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FOR DR. KISSINGER

Report from FBI LIAISON REPRESENTATIVE  
in MADRID (of info received from  
the US Ambassador) : -

- 1- Possible Spanish / USSR commercial treaty .
- 2. Spain as intermediary between USSR / Arab Countries .
- 3. Relations between JUAN CARLOS & FBI REPRESENTATIVE -

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

March 16, 1971

BY LIAISON

Honorable Henry A. Kissinger  
Assistant to the President  
for National Security Affairs  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Kissinger:

Enclosed is a memorandum of this Bureau dated March 15, 1971, which sets forth information received by our representative in Madrid, Spain, from United States Ambassador Robert C. Hill, American Embassy, Madrid. The information relates to Spain's possibly establishing a commercial treaty with the Soviet Union, as well as the Soviet desire that Spain act as an intermediary between the Soviet Union and the Arab countries.

Prince Juan Carlos, who is reported to be the heir apparent to the Presidency of Spain, informed Ambassador Hill of his desires to establish personal liaison with our representative in Spain. Since direct liaison would establish an excellent channel for high-level intelligence, our representative in Spain intends to contact Prince Juan Carlos in the near future.

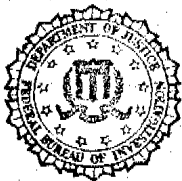
This information is also being furnished to the Attorney General.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. Edgar Hoover", is written below the typed name.

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On March 12, 1971, Ambassador Robert C. Hill, American Embassy, Madrid, Spain, furnished the following information to our representative in Madrid.

On the evening of March 11, 1971, Ambassador Hill attended a private dinner hosted by Prince Juan Carlos which dinner was also attended by Gregorio Lopez Bravo, the Spanish Foreign Minister, and their wives. During the evening, among other things, the Spanish Foreign Minister advised that Spain was sending two men to the Soviet Union during the week of March 14, 1971, in connection with possibly establishing a commercial treaty between the two countries. The Spanish Foreign Minister also stated that on March 11, 1971, General Franco, the President of Spain, had authorized him to discuss matters pertaining to a commercial treaty with Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister. The Spanish Foreign Minister indicated that he did not plan to deal with any underlings in any subsequent negotiations with the Soviets in the future. He also mentioned that the Soviets wished Spain to act as an intermediary for the Soviets with the various Arab countries and that in this connection he had been in contact with the Soviet Ambassador in Paris, France. The Spanish Foreign Minister advised that Spain would not at this time agree to establishing diplomatic relations with the Soviets or having any code or pouch traffic between the two countries.

According to Ambassador Hill, during the discussion concerning the opening of relations with the Soviet Union and other communist countries, Princess Sofia, the wife of Prince Juan Carlos, expressed

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her dissatisfaction since communism had destroyed so many countries in the past. Prince Juan Carlos asked the Princess to keep quiet and stated Spain had remained in a cocoon too long. Prince Juan Carlos indicated, however, that Spain needed all the help it could get from the United States in order to better protect itself in connection with the relations which are being established with communist countries. The Spanish Foreign Minister agreed with Prince Juan Carlos in this regard.

Prince Juan Carlos and the Spanish Foreign Minister both expressed admiration for the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Prince Juan Carlos noted that he was aware that the FBI had a representative assigned to the American Embassy in Madrid, Spain. He stated he would like very much to establish personal liaison with the FBI representative. Ambassador Hill informed Prince Juan Carlos that he would convey his request to the FBI representative.

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