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1. For your information, I used the information that we received that the opposition leaders were becoming demoralized by the rumor of a possible deal between Chile and the United States as a peg with [less than 1 line not declassified] to urge approval of our pending proposal to [less than 1 line not declassified] as soon as possible. I said I was concerned that this feeling within the opposition could grow if there were an inordinate delay by [less than 1 line not declassified] in approving the proposal. [less than 1 line not declassified] said he couldn’t agree more and said he would raise subject with Assistant Secretary.

2. Upon his return [less than 1 line not declassified] said he had discussed [less than 1 line not declassified] proposal with Assistant Secretary and while he did not want to make any promises to COS, he felt he had been able to convince Assistant Secretary of need for program. [less than 1 line not declassified] volunteered information that Assistant Secretary allowed [less than 1 line not declassified] proposal to be forwarded with indication that he had seen proposal but without his specific endorsement of it. While continuing to express caution against over optimism, [less than 1 line not declassified] said he felt Assistant Secretary probably would now support the proposal.

3. [6 lines not declassified]

4. [less than 1 line not declassified]