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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO

EA - Ambassador Green

EA/IND - Paul F. Gardner

SUBJECT:

Call by Indonesian Ambassador Soedjatmoko - BRIEFING MEMORANDUM

Ambassador Soedjatmoko will call on you at noon Tuesday, August 26, accompanied by Political Counselor Alex Alatas. I will be present.

The Ambassador would like first to exchange general impressions of the President's visit to Djakarta and then "exchange thoughts" on the three subjects discussed below:

West Irian and the United Nations

The "Act of Free Choice" will undoubtedly be placed on the General Assembly's agenda, and the Secretary General's report on the "Act" will probably be brought directly before the plenary session. The Indonesians hope that debate will be limited (perhaps to statements by Indonesia and the Netherlands) and that the General Assembly will "take note" of the fulfillment of the Indonesia-Netherlands agreement without a roll call vote.

The Ambassador might ask for our support in preparing smooth U. N. handling of the Act. You might point out that lobbying for certain procedures could focus undue attention on the Agenda item, stimulating other nations to take part. If asked by other delegations for our views, however, the U.S. delegation would note that lengthy debate could serve no useful purpose.

If the Ambassador indicates that Indonesia will refer to the West Irian issue as an "internal affair" (as did Foreign Department official Sani during Foreign Minister Malik's African tour), you might note that the use of arguments often heard from the Union of South Africa could draw a pegative response from African and other nations.

FUNDWI

Our last report on the GOI attitude towards the U. N.'s Fund for West Irian was provided in June by Major General Sohar, Chairman of the Central Board for utilization of FUNDWI. Sohar said FUNDWI should be dissolved upon exhaustion of its current funds in "four or five years." (About \$8 million of the \$30 million supplied by the Dutch has been

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spent, according to Sohar) Sohar said FUNDWI should not be replenished by other donors. The GOI would prefer bilateral assistance for West Irian.

If the Ambassador indicates that the GOI as a whole now takes such a negative attitude towards FUNDWI's continuation, you might wish cautioning against coupling FUNDWI's future with U. N. consideration of the "Act of Free Choice."

Assistance for the Indonesian Air Force

Alex Alatas said that the Ambassador has a "brief from Djakarta giving more details" on the Air Force's needs. We have just received the attached memorandum from General Larson replying to points raised in Ambassador Galbraith's MAP recommendations. To show the Indonesians that we are playing the game above board, I suggest that you read to the Ambassador paragraphs 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this memorandum. (Both Colonel George Benson and I believe that you could show him the memorandum if it were not for the reference to the C-119's, which reveals our mission's recommendations.)

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