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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 27, 1976

MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR R. HAYDN WILLIAMS

Wednesday, July 28, 1976 9:30 a.m. (3 minutes) The Oval Office

From: Brent Scowcroft

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION

July 26, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

FROM:

THOMAS J. BARNES

SUBJECT:

Recommended Talking Points for the President's Meeting with His Personal Representative for

Micronesian Status Negotiations, Ambassador F. Haydn

Williams, on July 28, 1976, at 9:30 a.m.

At Tab I is a memorandum from you to the President which contains recommended talking points for his meeting with his Personal Representative for Micronesian Status Negotiations, Ambassador F. Haydn Williams, on July 28 at 9:30 a.m.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the memorandum to the President at Tab I.

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