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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARD ALLEN
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Transmittal of Briefing Paper on Jamaica

As requested by the Vice President's staff,
attached is a briefing paper on the subject
"Constraints on U.S. Development Assistance for
Jamaica."

for *R. G. Tarnoff*
Peter Tarnoff
Executive Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
BRIEFING PAPER

Constraints on U.S. Development Assistance
for Jamaica

Summary:

There is sufficient legislative flexibility to move development funds and/or PL-480 funds from other programs to Jamaica. The primary constraints are the costs of cutting other countries' programs when budgets are already tight and the difficulties the Government of Jamaica will have in financing its share of development costs and in finding technical and management personnel to administer projects in addition to the approaching half billion dollar pipeline already funded.

Background:

Development projects have moved very slowly in Jamaica during the past few years. Foreign funding for the external costs has generally been readily available but internal funding for the local costs has not. The pressures of inflation and of IMF limits on domestic spending faced the previous Jamaican government with hard choices between cutting current expenditures for schools, welfare, and government employment and cutting investment. Investment was cut. Because of the largescale out-migration of technical and professional people, there has been a critical shortage of management personnel and even of foremen.

IMF spending limits will also be tight in 1981 and 1982. Prime Minister Seaga has said the only new investment projects Jamaica can afford are those which are totally financed by donors. AID legislation requires a minimum 25 percent recipient country contribution.

Thus far in FY 1981 we have provided \$40 million in ESF financing for essential imports, \$10 million is earmarked to food sales under PL 480, Title I, and \$7.6 million Development Assistance is programmed under A.I.D.'s Continuing Resolution. Some \$4.7 million was obligated for an agricultural marketing project on December 11, 1980. The remaining AID funds are required to finance ongoing projects primarily in agriculture, manpower planning, and family planning.

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Reprogramming additional bilateral aid for Jamaica, however, would present some formidable problems.

Economic Support Fund: The total OYB (operating year budget) for ESF is \$2.23 billion. Of this amount some 98 percent or \$2.18 billion has either been earmarked by Congress for specific countries, has already been obligated, or has yet to be obligated under a treaty commitment.

PL 480: The OYB for PL-480 is 859 million. This budget is extremely tight because our commitment to Egypt is in tons. As the price of wheat rises, an increasing share of the fixed dollar program must go to Egypt. Price increases have been significant in recent months. There is substantial agreement that should modest amounts of PL-480 Title One not be needed in other countries such as Bangladesh, the Jamaican program will be increased.

Development Assistance: The OYB under the Continuing Resolution is \$1.29 billion. This extremely tight budget has been fully programmed. Recipient governments have been informed of their FY 81 levels and project development work is well under way. As of December 31, 29 percent of the OYB had already been obligated.

While the A.I.D. Mission in Jamaica has been preparing two new development projects: one to improve the efficiency of rural health delivery - \$6.0 million, and another to test alternative energy sources and expand use of energy conservation practices, it remains to be determined whether the Government of Jamaica will be able to undertake them, given the constraints which it faces.

A team of A.I.D. housing experts is now in Jamaica to review progress on an existing Housing Investment Guaranty. They will discuss the potential for up to \$15.0 million of new Guaranty Authority. However, it is unlikely that the requisite housing projects have been developed for this Guaranty. Furthermore, the interest rate for new Housing Guaranties (in the vicinity of 15 percent) will be onerous for Jamaica, given its currently strained debt service capacity.

January 26, 1981

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FROM KELLY, J

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

10:45 a.m.
February 23, 1981

Dr. Fontaine,

Tim Deal has "no comment" on
NSC #643.

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

Feb 23

Phyllis

The press release will be released at noon on the 24th, I think. Please call me as soon as you have read it so I can tube it to Mr. Allen's office.

Thanks,

Dona Proctor
5694

25 FEBRUARY 1981

RE: 0643

NOTE FOR FILE:

Adm. Nance signed the memo to Mort Allin yesterday, on behalf of RVA. Mr. Allen's office dispatched the memo to Mr. Allin, and did not make a copy of the cover memo for the files.

Jean P.

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR: MORT ALLEN

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN

SUBJECT: Press Release on US Business Committee
on Jamaica

Attached is the White House press release on the US Business Committee on Jamaica, chaired by David Rockefeller. Please inform Roger Fontaine of my staff (x-5694) of the time of release of the press statement so he can in turn alert the State Department, since an announcement will also be made in Kingston by the parallel Jamaican business committee.

Attachment

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

February 23, 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR: RICHARD V. ALLEN
 THROUGH: PHYLLIS KAMINSKY *PK*
 FROM: ROGER FONTAINE *RF*
 SUBJECT: Press Release on US Business Committee
 on Jamaica

At Tab I is a memorandum from you to Mort Allin forwarding a proposed White House press release on the US Business Committee on Jamaica. I propose this be released on February 24 as written.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the press release at Tab I and forward it under the memo to Mort Allin for release.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Tim Deal concurs.

Attachment

2/24/81
 Bud Nance approved
 for RVA - cf went
 to M. Allin



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

February 21, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARD ALLEN
THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: U.S. Business Committee on Jamaica

Attached is a draft White House press release on the U.S. Business Committee on Jamaica, chaired by David Rockefeller. The Committee will have its first steering group meeting in New York Monday, February 23, and will issue its public announcement on February 24. Therefore the White House release should also be made that day, as will an announcement in Kingston by the parallel Jamaican business committee.

The list of steering group members -- about nine people -- is still incomplete, pending acceptances, and we will forward the names to you as soon as they are confirmed.

We plan to make a supplementary statement about the formation of the Committee at the daily State press briefing February 24.

The State liaison officer for the Committee is Ernest Preeg (632-4100) who will attend the February 23 meeting in New York. He would be available to assist you in any way if the White House should do further backgrounding on this initiative.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L. Paul Bremer, III".

L. Paul Bremer, III
Executive Secretary

Attachment:

As stated

DRAFT WHITE HOUSE PRESS RELEASE

President Reagan and Jamaican Prime Minister Seaga, in their talks here on January 28, stressed the central importance of new private sector investment for Jamaican economic recovery, and agreed that the formation of action groups of outstanding business leaders in the two countries would contribute substantially to this end. The President therefore applauds and strongly endorses the formation of the US Business Committee on Jamaica, announced today.

The Committee will be chaired by Mr. David Rockefeller, Chairman, Chase Manhattan Bank, and have an initial steering group comprised of,

The Committee will work together with a counterpart Jamaican group in seeking to stimulate and mobilize new investment, trade and employment in Jamaica during this critical period of national economic recovery.

The Secretary of State has designated a senior advisor to assist the U.S. Committee and other private activities in support of Jamaica recovery and to help assure harmony with U.S. Government policies.

Revitalization of the private sector is an integral part of the overall economic program being developed by the Government of Jamaica. Discussions are underway between the Government of Jamaica and international financial institutions to establish a sound development and stabilization program over the next three years. The United States, other bilateral donors and the multilateral development banks are coordinating increased levels of economic assistance to strengthen the productive capacity of the country. These efforts, and those of many other private and public bodies, will help alleviate the pressing social problems of poverty and unemployment.

Members of the Steering Group of the US Business Committee on
Jamaica:

David Rockefeller, Chairman, Steering Group, and Chairman, Chase-
Manhattan Bank

Frank Borman, Chairman, Eastern Airlines

Charles Bludhorn, Chairman, Gulf and Western Industries

John C. Duncan, Chairman, St Joe Minerals

W.H. Krome George, Chairman, Alcoa

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Edward
TOAST: Luncheon Honoring Prime Minister Seaga of Jamaica 031199
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Mr. Prime Minister, Mrs. Seaga, Minister Shearer and distinguished guests:

It is a pleasure for Nancy and me to welcome you today, and an honor of great significance to be hosts to the leader of a nation that is not only a close friend and good neighbor of the United States, but whose recent struggle to remain free of foreign interference is an inspiration to the world.

Mr. Prime Minister, you are the first head of state to be our guest since I have taken office. This tells us a great deal because it speaks of the bond between our countries. We share the commitment of free people around the world.

We also share a personal bond. We have come to office at nearly the same moment in history; we are both faced with problems; and we both perceive great opportunities for our countries. Discussing some of our mutual concerns during our meeting this morning made me even more mindful of the matters that bring us together.

The times in which we find ourselves, the world in which our countries and our people exist, require great courage. The trust given to every free individual, and particularly to you and me, is to protect and ensure liberty for our children and our children's children. It is a special pleasure, Mr. Prime Minister, to welcome a leader of such unique, personal courage.

That courage, and the bold message your people sent the world in electing you to lead them is testimony to the power of one man's dedication and the affirmation of free people for democracy and free enterprise.

I pledge to you the good will, the cooperation and the moral and material assistance of the United States as you work to meet the many challenges you will face in the months ahead. Some of these challenges will come from forces hostile to our shared traditions and mutual interests. I am confident you will fulfill the trust placed in you by your country, and embody the hope of all free people, not only in the Caribbean but in this hemisphere and around the world.

Ladies and gentlemen, I ask that you join me in a toast to the Prime Minister of Jamaica, and Mrs. Seaga, to the friendship and alliance renewed here today, and to our common endeavor to preserve the peace, independence, and freedom of our hemisphere.

TALKING POINTS: Meeting Reporters After Luncheon with Prime Minister Seaga of Jamaica, January 28, 1981

-- Prime Minister Seaga and I found today that we have much in common. Frankly, because we both came into office about the same time, we've been exchanging stories about how similar our problems are. But I also think we share the view that our peoples are also strong enough to solve those problems.

-- I found our discussions to be very helpful, and I'm convinced this meeting will help strengthen the ties of friendship between Jamaica and the United States. There is one thing that both of us -- and both of our countries -- share, and that is an unwavering commitment to the cause of freedom in our hemisphere and throughout the world.

-- The Prime Minister and I talked about the steps we can both take to strengthen democratic institutions in the Caribbean region and to increase our cooperation there.

-- I was impressed by the Prime Minister's strong commitment to rebuilding the Jamaican economy and to obtain effective outside assistance in that effort. I assured the Prime Minister that he could count on American support for his objectives, especially in his efforts to expand his country's private sector.

-- Mr. Prime Minister, we are honored to have you as America's first foreign visitor in my administration. And let me express to you my personal hopes that the first shall not be the last.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

Thank you for your letter of August 6. I was very pleased to hear of the improvement in some aspects of Jamaica's economy.

In early July I had a good meeting with the U.S. Business Committee and heard of their efforts, together with their Jamaican counterpart, to assist Jamaica's economic recovery. I have every hope that the activity stimulated by these Committees will contribute substantially to maintaining the momentum you have already achieved.

On March 13, I directed the General Services Administration to begin the first purchase program for the National Defense Stockpile in over twenty years. Our efforts to restart this program have initially concentrated on those materials where U.S. vulnerability to foreign supply disruption is greatest. We are continuing to revise specifications for other items, including Jamaican-type bauxite, with the intention of announcing competitive acquisition programs, either cash, barter or exchange, as soon as possible.

The details of the program will necessarily reflect the policy and budgetary consideration required by the legislative mandate for our stockpile program.

I appreciate the key role bauxite plays in Jamaica's economy and applaud your efforts to see that Jamaica's foreign exchange requirements are met as much as possible through increased export earnings. Acquisitions of Jamaican-type

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United States Purchase of Jamaican Bauxite
visit of David Rockefeller and U.S. Businessmen's Comtee

bauxite are in the national security interests of the United States, and I believe we will be in a position to announce such a program for a portion of our requirements within the next two months.

I am following closely the steps taken to revitalize Jamaica's economy. Your efforts in meeting the challenge will serve as an inspiration to leaders in the Caribbean and throughout the developing world.

Sincerely,



The Honorable
Edward Seaga, M.P.
Prime Minister of Jamaica
Kingston

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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September 18, 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN *Allen*

SUBJECT: Response to Seaga Letter (U)

Prime Minister Seaga has requested USG purchases of Jamaican bauxite for our Strategic Stockpile. Such purchases would be a needed boost to Jamaica's troubled economy.

In answer to Jamaica's request, our program will involve the procurement of almost one million tons of bauxite in FY 82 -- this being the largest increase in bauxite production that Jamaica can achieve in the coming fiscal year.

The bauxite will be garnered through direct purchase, agricultural barter using USG-owned excess corn and, if need be, through exchanging excess materials currently held in our Strategic Stockpile for bauxite. This will all be accomplished under approved budget ceilings. The Departments of State, Interior and Agriculture as well as GSA and FEMA agree with this program.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter to Prime Minister Seaga at Tab A.

Attachments

- Tab A Letter to the Prime Minister
- Tab B Prime Minister's letter of August 6

cc: The Vice President
Ed Meese
Jim Baker

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JAMAICA HOUSE
KINGSTON, JAMAICA

6th August, 1981

(Handwritten signature)

I was more than pleased to have received recently in Jamaica David Rockefeller and other members of the U.S. Businessmen's Committee appointed by you. The opportunity was taken for a full exchange of views on progress to date and plans for the future.

I am more than pleased with the dedication of the Committee and particularly the deep commitment of the Chairman, David Rockefeller, to the development of a vigorous programme of investment with Jamaica.

I look forward to much success in the inter-relationship of the two Committees working together to ensure the development of increased business activity between our countries leading to greater employment opportunities for the people of Jamaica.

I am sure that you will be pleased to learn that the assessment of performance of the Jamaican economy as of June 30th, carried out by Governmental agencies and by the I.M.F., show broad agreement that the economy is responding to our economic strategies.

The assessment indicates that this year, the Jamaican economy will end its long period of poor performance during which eight consecutive years of negative growth were recorded. The projection is that some real growth will be achieved this year for the first time in nine years.

Over the last five years, Jamaica has suffered an average 30% rate of inflation per annum. We have in the first half of this year reduced this awesome burden to an unbelievable rate of less than 1%. Furthermore, it is not expected that for the year 1981 inflation will finally exceed more than 8%.

Similarly, on the basis of the April 1981 Labour Force Survey, unemployment has fallen from 27.8% in April, 1980, to 26.2% this year, a marginal but welcome reduction.

Bank credit to the private sector this year will double the level of last year. New investment proposals, both domestic and foreign, total more than 300. These are currently being processed and it is expected that many will be implemented.

The Stock Market Index has established a record high in seven months after the change of Government rising from a near record low last November, a very clear sign of the return of investment confidence.

Divestment/

The President,
The White House,
Washington



JAMAICA HOUSE
KINGSTON, JAMAICA

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Divestment of loss enterprises operated by the previous Government as well as new lease arrangements for Government-owned and operated Hotels are proceeding based on our policy to return productive operations to private control or management.

Overall, the economy is becoming more open and once again responding to the stimulants of competition and reward for private initiative.

These gains have been made with the considerable support of your programmes of assistance to Jamaica which have been both timely and meaningful.

I must reluctantly bring to your attention, however, knowing the considerable interest you have displayed in the progress of Jamaica, that despite the strong trends to economic recovery reported for the first half of this year, it is not expected that we can hold on to these gains without improvement in our foreign exchange position.

The I.M.F. Report perceives that the economy will suffer a severe shortage of foreign exchange by early next year. This is because the lead time required to build up new foreign exchange earning capacities in industry and agriculture is at least three years bearing in mind how little was done to increase our ability to earn more foreign exchange over the past several years of depression.

While new investments are being structured now to improve our earnings in three years, we dare not allow the momentum and confidence which have been creating a dynamic thrust for development since the change of Government, to slip at this point.

If this was to happen, we would hardly be able to recover ground by the new developments coming on stream in three years, and much of the hope of the people of Jamaica and our friends overseas for a permanent turn-around of the Jamaican economy would have been lost.

It has been generally conceded that the only real recourse which we have to enhance our foreign exchange position over the next three years until other developments in industry and agriculture are implemented, is to mine and export more bauxite.

It has been estimated that an additional six million tonnes of bauxite mined and exported per annum over this period would provide sufficient foreign exchange to enable the economy to consolidate its gains and to improve at a pace which would restore the country unalterably to a path of growth.

We have accordingly commenced a vigorous drive to market bauxite wherever possible, as an alternative to still greater loans and aid.

It is against this background that I write to you in connection with the stated needs of the U.S. Strategic Materials Stockpile for 12 million tonnes of Jamaica type bauxite.

You/



JAMAICA HOUSE
KINGSTON, JAMAICA

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You may recall that this matter was first raised when I had the opportunity to discuss with you various matters during my official visit to Washington.

At that time I indicated our willingness to enter into a barter arrangements if necessary for the supply of bauxite in exchange for any saleable or usable commodity, if Budgetary constraints prevented a cash purchase of, say, 4 million tonnes per annum, for each of 3 years.

Because the forecasts now suggest that critical attention will be given to taking immediate steps to forestall a severe shortage of foreign exchange in the next few months, I reluctantly raise the matter again at this time as the only viable alternative to further loans and aid.

Our prospects for the future have been made more difficult by a programmed cut-back of alumina production in Jamaica first by Alcoa and Alcan, and on the latest advice, by Reynolds, Kaiser and Anaconda to follow.

If you can find it possible to accommodate this transaction, it would end speculation as to the eventual successful turn-around of the Jamaican economy once and for all.

Please accept my warm regards and personal good wishes.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: RICHARD V. ALLEN *Allen*

SUBJECT: Letter to Prime Minister Seaga

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Sec 3.4(b), E.O. 12858, as amended
to House Guidelines, Sept. 11, 2008
BY: NARA *dk*, DATE 11/23/2014

Attached at Tab B is Secretary Haig's memo to you describing the current Jamaican economic situation and what can be done about it. The problems have proved more intractable than anticipated by either us or the Jamaicans.

Jamaica, of course, remains a very high priority for this administration, and Secretary Haig outlines further steps we can and must take.

One immediate action would be a letter (at Tab A) from you to Prime Minister Seaga outlining what we are prepared to do on bauxite. Your letter then appreciates the severe management problems Prime Minister Seaga faces, and offers your own experience with OMB. Your letter may well encourage the Prime Minister to create a sound staff system which he urgently needs to do.

Your letter will be delivered by Deputy Secretary of State William Clark to Prime Minister Seaga when they meet in Antigua for that island's independence day on November 1. In their subsequent bilateral meeting (attended also by Tom Enders) the issues you raise will be further explored.

The text of the letter was prepared by State and has been cleared by the Speechwriters.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter to Prime Minister Seaga at Tab A.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachments

- Tab A Letter to Prime Minister Seaga
- Tab B Secretary Haig's Memo dated October 28, 1981

cc: Ed Meese, James Baker

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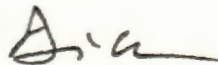
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MR. PRESIDENT:

The attached letter is to be carried
by Bill Clark, who is leaving tomorrow.

If you approve, please have Dave Fischer
or your military aide notify me -- and
I will have the original signed and
delivered.

Thank you.



Richard G. Darman


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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON
October 28, 1981

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: Alexander M. Haig, Jr. 
SUBJECT: Jamaica's Economic Straits

Our plan to promote Jamaica's economic recovery was based on a key assumption: a relatively small amount of U.S. aid and a much larger international program, combined with the dismantling of oppressive government controls, would quickly reactivate a declining economy; this would attract the private investment necessary to drive economic growth and reduce Jamaica's reliance on foreign support.

The plan is sound, but we were too optimistic on timing.

A shortfall in exports and foreign aid receipts raises the possibility of a new foreign exchange crunch early next year. The weak aluminum market has depressed production, exports, and investment in Jamaican bauxite and alumina. (Seaga has just learned that Jamaica will lose \$40 million more in foreign exchange as a result of Reynolds Metals' decision to cut production an additional 50%.) Bureaucratic inefficiency, centralization, and excessive caution have slowed economic reform and investment proposal processing. David Rockefeller's Business Committee has spread the word about Jamaica but has produced very few actual investments. The pace of local investment has also been slow.

We are attacking all of these problems.

-- Declining bauxite production. We are following up on your letter to Prime Minister Seaga with a program to acquire at least one million tons of Jamaican bauxite for the defense stockpile.

-- Slow progress on controls. We have urged the Jamaicans to speed the pace of economic reform, which is a condition for a \$65-75 million structural

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adjustment loan from the World Bank, and are using our ESF funds for further leverage. Progress has been made.

-- Weakness in Jamaican exports. An interagency group chaired by USTR is reviewing Jamaica's request for the addition of some three dozen mostly agricultural products to the Generalized System of Preferences, with a decision expected in February or March.

-- Trade and investment. The proposal under consideration for a Caribbean Basin Free Trade Area would benefit Jamaica in the longer run by attracting investment for items which Jamaica does not now produce or export.

-- Flagging U.S. investment in Jamaica. David Rockefeller is committed to producing a respectable number of concrete investments for Jamaica in 1982.

-- Weak government management. We are giving very high priority to assisting Jamaica's new investment promotion unit, with promising initial results. We are also attempting to persuade Seaga to adopt an OMB-type mechanism to organize economic information and monitor finances and manpower; we believe your advice to Seaga could be decisive.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you write to the Prime Minister along the lines of the attached letter.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD V. ALLEN

FROM: NORMAN A. BAILEY MB

SUBJECT: Jamaica

RVA HAS SEEN

William J. McManus, Treasurer of the Republican National Committee, called and asked me to meet with William E. Wickens, attorney with Howrey and Simon, and a member of the Rockefeller Commission on Jamaica.

Mr. Wickens indicated that the situation in Jamaica is deteriorating daily and that Seaga doesn't have much more time to show some progress. He felt that the Rockefeller Commission was almost wholly ineffective. He made various suggestions to me and I to him. I am already in touch with the AID people involved and together we're trying to improve the programs. Little can be expected, however, until Jamaica stops trying to review every investment proposal and until exchange controls are taken off.

cc: Roger Fontaine

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MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD V. ALLEN

FROM: ROGER W. FONTAINE *RF*

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SUBJECT: Jamaica-Taiwan Relations

Attached at Tab A is a letter from Senator Richard Stone outlining the current status of the ROC's investment interest in Jamaica. Apparently, there is some fear in Jamaica that Jamaican-Taiwan relations would be frowned upon by the U.S.

Stone suggests a word from you that this is not true (rather the reverse) would be very helpful.

I concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you give a green light on this relationship through me (via phone call) to Senator Stone to Prime Minister Seaga.

Approve Wh Disapprove _____

note: we have no recommendation - but also no objection whatsoever.

That you give a green light on this relationship through me (via phone call) to the Jamaican ambassador to Prime Minister Taiwan Seaga.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

could provide technical ass. / have. I suppose.

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Attachment

Tab A Letter from Senator Stone dated August 25

Followed up with phone call to Sen. Stone Sept 2

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We will report results.

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August 25, 1981

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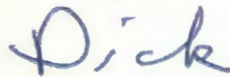
Dear Roger:

Negotiations between ROC, private and public investors, and Prime Minister Seaga of Jamaica have been taking place similar to the Saint Vincent situation (regarding which today's report from FBIS is attached hereto).

The ROC investors were told, however, by a Jamaican official (not Seaga) that if Jamaica were to formally recognize the ROC that they think that would anger or distress the U.S. Government.

A private word from RA or other appropriate US leader that the USG would not be distressed or have serious objection, would be extremely helpful at this point. I would convey this directly to Prime Minister Seaga only.

Sincerely,



Richard B. Stone

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Enclosure

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TAIWAN, SAINT VINCENT FORM CLOSER RELATIONS

Establish Diplomatic Ties

OW161439 Taipei CNA in English 1352 GMT 16 Aug 81

[Excerpt] Taipei, 16 Aug (CNA)--The Republic of China Saturday formally established diplomatic relations with Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs made the announcement. Robert M. Cato, prime minister of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, a country located in the eastern Caribbean Sea, and Premier Sun Yun-hsuan signed jointly the instruments establishing the relationship at Taipei Guesthouse.

Later, Premier Sun, on behalf of the Chinese Government, decorated Prime Minister Cato with the order of brilliant star with special grand cordon. The decoration was made in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the promotion of friendly relations between the two countries. Speaking at the occasion, Prime Minister Cato highly praised the rapid economic development in Taiwan during the past decades. Trade between the two countries should be strengthened in the future, he stressed. Premier Sun also expressed his belief that the cooperative relations and friendship between the two governments and peoples will be closer in the future.

Sign Joint Communique

OW161505 Taipei CNA in English 1436 GMT 16 Aug 81

[Text] Taipei, 16 Aug (CNA)--Premier Sun Yun-hsuan and Prime Minister Robert M. Cato of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Sunday signed a joint communique stressing that the two countries share the same political ideals and will strengthen economic and technical cooperation. The signing ceremony was held at the Sungshan airport (?VIP) room upon Prime Minister Cato's departure in the afternoon.

In the joint communique, the two prime ministers reiterated the firm position of their governments "to uphold the principles of international justice, freedom and human dignity. They agreed that all freedom-loving nations should further promote unity among themselves so as to ensure, through joint efforts, the security and social progress of the free world."

They also said that "in view of the fact that the two countries share the same political ideals and have the same desire to strengthen economic and technical cooperation between the two countries, the following agreements have been reached:

"A) Full diplomatic relations be established between St. Vincent and the Grenadines and the Republic of China as of August 15, 1981.

"B) The Government of the Republic of China agrees to provide technical assistance to the Government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines in the fields of agriculture and fishery. To that end, a team of experts will be dispatched from the Republic of China to St. Vincent and the Grenadines to help develop agriculture and fishery.

"The prime minister of St. Vincent and the Grenadines has held discussions with a number of entrepreneurs in the private sector of the Republic of China with a view to establishing joint ventures in St. Vincent and the Grenadines."

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MR. ALLEN'S NOTE SAYS:

Note: we have no recommendation - but also no objection whatsoever. Taiwan could provide technical assistance, I suppose.

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REFS: KINGSTON 3150; STATE 099375

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

August 20, 1981

Mr. Allen Lenz, Staff Director
National Security Council
Room 376A, Old Executive Office
Building
Washington, D.C. 20506

Dear Allen:

Responding to your memorandum NSC 2191-4124 of August 17 to Jerry Bremer on the subject of two overdue letters (Jamaica-Seaga, and Costa Rica - Carazo), we will have a draft reply to Carazo over to you within 12 hours.

On the Seaga letter, our delay has been frankly inexcusable. We have located the problem and look forward to sending you a reply early next week.

Unless you object, I would like to keep a semi-formal channel such as this open for exchange of facts on overdue items.

Sincerely,

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Tain P. Tompkins
Deputy Director, S/S-S

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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August 17, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR L. PAUL BREMER III
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

SUBJECT: Overdue Presidential Heads of State/Government
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Please advise of the status of the following two letters
which are overdue:

Jamaican Prime Minister Seaga's April 15 letter
requesting US pledge to Caribbean Action Group
which was forwarded to you on April 17 (e)

Costa Rican President Carazo's July 2 letter
on tuna imports -- S/S 8120645 of July 9 (e)


Allen J. Lenz
Staff Director

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REMARKS: Fontaine Lenz
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September 22, 1981

NSC Secretariat--

Notified Lenz's office
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the State cable.

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1 SHEET TO S/S.



JAMAICA HOUSE
KINGSTON, JAMAICA

2191
15th April, 1981

My Dear President Reagan,

A successful Inter-Governmental Conference was concluded last week in Montego Bay sponsored by the Economic Commission for Latin America and the United Nations Environmental Programme.

ECLA and UNEP succeeded in this Conference in bringing together the wider Caribbean Basin comprised of English, Spanish, Dutch and French speaking countries on a joint programme of action for the first time, a political achievement which is of great significance for future relationship in the region.

This Programme, the Caribbean Action Plan, is a comprehensive and far-reaching Environmental Programme in which 27 countries of the region are participating.

I had the honour of delivering the closing address and on that occasion it was brought to my attention that an embarrassing situation had arisen as a result of the fact that the pledges based on assessed contributions of each country fell short of the \$1.5 million total required to trigger an equal contribution by UNEP to meet the minimum budget requirements of the CAP.

The shortfall was \$300,000 and resulted from the fact that certain countries were not in a position to make their pledges at this time.

The urgency of the situation results from the fact that the UNEP pledge must be made at the next meeting of the Governing Council, commencing May 13, at which time UNEP will be supporting with pledges the operations of a global network of eight Regional Seas Programmes of which the Caribbean Action Plan is but one.

In respect of the shortfall, the United States Representative, Mary Elizabeth Hoinkes, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Environment, Health and Natural Resources, was understandably unable to make a pledge because of the reassessment of budgetary provisions now being undertaken by your Government.

The United States is a participating member of the Caribbean Action Plan since its southern shores are washed by the waters of the Caribbean; furthermore, the Caribbean potentially could be the sea most damaged by

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pesticides as, according to the Earthscan Bulletin, the Mississippi Basin drains 41% of the United States land area into the wider Caribbean. This includes much of the United States agricultural head-lands.

In these circumstances, I undertook to write to you to ask that you give urgent consideration to making a pledge in support of the CAP before the meeting of the Governing Council commencing May 13.

It was understood that Puerto Rico was willing to contribute \$300,000, if approval was obtained from the Federal Authorities.

I regret having to write to you at this time of your recuperation except that, in addition to bringing the above matter to your attention, it gives me the opportunity to express, once again, my best wishes for your speedy recovery.

Please be assured of my highest consideration.

Yours Very Sincerely
David Reid