

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Washington

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Dear Bill:

In connection with President Ayub's visit to the United States on September 24, the Department has recommended that President Kennedy, in his conversations with President Ayub, delineate our concept of the respective roles and responsibilities of the United States and Pakistan in our alliance and relationships and has suggested the President approach these concepts within the context of our assessment of Communist Chinese intentions, Soviet intentions, and the current stage of missile development.

We believe that within this general design the President will be able to discuss problems of major concern to both Pakistan and the United States. For example, our assessment of Communist Chinese intentions will provide the framework for discussions on the Sino-Pakistan border negotiations and the stability and development of the sub-continent; a review of Soviet intentions will lead into a discussion of Afghanistan and enable the President to emphasize our concern over the continuing impasse; and a discussion of the rapidly advancing art of missile and the importance of acquiring intelligence on Soviet activities in this and related fields, should point the way to a consideration of Pakistan's contribution to this field.

We are/

Mr. William P. Bundy,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for
International Security Affairs,
Department of Defense

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We are currently in the process of developing position papers on Communist Chinese intentions and Soviet intentions, but are unable to develop the third paper on missilery and related subjects because of the technical and military aspects of the problem. For this reason, I am requesting your help on a priority basis.

I would appreciate it if you would have prepared for us a short paper of approximately two pages in length which would, on a broad basis, set forth the current state and anticipated developments in the field of missilery and stress the extreme importance of developing rapid and accurate intelligence on Soviet capabilities within this field; and, in this respect, emphasize the vital role Pakistan plays in supporting these free world efforts.

I would appreciate it if you would make the Defense contribution available to us by close of business Thursday, September 13.

Sincerely,

Phillips Talbot

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