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FOR THE RECORD

I talked with a Mr. Kennon over at the State Department regarding Robert Vesco. Mr. Kennon indicated that the legal attache at the Beirut Embassy had received a cable from the Attorney General which indicated that Mr. Robert Vesco was "held in highest esteem." Mr. Kennon's concern was that the Ambassador appeared confused after Mr. Ehrlichman's cable to the Beirut Embassy of a couple of weeks ago, in which he explained that the White House had no specific interest in the deal in which Vesco was involved. At Mr. Ehrlichman's instructions, I contacted Mr. Kennon and indicated that the Attorney General's cable should be taken at face value and was not contradictive of Mr. Ehrlichman's earlier cable. Kennon can be reached at 632-1114.

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