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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

DATE: November 6, 1969

SUBJECT: Ambassador Ferguson's Meeting with JCA Officials

PARTICIPANTS: Bishop Edward Swanstrom, Catholic Relief Service
James McCracken, Church World Service
Miss Nancy L. Nicalo, Church World Service
Edward Kinney, Secretary-Treasurer, JCA-USA
Marc Tanenbaum, American Jewish Committee
James Norris, Catholic Relief Service

Ambassador Clyde Ferguson, U/CF
James M. Pope, U/CF

Summary: Mr. Kinney reported on separate talks in Geneva with officials of the Federal Military Government and Biafra on a JCA daylight flight proposal. Mr. Kinney found the Nigerians more interested than the Biafrans in daylight flights, but is not optimistic about the outcome of the talks. He does, however, feel that the talks had definite cosmetic value for JCA in that an earnest attempt was made to legalize its airlift. Mr. Kinney would like to have two C-97's from the idle ICRC fleet, and Bishop Swanstrom wants part of the unspent funds the ICRC received from the U. S. Government. (end summary)

[Omitted here is the body of the discussion]

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