

## **December 22, 1962**

### **Department of State Telegram 537 to the American Embassy Ankara**

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#### **Summary:**

Referring to the telegram on McNamara's meetings with Andreotti and Sancar, Dean Rusk requested that Ambassadors Hare and Reinhardt to return to Washington for consultation as soon as feasible "to assist in developing plans to implement" the gradual withdrawal of the Jupiter missiles. To avoid raising suspicions, Rusk explained that their "return should not be simultaneous but should be arranged so as to permit overlap in Washington." As the Turkish matter was more complicated, he advised Hare to return before Reinhardt. The "immediate objective will be to formulate best possible tactics to employ in relation to respective governments." The Ambassadors could "very confidentially inform Foreign Ministers and/or Defense Ministers purpose of return, indicating they will be working on technical and military aspects of proposal in preparation for further consultation with both governments."

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EYES ONLY FOR AMBASSADORS HARE AND REINHARDT.

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In order to assist in developing plans to implement concepts contained reftel, desire that Ambassadors Reinhardt and Hare return for consultation as soon after Christmas as is feasible for both. Return should not be simultaneous but should be arranged so as permit overlap in Washington. As Turkish matter more complex, suggest that, if feasible, Hare return prior to Reinhardt.

Immediate objective will be to formulate/<sup>best</sup> possible tactics to employ in relation to respective governments.

Ambassadors can, within their discretion, very confidentially inform Foreign Ministers and/or Defense Ministers purpose of return, indicating they will be working on technical and military aspects of proposal in preparation for further consultation with both governments. However, should not attempt to ~~am~~ amplify proposal at this juncture.

Separate instructions being sent through normal channels requesting both Ambassadors return for consultation for reasons which will be stated in those telegrams. END.

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