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N.Y. COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS.

1. TUNISIAN SITUATION. OPINION HERE ABOUT EVENLY DIVIDED AS TO WHETHER OR NOT AFRO-ASIANS WILL GET ENOUGH SIGNATURES TO CONVENE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WITHIN A FEW DAYS. IF AND WHEN GA MEETS, WE WILL BE IN POSITION TO HANDLE ON THE SPOT COVERAGE AS USUAL.

2. AUGUST FIFTH MONTEVIDEO MEETING. THIS PROMISES TO BE IMPORTANT STEP IN GETTING ALLIANCE FOR PROGRESS UNDER WAY. HAVE REQUESTED ALL DESKS HERE TO DO BACKGROUND PROGRAM ON OR BEFORE OPENING SESSION.

3. CPSU PROGRAM. UNDERSTAND THERE HAVE BEEN SOME USEFUL COMMENTS IN INDIAN PRESS ON THIS SUBJECT. THIS SUGGESTS THAT RFE STRINGERS IN ASIA SHOULD BE ALERTED IMMEDIATELY ANYTIME SOMETHING OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE TAKES PLACE IN CHINA OR USSR IN ORDER TO KEEP US SUPPLIED WITH MATERIAL ON LOCAL REACTIONS. WE DISCUSSED THIS AT THIS AFTERNOON'S MEETING, AND I BELIEVE PETZALL HAS SENT MSG TO MATER.

4. BOWLES IN NICOSIA. ALTHOUGH TEXT NOT AVAILABLE, HIS STATEMENTS WERE USEFUL ON AIMS OF U.S. FOREIGN AID. NOTE HIS REFERENCE TO PHRASES "WORLD OF FREE CHOICE" AND "WORLD OF COERCION." THESE WERE FIRST ENUNCIATED BY RUSK, AND EVIDENTLY WILL BE GIVEN FULL PLAY IN OFFICIAL STATEMENTS. THEY ARE WORTH OUR OWN REPEATED USE AS WELL.

5. PRESS REVIEWS. LOOKING FORWARD TO RECEIVING YOUR MEMORANDUM AND WILL GO OVER IT WITH DESK CHIEFS HERE AT ONCE. THIS SHOULD BE USEFUL EXCHANGE FOR US ALL.

6. REF TODAY'S MUN 4. VERY GLAD YOU APPROVE OUR GENERAL APPROACH ON WIDER DISTRIBUTION OF DAILY MESSAGE EXCHANGE. WILL PLAN TO IMPLEMENT NEW PRACTICE HERE BEGINNING TOMORROW.

N.Y. PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS:

POLAND: BERLIN AND HEATH STATEMENT; NATIONALIST CHINA VISITORS MEET WITH KENNEDY; U.N. G.A. SPECIAL SESSION PROSPECTS.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA: GALLUP POLL, GREATLY INCREASED NUMBER OF AMERICANS VOLUNTEER FOR MILITARY SERVICE; U.S. REACTION TO MACMILLAN.

BULGARIA: GALLUP POLL.

HUNGARY: GALLUP POLL

ROMANIA: GALLUP POLL

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