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MEMORANDUM FOR

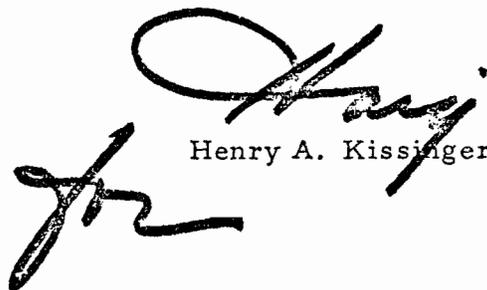
THE SECRETARY OF STATE

THE SECRETARY OF TREASURY

SUBJECT: IBRD Loan to Burundi

The President has reviewed the Secretary of State's memorandum of December 1, 1972 concerning an IBRD loan for Burundi. He agrees with the recommendation of the Secretary of State that the United States Executive Director not oppose the loan in the IBRD Executive Board.

However, at the time of the vote, our Executive Director is to issue a strong statement deploring the genocide which occurred in Burundi earlier this year. He is to emphasize that our failure to oppose the loan must in no way be interpreted as approval for the policies of the Burundi Government. The President wishes our Executive Director's statement to be broadly publicized.

  
Henry A. Kissinger

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