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2 Memoranda for D.H. from
the Subcommittee.

sent to four members sub-committee
New York, 6 pm, 9 Oct.'59

MEMORANDUM

On 9 October 1959 the Secretary-General received a message from
Vientiane that the Sub-committee has decided to release to the press
on Saturday, 1700 local time, the following text:
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"Having received essential basic information for its fact-
finding study mission, the members of the Sub-committee in Laos
are ready to fly back to New York to begin preparation of a report
to the Security Council. They have felt it would be advisable to
leave behind at Vientiane some members of the Sub-committee with
appropriate secretariat. The said members would answer any request
for clarification and supply any additional information which might
be required in writing of report. Furthermore, they would give infor-
mation of material change in the situation if occasion arose."

*Note: New York time, 6 a.m.

New York, 9 October 1959

MEMORANDUM

At a meeting in the evening of 8 October 1959, the Sub-committee representatives now in Vientiane agreed to ask the Secretary-General to forward to the representatives of Argentina, Italy, Japan and Tunisia the following message:

After discussion of your message of 7 October, Sub-committee has decided that it is now in a position to return to New York to begin preparation of a report to the Security Council and it therefore requests the Secretary-General to so inform the Laotian Government. The Sub-committee will refrain from making any arrangements consequent upon this decision until it has received confirmation from the Secretary-General that he has informed the Laotian Government. The Sub-committee expresses the hope, however, that this confirmation will be received in time for the Sub-committee to be in a position to contact travel agencies on Saturday afternoon with a view to making departure reservations, according to individual convenience, after having taken protocol leave of Laotian authorities on Monday, 12 October. Sub-committee would meet again in New York on afternoon of 20 October.

As agreed, the Sub-committee, upon departure, will leave behind in Vientiane certain members for the purposes agreed in our exchange of messages with you.

Sub-committee suggests that simultaneous press announcement be made on Monday at Vientiane and New York, suggested text of which would be cabled to you on Sunday afternoon.

Signed: Shibasaki,
Ahrens,
Barattieri,
Ben Amar.