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WASHINGTON

September 11, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

William E. Timmons

SUBJECT:

Message to Congress

Milton Friedman, Domestic Council, OMB and NSC have reviewed the latest draft of your Message to Congress and have made minor language changes.

We feel the Message should be formally transmitted to Congress on Thursday, after your meeting with bipartisan leaders on Foreign Aid. In the course of that meeting you may wish to alert the Democrats that a Message will be coming without getting into the specifics to your own priorities other than the scheduled discussion on Foreign Aid.

There are several issues that still need resolution:

- Do you wish a brief reference to the need for some tax reform as recommended this morning by Barber Conable?
- 2. Do you wish to indicate that you would accept cargo preference legislation only if a suitable waiver were provided for your discretionary use?

These two items are omitted from the current draft Message.

RECOMMENDATION

That both measures be omitted from the Message and by inference have lower priority (and possible opposition) than the items listed.

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