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MEMORANDUM

*Approved by SA for  
Bill Allen's use*

President Kennedy requested Mr. Acheson, as a private citizen, to consult with him on problems respecting the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, and this consultation lasted over a period of a few months early in 1961. On the same basis, Mr. Acheson consulted with the President on the Berlin problem in the summer of that year.

Between October 17 and October 26, 1962, during the crisis over the missile build-up in Cuba, Mr. Acheson was informed of the situation and his views were sought by the Administration. At the request of Secretary Rusk, he went to Europe to inform General DeGaulle, the North Atlantic Council and Chancellor Adenauer of the facts, the conclusions of the President, and the course of action the President would follow. From time to time his opinion is asked regarding some current development.

Since retiring from the State Department in January, 1953, Mr. Acheson has held no office under the Government of the United States (though he has served

without compensation on the Advisory Committee on Rules of Civil Procedure in United States Courts) nor received any pay from the Government of any sort.

