

MEMORANDUM

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MEMORANDUM FOR: SECRETARY KISSINGER
FROM: CLINTON E. GRANGER *CEG*
SUBJECT: Map Level for Zaire

Following submission of our recommendations for FY '76 budget revisions to accommodate necessary changes in the map programs, I was contacted by Ambassador Sheldon Vance. Ambassador Vance had returned from Zaire with a shopping list for military equipment, which he discussed with DOD. The Ambassador feels strongly that there is an urgent requirement for at least \$19 million in total map grant for Zaire in support of on-going programs that you are aware of. This is only an approximation, but is the best estimate available.

The level currently recommended for Zaire is \$9.5 million. However, now that more accurate data is available it would appear that the Zaire budget amendment should be included with those submitted to you earlier for consideration.

There are two decisions needed:

- The level which we should seek for Zaire, and
- The manner in which the funds would be requested (by request in the basic bill, or later by supplemental).

The operational aspects of the Zaire requirement appear to dictate acceptance of the higher, \$19 million level, as recommended by Ambassador Vance to insure full support from Mobutu. Hal Horan supports this view. Ambassador Vance has talked to George Vest, and Vest has made such a recommendation to you at State.

