

OFFICE MINUTE

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Subject : [REDACTED] Station

Reference :

NOTE FOR FILE

1. I saw the Prime Minister in his office in Parliament House on [REDACTED] concerning my submission on the review of the MO9 station in Santiago. The Prime Minister said that my submission had given him a considerable amount of worry as he was very aware of the importance of this to the Americans and he was most concerned that they should not interpret his decision as being anti-American, which it certainly was not. He said, however, he felt that he could not allow the continuation of this MO9 activity. His main concern was that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He said that he was most concerned that the Americans should not believe that he personally necessarily disapproved of what they were doing in Chile nor did he support Allende in [REDACTED]

2. I said that I understood the Prime Minister's concern and appreciated his reasons for wishing to close Santiago Station. I said that one of the reasons that I had delayed submitting my review to him was to see what situation might have developed after the congressional elections which had just taken place and not to rush the matter with him, [REDACTED]

4. We then discussed the ways in which our station in Santiago might be wound up. The Prime Minister said that the last thing he wanted to do was to take precipitate action in this matter that would embarrass CIA.

I then showed the Prime Minister the attached submission, which he carefully read and agreed. (I think that he would have been disposed to have lengthened the period

5. After seeing the Prime Minister, I saw

6. In my discussions with

6th April, 1973.