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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Frederick L. Holborn
Special Assistant in the
White House Office

SUBJECT: Statement to be Taped by the President for
Danish Fourth-of-July Celebration

I am enclosing a draft statement for the President in connection with this year's observance of the annual American Independence Day Celebration at Rebild, Denmark. As you may know, this Danish event has taken place yearly since 1912. It has become a tradition that the American President send a greeting to the celebration.

In recent years, it has been the practice for the President to tape these remarks. Mr. Johnson did this last year and President Kennedy did it before that. If the President agrees to voice his statement, we can make whatever technical arrangements are required.

If the President does not wish to tape the statement, we would appreciate having the attached message cleared in any event, with any changes the White House may think appropriate.

I understand that Liz Carpenter has received a letter from Ambassador White requesting her assistance in seeing that the statement, taped or not, is approved in time for use at the July 4 ceremonies in Denmark.

Wilson P. Dizard
Special Assistant to
the Deputy Director