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7 cc: Mr. Katzenbach
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4 MEMORANDUM FOR

4 Honorable Ralph A. Dungan
4 Special Assistant to the President
4 The White House
4 Re: Control of the Importation of Communist propaganda.

There seems to have been some confusion with regard to the termination of this program stemming, perhaps, from the rather broad terms of the press release. All that the Attorney General, with the concurrence of other departments, recommended was "that the program should be terminated in accordance with the recommendations of the ad hoc committee." These recommendations provided that incoming matter continue to be stamped as to place of origin and surveyed as to content, but the part of the program which withheld such matter from addressees be terminated.

I assume that the President intended to approve this recommendation, and I have informally stated that position to Robert Knight, General Counsel of the Treasury.

I think for the record it would be helpful if you would write a memorandum to the Treasury Department and to the Post Office Department which simply stated that the President had approved the recommendations of the ad hoc committee of the Planning Board of the National Security Council, Report of June 29, 1960, and that the interested departments should implement those recommendations.

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