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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. McGEORGE BUNDY
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letter to the President from Postmaster
General Gronouski dated December 18

The Department strongly endorses the suggestion of Postmaster General Gronouski that he visit Poland during June 1964.

As early as November 1963, at a meeting of officials of the Departments of Commerce and State and USIA, discussing arrangements for United States participation in the June 1964 International Trade Fair in Poznan, Poland, the Postmaster General was proposed as a logical candidate for United States representative to the fair. By a fortunate coincidence, Polish Deputy Prime Minister Piotr Jaroszewicz, who visited the United States as delegate of his country to the funeral ceremonies for the late President Kennedy, personally extended the Postmaster General an oral invitation to visit Poland. The Department and USIA recently recommended officially to the Department of Commerce that the Postmaster General be invited to serve as United States Representative to the 1964 Poznan Fair.

Since the Union of Postal Officials Congress in Vienna commences on May 29 and extends throughout June, and the Poznan Fair runs from June 7 - 21, it would appear desirable for Mr. Gronouski to travel in June. The Krakow University celebrations are scheduled for earlier in May.

It is recommended that the Postmaster General be informed that it would best serve our interests if he were to accept the invitation in such a manner as to make possible his attendance at the Poznan Trade Fair in June.

/s/ John A. McKesson

For
Benjamin H. Read
Executive Secretary

Attachments:

1. Letter from the Postmaster General to the President dated December 18.
2. Letter from Polish Minister Zygmunt Moskwa to the Postmaster General dated December 7.