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MEMORANDUM

January 30, 1973

TO:

Charles N. Brower - Acting Chairman

Interagency Task Force on the Law of the Sea

THROUGH:

John Norton Moore - L

FROM:

Myron H. Mordquist - L/OA

Chairman, LOS Task Force Sub-Working Group on Research and Documentation

SUBJECT:

Report on January 26 neeting of Research

and Documentation Sub-Working Group

- 1. Attached is a list of participants at the meeting held in Room 6420, Department of State.
- 2. Mr. Nordquist explained that the Group had been reactivated in order to coordinate research efforts in the Law of the Sea Task Force context. It was emphasized that the purpose of the group was to insure that the policy makers were aware of studies underway, that gaps in essential information were filled and that appropriate results were made available for dissemination to the Executive Croup of the Task Force.
- 3. For the March meeting, Dr. Hodgson indicated that the Geographer's Limits in the Sea publication regarding maritime claims would be re-done. He also stated that their publication concerning theoretical area allocations of various limits proposals might be avaliable by March. Dr. Rowsome of the Historical office noted that her study of the 1958 and 1960 Conferences would be done by March. Mr. Eskin indicated that approximately half of the Country Attitude Studies would be available by March. Miss Wiedemann of the Center for Naval Analysis stated that by March there would be a number of analyses that would be in useable form from the computer program. (It was agreed that State would discuss this aspect in more detail with Dr. Friedheim.)

State Dept. review completed

- 4. Mr. Nordquist asked for the names of any other persons or offices in the Government whose assistance might be required in undertaking studies related to preparations for the Conference. As a result, several other persons will be asked to participate in the group.
- 5. The next meeting of the group was scheduled for early February at which time a tentative list of studies and issues in need of examination would be distributed. It was stressed that the purpose of the group was to avoid duplication of work throughout the Government and to insure that a systematic approach was taken in compiling useable information for the Conference. The basic objective is to marshall facts which would enable the U.S. Government policy-makers to make more informed decisions and to have supporting data and reasons for U.S. policies.

Participants

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