

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
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MEMORANDUM FOR:

The Secretary of State
The Secretary of Defense

SUBJECT: Fisheries Dispute with Ecuador

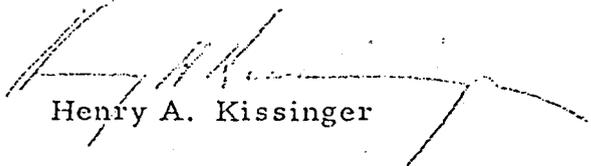
The President has directed that vigorous efforts be undertaken to negotiate a practical settlement of the fisheries dispute with Ecuador and the other South Pacific nations which:

- avoids further adverse impact of this dispute on our political relationship with the nations of the Hemisphere, and
- reserves our juridical position on the extent of the territorial seas.

He has asked that the Secretary of State, in coordination with other appropriate agencies, submit a memorandum to him reporting on United States negotiating strategy and the actions taken or planned to implement that strategy. The memorandum should include, as appropriate, recommendations for actions requiring Presidential decision. In this connection, consideration should be given, inter alia, to:

- steps required to waive the suspension of Foreign Military Sales to Ecuador;
- designation of a special emissary; and
- consultations with the Congress and domestic industry representatives.

The memorandum should be submitted to the President by February 22, 1971.


Henry A. Kissinger

cc: Secretary of the Interior
Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
Director of Central Intelligence

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