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John -

Kindly take a look
at this and call me.
If it seems O.K. I
will clear it with
State and then we
will be ready.

Good! Clark -
John

 Clark

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Turkey, which I have just signed, is an important step in the building
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The conditions of peace include, among other things, the ability of nations to maintain order and independence, and to support themselves economically. In extending the aid requested by two members of the United Nations for the purpose of maintaining these conditions, the United States is helping to further aims and purposes identical with those of the United Nations. Our aid in this instance is evidence not only that we pledge our support to the United Nations but that we act to support it.

With the passage and signature of this Act, our Ambassadors to Greece and Turkey are being instructed to enter into immediate negotiations for agreements which, in accordance with the terms of the Act, will govern the application of our aid. We intend to make sure that the aid we extend will benefit all the peoples of Greece and Turkey, not any particular group or faction.

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support themselves economically, ^{do you mean} and to maintain orderly and peaceful

~~political processes~~. ^{extending the work has been} In granting aid requested by two members of the

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that the aid we ~~are~~ extending ^{all the people} will benefit ~~the whole peoples~~ of Greece
(and Turkey, not any particular group or faction.)

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will benefit no one group or faction but
all the peoples of Greece & Turkey.

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cannot be separated from our belief in [?] human liberty. We hope that in
the years ahead more and more ^{nations} people throughout the world will move
toward freedom and democracy. ^{we shall not} While we do not propose to force our ideas
upon any nation, ^{that?} we believe ^{it is human freedom} [it is human freedom] [which] offers the best
chance of peace and prosperity for all.

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to be strong and vigilant in keeping the peace.

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~~Draft of a Statement to be Issued by
the President at the Time of His Signing
of the Greek-Turkish Aid Act.~~



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With the passage and signature of this Act, our Ambassadors to Greece and Turkey will be instructed to enter into immediate negotiations for the conclusion of agreements which, in accordance with the terms of the Act, will govern the application of our aid. We intend to make sure that the aid we are extending will benefit the whole peoples of Greece and Turkey, not any particular group or faction. ~~I plan to send to the Senate within a few days the nomination of the men who will act as heads of mission to Greece and Turkey under the terms of this Act.~~



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There is before me for signature the legislation authorizing an expenditure of \$400,000,000 in and for Greece and Turkey -- a notably bi-partisan bill approved by large majorities in both Houses.

The Congress has acted favorably on my request etc

I have asked you to join me here as it is signed so that I might have occasion to comment briefly on its significance as I see it.

The whole world wants peace -- peace for all time. Inherent in the action we are taking is the determination of the people of the United States to do everything within their power to help achieve that goal.

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After fighting in two bitter, costly and destructive wars in other hemispheres, we have come to the

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clear realization that our peace and security and the way of life which is dearer to us than life itself can be threatened by events thousands of miles from our shores. We know now that we must find peace and security, not in one continent, nor in one hemisphere, but in one world.

We know, too, that it is better to meet dangers when they are small -- to act early in matters affecting the peace of the world on which our own security depends. Our determination is to strike at the roots of war by courageous and cooperative action. If we are to remain free, we have no alternative.

The people of Greece and Turkey need our prompt aid if they are to be allowed to manage their own affairs the way they want to -- if they are to be free to act as independent nations. In any other economic and political atmosphere, we believe our own security and the peace of the world may be threatened.

What we are doing today we may need to do

elsewhere tomorrow or next year or ten years from now --
alone, or jointly through United Nations. Whatever the cost,
it will be infinitely less than the cost of war itself.

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X { This is not a new doctrine, but a doctrine
as old as men and nations. The price that free men pay
for peace is the obligation always to be strong and vigi-
lant in keeping the peace.

I am ~~very~~ proud to sign this bill here,
now, in your presence.

