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TO:           The Secretary of State  
              The Secretary of Defense  
              The Secretary of the Treasury  
              The Secretary of Agriculture  
              Director of the Bureau of the Budget  
              Administrator of the Agency for  
                  International Development  
              President of the Export-Import Bank

SUBJECT:     U. S. Foreign Aid

The President has directed the preparation of a paper on the objectives of the U. S. economic assistance program and its relationship to overall U. S. foreign policy. The paper should re-examine all of the basic assumptions underlying our aid effort, particularly the relationships among aid, economic development, and political stability. It should analyze the effectiveness of past and present U. S. programs in achieving objectives of interest to the United States, such as: economic development, evolution of democratic and pluralistic societies, attitudes toward the United States, positions on foreign policy issues of concern to us, impact on U. S. national security, commercial gains to the United States. Finally, the paper should explore the implications of its findings for the budget level and organization of our aid effort, and methods of presenting the program publicly. The findings of the paper will represent a major input, along with that of the outside commission being set up at the President's direction, to the final Administration response to the Javits Amendment.

The President has directed that the Ad Hoc Working Group created by NSSM 4 and chaired by the Under Secretary of State be responsible for the preparation of this paper.

  
Henry A. Kissinger

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