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TELEGRAM NUMBER 2122 OF 30 JULY

US GOVERNMENT.

1. PRESIDENT CARTER'S NOMINATION ON 27 JULY OF MOON LANDRIEU, FORMER MAYOR OF NEW ORLEANS, AS SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND NEIL GOLDSCHMIDT, MAYOR OF PORTLAND, OREGON, AS SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION COMPLETED THE CABINET RESHUFFLE (ALTHOUGH FURTHER CHANGES ARE EXPECTED AT SUB-CABINET LEVEL).

2. THE SENATE LAST WEEK CONFIRMED THE APPOINTMENTS OF MRS PATRICIA HARRIS AS SECRETARY OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE, AND W GRAHAM CLAYTOR AS DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE. CLAYTOR WILL REMAIN IN CHARGE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ON A TEMPORARY BASIS, HOWEVER, PENDING THE CONFIRMATION OF MR GOLDSCHMIDT BY THE SENATE.

3. SENATE CONFIRMATION PROCEEDINGS HAVE BEGUN FOR CHARLES DUNCAN (ENERGY), G WILLIAM MILLER (TREASURY) AND BENJAMIN CIVILETTI (ATTORNEY GENERAL), AND IT IS HOPED TO COMPLETE THESE CONFIRMATIONS BEFORE THE SENATE GOES INTO RECESS, PROBABLY ON 4 AUGUST. ANY OUTSTANDING NOMINATIONS, INCLUDING THOSE OF LANDRIEU AND GOLDSCHMIDT, WILL HAVE TO AWAIT CONFIRMATION WHEN THE SENATE RETURNS IN SEPTEMBER.

4. ASSUMING ALL THE NEW NOMINEES ARE CONFIRMED, PRESIDENT CARTER'S RECONSTITUTED CABINET WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:-

CYRUS R VANCE	SECRETARY OF STATE
HAROLD BROWN	DEFENSE
G WILLIAM MILLER	TREASURY
CHARLES W DUNCAN JR	ENERGY
MRS JUANITA M KREPS	COMMERCE
BENJAMIN R CIVILETTI	ATTORNEY GENERAL
NEIL E GOLDSCHMIDT	TRANSPORTATION
ROBERT S BERGLAND	AGRICULTURE
CECIL B ANDRUS	INTERIOR
MRS PATRICIA R HARRIS	HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE
MOON LANDRIEU	HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
F RAY MARSHALL	LABOUR

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5. CHARLES L SCHULTZE (CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS),  
ZBIGNIEW BREZINSKI (ASSISTANT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY),  
JAMES MCINTYRE (DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, AND  
AMBASSADORS ROBERT STRAUSS (MIDDLE EAST AND TRADE) AND ANDREW  
YOUNG (UN) WILL ALSO CONTINUE TO HOLD CABINET RANK.  
ROBINSON.

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