2 Nevember 1964

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. J. Hareld Shullaw

SUBJECT : British Guiana

- 1. On 2 Nevember we received the following immediate cable from ear London station with the request that its contents be given to you.
- 2. On the morning of 2 November Mr. Frost of MI-6 reported that he had again discussed the Smithers article with the Coloniai Office. Mr. Frost arged that the Embassy is Lendon should discuss this matter first with the British Foreign Office for two reasons:
- a. Greenwood carries less weight in the cabinet than his predecessor, hence the position of the Fereign Office in British Gaiana matters is correspondingly strengthened.
- b. The Foreign Office is more sympathetic toward a caordinated US/UK position and CIA/MI-6 role than are certain persons in the Colonial Office.
- 3. Our London station commented that it was quite apparent that Mr. Frost was ecting under instructions from the Chief of MI-6 and Mr. James Fmlton of MI-6.
- 4. Mr. Frost later telephened to report that the Colonial Office was instructing its pablic affairs representative in Georgetown to issue an efficial denial that a Colonial Offica efficial had made the statements attributed by Smithers. Mhen MI-6 was infermed of this, they pointed out that this at best is a holding eperation since the impression could still remain in British Gaiana and elsewhere that Celenial Office officials, area though denying

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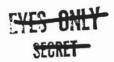
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the statements, were still contemplating festering a PPP/PNC coalition. Shortly thereafter Mr. Fulton, acting on behalf of the Chief of MI-6, contacted oar Chief of Station in London urging that Ambassador Bruce discuss the Smithers affair with the Foreign Office in order that the matter could be transferred from an intelligence to policy level, which Mr. Fulten and the Chief of MI-6 felt was of great importance.

5. Our Chief of Station in London discussed the Smithers affair and briefed Ambassador Bruce on the foregoing information. The Ambassador is requesting Ericson to continue discussions with the Colonial Office and the Ambassador is considering approaching Sir Harold Caccia.



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