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The Embassy of Vietnam presents its compliments to the Department of State and has the honor to transmit the following cablegram from the President of the Republic of Vietnam's House of Representatives to the President of the United States Senate.

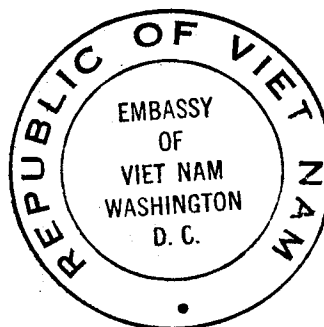
"Mr. President of the United States Senate,

Deeply grieved over the death of Senator Robert Francis Kennedy STOP On behalf of the Republic of Vietnam's House of Representatives and my own, I wish to express sincere condolences to the United States Senate and the American people STOP We deeply regret the loss of a great and talented member of the United States Senate STOP Kindly transmit our sincere condolences and expression of deep sympathy to the family of the late Senator STOP END

Signed: Nguyen Ba Luong, President
House of Representatives
Republic of Vietnam"

The Embassy of Vietnam avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of State the assurances of its highest consideration.

June 9, 1968
Washington, D. C.



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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. JOHN E. RIELLY
OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

Subject: Reply to Message of Condolence from
South Vietnamese House of Representatives

Attached is a copy of a message of condolence from Mr. Nguyen Ba Luong, President of the South Vietnamese House of Representatives, on the occasion of Senator Robert F. Kennedy's death. Since we have seen no similar message from the South Vietnamese Senate, and because current touchiness between the two chambers might be exacerbated by publication of a reply from the Vice President, no reply is recommended.

Benjamin H. Read
Executive Secretary

Enclosure: Copy of Mr. Luong's message.

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ACTION SLIP
WHITE HOUSE REFERRAL

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TO EA - Mr. Blackburn

DATE 6/12/68

SUBJECT Message fm Nguyen Ba Luong, Pres., to ~~KEK~~ HHH re death of Senator Kennedy.

XX Prepare a Read to Rielly

memo enclosing or containing:

Draft reply for President's signature.

XX Draft reply for signature by Vice Pres & transmitting text of

Memo for use as enclosure to reply Luong immediately at extension given message below.

by White House.
Comment or recommendation.

Direct reply:

Furnish information copy under cover of a Read to _____ memo.

Comeback copy required for S/S.

Suitable acknowledgment or other appropriate handling:

Furnish information copy of reply, if any, under cover of a Read to _____ memo.

Refer to White House request of _____.

FYI

XX Due in S/S by June 13.

NOTES

1. White House referrals must be answered within 48 hours unless otherwise noted. If deadline cannot be met, inform S/S
2. Direct replies to White House mail must be signed at the Assistant or Acting Assistant Secretary level.
3. Unless otherwise noted, direct replies, depending upon the addressee of the incoming letter, must begin: "The President has asked me to reply" or "Mr. _____ has asked me to reply".
4. Basic correspondence should be returned when draft reply, memorandum or comment or comeback copy for the White House is requested.

REMARKS

Also prepare green telegram containing suggested message for delivery by Embassy Saigon, if appropriate. Bureau will also wish to reply to note.

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S/CPR - Mr. King (w/att)

Alan Parker 7552

Secretariat Staff
Ext.



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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Attention Mrs. Mullett
Keep this study together.
H.B.

July 19, 1968

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALT W. ROSTOW
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letter to the President from
Jacob Kuangua: Condolence on
Death of Senator Kennedy

There are enclosed a letter to the President
from Jacob Kuangua, the Secretary General of the
South West Africa People's Organization, and a
copy of an acknowledgment of the letter by Embassy
Dar es Salaam.

We recommend there be no further reply to the
letter from Kuangua.

Benjamin H. Read
Benjamin H. Read
Executive Secretary

Enclosures:

1. Letter from Jacob
Kuangua dated July 4.
2. Letter from American Embassy
Dar es Salaam dated July 8.

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AFE - Mr. Feld
AF - Mr. Quimby

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transmit to: (U. S. Agency) <input type="checkbox"/> Inform: White House			
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ITEMS/REMARKS Transmitted are letters from Mr. Jacob Kuhangua, SWAPO's Secretary General, Dar es Salaam dated July 4, 1968 addressed to the U.S. President and Embassy's reply of July 8. 1968 JUL 17 PM 3 52 Read-Kroton.			
IN REPLY REFER TO FILE NUMBER AND DRAFTING OFFICE			
FILE NO.	SIGNATURE George B. Roberts, Jr.		
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POL 6-2 US / KENNEDY, ROBERT F.

Re: Letter of condolence on death of Senator Kennedy to President Johnson from South West Africa Peoples organization (Jacob Kuhangua, Pres)

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P.O. Box 9123, Dar es Salaam

July 8, 1968

Mr. Jacob Kuhangwa
Secretary General
South West Africa People's Organisation
P. O. Box 2603
Dar es Salaam

Dear Jacob:

Thank you for your letter to President Johnson of July 4 expressing SWAPO's condolences on the death of Senator Kennedy. We have forwarded it to Washington where I know both it and its sincere sentiments will be deeply appreciated.

Needless to say, all Americans mourn Senator Kennedy, and it is comforting to know that we have the sympathy of you and your colleagues in SWAPO.

Sincerely yours,

George B. Roberts, Jr.
First Secretary of Embassy

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South West Africa People's Organisation

Solidarity — Freedom — Justice



Foreign Mission
P. O. Box 2603
Telephone 23749
DAR ES SALAAM
TANZANIA
EAST AFRICA

Ref. No. 1766/J.7/68.

July 4th, 1968.

The President of the United States
of America,
Washington D.C.

To the Chief Executive and members of the Cabinet.
To the Kennedy family the Government, Senators and the
people of the United States of America.

Allow me to express our belated deepest and heartfelt
condolence for the iniquitous act of barbarism which cut short
the life of a dignified Son of America, whose voice reached the
hearts of millions across the oceans.

The cynical brutality and unscrupulous intrigue
calculated to silence the voices of millions throughout
the world, the bullet of an assassin which stroke down
Senator Robert Francis Kennedy, a husband and a Father.
The man who spoke out in case of danger, whom to many
symbolized a pretty tree planted on a fertile land was taken
away from us.

We mourn the man, but we deplore above all the brutal,
tragic and horrendous manner in which he took leave of us.
We can almost hear him from beyond the grave paraphrasing
Napoleon at St. - Helena, "Assassinated, I am dying before
my time and my body has already been returned to earth."
Yes, before his time, before he was able to complete his
goals, and it is because of this that the entire world
mourns his death.

Senator Robert Francis Kennedy a glorious fighter
in the noble wars of mankind for peace among nations, for
racial equality there in America and in the world, for the
emancipation of people and for the understanding among men.
Victor Hugo had said, "Memory grows when man falls." Far from
taking you away from our affection and admiration, the unjust
fate that befell you, on the Contrary, made you immortal. You
will be counted among the most beloved and glorious heroes of
our time. The traces you deeply marked in the minds of many
can not be erased.

Your simplicity and kindness, your principles, and
ideas of democracy have deeply penetrated in our hearts.

May the life of Robert Francis Kennedy rest in peace.

(JACOB KUKANGUA)
SWAPO SECRETARY GENERAL.

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HANDLING INDICATOR

TO : Department of State

FROM : AmEmbassy LISBON

DATE: July 18, 1968

SUBJECT : Transmitting Condolence Letters on the
Death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy

REF : Lisbon A-423, June 20, 1968

POL 6-2 US/KENNEDY, ROBERT F.

The referenced airgram described the reaction in Portugal to the death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy, and transmitted most of the correspondence expressing condolences. This airgram forwards, for such disposition as the Department wishes, additional expressions of condolences and copies of the replies, the bound register of condolences that was opened in the Embassy lobby, and a selection of expressions of sympathy - some anonymous, some with no return address - received at the Embassy.

IN ENVELOPE

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Enclosures:

1. Letters and telegrams of condolences and acknowledgments thereto
2. Register of Condolences
3. Personal cards and other condolence messages

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TO : Department of State

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FROM : Amembassy MOSCOW

DATE: July 13, 1968

SUBJECT : Messages Received by the Embassy in Connection With Senator Kennedy's Assassination

REF : Moscow 4187

Enclosed are approximately 90 messages, including a few telegrams, which were received by the Embassy following the assassination of Senator Robert Kennedy. The content of these messages runs the gamut from bona-fide expressions of sympathy to propagandistic statements which bitterly criticize the United States, its government, economic system, and way of life.

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TO : Amembassy VIENTIANE

FROM : Department of State

DATE Jul 12 1 00 PM '68

SUBJECT: Response to Messages of Condolence to Kennedy Family

REF : Vientiane 7077

It will probably be months before the Kennedy family will be able to acknowledge all of the messages of condolence which they have received. The Embassy may therefore wish to acknowledge, perhaps orally, letters from important personages. In particular, you may wish to supplement the Vice President's message to Outhong Souvannavong (State 183880) with an expression of the Kennedy family's grateful appreciation of his condolences.

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TO : Amconsul TURIN
INFO: Amembassy ROME

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FROM : DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DATE:

SUBJECT: Letters of Condolence to Kennedy Family

REF: Your A-23, July 3, 1968

Correspondence received by the Consulate for Mrs. Robert F. Kennedy and family should be forwarded to the Department, Office of Congressional Relations, Room 7256. The correspondence will then be transmitted to the late Senator's office, which is preparing replies to these messages of condolence.

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JULY 11, 1968

The Honorable
John W. McCormack
Speaker of the House
of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your letter of July 2, 1968 requested your deep appreciation be conveyed to the Peruvian Embassy for their kindness in expressing condolences on the death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy. This has been done by way of a diplomatic note.

If I can be of assistance to you at any time, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely yours,

WBM-7-9
sgd.
William S. Macomber, Jr.
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations

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The Department of State refers to
 dated June 8, 1968, from the Embassy of Peru,
 note No. 5-3-M/62 / expressing to the House of
 Representatives the Embassy's condolences on the
 death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy. The Speaker of
 the House of Representatives, the Honorable John W.
 McCormack, has requested that his deep appreciation
 for the kindness of the Embassy be conveyed.

File 6-2 US/Kennedy, Robert F

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Department of State,

Washington, JULY 11, 1968

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John W. McCormack
9th Dist. Massachusetts

Eugene T. Kinnally
Administrative Assistant

Martin Sweig
Legislative Assistant and
Secretary, Washington Office

Boston Office:
James H. Hartrey
Secretary

The Speaker's Rooms
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

July 2, 1968

Honorable William B. Macomber, Jr.
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Macomber:

I received your letter of June 26th
and I appreciate very much the fact that the Embassy
of Peru has expressed to me their condolences on the
death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

I shall further appreciate it if you will
convey to the Embassy of Peru my deep appreciation for
their kindness in this regard.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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TO : Department of State

FROM : American Embassy WARSAW

DATE: July 10, 1968

SUBJECT: Letters, Telegrams and Books of Condolence - Senator Kennedy

REF : STATE 198674

FOR OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL RELATIONS

As requested, the Embassy is forwarding all of the letters and telegrams of condolence, under separate cover, received at the Embassy on the occasion of Senator Robert Kennedy's death. We are also forwarding the books of condolence which were signed by thousands of Poles in the Embassy lobby during the days following the Senator's death.

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TO : Department of State

FROM : Amembassy GUATEMALA

DATE: Jul 10, 68

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Poems for Mrs. Kennedy

REF :

1. Transmitted herewith is a book of poems written by Sr. Juan ZAPATA Olivella, Consul of the Republic of Colombia in Guatemala, and containing a signed dedication by the author to Mrs. Ethel Kennedy. The book was received under cover of a letter addressed to the Ambassador, requesting that it be forwarded to Mrs. Kennedy.

2. The booklet is forwarded for such disposition as the Department deems appropriate.

3. The Ambassador has duly acknowledged to the author receipt of the book.

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Enclosure: Book of Poems, as stated

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Send all Kennedy condolence letters and telegrams to office of
* Congressional Relations, Department of State, for
transmittal to Mrs. Kennedy for reply.

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TO : DEPARTMENT OF STATE

FROM : AMEMBASSY YAOUNDE

DATE: JULY 9, 1968

SUBJECT : CAMEROONIAN REACTION TO DEATH OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY

REF :

YAOUNDE'S T-1573, DATED JUNE 6, 1968
YAOUNDE'S T-1586, DATED JUNE 7, 1968

CAMEROON'S REACTION TO THE DEATH OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY, AND THE PUBLIC RESPONSE THERETO, WAS SIMILAR TO THE REACTION AND RESPONSE TO THE DEATH OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING; AND THE INTENSITY OF EMOTION GENERATED WAS HEIGHTENED BECAUSE OF THE RECENT SLAYING OF DR. KING. THE FOLLOWING SUMMARIZES THE LOCAL ACTIVITY AND RESPONSE:

1. ON JUNE SIXTH, THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES PREPARED A STATEMENT WHICH WAS DISTRIBUTED IN ENGLISH AND IN FRENCH AND WHICH WAS BROADCAST ON THE LOCAL RADIO STATION AND PRINTED IN THE CAMEROONIAN PRESS AS AN EDITORIAL. SEVERAL RADIO BROADCASTS DEALT WITH THE TRAGEDY AND WITH THE LIFE OF THE NEW YORK SENATOR.
2. ON JUNE SIXTH A USIS DISPLAY, USING PICTURES OF SENATOR KENNEDY, WAS SET UP IN THE EMBASSY LOBBY. HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE VISITED THE LOBBY DURING THE WEEK WHICH FOLLOWED TO PASS BY THE DISPLAY. SUBSEQUENTLY, OVER 650 OF A WIDE VARIETY OF PEOPLE FROM THE SCHOLASTIC, BUSINESS, GOVERNMENT, AND DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITIES, AND INCLUDING CAMEROONIANS FROM EVERY WALK OF LIFE, CAME TO THE EMBASSY AND SIGNED TWO CONDOLENCE BOOKS PLACED IN THE LOBBY. THE FOREIGN MINISTER AND THE FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER; THE MINISTER OF ECONOMICS AND PLAN; THE SECRETARY GENERAL & THE DIRECTOR OF AMERICAN AFFAIRS IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY; AND THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL WERE AMONG THOSE WHO VISITED THE EMBASSY TO PAY THEIR RESPECTS AND TO SIGN THE CONDOLENCE BOOKS.

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FROM YAOUNDE

A. "THE TERRIBLE NEWS OF SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY'S DEATH, CAUSED BY THE BULLET FROM AN ASSASSIN'S GUN, HAS SHOCKED ME TO THE BONES. RECALLING THE SAME TRAGIC FATE WHICH HAD BEFALLEN HIS LATE BROTHER, JOHN F. KENNEDY, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, IN 1963, ONE CANNOT IMAGINE WITHOUT THE DEEPEST FEELINGS OF SYMPATHY AND DEPLORATION, THE GREAT SORROW AND HORROR WHICH THE DEATH OF SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY HAS STRUCK AGAIN THE KENNEDY FAMILY IN PARTICULAR AND THE UNITED STATES IN GENERAL."

"TO ALL BELIEVERS IN HUMAN RIGHTS, THE DEATH OF SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY IS AN IRRECOVERABLE AND GREAT LOSS. ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF WEST CAMEROON AND MYSELF, I EXPRESS AND EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO MRS. ROBERT KENNEDY AND THE REST OF THE FAMILY."

S. MUNA
PRIME MINISTER,
WEST CAMEROON

- B. "ROBERT FRANCIS KENNEDY IS DEAD!"
"ONE WONDERS HOW BEST WE WOULD CLASSIFY AMERICA AS MOST CIVILIZED COUNTRY IN THE WORLD, CHAMPION OF DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES!"
"WE CAN SEE THE UNITED STATES AS A LAND OF SAVAGES AND ENEMIES OF JUSTICE, EQUALITY FOR THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS OF MANKIND. SHAME TO THE UNITED STATES AND THE PRESENT LEADER."
- C. "ON BEHALF OF MY TRIBE BAKOSI IN KUMBA DIVISION, ACCEPT OUR DEEP SYMPATHY FOR THE LOSS OF SO DEAR A LEADER, WHO SAW THE MISERY OF SUFFERING MANKIND AND TRIED TO STOP IT."
- D. "WHEN DEATH STRIKES AT THE PEAK OF ONE'S FAME, IT IS TRAGIC. THIS TRAGEDY BECOMES MAGNIFIED IF THE FAMOUS FIGURE ALSO HAPPENS TO BE THE WORLD'S FAVORITE SON. THAT IS WHY THE WORLD IS STRUCK BY SUCH GRIEF TODAY. ROBERT FRANCIS KENNEDY, MORE THAN EVEN AMERICANS REALIZE, HELD A FAVORITE SPOT IN THE MINDS OF ALL AFRICANS--HE EXEMPLIFIED HOPE FOR THE POOR AND THE UNDER-PRIVILEGED; HE HELD HOPE FOR THE FUTURE IN A WORLD RUN WILD WITH MADNESS, HATRED, AND WAR." (CONT.)

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5. "THE ESTEEM THE WORLD'S PEOPLE HELD FOR ROBERT KENNEDY MAY LEAD THEM TO SAY THINGS ABOUT THE UNITED STATES THAT MIGHT MAKE THAT COUNTRY UNCOMFORTABLE. THIS IS AS IT SHOULD BE; BUT THE UNITED STATES MUST NEVER LOSE HOPE IN ITS FUTURE. ABOVE ALL, THE UNITED STATES MUST KNOW THAT MANY PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD KNOW THAT THERE ARE GOOD AMERICANS."

"THE TROUBLE LIES IN THE FACT THAT EVEN AMONG THE GOOD THERE ARE NUTS; NUTS WHO ARE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXERCISE THEIR MADNESS BECAUSE OF THE EASY ACCESS THEY HAVE TO DEADLY WEAPONS."

"SOMETHING OUGHT TO BE DONE ABOUT THIS; AND DONE NOW!"

S. Y. CHUNFONG
RADIO CAMEROON



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ENCLOSURES: *all m. m.*

1. PROGRAM OF THE REQUIEM MASS
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FROM : AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

DATE: July 9, 1968

SUBJECT: Letters of Condolence on the Death of
Senator Robert F. Kennedy

REF :

The Embassy is forwarding herewith, for transmission to the Kennedy family, letters of condolence received after the death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy from:

H.E. Serm Vinicchayakul, Minister of Finance
H.E. Andrea Ferrero, Ambassador of Italy
H.E. B. J. Slingenberg, Ambassador of the Netherlands
H.E. Sir Neil Pritchard, Ambassador of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
H.E. Lt. Gen. Jesus Vargas, Secretary-General, SEATO
Mr. Suriyon Raiva, Pres., Board of Trade of Thailand
Mr. N.C. Eckersley, Manager, The Chartered Bank
Mr. H. Freitag, Diethelm & Company, Limited
Mr. R. Patiyasevi, Bhatia & Company
Mr. Uthai Sungkaeo

A personal expression of appreciation for each of these letters has been sent by the Ambassador.

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Drafted by: EXEC:PD Taylor/kap 7/3/68

Contents and Classification Approved by: ADCM:JRFluker

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HANDLING INDICATOR

TO : Department of State

FROM : Amembassy BRUSSELS

DATE: July 9, 1968

SUBJECT : Death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy

REF :

The Embassy has received 345 letters and telegrams of sympathy on the death of Senator Kennedy, all of which were answered promptly along the lines of the enclosed sample. In addition, 783 people signed the register of condolence in the Embassy lobby.

Enclosed are a few of the letters and telegrams, which the Department may wish to pass to the Kennedy family.

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TO : Department of State

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FROM : Amembassy The Hague

DATE: July 8, 1968

SUBJECT : Expressions of Condolence Upon the Death of
Senator Kennedy

REF :

The tragic death of Senator Robert Kennedy engendered a tremendous outpouring of sympathy from Dutchmen in all walks of life. At the Embassy there were long lines of persons to sign the condolence register and letters flowed in by the hundreds. With only a few exceptions, the letters of condolence were friendly and sympathetic expressions of concern and of a sense of personal loss at the Senator's passing. All letters bearing a legible return address were answered by the Ambassador, including those addressed to the Kennedy family via the Embassy.

Enclosed for appropriate disposition are (1) the condolence registers opened by the Embassy and Consulates General Amsterdam and Rotterdam, (2) several condolence registers submitted by Dutch groups, (3) letters addressed to the family of Senator Kennedy, and (4) letters addressed to the Embassy.

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Robert F.

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TO : Department of State WASHINGTON

Info : Amembassy ROME (POL, USIS, CSCO)

FROM : Amconsul FLORENCE

DATE: July 5, 1968

SUBJECT : Senator Robert F. Kennedy

REF : Florence A-46, June 21, 1968

This supplements our A-46 describing memorial observances in Florence for Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

The Bologna Center of the Johns Hopkins University received several telegrams of condolence, and over 100 Italians in the community came into the Center to sign the attached pages.

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Attachment: Pages from book of condolence from Bologna Center of the Johns Hopkins University.

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TO : Department of State

INFO : Amembassy ROME

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FROM : Amconsul TURIN

DATE: July 3, 1968

SUBJECT : Reactions in Piemonte to the Robert Kennedy Assassination

REF :

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It is doubtful that the reaction in Piemonte to the Kennedy murder is any different from that found in other parts of Italy--or in most parts of the "civilized" world. The Embassy's description of the reaction in Rome was pretty well what was experienced in Turin, on a slightly smaller scale and without, of course, the participation of government officials of ministerial rank.

Newspaper coverage was heavy. Our switchboard was swamped. Our book opened for signature was kept in the Consulate's small reception room until it became obvious that the crowds were going to paralyze other activities of the office, whereupon the book was moved to the entrance foyer of the office building in which the Consulate is located. It was placed on a lectern with a vase of flowers on one side and an American flag on the other. More than 3,000 signatures are in the book now and people are still asking to sign it. It will be forwarded to the Department to be transmitted to the Kennedy family shortly.

We have lost count of the number of cities and towns whose Councils voted official regret and sympathy and some of them, we know, sent telegrams to the family. So far as we know, every City Council that met during the period immediately following the assassination passed a resolution of sympathy. The remarks of the Mayor of Turin to the Turin City Council, prior to the vote of the Council to dedicate some street or school to Senator Kennedy, are enclosed.

Enclosure: *att EP*
Commemoration Address, June 17, 1968

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Memorial masses were held everywhere. The Consulate received so many invitations to attend masses that it simply was unable to cope with them all. Turin's Cardinal Pellegrini officiated at the largest-attended and most publicized, and the English-speaking Protestant Inter-denominational Church of Turin had a special service, in English. For the subsequent two weeks articles appeared in the newspapers of the district, including especially weeklies from the forks of the creek, regarding masses held in memory of the Senator.

One of the most touching aspects of the whole affair has been the reaction of the school children; and this, too, is something Americans have a hard time understanding--how the Kennedys have projected through to children. Sometimes the teachers are responsible, sometimes the parents, but often--often--it is the children themselves. We have a number of Italian-language notes of sympathy we have been asked to forward to Robert Kennedy's own children.

Every newspaper in the district (there are about 150 of them--dailies, semi-weeklies, and weeklies) carried an editorial and many of them re-printed letters to the editors. All were highly laudatory of Kennedy and his brother John (almost invariably coupled) but many of them also expressed the feeling, "What's going on in America?" In those cases the old refrain of the soulless, materialistic, mechanized society was sung over again--much as has been the case in many of the newspapers in the United States, of course.

In that respect it is pertinent to note that many of the personal expressions of condolence have contained a brief reference to the continuing growth of violence in the U.S. These comments have often been made by persons whose affection for the United States is a bit shallow but who in general terms are our well-wishers. In every case we have replied with the statement, "Yes, violence is everywhere, it seems. A bomb destroyed the front entrance of our Consulate here in Turin, the Kennedy and King assassinations in the United States, kidnappings and assassination in Sardinia, the destruction caused by students here in Italy, in France and elsewhere--yes, there's violence everywhere and unfortunately Italy and the United States have their full share." That seems to have a fairly effective answer to those to whom it is made, but the feeling that lawlessness has reached its zenith and personal safety its nadir in the United States seems to be on the minds of too many people here for an American to be comfortable.

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We would appreciate knowing the desires of the Kennedy family regarding letters that are sent to us for transmission to Mrs. Kennedy and/or the children. Have any arrangements been made for private persons to assist in acknowledging these communications? If not, are Foreign Service posts to reply to the senders in the Kennedy name? Some such instruction to standardize handling of this correspondence should be sent to the field as soon as possible. We are keeping the correspondence thus far received pending instructions, and we hope that provision is being made to acknowledge the telegrams and letters that have been sent to the Kennedy family direct.


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TRANSLATION of Mayor Grosso's Address : Commemoration of Robert Kennedy
Delivered June 17, 1968 to City Council
Turin, Italy

MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL:

It is customary that when an event has touched either our own citizens or a broader segment of people and countries, the City Council is opened by a reference to that fact. I think that even though this evening's session will be the final one for this Council, that is not sufficient reason for us to fail to open this session with a specific reference to something that has struck and impressed and moved the people of the entire world, and that is the murder of Robert Kennedy. It is an act that will find its place among the great events of history.

A friend told me, knowing that he was talking to a professor of Roman law, "Don't you believe that the figures of these two brothers can be placed on the level of those of Tiberius and Gaius Gracchus in that these latter two were representative of Roman society at a time when it was the center of the world-- in the similarities between their deaths, and in the continuation of their work, despite all of the factors which came into play against the ideas for which they had fought?"

In any case, this is not the moment to make historical comparisons, no matter how close the similarity.

The murder of John Kennedy and that of Robert Kennedy, and, in the interim, the murder of Martin Luther King, are related to the unleashing of forces which do not hesitate to resort to violence against men who represent a voice seeking the solution of problems which beset not only a great country such as America, but all humanity.

When Robert Kennedy decided to become a candidate, he said:
"I enter the race to fight for the equality of all men, of whites, of Negroes; to do away with the separation between rich and poor; to bring to a close a war which is sowing death, to do what is possible not only for America, but for all mankind."

And actually, in the great American society, in the great and complex groupings of people there, in the differences that exist there, you can find a microcosm of all of the problems of mankind. And mankind is now dismayed, and asks itself: "If all of the men who battle to eliminate the evils of humanity and to bring mankind to a civilized level must fall through violent means, and if behind the violent means there are violent minds, then is it perhaps impossible to resolve the problems of mankind without violence?"

Unfortunately, we are now in a period in which ideas and methods of violence are spreading. All men of good will should know that whatever the difference in their views and ideologies, they must fight side by side for the right to compare their conflicting ideas freely. Indeed, only out of such free comparison can the solution of many problems be reached. All efforts should therefore be concentrated toward a solution of such great problems which are now under discussion at different levels--and the solution must be such as will meet the demands of all humanity, since never before have men felt more closely united the world over, now that science has practically eliminated space and distance barriers. I therefore believe that the names of John and Robert Kennedy should forever be engraved in our minds just as they will always be engraved in history--the painful and tragic history of man throughout the centuries.

Let it serve as an admonition and as a beacon to us--and let us hope that an end may soon be reached to the unbridled, brutal and blind violence which is being wreaked on the very men whose purpose is to demonstrate that problems may be solved without resorting to violence.

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SECRETARY'S REPLY TO MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE FROM
FONMIN MALIK ALREADY PASSED TO MALIK BY LETTER
DATED JUNE 17 AS INSTRUCTED REF B.
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ACTION: Amembassy ~~XXXXXX~~ SANTIAGO

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1. Please transmit the following message from the Vice President to President of the Supreme Court Osvaldo Illanes Benitez:
behalf
2. QTE: Dear Mr. President: On/~~XXXXXX~~ of the Senate of the United States, I wish to thank you for your kind message of condolence on the death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy. The sympathy expressed by the members of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Chile is deeply appreciated by Senator Kennedy's colleagues, as well as all the people of the United States. Sincerely, Hubert H. Humphrey. ~~END~~ UNQTE.
3. Office of Vice President has no plans to release message but has no objection if recipient desires to do so.

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Drafted by:

ARA/BC:JBonczek

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Telegraphic transmission and
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ACTION: Amembassy DJAKARTA

Info:

STATE

PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY TO FOREIGN
MINISTER MALIK:

1. QTE Thank you for your thoughtful message of condolence on the tragic death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy. Your sympathy & ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~is deeply appreciated. UNQTE
2. Department does not plan to release message, but has no objection to release by Foreign Minister Malik.
3. Following, FYI, is text of Foreign Minister Malik's message to the Secretary.

QTE Deeply shocked by the sad news of the tragic demise of Senator Robert Kennedy, I hasten to extend to ~~you~~ Your Excellency my sincere condolences. My thoughts are also very much with the family of the deceased, for whom this loss is so great. May his soul rest in peace and may God the Almighty grant consolation to ~~h~~ his family in their hour of bereavement. Adam Malik, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Rep. of Indonesia. UNOTE

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Drafted by:

S/S-S:WShepard

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Telegraphic transmission and
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S/S-S - Mr. Shepard

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July 6, 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALT W. ROSTOW
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Messages of Condolence on the Death
of Senator Robert F. Kennedy

I enclose for presentation to Mrs. Kennedy, a book
of messages of condolence received by the President,
the Vice-President and the Secretary of State on the
death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

A proposed letter from the President to
Mrs. Kennedy is also enclosed.

John P. Walsh
for
Benjamin H. Read
Executive Secretary

Enclosures:

1. Presentation Book
2. Proposed Letter

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1. The first step in the process of the development of a new product is the identification of a market need. This is done by conducting market research, which involves gathering information about the current market and the needs of potential customers. This information is then used to develop a product concept that meets the identified need.

OF SENATOR WOODWARD KEARSON
AND HIS METHODS OF CONSIDERING OF THE DEBTS

THE UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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PRESIDENTIAL LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL
OF MESSAGES OF CONDOLENCE
FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES
ON THE DEATH OF SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY

Dear Ethel:

Please accept, once again, my deepest sympathy over the tragic death of your husband. With this letter, I am sending a book containing the messages of condolence received by the White House, the Vice President's office, and the Department of State, from foreign heads of state and other government leaders, parliamentarians, foreign ministers and from other distinguished persons abroad. All these have been acknowledged.

These messages again remind us of the leadership, vision, and personal appeal that Bob possessed in such large measure, not only for the people of the United States, but the peoples of all the world.

Our prayers continue for you and your family. The courage and dignity you have shown under tragic circumstances are an example to all the people of our nation.

Sincerely,

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ACTION: Amembassy MONTEVIDEO

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REF : Montevideo A-757

1. Vice President Humphrey has requested that following message be delivered ~~to the President of the Uruguayan Senate~~

QUOTE Dear President Abdala:

The tragic and untimely assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy has come as a great shock to all Americans. As President of The United States Senate, I express my deepest appreciation for your message. Your solidarity with us in this time of grief is a source of comfort and consolation.

Sincerely,

Hubert H. Humphrey

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~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ UNQUOTE

Vice President's office

2./ ~~Department~~ does not plan to release message, but has no objection to release by Uruguayans.

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ACTION: Amembassy WELLINGTON

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PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TO GOVERNOR

GENERAL SIR ARTHUR PORRITT:

1. QTE The tragic and untimely death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy has come as a great shock to all Americans. On behalf of the people of the United States, I express my deepest appreciation for your words of sympathy. UNQTE

2. QTE The knowledge that your countrymen share our grief is a source of great comfort and consolation. I ~~shx~~ shall transmit your message to Mrs. Kennedy and members of the Senator's family. Lyndon B. Johnson UNQTE

3. White House does not plan to release message, but has no objection to release by Sir Arthur Porritt.

4. Following, FYI, is text of Sir Arthur Porritt's message to the President:

QTE I was deeply ~~distressed~~ distressed to hear of Senator Robert Kennedy's death. Would ~~you~~ you please convey my deepest sympathy to Mrs. Kennedy and her children. UNQTE END

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S/S-S:WShepard

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Mr. Shepard

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EA - Mr. Porter (informed)

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ACTION: Amembassy LOME

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PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TO PRESIDENT EYADEMA:

1. QTE The tragic and untimely death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy came as a great shock to all Americans. On behalf of the people of the United States, I express my deepest appreciation for your words of sympathy during the agonizing hours between the attempt on the life of Senator Kennedy and his subsequent untimely death.

2. QTE The knowledge that you shared our concern during that grievous period was a source of great comfort and consolation. Your message has been transmitted to Mrs. Kennedy and members of the Senator's family. Lyndon B. Johnson UNQTE

3. White House does not plan to release message, but has no objection to release by GRD.

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4. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Following, FYI, is ~~XXX~~ text of President Eyadema's message to the ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ President:

QTE We were deeply affected by the news of the ~~N~~ dastardly attempt on the life of Senator Robert Kennedy. Please convey to him and his family our very sincere wishes for a prompt recovery.

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Very ~~high~~ consideration. General Etienne Eyadema UNQTE

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Tel. Ext. 5127

Telegraphic transmission and classification approved by: AFCW - E. Jan Nadelman

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HANDLING INDICATOR

TO : Department of State

INFO : Lisbon

FROM : AmConsul, Oporto

DATE: July 2, 1968

SUBJECT: Reaction in Oporto to Senator Kennedy's Assassination

REF :

Senator Kennedy's assassination was received in Oporto with an outpouring of grief and anger that affected the population deeply and visibly for two days. While many remarks were directed at the nature of the society that permitted this to happen, most were honest expressions at seeing an identifiable ideal struck down. Some officials, from whom the Consulate has become accustomed to hearing criticism of the United States, were worriedly serious, fearful that the assassination might signify an unravelling of American society with its consequences for western world leadership.

Two of the three major morning newspapers, Jornal de Noticias and Comercio do Porto, published special afternoon editions on July 6 announcing the Senator's death. According to an unverified local report this was the first time Oporto papers have put out special editions since the hijacking of the Santa Maria in 1961 and thus illustrates the level of attention given the matter in northern Portugal.

Nearly all of the career consuls came personally to the Consulate to express their condolences. The British Consul General preceeded his traditional Queen's birthday toast on June 7 with a request for one minute of silence in respect for the Senator. On Sunday, June 9, the Movimento de Casais (couples' association), an active movement of progressive

Enclosures: all m. m.

1. Consulate's condolence sheet
2. Personal cards left at Consulate

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young catholic couples, sponsored a heavily-attended requiem mass at which the priest spoke movingly about Robert Kennedy's example to today's younger generation which is often led to believe that family and religion are obsolete in the modern world. On June 12, the seventh, the Consulate employees held a mass.

Following local tradition, a table was placed in the Consulate reception area with facilities for signatures and deposit of condolence cards. These cards and the signature sheet are enclosed for the Department's disposition. It should be noted that this record represents a very small percentage of the expressions of condolence made to Consulate officers during the days following the assassination.


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July 2, 1968

Honorable John W. McCormack
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

The recent assassination of Senator Robert Kennedy has been a cause of grief and distress in many countries as well as our own. The Paraguayan Chamber of Deputies has unanimously passed a resolution of sympathy and condolence on Senator Kennedy's death. The text of this resolution was presented to the American Ambassador in Asuncion, The Honorable E. C. Hernandez, by a special delegation of Paraguayan Congressmen with a request that their message be conveyed to the people of the United States. Accordingly, it is most appropriate that this resolution by the Paraguayan Chamber of Deputies in tribute to the late Senator Kennedy be presented to your office.

A copy of this resolution is being sent separately to the widow of Senator Kennedy as a token of the esteem in which her late husband was held throughout the world.

Sincerely yours,

W B M

William B. Macomber, Jr.
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations

Enclosures:

1. Declaration No. 1
2. Translation thereof.

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Sincerely,

G. *WETA 51*
H. G. Herbert, Jr.
Acting Assistant Secretary
for Congressional Relations *WBM*

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1. Declaration No. 1
2. Translation thereof

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ARA - Miss Eltz *Ray*

H - Mr. Bragg *Ray*



CONGRESO NACIONAL

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DECLARACION N° 1.

CONSIDERANDO:

Que el mundo ha sido conmovido por una de las más dramáticas noticias, al conocer el atentado que luego costara la vida a un líder de la democracia americana, Senador y Candidato eventual a Presidente de los Estados Unidos de América Robert Kennedy;

Que el pueblo paraguayo lamenta la muerte de tan esclarecido luchador de la democracia y condena en forma enérgica y unánime tal atentado no sólo por las consecuencias inmediatas y mediatas, sino por lo que significa dicho acto en toda su negación humana y social.

Por ello, la Cámara de Diputados que recoge en su seno el pensamiento de toda la ciudadanía paraguaya,

DECLARA:

Art. 1°.- Sus sentimientos más profundos de pesar por la temprana desaparición del Senador y eventual Candidato a la Presidencia de los Estados Unidos de América Don Robert Kennedy.

Art. 2°.- Su condena más enérgica a la violencia en si misma y a todo sistema o prédica que conduzca a procedimientos de tal naturaleza, y

RESUELVE:

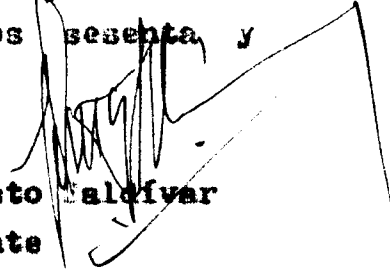
Rendir como tributo un minuto de silencio a la memoria del Senador Robert Kennedy y constituir una comisión para que haga llegar las condolencias de esta Cámara al pueblo de los Estados Unidos de América, a través de su embajador acreditado en Asunción.

Art. 3°.- Comuníquese a quienes corresponda y archívese.

Hada en la sala de sesiones de la Honorable Cámara de Diputados de la Nación, a seis de junio del año un mil novecientos sesenta y ocho.


Bonifacio Iraia Amarilla

Secretario Parlamentario


J. Augusto Caldivar

Presidente

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
DIVISION OF LANGUAGE SERVICES

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DECLARATION No. 1

W H E R E A S :

The world was shocked by the most tragic announcement of the attack that later cost the life of a leader of American Democracy, the United States Senator and possible presidential candidate, Robert Kennedy;

W H E R E A S :

The people of Paraguay mourn the death of such an illustrious champion of democracy and vehemently and unanimously condemn such an attack, not only because of its direct and indirect consequences, but also because of its meaning as an act of repudiation of all human and social values;

Therefore, the Chamber of Deputies, expressing the feelings of all the citizens of Paraguay,

D E C L A R E S :

Art. 1 Its deepest sympathy at the untimely death of Robert Kennedy, a Senator and possible presidential candidate.

Art. 2 Its vigorous condemnation of the act of violence itself and of all systems or doctrines that lead to such acts, and

R E S O L V E S :

To render tribute to the memory of Senator Kennedy by observing one minute of silence and to appoint a committee to convey the condolences of this Chamber to the people of the United States of America, through their Ambassador at Asunción.

Art. 4 This Declaration is to be made known to the pertinent officials and filed in the National Archives.

Given at the Assembly Hall of the Chamber of Deputies, on this sixth day of June in the year nineteen hundred and sixty-eight.

[s] Bonifacio Irala Amarilla

Bonifacio Irala Amarilla
Parliamentary Secretary

[s] J. Augusto Saldivar

J. Augusto Saldivar
President of the Chamber

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Chamber]

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PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY TO FOREIGN
MINISTER KURT WALDHEIM:

1. QTE Thank you for your thoughtful message of condolence on the tragic death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy. Your sympathy is deeply appreciated. UNQTE
2. Department does not ~~plan~~ plan to release message, but has no objection to release by Foreign Minister Kurt Waldheim.
3. Following, FYI, is Foreign Minister Kurt Waldheim's message to the Secretary.

QTE Deeply grieved by the tragic passing away of Senator Robert Kennedy and by the great loss suffered by the American Nation. I beg you to accept the expression of my sincerest sympathy. Kurt Waldheim Federal Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Austria. UNQTE

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Honorable Edward M. Kennedy
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Kennedy:

The peoples of many nations as well as our own share your sorrow and that of your family at the untimely and tragic death of your brother, Senator Robert Kennedy. Our Ambassador in Paraguay, the Honorable E. C. Hernandez, has requested that his enclosed letter and a resolution of condolence approved by the Paraguayan Chamber of Deputies be sent to Mrs. Robert F. Kennedy through the courtesy of your office. A translation of this resolution is also enclosed.

I have sent a separate copy of the resolution passed by the Paraguayan Chamber of Deputies, and the translation, to the office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives as the Paraguayan Chamber of Deputies is the counterpart of the U. S. House of Representatives.

Sincerely yours,

WBM

William B. Macomber, Jr.
Assistant Secretary for
Congressional Relations

Enclosures:

1. Letter from Ambassador Hernandez
2. Resolution by the Paraguayan Chamber of Deputies
3. Translation

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