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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Mr. Kenneth Young, Director of Northeast Asian Affairs Department of State

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At Mr. MacDonald's invitation, I accompanied him to Mr. Young's office this morning where we talked about what Mr. Young had recently accomplished in Tokyo with regard to organizing an interdepartmental effort to implement the RSE plan D-27.

Mr. Young reported that the coordination effort had gotten off to a very good start, that the letter from the Department to him and the cable to FECOM through military channels had arrived at about the same time and all the people had been elerted and were interested in proceeding with the matter. He had a meeting with Mr. Sax Bradford, PAO at the Tokyo Embassy and Colonel Kenneth Hansen, Chief of PW, FECOM. They reached agreement that there should be a committee established with the Ambassador as Chairman and including a representative from the Armed Forces This committee would meet once a month and would be supported by a secondary committee, more or less of a working group, consisting of Mr. Bradford, Colonel Hansen. Mr. Bradford and Colonel Hansen were quite enthusiastic about the project and were looking forward to getting on with the job. They felt that there is considerable leeway in the situation allowing them a certain amount of initiative for proposing to Washington projects which perhaps in the first instance were not

contained in the PSB paper.

Mr. MacDonald is going to arrange for a meeting of his panel within the very near future so that the members can hear a report from Mr. Young on what he had accomplished in Tokyo.

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