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NATIONAL SECURITY ACTION MEMORANDUM NO. 211

MEMORANDUM TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
THE ADMINISTRATOR, AGENCY FOR
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
THE DIRECTOR, U. S. INFORMATION AGENCY
THE DIRECTOR, PEACE CORPS

SUBJECT: U. S. Policy Toward Algeria

In view of the Algerian Government's renewed interest in discussing US aid, the President hopes that we are mapping our next steps in this important country. He recognizes that we may want to let the Algerians come to us, and that we clearly want the French to carry the major aid responsibility, with us in a supplementary role.

Unless we do some forward planning now, however, we may not be in a position to respond with sufficient dispatch to serve our political interests. We also want to maintain the momentum of our successful emergency program, and to do what we reasonably can to encourage a good Algerian relationship with the West.

Therefore, the President requests that the Department of State, in cooperation with other interested agencies, draw up a tentative strategy and plan of action for the period of transition from our present emergency relief program toward what we hope will be primary Algerian focus on sensible development. It should include further steps to insure that our program complements French aid wherever possible, together with a review of what diplomatic, civic action, information, Peace Corps, MAP, covert action, and other measures might be desirable. He desires a report before the end of January.

/s/

McGeorge Bundy

cc: Director, Bureau of the Budget

cc:

- Mrs. Lincoln
- Mr. Bundy
- Mr. Johnson
- Mr. Komer
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