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- Q. According to reports the Dutch government has concluded that Prince Bernhard was the "high Dutch official" who allegedly received over a million dollars from Lockheed Aircraft. This is another in what seems to be a continuing series of reports on corporate bribes to foreign officials. Is the President concerned with these developments? What is our policy on such activities.
- A. The President's views on such activities are well known and are reflected in a policy statement issued by the Department of State May 15. ( attached ).

White House Press Guidance

President's Meeting with Netherlands Prime Minister Johannes den Uyl

May 14, 1975

The President met this morning with the Prime Minister of the Netherlands Johannes den Uyl. This was the first meeting between the two leaders. Both welcomed the opportunity to become acquainted personally, and the meeting provided for a broad-ranging discussion on a number of issues of current importance to the Netherlands and the United States and to the Atlantic Alliance. Netherlands Foreign Minister van der Stoep, Netherlands Ambassador Robert Tammenoms Bakker and the Director General for Political Affairs in the Netherlands Foreign Ministry, Mr. Rutten, participated on the Dutch side. Secretary Kissinger and General Scowcroft participated on the U.S. side.

As has been the case in the President's previous meetings with leaders of other NATO countries, the President and the Prime Minister had a very useful and positive exchange of views on NATO matters, <sup>including</sup> ~~giving considerable~~ ~~attention to~~ the NATO summit to be held in Brussels on May 29-30. Both leaders agreed that the summit would permit a very valuable discussion of the challenges and opportunities before the Alliance and of coordinated steps best suited to the realization of the goals shared by the members of the Alliance. In the context of this discussion, the President and the Prime Minister also reviewed <sup>European developments in general</sup> ~~the current status of European security and NATO~~

negotiations, as well as overall trends in East-West relations.

Finally, I would note that this morning's discussion included a review of the current international energy situation and of developments in the Middle East.

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Q: Isn't den Uyl going on to South America? Did the subject of Cuba come up?

A: Prime Minister den Uyl will be traveling to Surinam following his visit to Washington. With regard to the second part of your question, Cuba was not a subject of discussion.

Q: What about the civil aviation problem; did they make any progress on KLM?

A: I believe they may have touched briefly on that and, of course, on the desirability of finding a mutually satisfactory solution. However, this morning's meeting involved consultations on a number of issues; and, there were no detailed negotiations per se on any one issue.