

PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM SENT

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Reference is made herewith to your cable of September 13, No. 7522.

The Department has asked the Chiefs of mission mentioned in Department's cable of September 5, No. 7189, to withhold the proposed note pending receipt of further instructions from the Department, in view of the attitude which Donald expressed. FEA, Treasury, and the Department are now holding discussions with regard to the text of the note which Donald proposed. The Department is disposed to agree with reference to the point that Bretton Woods Resolution VI was not "adopted" by the Governments but merely by delegates present. In connections with the British consideration of the desirability of the measures mentioned in the Resolution, however, it would help in consideration of Donald's proposed note if there were some indication of the particular measures recommended in the Resolution as to which the British are doubtful. It will be noted that the proposed text corresponds fairly closely to the text of the recommendation section in Resolution VI. Therefore, the reason for the proposed form of note, as well as for the textual changes from the recommendation section of Resolution VI, would be of assistance.

Kindly inform the British that the Department considers this matter highly urgent and that consideration is going forward in Washington on the hope that joint action can be achieved within a period of a week or ten days. Therefore, in order that discussions on the text may not be frustrated by a later unwillingness on the part of the British to go along on any basis, it would seem desirable if Donald were to secure whatever clearances may be necessary within the British Government.

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