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INDONESIAN DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS POLICY GUIDANCE CABLE ON WEST IRIAN

The following is a summary translation of an Indonesian Department of Foreign Affairs cable which was sent to all Indonesian diplomatic and consular installations abroad. The cable bears no security classification and is dated 26 May.

- 1. As you know the President has said that we have accepted in principle the Bunker Plan as a basis for the peaceful settlement of the West Irian issue. The basic principles of this Plan are:
- a. ... Dutch turn over administration of Irian Barat to a temporary administration authority under the U.N. Secretary General.
- b. ... Temporary administration authority then turned over to the Republic of Indonesia.
- c. ... Indonesia, with the aid of the U.N. Secretariat, arranges for the freedom of choice of our people in West Irian.
- 2. The above can be used as a basis for opening negotiations again and other technical matters can be discussed. Indonesia cannot accept the Bunker Plan one hundred per cent. Full administrative control, in accord with the demand of the people, must be achieved in the year 1962. What cannot be bargained for is the turning over of the administration of Irian Barat to the Republic of Indonesia, as this is the sine qua non of our revolution.
- 3. We can risk the matter of free choice with the certainty that with full administrative responsibility in

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the hands of Indonesia, and with the technical assistance of the U.N. Secretariat, there will be positive results for us. (This is for your information only).

- As Holland now wants to create the impression in the world that Holland has accepted the Bunker
 Plan and Indenesia has not only not accepted but is
 actually carrying out aggression, it is requested that
 you contact the respective Foreign Ministers in the
 countries in which you serve and orally clarify the
 following:
 - a. The above mentioned Bunker Plan.
- b. Indonesia has accepted the Bunker Plan in principle as the basis for the transfer of the administration of West Irian to Indonesia, whereas the Dutch officially and publicly say nothing, and are even strengthening their armed forces in West Irian.
- c. It is not true when the Dutch say that they have accepted the Bunker Plan. The Dutch are merely ready "to discuss the so-called Bunker Plan" but with the additional provise that the Dutch are free to introduce any matter into the discussion which is considered necessary.
- d. We are not ready "to discuss the plan" only. The plan must be used as a basis for the turnover of administration and there can be negotiations on technical debails. "To discuss the plan" will be endless chatter and will certainly give birth to a plan other than the Bunker Plan, and this we cannot accept.
- e. We reject the Dutch accusation that we are carrying out aggression, because the accusation is on a wrong premise. Irian Barat is a province of the Republic of Indonesia to which the people of West Irian

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who have been thrown out by the Dutch want to return. Our armed forces are only protecting them and these armed forces are volunteers. On the other hand the Dutch occupation of West Irian by military force since 1950 is illegal and resembles a long-standing aggression.

Juni 1962.