

Mr. Hoar

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION WITH
THE PRESIDENT

1. I referred to the President's memorandum to me of September 17 with reference to Mr. Brand. I said that he had been putting on a pretty active campaign and that it had rather turned our thinking against him. The President agreed that such a campaign was a good reason for a non-appointment.

2. I referred to the President's memorandum of September 24 with reference to a possible declaration regarding U.S. colonies. The President said it seemed a bit "half-baked". I said I was afraid it would raise serious questions with reference to Okinawa and the President said he had that same thinking in mind. The President's feeling was that we should not now decide to act in the sense of Ambassador Lodge's suggestion.

3. I referred to the President's query regarding Chancellor Adenauer's comments on George Perkins' authority. The President said that he guessed that the answer was that we did not have any firm position. I said that was the case and that we were trying to get it this afternoon, and once we had it, then Perkins could be more responsive and forthcoming.

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