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MEMO FOR GEORGE CHRISTIAN AND TOM JOHNSON

Subject: Key Points of McCloskey's Noon Briefing

1. The briefing was devoted entirely to Czechoslovakia.
2. No significant problems arose during the briefing.
3. McCloskey referred several times to the President's statement and did not go beyond it.
4. Misc:
 - No injuries to US citizens.
 - John Leddy has been in touch with Czech Ambassador.
 - George Ball ^{was} in town yesterday routinely.
 - Rusk saw Dobrynin for about 15 minutes around 11:30 last night.
 - In reply to indistinct question, McCloskey ~~but~~ thought it could be considered extraordinary for Soviet Ambassador to get in touch ^{directly} with White House.

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