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FRIDAY, 19 OCTOBER 1962

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2400

Meeting in Mr. Gilpatric's office. Following present: Mr. McNamara, Mr. Gilpatric, Mr. Yarmolinsky, ADM Ricketts, RADM Gentner and CAPT Caldwell. Subject discussed: Mr. Gilpatric's memo sent to Joint Chiefs on the afternoon of Thursday, 18 October, which proposed a ~~more~~ vigorous plan than that espoused by the Chiefs.

When the above meeting broke up, Admiral Anderson and Ricketts came back to Admiral Anderson's office accompanied by SECNAV Korth and the Assistant JAG. They talked about blockade. At that meeting Mr, Korth did a complete about face from his earlier rather reserved position and sided wholeheartedly with Admiral Anderson after a most eloquent and precise factual presentation by Admiral Anderson on the subject of blockades, the pros and cons therefor, and reasons why such would not serve the best interests of the United States. This meeting broke up at 0030.

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