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12/17/45

Mr. Luxford

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These are the drafts we sent to the State Department; I am trying to get copies of the final documents.

Dick Brenner

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT:

Arrangements are now being made for the signing of the Bretton Woods Agreements before December 31. In order for the United States to participate, it will be necessary for you to authorize someone to sign the Agreements on behalf of the United States. Accordingly, there are attached for your signature two documents which will enable the United States to accept membership in the Fund and the Bank:

(1) An instrument to be deposited at the time of signature certifying that the United States accepts the Agreements and is prepared to carry out its obligations; and

(2) A letter authorizing me, as Secretary of the Treasury, to sign the Agreements for the United States.

Secretary of the Treasury

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the "Bretton Woods Agreements Act, 1945" (Public Law No. 171, 79th Congress) you are hereby authorized to sign for the United States the Articles of Agreement of the International Monetary Fund and the Articles of Agreement of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Very truly yours,

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury

This is to certify, pursuant to Article XX,  
Section 2(a) of the Articles of Agreement of the  
International Monetary Fund and Article XI, Section  
2(a) of the Articles of Agreement of the International  
Bank for Reconstruction and Development, that the  
Government of the United States of America accepts  
these Agreements in accordance with its law and has  
taken all steps necessary to carry out all of its  
obligations under these Agreements.

President  
of the United States of America