National Security Decision Memorandum 223

TO: The Secretary of State

SUBJECT: Private International Exchange Council

The President has reviewed the report of the NSC Under Secretaries Committee, forwarded by the Chairman's memorandum of June 5, 1973, regarding the establishment of a private international exchange council as approved by NSDM 143.

The President has approved the Under Secretaries Committee's recommendation that the establishment of a new private council not be pursued at this time.

The President considers it important, however, to continue to increase efforts designed to strengthen and expand the interest, involvement, effectiveness, and coordination of private sector international exchanges.

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cc: The Acting Secretary of Defense
The Director of Central Intelligence
The Administrator, Agency for International Development
The Director, United States Information Agency