COURSES OF ACTION ASSOCIATED WITH INDIA/PAKISTAN CRISIS

- 1. Strong demarche to be delivered by Keating to Prime Minister Gandhi accompanied by his immediate recall.
- 2. Immediate movement of U.S. Naval Task Force with BLT and maximum SSBN and surface escort to Indian Ocean -- to be conveyed as a reaction to Indian interference with U.S. vessels on high-seas and for possible evacuation of U.S. nationals.
- 3. Acceptance of Iranian proposal to provide two squadrons of aircraft to Jordan as replacement for two squadrons of Jordanian aircraft which would be provided to West Pakistan.
- 4. Signals from U.S. Government that it is reconsidering its arms policy vis-a-vis West Pakistan.
- 5. Concurrent urging of Iran, Jordan and Israel to consider seriously provision of additional military supplies and equipment to Pakistan. In the case of Israel as a minimum, urge the Government of Israel to provide Jordan with immediate assurances that it will not take advantage of Jordan's weakened defense posture resulting from whatever assistance that government might undertake in behalf of Pakistan.
- 6. Notification to PRC that the U.S. Government would look with favor on steps taken by that government to demonstrate its determination TOP SECRET/SENSITIVE

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to intervene by force if necessary to preserve the territorial integrity of West Pakistan to include subtle assurance the Government of the United States will not stand by should the Soviet Union launch attacks against the PRC.

- 7. Delivery of a strong demarche to the USSR which suggests that the U.S. Government will not stand idly by if India were to undertake actions in West Pakistan which parallel those in East Pakistan.
- 8. Launch immediate covert signalling through black sources that U.S. Government will not stand idly by should West Pakistan come under heavy Indian attack.
- 9. Convene emergency meetings of the SEATO/CENTO organizations to consider collective measures which might be undertaken to preserve the territorial integrity of Pakistan.
- 10. Institute progressive increased DefCon readiness to coincide with movement of U.S. forces and demarches to Soviet Union and India.
- 11. Credibly reinforce with U.S. aircraft bases in Iran, Turkey, Thailand.

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12. Activate and initiate immediate military planning within CINCLANT designed to signal possible U.S. intervention.

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