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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE FOR THE AMBASSADOR

- PLEASE DELIVER IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT TO PRESIDENT GEISEL. IF RECIPIENT NOT AVAILABLE, DELIVER TO HIGHEST OFFICIAL AVAILABLE.
- 2. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

I AM SURE THAT YOU ARE AWARE THAT ONLY A GRAVE CRISIS COULD HAVE LED ME TO ASK SECRETARY KISSINGER TO POSTPONE HIS LONG PLANNED TRIP TO SOUTH AMERICA. THE TURN OF EVENTS IN INDOCHINA LEFT ME NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO ASK THE SECRETARY TO REMAIN IN WASHINGTON.

I HOPE THAT YOU WILL PARDON THIS ACTION AND ACCEPT MY APOLOGIES FOR THE PERSONAL INCONVENIENCES I KNOW IT HAS

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CAUSED YOU IN REARRANGING YOUR SCHEDULE.

BECAUSE OF THE GREAT IMPORTANCE I ATTACH TO OUR RELATIONS WITH BRAZIL I HAD ASKED SECRETARY KISSINGER TO CONVEY TO YOU PERSONALLY THE COMMITMENT OF MY GOVERNMENT TO THE STRENGTHENING OF THE TRADITIONAL TIES OF FRIENDSHIP WHICH

BIND THE UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL.

DURING THE COMING GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES SECRETARY KISSINGER WILL BE CONSULTING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER SILVEIRA ON A SERIES OF
GLOBAL AND HEMISPHERIC ISSUES OF CONCERN TO BOTH OUR
COUNTRIES. I ALSO LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING MINISTER
SILVEIRA AGAIN DURING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

I HAVE ASKED SECRETARY KISSINGER TO GIVE HIS SOUTH AMERICAN TRIP A HIGH PRIORITY IN HIS FUTURE PLANS.

WITH WARMEST PERSONAL GREETINGS, SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD. END TEXT.

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# THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

June 16, 1975

Dear Mr. President:

I wish to extend to you formally the invitation transmitted earlier by Ambassador Crimmins to visit the United States this year. I believe that such a visit will serve to enhance the warm and constructive relationship we seek to maintain between our two nations. I also believe the visit will afford us the opportunity for a personal and frank exchange of views on a wide variety of bilateral, regional and international questions.

If you are able to accept this invitation, Ambassador Crimmins will be in touch with Foreign Minister Silveira to arrange a mutually convenient date.

I hope to have the pleasure of welcoming you to Washington later this year, and I take this opportunity to send you my warmest personal regards.

Sincerely,

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His Excellency

General Ernesto Geisel

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# NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION
June 16, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER #

SUBJECT:

Letter of Invitation to President

Geisel of Brazil

You approved issuing an invitation to President Ernesto Geisel of Brazil to make a State Visit later in the year. On May 6 our Ambassador conveyed orally to Brazilian Foreign Minister Silveira your invitation to President Geisel. No response has yet been received.

Our Ambassador has recommended that you send a letter to President Geisel to formally confirm the invitation. He believes, and I concur, that such a letter would be appropriate and would be helpful in obtaining an early response to the invitation so that we may proceed to pin down specific dates for a visit. Attached at Tab A is a suggested letter of invitation to President Geisel. Paul Theis has cleared the text of the proposed letter.

# RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter to President Geisel at Tab A.



# NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION
June 10, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM:

STEPHEN LOWS

SUBJECT:

Letter of Invitation to President

Geisel of Brazil

Attached at Tab I for your signature is a memo for the President transmitting for signature a letter to President Geisel of Brazil formally confirming the invitation to pay a visit later this year. Ambassador Crimmins requested such a letter to follow-up his extension of the invitation orally to Foreign Minister Silveira. The text of the proposed letter has been cleared by Paul Theis.

# RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memo to the President at Tab I.

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### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

June 13, 1975

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MEMORANDUM FOR LIEUTENANT GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT

Subject: Proposed Letter from President Ford to

Brazilian President Geisel

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Since this draft refers obliquely to the invitation to President Geisel to visit the United States, it would be helpful if the invitation letter to President Geisel (sent forward under cover of my memorandum of June 5) could be signed at the same time. Secretary Butz could then carry the invitation letter with him to hand to Ambassador Crimmins for delivery.

Secretary Butz is scheduled to leave Washington at 9:00 AM Tuesday, June 17.

George S. Springsteen
Executive Secretary

### Attachments:

- 1. Suggested text of letter from President Ford to President Geisel.
- 2. My memorandum to you of June 5, with attached suggested letter of invitation to President Geisel.

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### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

June 5, 1975

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MEMORANDUM FOR LIEUTENANT GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Visit to the United States of President Ernesto Geisel of Brazil

On May 6, 1975, Ambassador John Crimmins conveyed orally to Brazilian Foreign Minister Silveira, President Ford's invitation to President Ernesto Geisel to visit the United States this year. No response has been received to date.

Ambassador Crimmins believes that a letter from the President to President Geisel, formally confirming the invitation, would be appropriate and helpful in obtaining an early response from the Brazilian President, so that we may move on to a discussion of specific dates for the visit.

The Department therefore recommends that a letter from the President be sent to President Geisel. A suggested text is attached.

George S. Springsteen Executive Secretary

# Attachments:

- Suggested text of letter from President Ford to President Geisel
- Brasilia 4073 and 3513 (EXDIS); State 104394 and 115248 (EXDIS)

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Sincerely,

Gerald R. Ford

His Excellency

General Ernesto Geisel,

President of the Federative Republic of Brazil, Brasilia.



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IN DELIVERING THE PRESIDENT'S INVITATION TO PRESIDENT GEISEL BRALLY TO SILVEIRA I ASSUMED A LETTER WOULD FULLOW FROM WASHINGTON. THE NECESSITY FUR A FURMAL COMMUNICATIONS HAS BEEN HEIGHTENED BY THE FACT THAT THE SUBJECT WAS NOT RAISED WITH SILVEIRA IN WASHINGTON. I AM AFRAID THERE MAY BE SOME BRAZILIAN PUZZLEMENT AT THIS POINT OVER THE LACK OF FULLOW UP. FOR SOME REASON WASHINGTON PREFERS NOT TO SENU A LETTER NOW, I WILL OF COURSE PURSUE THE MATTER ON AN URAL BASIS, BUT THIS HARDLY SEEMS TO BE THE MOST COURTEOUS WAY OF HANDLING

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SUBJECT: INVITATION TO RESIDENT GEISEL

REF: STATE 104394

1. I DELIVERED THE MESSAGE IN REFTEL TO FOREIGN MINISTER SILVEIRA AT 11:45 AM BRASILIA TIME TODAY.

2. SILVEIRA SAID THAT HE WOULD CONSULT THE PRESIDENT. HE ASKED WHAT "THE LATTER PART" OF THIS YEAR MEANT, AND I REPLIED THAT I WOULD INTERPRET IT TO MEAN LATE OCTOBER THROUGH DECEMBER.

3. I TOLD SILVEIRA THAT I ASSUMED THAT THE SECRETARY WOULD WANT TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE VISIT WITH HIM DURING THE DASGA.
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SUBJECT: INVITATION TO PRESIDENT GEISEL

FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM THE SECRETARY

YOU SHOULD REQUEST AN APPOINTMENT WITH FOREIGN MINISTER SILVEIRA FOR MONDAY, MAY 5, TO EXTEND THROUGH HIM AN INVITATION FROM PRESIDENT FORD TO PRESIDENT GEISEL FOR A STATE VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES DURING THE LATTER PART OF THIS YEAR. YOU SHOULD FURTHER REQUEST OF SILVEIRA THAT THE GOB TREAT THE INVITATION AS CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL WE CAN WORK DUT MUTUALLY AGREED TIMING FOR AN ANNOUNCEMENT.

FYI: WE HAVE DECIDED TO MOVE FORWARD ON EXTENDING THE INVITATION IN ORDER TO GET THE GEISEL VISIT ON THE WHITE HOUSE CALENDAR WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY. END FYI KISSINGER

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SUBJECT: STATE VISIT OF PRESIDENT GEISEL

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Sincerely,

Gerald R. Ford

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General Ernesto Geisel,
President of the Federative Republic of Brazil,
Brasilia.



### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

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MEMORANDUM FOR LIEUTENANT GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT

Subject: Proposed Letter from President Ford to Brazilian President Geisel

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Secretary Butz is scheduled to leave Washington at 9:00 AM Tuesday, June 17.

George S. Springsteen Executive Secretary

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# THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

June 16, 1975

Dear Mr. President:

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Agriculture is one of the primary areas in which United States and Brazilian interests converge in many important respects. I am, therefore, especially pleased that Secretary Butz will be able to exchange views with you and Minister Paulinelli and other officials of your Government on the directions that agricultural policies will take in our two countries over the next few years. The world has much to gain from the enormous potential of Brazilian agriculture and your Government's impressive plans to realize that potential.

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His Excellency General Ernesto Geisel President of the Federative Republic of Brazil Brasilia

### **MEMORANDUM**

# THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

ACTION

June 16, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

SUBJECT:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

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Letter for Secretary Butz to carry

to Brazilian President Geisel

Secretary Butz will be visiting Brazil June 20 - 25 and a request for him to see President Geisel has been made. In the event that the President can see him, it would be helpful for him to have a letter to deliver from you to the Brazilian President.

Attached at Tab A is a suggested letter for Secretary Butz which draws attention to the importance of agriculture in U.S.-Brazilian cooperation. Paul Theis has cleared the text of the proposed letter.

# RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter to President Geisel at Tab A.



NATIONAL ȘECURITY COUNCIL June 14, 1975

To: B

Bud McFarlane

General Scowcroft

From:

Stephen Low

This needs prompt attention since Secretary Butz is due to leave early Tuesday morning.

# NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION June 14, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM:

STEPHEN LOW

SUBJECT:

Letter for Secretary Butz to carry to Brazilian President Geisel

Attached at Tab I is a memorandum to the President transmitting a suggested letter which Secretary Butz could present to President Geisel of Brazil when he sees him in Brasilia during his visit, June 20 - 25.

The letter is a general one emphasizing the importance of agriculture in U.S. - Brazilian relations. Paul Theis has cleared the text of the proposed letter.

# RECOMMENDATION

That you initial the attached memorandum to the President.







### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520



June 13, 1975

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MEMORANDUM FOR LIEUTENANT GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT

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MEMORANDUM FOR LIEUTENANT GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Visit to the United States of President Ernesto Geisel of Brazil

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