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Memorandum of Conversation

DATE: June 13, 1969

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SUBJECT: Kurdish/Assyrian Appeal for U.S. Assistance

PARTICIPANTS: Mr. William Yonan, President, Assyrian-American Federation
 Mr. Sam Andrews, Secretary, Assyrian-American Federation
 Mr. Zaya Malek Isma'il, Representative of Assyrians in Syria
 Dr. Perley, Attorney for Assyrian-American Federation
 Mr. Shafiq Qazzaz, Representative of the Kurdish Revolution in
 the USA
 Mr. Talcott W. Seelye, NEA/ARN
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Mr. Qazzaz stated that the principal purpose of his visit was to deliver a letter from Mullah Mustafa Barzani to Secretary of State William P. Rogers. The letter appeals to the United States to provide assistance to the Kurds and the Assyrians in their struggle with the Iraqi Government. Mr. Seelye accepted the letter and assured the gentlemen that it would be brought to the Secretary's attention.