FOUR HOURS.

2. THE QUOTIDIANO ACCOUNT CONTAINED ACCURATE DETAILS OF THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT AND QUOTES FROM PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S STATEMENT REGARDING THE TRAGEDY. THE ACCOUNT, WHICH WAS CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO, SAID THAT

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THE NEWS OF THE SHOOTING SHOCKED LONDONERS WHO WERE EXTREMELY FOND OF THE KENNEDY FAMILY. IN ADDITION, THE STORY INCLUDED A LENGTHY BIOGRAPHY OF SENATOR KENNEDY. THERE WAS NO EDITORIAL COMMENT IN EITHER QUOTIDIANO OR HEBRET.

3. THE PRIVATELY OWNED ITALIAN-LANGUAGE DAILY (PM) GIORNALE DELL'ERITREA ALSO CARRIED A FOUR-COLUMN PAGE-ONE STORY. HEADLINE WAS AS FOLLOWS: "ROBERT KENNEDY IS DEAD" SUBHEAD: "WITHOUT GAINING CONSCIOUSNESS AFTER SURGERY - THE CASKET WILL BE BROUGHT TODAY TO WASHINGTON OR NEW YORK - THE ASSASSIN WAS BORN IN JORDAN CAME TO UNITED STATES IN 1957 - HE HAD THE MURDER WEAPON IN HIS POCKET AND A SCHEDULE OF HIS VICTIM'S JUNE SPEECHES - HE WILL APPEAR IN LOS ANGELES COURT TOMORROW - AN APPEAL TO THE COUNTRY BY PRESIDENT JOHNSON - A COMMISSION HAS BEEN NAMED TO EXAMINE THE CAUSES OF THE ACTUAL TRAGEDY - FLAGS AT HALF-MAST IN THE UNITED STATES AND AMERICAN FACILITIES ABROAD."

4. MAJOR PORTIONS OF THIS NEWS ACCOUNT WERE SUPPLIED BY USIS FROM WIRELESS FILE AND VOA MATERIAL. THERE WAS NO EDITORIAL COMMENT IN GIORNALE.  
JACKSON UNQUOTE.

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DATE: June 7, 1968		
SUBJECT : Messages of Condolence Concerning the Death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy		
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The Embassy has been receiving messages of condolence concerning the death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy. Following is a list of persons who have expressed their sympathy to the Embassy to date:

Diplomatic Officials:

Christian Hardy, Canadian Ambassador to Lebanon  
Pierre Millet, French Ambassador to Lebanon who stated: "I was shocked. I knew him and his family. Not only I, but all of my French friends here are profoundly grieved."  
D. J. Kingsmill, Australian Chargé d'Affaires ai to Lebanon.  
Hiroshi Nakai, First Secretary, Japanese Embassy.  
Henrique Molano, Colombian Ambassador to Lebanon.  
Monsignor Gaetano Alibrandi, Papal Nuncio German Embassy  
Iranian Embassy  
Russian Deputy Trade Representative in Beirut

Lebanese Officials:

Georges Hakim, Former Foreign Minister and Present Vice-President of American University, Beirut.  
Sheikh Khalil el-Khoury, Maronite Deputy from Aley.  
Jean Riachi, Protocol Office, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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Organizations in Beirut:

Committee of Students at American University of Beirut. This committee will organize a meditation meeting with religious readings. Other religious services will be held in Beirut on Sunday, June 9.

Mr. Yusif Takali, representing the students of the UNRWA Vocational Training Center in Sibliin.

Mr. Mirza Mohammad Tagi, Director, United Nations Information Center in Beirut.

Individuals:

Mr. Marcel Boutros  
Diana Taky Deen, Prominent Lebanese Pianist  
Mohammad Nu'man, Son of the Former Prime Minister of the Yemen Arab Republic.  
Miss Amal Hajjar, Lebanese University  
Miss Yvette Shouaib, Beirut Ecole des Lettres

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PREMIN, CABINET MINISTERS PRESENT IN ADDIS AND NUMEROUS MEMBERS ROYAL FAMILY HAVE COME TO EMBASSY TO SIGN BOOK. MANY OF THEM HAVING HAD DIRECT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE KENNEDY FAMILY HAVE ASKED US TO EXTEND CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY. ALL HAVE EXPRESSED SYMPATHY FOR OUR NATIONAL LOSS. MOST HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT WORLDWIDE RESORT TO VIOLENCE IN SETTLEMENT POLITICAL PROBLEMS AND THOSE WE KNOW WELL HAVE EXPRESSED FERVENT HOPE THE U.S. WILL FIND A WAY TO LEAD IN A RESTORATION OF ORDER AND SANITY TO POLITICAL LIFE.

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FOREIGN MINISTRY INFORMS US IEG UN AMBASSADOR ENDELKATCHEW  
MAKONNEN HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO ATTEND FUNERAL.

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Dept can confirm that HIM's message received.

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JOINT EMBASSY/USIS MESSAGE

1. VIRTUALLY UNIVERSAL ATTITUDE EVIDENCED BY SOMALIS AT ALL LEVELS BOTH OFFICIAL AND PRIVATE IS SENSE OF SYMPATHY AND DISMAY IN WHICH THEY JOIN WITH THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND NATION. NO CONSEQUENTIAL INDICATIONS AT ALL OF ASCRIBING KENNEDY ASSASSINATION AS MANIFESTATION OF AN INHERENTLY VIOLENT US CHARACTERISTIC. EMPHASIS GIVEN IN GSR PRESS TO NON-AMERICAN ORIGIN AND TIES OF ALLEGED ASSASSIN BASED ON GSR EDITING OF AFP AND REUTERS NEWS SERVICE ON GSR'S OWN INITIATIVE SINCE NO US NEWS SERVICE RECEIVED HERE AND EMBASSY/USIS HAS ISSUED NO REPEAT NO ITEMS THIS NATURE.

2. ON HIS OWN INITIATIVE PRIME MINISTER EGAL COMMUNICATED

WITH AMBASSADOR THURSTON TO REQUEST THAT HE BE THE FIRST TO SIGN THE BOOK OF CONDOLENCE WHICH LOCATED IN EMBASSY FOR ALL WHO WISHED TO DO SO TO SIGN.

3. MINISTRY OF INFORMATION DG REACHED AT HOME OUT OF BUSINESS HOURS EXTREMELY COOPERATIVE GIVING INSTRUCTIONS IMMEDIATELY AND REPEATED GSR RADIO BROADCASTING OF EMBASSY/USIS ANNOUNCEMENT OF AVAILABILITY ABOVE MENTIONED BOOK OF CONDOLENCE. GSR ALSO CARRIED ANNOUNCEMENT IN FULL ON FRONT PAGE OF SOMALI NEWS IN HEAVY TYPE. AS RESULT MORE THAN TWO HUNDRED SIGNATURES ALREADY ENTERED DURING FIRST FEW HOURS. PRESENT TENTATIVE PLAN IS TO RECEIVE SIGNATURES THROUGH JUNE 10.

4. NO ANTI-US ATTITUDES DISCERNIBLE AND ACT ASCRIBED GENERALLY

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AS THAT OF A DEMENTED, NON-AMERICAN INDIVIDUAL.

5. TEXT PRESIDENT SCERMARCHE'S CONDOLENCE MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON PUBLISHED TODAY'S SOMALI NEWS: BEGIN QUOTE - I LEARNED WITH DEEP SORROW OF THE DEATH OF SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY. THE NEWS HAS SHOCKED THE WHOLE SOMALI NATION. PLEASE ACCEPT YOURSELF AND EXTEND TO MRS. KENNEDY AND TO THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE LATE SENATOR'S FAMILY THE DEEPEST CONDOLENCE OF THE SOMALI PEOPLE, GOVERNMENT AND MYSELF ON THIS SAD DEVELOPMENT. END QUOTE. THURSTON

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SUBJECT: BLOND IN KENNEDY CASE

CONGEN NICE (ESSENTIAL PROTECT) REPORTS FOLLOWING INFO POSSIBLY  
PERTINENT TO SEARCH FOR BLOND MENTIONED IN KENNEDY ASSASSINATION:

A) LINA EL MIKTADI, LEBANESE UN GUIDE, ADDRESS 265 EAST 63RD ST  
NEW YORK, FIVE FEET FIVE, 120 POUNDS, VERY BLOND, BORN BAGDAD,  
25YRS OLD, ALLEGEDLY VIOLENTLY ANTI-JEWISH, SPAT ON ISRAELI AMBASSADOR

UN AFTER JUNE 67 WAR, VISITED BEIRUT LAST FALL, CONTRACT ENDED  
WITH UN MAY 28.

B) HER FATHER WAS REPORTEDLY CAPTURED BY ISRAELIS ONE YEAR AGO AND IS  
IN TEL AVIV PRISON, MEMBER OF AL FATAH

C) BROTHER REPORTEDLY CRIPPLED BY JEWISH UNDERGROUND

D) COUSIN ALSO UN GUIDE

E) BOSS IN UN WAS MAURICE LIU, CHIEF PUBLIC INFO SECTION UN.

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8838

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SUBJECT: CONDOLENCES SENATOR KENNEDY

1. OUTHONG SOUVANNAVONG, PRESIDENT OF THE KING'S COUNCIL  
OF THE RLG HAS FORWARDED THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE DATED  
JUNE 7:

" IT IS WITH PROFOUND SADNESS THAT THE KING'S  
COUNCIL LEARNED OF THE TRAGIC DEATH OF SENATOR ROBERT  
KENNEDY AS A RESULT OF AN IGNOBLE ASSASSINATION. IN  
THESE SAD CIRCUMSTANCES, I ASK IN THE NAME OF MY  
COLLEAGUES AND IN MY NAME THAT YOU TRANSMIT TO  
YOUR GOVERNMENT, YOUR CONGRESS AS WELL AS TO THE  
AGGRIEVED WIDOW AND KENNEDY FAMILY OUR HEARTFELT  
CONDOLENCES."

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5997

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SUBJECT: KENNEDY FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

REF: STATE 178273

1. AFSHAR, MFA, INFORMS US THAT HE HAS ALERTED IRANIAN AMBASSADOR  
IN WASHINGTON AND UN REP IN NEW YORK TO STAND BY FOR POSSIBLE  
DESIGNATION ATTEND FUNERAL AND INTERMENT SERVICES.

2. HE NOTED THAT SINCE PERSON SO DESIGNATED WOULD  
ALSO BE SHAH'S REPRESENTATIVE, HE HAS REFERRED QUESTION TO SHAH'S  
ENTOURAGE IN ADDIS ABABA. HARLAN

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FM MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS/BRAZILIAN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC

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HIS EXCELLENCY DEAN RUSK  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
WASHINGTON D.C.

DEEPLY MOVED BY THE TRAGIC DEATH OF ROBERT F. KENNEDY,  
I PRESENT TO YOUR EXCELLENCY, IN THE NAME OF THE BRAZILIAN  
GOVERNMENT AND IN MY OWN NAME, OUR MOST SINCERE CONDOLENCES.

JOSE DE MAGALHAES PINTO

MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

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AMEMBASSY WARSAW

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SUBJECT: PRESS REACTION TO KENNEDY ASSASSINATION

1. ROMANIAN PRESS OF JUNE 6 DEVOTED CONSIDERABLE SPACE TO FACTUAL REPORTING OF EVENT. PRESS OF JUNE 7, WHICH ANNOUNCED HIS DEATH, COMMENTED ON ASSASSINATION. IT ALSO GAVE TEXT OF CONDOLENCE MESSAGE FROM GNA PRESIDENT STEFAN VOITEC TO VICE PRESIDENT HUMPHREY IN HIS CAPACITY AS PRESIDING OFFICER OF SENATE.

2. RCP CENTRAL COMMITTEE DAILY SCINTEIA OF JUNE 7, IN ARTICLE SIGNED BY ION FINTINARU (FOREIGN NEWS EDITOR), DEPLORED PASSING OF ONE OF MORE "RATIONAL" AMERICAN PUBLIC FIGURES AND NOTED THAT HIS PROGRAM INCLUDED CESSATION OF WAR IN VIET-NAM AND MORE RIGHTS FOR AMERICAN NEGRO POPULATION. MAIN THRUST OF ARTICLE, HOWEVER, WAS DIATRIBE AGAINST AMERICAN SOCIAL SYSTEM. SCINTEIA ARGUED THAT ASSASSINATION OF JOHN KENNEDY, MARTIN LUTHER KING, AND

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ROBERT KENNEDY, PLUS CRIMES PERPETRATED AGAINST CIVIL RIGHTS MILITANTS AND OTHER PROGRESSIVES, PRODUCE PICTURE OF SYSTEM IN WHICH "CRIME AND POLITICAL ASSASSINATION HAVE GROWN DEEP ROOTS AND GROW LIKE POISENOUS MUSHROOMS ON ROTTEN SOIL. EVERYTHING FLOWS FROM PRICIPLES AND NORMS WHICH GOVERN SYSTEM IN WHICH MONEY AND NOT MAN AND LIFE GIVE MEASURE OF ALL THINGS, IN WHICH ARBITRARINESS AND CYNICISM HAVE FREE REIN." LATER SECTION OF SCINTEIA ARTICLE ASSERTED THAT ENTIRE FBI APPARATUS IS USED IN "FEROCIOUS PERSECUTION OF DEMOCRATIC AND PROGRESSIVE FORCES, IN REPRESSION OF MOVEMENTS AGAINST SEGREGATION AND FOR CIVIL RIGHTS, IN INTIMIDATING INTELLECTUALS WITH FORWARD-LOOKING VIEWS AND THOSE WHO ARE AGAINST WAR...AT SAME TIME, RACIST, MILITARIST, AND NEW-FASCIST ORGANIZATIONS HAVE FULL PROTECTION AND DO ANYTHING THEY PLEASE." ARTICLE ALSO ARGUES THAT THERE IS "CLOSE CONNECTION" BETWEEN PREVALENCE OF VIOLENCE IN U.S. INTERNAL POLITICAL LIFE AND "AGGRESSIVE" ORIENTATION OF U.S. FOREIGN POLICY, PARTICULARLY IN VIET-NAM.

3. ROMANIA LIBERA OF JUNE 7 DEVOTED MORE SPACE THAN SCINTEIA TO PAINTING FLATTERING PICTURE OF ROBERT KENNEDY (DESCRIBED AS "REMARKABLE POLITICIAN," "PROMOTER OF CIVIL RIGHTS," ADVOCATE OF "REALISTIC ATTITUDE TOWARD MANY PROBLEMS OF AMERICAN SOCIAL AND POLITICAL LIFE" ETC.). IT ALSO DWELLED ON STRAIN OF VIOLENCE IN AMERICAN POLITICS AND, IN THIS CONNECTION, QUOTED FROM ARTHUR SCHLESINGER. UNLIKE SCINTEIA, HOWEVER, IT DID NOT LAUNCH INTO ATTACK ON AMERICAN SOCIETY AS SUCH.  
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Organizations in Beirut:

Committee of Students at American University of Beirut. This committee will organize a meditation meeting with religious readings. Other religious services will be held in Beirut on Sunday, June 9.

Mr. Yusif Takali, representing the students of the UNRWA Vocational Training Center in Sibliin.

Mr. Mirza Mohammad Tagi, Director, United Nations Information Center in Beirut.

Individuals:

Mr. Marcel Boutros  
Diana Taky Deen, Prominent Lebanese Pianist  
Mohammad Nu'man, Son of the Former Prime Minister of the Yemen Arab Republic.

Miss Amal Hajjar, Lebanese University  
Miss Yvette Shouaib, Beirut Ecole des Lettres

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FM AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4984

UNCLAS GUATEMALA 4958

SUBJ: KENNEDY DEATH, FURTHER PRESS REACTION

1. PRESS NARROWED FOCUS OF THEIR COMMENT TODAY. ALL PAPERS VIEWING ASSASSINATION AS EVIDENCE OF A PARTICULAR MALAISE AFFECTING US. SEVERAL COLUMNISTS STILL DOUBTING FINDINGS OF JFK ASSASSINATION INQUIRY, SEE PROBABILITY OF ANOTHER PLOT, HATCHED BY DARK FORCES, WHICH WILL REMAIN UNSOLVED. EDITORIALS AND COLUMNISTS IN DISCUSSING MALAISE RANGE FROM OPENLY HOSTILE TO US TO SYMPATHETIC TO ITS TROUBLES.

2. COLUMNIST IN IMPACTO TOOK OCCASION TO ATTACK US, TERMING ASSASSINATION EXAMPLE OF HOW FAR DECOMPOSITION OF DECADENT US DEMOCRACY HAD GONE. SAW DEATH RESULT OF FORCES IN SUPER-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES (US) WHO WANTED TO KEEP US (GUATEMALA) UNDER BOOT, AND WHO KILLED ROBERT KENNEDY BECAUSE HE WOULD HAVE EXTENDED JUSTICE TO OTHER COUNTRIES.

3. ANOTHER COLUMNIST IN EL GRAFICO COMPARED SITUATION IN US TO TIME PRECEDING FALL OF ROME, WHERE THERE WAS LITTLE RESPECT FOR HUMAN LIFE OR NATIONAL THINKERS. CALLED FOR PRO-FOUND TRANSFORMATION IN STRUCTURE AND THINKING US. RODRIGO RAMIREZ IN EL GRAFICO TERMED DEATH OF KENNEDY, DEATH OF THE LATIN AMERICAN CANDIDATE, THE LAST HOPE, AND WONDERED IF FURTHER VIOLENCE WOULD FOLLOW.

4. ALVARO CONTRERAS VELEZ IN PRESA LIBRE WONDERED WHETHER AMB. LINOWITZ IN DESCRIBING LA COUNTRIES AS "MICROCOSM OF SICKNESS OF WORLD" WASN'T A BIT BLIND NOT TO SEE "MACROCOSM OF SICKNESS" AFFECTING HIS OWN COUNTRY. ALSO SAID THAT US CAN'T

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FEEL SO POWERFUL AND SUPERIOR NOW. HE DOUBTED REPORTS THAT SIRHAM HAD ACTED ALONE AND SAW THE SHOOTING, JUST AS JFK'S AND KING'S, AS PLOT.

5. THE LEAD EDITORIAL IN EL GRAFICO BELIEVED THE GREATEST DEMOCRACY IN DANGER, BUT FELT THAT US HAD NOT LOST REASON AND WOULD FIND MEANS TO STOP VIOLENCE. PRENSA LIBRE VIEWED THE ASSASSINATION AS OUTCOME OF POWER OF MINORITIES TO DOMINATE THOUGHT, REFLEXES OF MAJORITIES. THESE MINORITIES MAGNIFY DEFECTS IN SYSTEM TO JUSTIFY THEIR SCORN OF IT. THIS HATE SEEKS EXPIATORY VICTIMS--KING, KENNEDY, WHOMEVER IT MIGHT BE. ADDS THAT US SHOULD STOP SENDING PEACE CORPS YOUTH OUT TO TELL OTHERS HOW TO DO THINGS, BUT SHOULD TEND TO THEIR OWN PROBLEMS, AS NOW SHOULD US PUBLIC FIGURES. MEIN

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FM AMEMBASSY SAIGON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4169

UNCLAS SAIGON 29380

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER FROM PRESIDENT THIEU TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON WHICH WAS SENT JUNE 7 AND RELEASED TO PRESS SAME DAY:

QTE. MR. PRESIDENT,

I WAS GREATLY SHOCKED TO LEARN THAT SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY HAD FALLEN VICTIM OF A WANTON AND SENSELESS ASSASSINATION.

SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY DEVOTED ALL HIS ACTIVE LIFE TO THE SERVICE OF HIS COUNTRY AND OF THE WORLD COMMUNITY AT LARGE. HE NOURISHED GREAT AND GENEROUS DREAMS ABOUT A BETTER WORLD, AND EVEN THOSE WHO DO NOT SHARE HIS CONCEPTS ON HOW TO ACHIEVE THESE LOFTY AIMS, RESPECT AND ADMIRE HIS IDEALISM, DEDICATION, AND COURAGE.

ON THIS SAD OCCASION, I WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND TO YOU, AND THROUGH YOU TO THE AMERICAN CONGRESS AND TO THE AMERICAN NATION, MY HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING AWAY OF A GREAT AMERICAN, AND SHOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD CONVEY MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY. SINCERELY. UNOTE. SUNKER

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 1134

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HIS EXCELLENCY, THE GOVERNOR OF THE BAHAMAS, SIR RALPH GREY,  
HAS ASKED ME TO TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING VERBATIM TEXT:

"SIR,

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO INFORM YOU THAT I HAVE BEEN ADVISED  
BY THE MINISTER CHARGED WITH THE PERFORMANCE OF THE FUNCTIONS  
OF THE PREMIER, DURING THE ABSENCE OF THE HONOURABLE L.O.  
PINDLING, H.H.A. (THE HONOURABLE A.D. HANNA, M.H.A., DEPUTY  
PREMIER AND MINISTER OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY) TO ASK THAT YOU  
BE SO GOOD AS TO TRANSMIT TO YOUR GOVERNMENT AND, THROUGH  
YOUR GOVERNMENT, TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE SENATOR ROBERT  
KENNEDY, THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE:

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THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE BAHAMAS SEND THEIR  
DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE UNITED  
STATES AND IN PARTICULAR TO THE FAMILY OF SENATOR ROBERT  
FRANCIS KENNEDY AT THIS TIME OF SHOCK AND GRIEF.

THE LOSS OF THIS DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN IS PARTICULARLY  
TRAGIC BECAUSE OF THE SENSELESS VIOLENCE OF WHICH, LIKE HIS  
BELOVED BROTHER, HE WAS THE VICTIM.

HIS ENERGETIC CAREER IN THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE  
BRANCHES OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, HIS DEVOTION TO  
HUMAN VALUES, TO BROTHERHOOD AND TO HIS COUNTRY, WILL LONG  
BE REMEMBERED.

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MY MINISTERS ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED THAT THIS TRAGIC AND SENSELESS ACT SHOULD HAVE DISTURBED THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS AND CONSIDER THAT PARLIAMENTARIANS THE WORLD OVER WILL FIND IN HIS VIOLENT DEATH A GRAVE MENACE TO THE DEMOCRACY IN WHICH LIES THE WORLD'S MAIN HOPE FOR PEACE AND PROGRESS.

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I SHALL BE GRATEFUL IF YOU WILL ASSOCIATE MY WIFE AND ME WITH THIS MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY AND SORROW.

I AM CAUSING THE FACT THAT I HAVE TRANSMITTED THIS MESSAGE TO YOU TO BE MADE KNOWN TO HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND TO HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN WASHINGTON.

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO BE,  
SIR,  
YOUR OBEDIENT SERVANT,  
SIGNED R.F.A. GREY, GOVERNOR"

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FM AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4969

UNCLAS GUATEMALA 4933

SUBJ: KENNEDY DEATH: REACTIONS

1. NEWS OF KENNEDY DEATH, RECEIVED TOO LATE FOR MORNING PRESS EDITIONS, FILLS FRONT PAGES AFTERNOON PAPERS. FULL SERVICE STORIES, WITH PHOTOS, CARRIED LEADING EL IMPARCIAL.

2. IMPARCIAL ALSO CARRIED CONDOLENCE STATEMENT BY FONMIN ARENALES INDICATING SADNESS FOR LOSS STATESMAN WHO PROJECTED PROGRESSIVE IDEAS BEYOND FRONTIERS HIS OWN COUNTRY, AND EXPRESSED FEELINGS REVULSION AND IMPOTENCE IN FACE SUCH SENSELESS, TRAGIC AND FUTILE EVENT. "I BELIEVE ALL MEN OF GOOD WILL MUST FEEL OVERWHELMED AT DIMENSIONS SUCH TRAGEDY."

3. SWETES NATIONAL CONGRESS YESTERDAY SENT MESSAGE

TO U.S. SENATE CONDEMNING ATTACK ON KENNEDY. VARIOUS OTHER PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS REPORTEDLY SENT MESSAGES CONDOLENCE.

4. PAST TWO DAYS' EDITORIAL COMMENT GENERALLY FOCUSED ON ATTACK AS EVIDENCE GREATER MALAISE AFFLICTING USA AND WORLD. IMPARCIAL JUNE 5 CONSIDERED EVENT FURTHER WOUNDED DEMOCRATIC TRADITION "FAIR PLAY," AS HAVE OTHER SIMILAR RECENT TRAGEDIES IN US. THIS EVIDENCE OF A DEMORALIZING CURRENT, IN US AS ELSEWHERE, WHICH HAS PERVERSE INTENT WEAR DOWN DEMOCRATIC VALUES TO MAKE WAY FOR TOTALITARIANISM. EL GRAFICO JUNE 6 SAID MEN OF KENNEDY'S STATURE ARE REGARDED AS SYMBOLS, ARE VALUED NOT ONLY FOR THEMSELVES, BUT FOR WHAT THEY

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REPRESENT--HENCE ENTIRE USA AGONIZES WITH HIM. THERE IS ALARM THAT "AN UNKNOWN DESTRUCTIVE AGENT IS CORRODING HISTORICAL BASIS AND INSTITUTIONS OF GREAT COUNTRY (USA)." BUT THE REMEDY FOR THIS TERRIBLE SICKNESS MUST ALSO COME FROM WITHIN...THE NATION MUST FIND THE WILL TO HEAL ITSELF."

5. VICE PRESIDENT CLEMENTE MARROQUIN ROJAS, IN IMPACTO, SEEMED TO VIEW THE ATTACK AS PART OF A DEEP PLOT, SET IN MOTION BY MANY DARK INTERESTS, WHOSE REAL PURPOSES MAY NEVER COME TO LIGHT. THE CRIME NOT ONLY AFFECTS USA, BUT ENTIRE WORLD, BECAUSE IT IMPLIES A RADICAL REDIRECTION OF US POLICIES, AND HENCE OF WORLD.

6. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED SOME 25 MESSAGES OF CONDOLENCE FROM PROMINENT AND OBSCURE INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS. MEIN

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JOINT USIS-EMBASSY MESSAGE.

1. EXTENSIVE TREATMENT KENNEDY ASSASSINATION  
PRESS CONTINUES, AS YESTERDAY, CENTERING ON CON-  
SPIRACY SPECULATION OR LINKS WITH OTHER ASSASSI-  
NATIONS AND VIOLENCE IN U.S.

2. IN CONTRAST, INDIVIDUAL BRAZILIANS AT ALL  
LEVELS OFFICIAL AND PRIVATE IN THEIR PERSONAL  
CONTACTS WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS EMPHASIZING THEIR  
FEELING OF DEPRIVATION AND SYMPATHY IN MODERATE BUT  
STEADY STREAM TO SIGN CONDOLENCE BOOK IN LOBBY.  
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FM FERNANDO BELAUNDE TERRY, CONSTITUTIONAL PRESIDENT OF PERU  
TO HIS EXCELLENCY LYNDON B. JOHNSON, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED  
STATES OF AMERICA

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O F F I C I A L T R A N S L A T I O N

I WISH TO EXPRESS TO YOUR EXCELLENCY OUR DEEP CONSTERNATION OVER THE  
DEATH OF THE ILLUSTRIOUS SENATOR, ROBERT KENNEDY. HIS DEATH,  
RESULTING FROM VIOLENCE IN SOCIAL AND POLITICAL AFFAIRS, PROMPTS  
US TO CONDEMN SUCH METHODS THAT ATTACK HUMAN LIBERTY AND  
DIGNITY, WHICH HAVE ALWAYS BEEN THE TRADITION OF THE PEOPLE OF  
THE UNITED STATES AND THE FOUNDATION OF THEIR POLITICAL INSTI-  
TUTIONS. SENATOR KENNEDY'S DEATH IS ESPECIALLY DEPLORED IN PERU  
SINCE, DURING HIS TOUR OF THIS CONTINENT, HE REVEALED TO US HIS NOBLE  
POLITICAL IDEAS, DIRECTED TOWARD A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF  
THE PROBLEMS FACING OUR COUNTRIES IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE CLOSE AND  
JUST COOPERATION BETWEEN THE LATIN AMERICAN REPUBLICS  
AND THE UNITED STATES.

REITERATING TO YOUR EXCELLENCY THE SORROW OF THE PEOPLE AND  
GOVERNMENT OF PERU, I HAVE THE HONOR OF RENEWING TO YOUR EXCELLENCY  
THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST PERSONAL CONSIDERATION.

FERNANDO BELAUNDE TERRY, CONSTITUTIONAL PRESIDENT OF PERU

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FM USMISSION NATO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2408

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SUBJECT: NATO CONDOLENCES ON KENNEDY DEATH

1. WORD OF THE DEATH OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY WAS RECEIVED IN NATO THIS MORNING JUST AS MEETING OF SYG BROSIO AND PERMREPS WAS ABOUT TO BEGIN. BROSIO, ELABORATING ON REMARKS MADE IN NAC YESTERDAY BY HIMSELF AND DEAN (DE STAERCKE), EXPRESSED SHOCK AT THIS "INTERNATIONAL TRAGEDY".

2. SYG SUGGESTED, AND PERMRESP IMMEDIATELY APPROVED, THAT HE SEND MESSAGES ON BEHALF NAC TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON AND TO MRS. ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

3. AT END OF MEETING BROSIO ANNOUNCED IT HAD BEEN SUGGESTED THAT NATO FLAG AND ALL NATIONAL FLAGS AT NATO BE FLOWN AT HALF-STAFF. THIS WAS IMMEDIATELY AGREED. CARGO

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HIS EXCELLENCY DEAN RUSK  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
WASHINGTON D.C.

ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THIS EXPRESSION OF THE GRIEF SO DEEPLY  
FELT BY THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF COSTA RICA, WHO SHARE THE  
SORROW OF YOUR NATION AND ITS GOVERNMENT OVER THE DEATH OF  
SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

LUIS DOBLES SANCHEZ

ACTING MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

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E X A C T T R A N S L A T I O N

HIS EXCELLENCY DEAN RUSK  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

WITH DEEP GRIEF, I WISH TO EXTEND TO YOUR EXCELLENCY OUR SINCERE  
CONDOLENCES ON THE OCCASION OF THE TRAGIC DEATH OF THE EMINENT  
SENATOR, ROBERT KENNEDY, WHOSE DEATH HAS PROFOUNDLY SHOCKED THE  
PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF URUGUAY. ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE  
RENEWED ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

VENANCIO FLORES

MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
OF THE REPUBLIC OF URUGUAY

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FM AMEMBASSY PARIS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2718

C O N F I D E N T I A L PARIS 15729

SUBJ: FRENCH REACTION TO KENNEDY ASSASSINATION.

1. FRENCH REACTION TO NEWS OF ASSASSINATION SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY HAS GENERALLY REFLECTED ONE OR BOTH OF TWO THEMES: DEEP SENSE OF LOSS FOR GREAT MAN AND MEMBER OF GREAT FAMILY; AND FEELING THAT UNITED STATES IS PREY TO SEEMINGLY INCURABLE EPIDEMIC OF VIOLENCE WHICH COULD SPREAD ELSEWHERE. TELEGRAMS SENT BY PRESIDENT DEGAULLE TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON AND MRS. ROBERT KENNEDY EXPRESS ONLY SYMPATHY AND SORROW. SAME IS TRUE OF TELEGRAM SENT TO US SENATE IN NAME OF FRENCH SENATE BY GASTON MONNERVILLE. COVERAGE BY PRESS AND RADIO (REPORTED SEPTEL) IN NO WAY NEGLECTS THIS FIRST THEME BUT EMPHASIS OF MOST COMMENTARY IS ON VIOLENCE, JUST AS IT WAS WHEN MARTIN LUTHER KING WAS ASSASSINATED (PARIS 12393). CONSPIRACY THEME HAS ALSO REAPPEARED, CHARACTERISTICALLY IN GAULLIST ORGAN AND COMMUNIST ORGAN HUMANITE. CABINET MEETING JUNE 5 ALSO PLACES ACCENT ON SECOND THEME, AS DOES JUNE 5 STATEMENT OF UDV SECRETARY GENERAL ROBERT POUJADE. INTENT OF THESE TWO STATEMENTS SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN AT LEAST IN PART, TO DIVERT ATTENTION FROM GAULLISTS' OWN PROBLEMS.

3. MIN INFO GUENA SAID ON JUNE 5 APROPOS OF ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT THAT FRENCH CABINET HAD "EXPRESSED ITS EMOTION AND ITS SYMPATHY FOR SENATOR KENNEDY, AND STATED ITS CONCERN OVER THE EVENTUAL CONSEQUENCES OF THE ATTEMPT." POUJADE'S HIGHLY POLITICIZED STATEMENT TO PRESS DESCRIBED ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT AS "NEW ATROCITY" AND WENT ON TO SAY: "WHEN VIOLENCE INSTALLS ITSELF IN A NATION, WHEN POLITICAL ASSASSINATION BECOMES COMMON PRACTICE, WE ARE REVERTING TO PRIMITIVE TIMES WHEN SOCIETY

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WAS LAWLESS. FRENCH PEOPLE WILL REFLECT ON CONSEQUENCES WHICH STEM FROM PROVOCATION TO VIOLENCE ALL THE MORE ATTENTIVELY THAN IF THEY WERE STILL LEADING TRANQUIL LIFE THEY ENJOYED DURING PAST TEN YEARS." SAME APPROACH TAKEN BY SEVERAL JOURNALISTS, NOTABLY MICHEL GORDEY OF PRO-GAULLIST FRANCE-SOIR WHO ENDS EDITORIAL IN JUNE 6 EDITION AS FOLLOWS: "THESE LAST WEEKS, THE FRENCH PEOPLE ALSO HAVE FELT THE BURNING BREATH OF VIOLENCE PASS BY. IT WAS DIFFERENT, IN ITS CAUSES AND ITS FORM FROM THAT OF THE UNITED STATES. THANK GOODNESS (HEURESEMENT)."

4. POLITIBUREAU OF FEDERATION OF LEFT ISSUED STATEMENT JUNE 5, HOPING THAT SENATOR KENNEDY WOULD BE ABLE "CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE IN DEVELOPEMENT OF A POLICY OF DEMOCRACY AND PROGRESS IN THE UNITED STATES" AND CASTIGATING VIOLENCE AS "REPUGNANT TO ALL THOSE ATTACHED TO FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF LIBERTY."

5. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED SCORES OF TELEPHONE CALLS, TELEGRAMS AND NOTES FROM FRENCH OFFICIALS, BUSINESSMEN AND MEN-IN-STREET, AND FROM DIPLOMATIC CORPS EXPRESSING IN MOVING TERMS THEIR VERY REAL AND DEEP SYMPATHY FOR THE KENNEDY FAMILY AND THE UNITED STATES IN THIS TIME OF DARKNESS. ALSO, STREAM OF PERSONS HAS BEEN FLOWING THROUGH EMBASSY LOBBY ALL DAY JUNE 6 TO SIGN BOOK OPENED FOR EXPRESSION OF PERSONAL SYMPATHY.

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SUBJ: REACTION TO SENATOR KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION

1. PARTY LEADERS LAST NIGHT SET ASIDE PARTISAN CAMPAIGNING TO COMMENT ON ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR KENNEDY AND TO URGE EARLY ENACTMENT CRIMINAL CODE LEGISLATION EMBODYING GUN CONTROL MEASURES. PRIMIN TRUDEAU IN SUDBURY SAID CANADA FORTUNATE TO BE SPARED CIVIL DISORDERS AND VIOLENCE. HE URGED CANADIANS ESCHUEW NAME-CALLING WHICH BRANDED AS APPEALING TO HATE AND NOT REASON. TRUDEAU SAID CANADIAN CAMPAIGN SHOULD BE A USEFUL DIALOGUE.

2. IN SAINT JOHN, N.B., OPPOSITION LEADER STANFIELD SAID THE SHOCK IS DEEPER BECAUSE OF THE NATURE OF THE ACT WHICH DOES VIOLENCE TO THE SYSTEM OF POLITICS WHICH WE SHARE WITH THE U.S. STANFIELD OBSERVED DEMOCRACY IS A FRAGILE SYSTEM WHICH CAN BE MAINTAINED ONLY BY MEN OF GOODWILL. HE SAID CANADIANS MUST SEEK TO RECONCILE DIFFERENCES WHICH COULD END IN VIOLENCE AND EMPHASIZED THIS IS NOT THE SOLE CONCERN OF ANOTHER COUNTRY.

3. NDP LEADER DOUBLAS ALSO MADE STATEMENT IN CORNERBROOK, NFLD, BUT TEXT NOT YET AVAILABLE. BUTTERWORTH

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E X A C T T R A N S L A T I O N

1. PRESIDENT SANCHEZ' PRESS SECRETARY HAS ASKED EMBASSY TRANSMIT FOLLOWING TELEGRAMS TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON AND MRS. ETHEL KENNEDY EXPRESSING PRESIDENT SANCHEZ' CONDOLENCES DEATH SENATOR KENNEDY. REQUEST DEPARTMENT FORWARD AT ITS DISCRETION MESSAGE TO MRS. KENNEDY.

MR. LYNDON JOHNSON  
THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

THE PEOPLE OF EL SALVADOR ARE SHOCKED AT THIS TERRIBLE EVENT AND EXPRESS THEIR DEEP SORROW. THE TRAGIC DEATH OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY IS A SEVERE BLOW TO DEMOCRACY.

FIDEL SANCHEZ HERNANDEZ,  
PRESIDENT OF EL SALVADOR

MRS. ETHEL KENNEDY  
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

THE KENNEDY BROTHERS ARE THE SYMBOL OF THE MOST NOBLE DEMOCRATIC TRADITION OF OUR HEMISPHERE. THE PEOPLE OF EL SALVADOR, STRICKEN WITH MOURN, SHARE YOUR PROFOND GRIEF OVER THE IRREPARABLE LOSS OF YOUR ILLUSTRIOUS HUSBAND, SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY, AND OFFER THEIR PRAYERS FOR THE ETERNAL REST OF HIS SOUL.

FIDEL SANCHEZ HERNANDEZ,  
PRESIDENT OF EL SALVADOR

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2. SENOR LYNDON JOHNSON, CASA BLANCA, WASHINGTON
3. PUEBLO DE EL SALVADOR CONSTERNADO ANTE FATAL DESENLACE LE EXPRESA SU SENTIDO PESAME. LA TRAGICA MUERTE DEL SENADOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY CONSTITUYE UN RUDO GOLPE PARA LA DEMOCRACIA.
4. FIDEL SANCHEZ HERNANDEZ, PRESIDENTE DE EL SALVADOR
5. MRS. ETHEL KENNEDY, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS.
6. LOS HERMANOS KENNEDY SON SIMBOLO DE LA MAS NOBLE ESTIRPE DEMOCRATICA DE NUESTRO CONTINENTE. EL PUEBLO SALVADORENO CONSTERNADO COMPARTI SU PROFUNDO DOLOR POR LA IRREPARABLE PERDIDA DE SU ILUSTRE ESPOSO SENADOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY Y ELEVA SUS ORACIONES POR EL DESCANSO ETERNO DE SU ALMA.
7. FIDEL SANCHEZ HERNANDEZ, PRESIDENTE DE EL SALVADOR.  
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FOR BEN READ S/S.

1) AMBASSADOR A D MRS. SHRIVER AND MRS. EDWARD M. KENNEDY LEFT BRETAGNE AIR BASE SOUTH OF PARIS JUNE 6 AT 1322 LOCAL VIA PA-115 FOR NEW YORK OR BOSTON DEPENDING WEATHER CONDITIONS JFK AND POSSIBLE NEED REFUEL BOSTON.

2) CUSTOMS CLEARANCE BOSTON AND NEW YORK ARRANGED BY TREASURY/CUSTOMS PARIS.

3) IF PLANE LANDS BOSTON UNABLE PROCEED JFK BECAUSE OF WEATHER PARTY WILL TRAVEL DIRECTLY TO NEW YORK BY CAR PROVIDED BY SENATOR EDWARD KENNEDY'S BOSTON OFFICE.

4) IF PLANE LANDS JFK, USUN CAR WITH SON ROBERT SHRIVER, HERBERT KRAMER AND OTHER FRIENDS WILL MEET PANESIDE AND DRIVE INTO CITY.

5) PLEASE RECONFIRM PRECEDING ALTERNATIVE PLANS WITH PANAM, USUN, CUSTOMS AND AIRPORT AUTHORITIES.  
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"C'A Y EST, ROBERT KENNEDY EST MORT," RADIO CAMEROON OPENED NOON  
NEWSCAST JUNE 6. COMMENTATOR SAID AMERICA STRONG, RICH COUNTRY  
THAT HAS LEFT ALL OTHERS BEHIND TECHNOLOGICALLY BUT HAS DEEPLY  
DISCONCERTING ASPECT. BELIEVES U.S. HASN'T FULLY OUTLIVED ITS  
DAYS OF FRONTIER VIOLENCE. OBSERVED QUOTE IN AMERICA YOU CAN  
BUY GUNS LIKE YOU CAN BUY CANDY UNQUOTE. COMPARED DEATHS OF  
JOHN KENNEDY, MARTIN LUTHER KING, ROBERT KENNEDY, NOTING THEY  
AND THEIR IDEALS NOW SURELY BELONG TO WORLD.

BROADCAST CARRIED CONDOLENCES TELEGRAM FROM PRESIDENT AHIDJO  
TO MRS. KENNEDY AND CHARGE'S STATEMENT KENNEDY DEATHS. RADIO  
PLAYED EXCERPT USIS TAPE KENNEDY TELLING AFRICAN STUDENTS HE  
AGAINST ALL FORMS OF VIOLENCE.

KENNEDY DEATH WA ONLY ITEM CARRIED THAT BROADCAST. PROGRAM  
CONCLUDED WITH SELECTION SPIRITUALS BY GOLDEN GATE QUARTED  
WHICH HAD BEEN TO CAMEROON.

FLAG AT HALF MAST, CONDOLENCES BOOK ND PHOTO DISPLAY PLACED  
EMBASSY LOTBY. ARCHBISHOP ZOA PROBABLY WILL CELEBRATE REQUIEM  
MASS 5:30 P.M. MONDAY JUNE 10.

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RESIDENT UNIVERSITY STUDENTS CALLED ON USIS TO EXPRESS SORROW AND SYMPATHY CAMEROONIAN STUDENT BODY. SAID MANY CRIED, BUT NOT PLANNING PUBLIC MANIFESTATION SENTIMENTS.

INITIAL CAMEROONIAN REACTION APPEARS TO CONTAIN ELEMENT SURPRESSED, UNDIRECTED ANGER, CONFUSION OVER WHAT IT REGARDS AS GROWING REIGN OF VIOLENCE IN UNITED STATES AND DISMAY THAT ALMOST ANYONE CAN BUY ANY KIND OF WEAPON IN AMERICA. DENNIS

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 624

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EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FOLLOWING MESSAGE FOR TRANSMITTAL PRESIDENT JOHNSON:

QUOTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT, YOU WILL HAVE RECEIVED MY MESSAGE EXPRESSING OUR SHOCK AND HORROR AT THE TRAGIC SHOOTING OF SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY. AT THE TIME THE MESSAGE WAS TRANSMITTED TO YOU THE WORLD STILL WAITED IN THE HOPE THAT HIS LIFE WOULD BE SPARED AND HIS STRENGTH RESTORED TO ENABLE HIM TO CONTINUE TO SERVE AMERICA AND HUMANITY.

THIS HAS UNFORTUNATELY NOT BEEN THE CASE AND ROBERT KENNEDY'S DEATH HAS SADDENED NOT ONLY MY NATION AND MYSELF, BUT THE WORLD. NO BETTER TRIBUTE CAN BE PAID HIM THAN THE UPHOLDING OF THE IDEALS FOR WHICH HE STOOD.

MAY I, MR. PRESIDENT, EXTEND TO YOU AND THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA MY CONDOLENCES AS WELL AS THOSE OF MY WIFE AND THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF BOTSWANA. SERETSE KHAMA, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA UNQUOTE  
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FM AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6594

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SUBJECT: FONMIN HARMEL'S TELEGRAM TO MRS. ROBERT KENNEDY

1. FOLLOWING IS TRANSLATION OF MESSAGE SENT THIS MORNING  
TO MRS. ROBERT KENNEDY BY FONMIN HARMEL:

" IN THE NAME OF THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT AND MY NAME  
I WISH TO TRANSMIT MY DEEP CONDOLENCES AND TESTIMONY OF THE  
INTENSE EMOTION FELT BY ALL BELGIAN PEOPLE BY THE ANNOUNCEMENT  
OF THE ASSASSINATION OF WHICH YOUR HUSBAND HAS BEEN THE VICTIM.  
HE INCARNATED THE DYNAMISM AND GENEROSITY OF YOUNG AMERICA.  
IN THE SAME MANNER AS HIS BROTHER, HE ENTERS HISTORY AS AN EX-  
AMPLE OF COURAGE AND SACRIFICE TO THE SERVICE OF AN IDEAL OF  
PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE. I FEEL THAT I SPEAK IN THE NAME OF  
ALL MY COMPATRIOTS IN EXPRESSING INTENSELY THE WISH THAT HIS  
SACRIFICE WILL SERVE TO APPEASE AND TO BRIDLE THE VIOLENCE  
AGAINST WHICH HE NEVER CEASED TO STRUGGLE."

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SUBJECT: PRIMIN VANDEN BOEYNANTS' TELEGRAM TO MRS.  
ROBERT F. KENNEDY

1. FOLLOWING IS TRANSLATION OF MESSAGE SENT TO MRS. ROBERT F. KENNEDY BY BELGIAN PRIME MINISTER PAUL VANDEN BOEYNANTS:

"DEEPLY MOVED BY THE COWARDLY ATTACK WHICH HAS TAKEN YOUR HUSBAND FROM YOU AND DEPRIVED YOUR CHILDREN OF THEIR FATHER, ACCEPT, I BEG OF YOU, THIS EXPRESSION OF MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY.

"THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE SHARING THE SENTIMENTS OF SORROW AND INDIGNATION WHICH MOVE THE ENTIRE WORLD, NOW BEFORE YOUR SORROW AND THAT OF YOUR FAMILY, DEPLORING THE LOSS TO THE UNITED STATES OF ONE OF ITS MOST BRILLIANT LEADERS."

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT REY SENDS CONDOLENCES

IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE DEPARTMENT CONVEY TO MRS. KENNEDY THE FOLLOWING TELEGRAM OF CONDOLENCE FROM PRESIDENT JEAN REY: "IT WAS WITH PROFOUND EMOTION THAT THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES LEARNED OF THE ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY. MY COLLEAGUES AND I WISH TO EXPRESS TO YOU OUR DEEP CONDOLENCES. WE WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER SENATOR KENNEDY AS A MAN OF JUSTICE AND COURAGE WHO SACRIFICED HIS LIFE TO THE IDEAL OF PEACE AND HUMAN DIGNITY. JEAN REY, PRESIDENT." SCHAEZEL

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SUBJ: DEATH OF SENATOR KENNEDY

PRESIDENT SOMOZA HAS EXPRESSED TO ME ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF NICARAGUA AND IN HIS OWN BEHALF THE DEEPEST SORROW OVER THE DEATH OF SENATOR KENNEDY. HE REQUESTED THAT HIS MOST SINCERE CONDOLENCES BE CONVEYED TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON.

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FM AMEMBASSY MANAGUA

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UNCLAS MANAGUA 1837

SUBJECT: NICARAGUAN REACTION TO KENNEDY DEATH

1. NICARAGUANS SHARE OUR SHOCK AND INCREDULITY OVER ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR KENNEDY. PRESIDENT SOMOZA, WHO HAD ALSO PREVIOUSLY SENT MESSAGE TO MRS. KENNEDY, OPENED HIS PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY

BY EXPRESSING GON AND HIS PERSONAL CONDOLENCES ON OCCASION OF KENNEDY DEATH (SEE USINFO FILED TODAY BY USIS).

2. NEWS MEDIA HAVE GIVEN EXTREMELY HEAVY WIRE SERVICE COVERAGE AND EDITORIAL COMMENTARY TO ASSASSINATION. SOME LOCAL COMMENTATORS AND EDITORIAL WRITERS HINT AT DARK CONSPIRACY, STRESSING "RAPID DEGENERATION U.S. SOCIAL FABRIC AS CLIMATE OF VIOLENCE AND GANGSTERISM." OTHERS HAVE TAKEN MORE RESPONSIBLE LINE; SOCIAL CHRISTIAN RADIO COMMENTATOR SAID "U.S. IN CRISIS OF GROWTH RATHER THAN CRISIS OF DECAY -- MAYBE NOW U.S. CONSCIENCE HAS BEEN AROUSED SEEK NEW ROADS, NEW FRONTIERS".

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1. IN VIEW OF POPULARITY ROBERT KENNEDY IN POLAND AND EMBASSY EXPERIENCE AT TIME OF DEATH OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY 1963, WE ANTICIPATE ENORMOUS RESPONSE FROM POLISH PUBLIC TO NEWS OF SENATOR KENNEDY'S DEATH. WE ARE OPENING BOOK OF CONDOLENCES IN EMBASSY LOBBY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC 0830 TO 2000 DAILY. CONSULATE POZNAN PLANS SIMILAR ACTION.

2. PORTRAIT KENNEDY WILL BE PLACED IN DISPLAY CASE BEFORE EMBASSY ALONG WITH PHOTOGRAPHS OF HIS ACTIVITIES INCLUDING TRIP TO POLAND. RECOMMEND VOA CARRIES THESE DETAILS.

3. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS RE PROPRIETY OF CIRCULARIZING OTHER DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS RE EXISTENCE CONDOLENCE BOOK.

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FM AMEMBASSY ROME  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7191

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DEPT PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO WHITE HOUSE FOR PRESIDENT  
FROM KING CONSTANTINE:

QUOTE  
THE PEOPLE OF GREECE, THE QUEEN AND I SHARE IN THE SHOCK AND  
GRIEF THAT HAVE STRICKEN THE AMERICAN NATION TODAY. I WISH  
TO EXPRESS TO YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, AND THROUGH YOU TO THE FAMILY  
OF SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY AND TO THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES  
OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY. CONSTANTINE R.  
END QUOTE.  
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