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Commissioner

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Dear Mr. Secretary:

You will recall that on December 20, 1974 at Herb Schlosser's dinner party here in New York, I reported to you our interest in playing some games this March in Cuba. You suggested that I contact you directly should these plans begin to develop.

Since then Mr. Preston Gomez, who is the manager of our Houston Club and who is also a native Cuban and something of a sports hero there, has met in Havana with officials of Instituto Nacional de Deportes, Educacion Fisica y Recreacion (INDER) which is the Cuban government sports agency.

As a result of these meetings INDER has indicated strong interest in an American professional team visiting Cuba and playing a series of games with a Cuban team on March 28-29-30, 1975. INDER has suggested that I meet next week in Mexico City with Senor Jorge Garcia Bango, director of INDER, for the purpose of discussing this joint project. It is my information that Premier Castro favors this project. It is my further information that the INDER officials contemplate the possibility of a similar series in the future in the United States.

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As I indicated to you we would be most interested in exploring this project with Senor Garcia Bango and I would propose to meet with him next week for this purpose. However before I confirm this meeting I would appreciate your advice on this project.

The INDER officials are aware that Mr. Gomez has reported to me and are awaiting my reply. As a matter of courtesy I would like to reply as promptly as possible.

With kind regards.

Sincerely yours,

Bowie K. Kuhn

The Honorable Henry A. Kissinger Secretary of State Washington, D. C.