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SUMMARY OF TELEGRAMS

**NORTH ATLANTIC
TREATY ORGANIZATION**

Embassy Copenhagen reports that an editorial in the independent newspaper Information says that Denmark should use the veto in the Ottawa

Council meeting if necessary to postpone the final decision on NATO membership for Greece and Turkey until the Rome meeting in October. We are already aware of the opposition of the Danish Parliament and Government to Greek-Turkish membership in NATO, but believe that the Danish delegation to Ottawa has been instructed to oppose but not to veto the proposal. Nevertheless, the editorial may indicate that the Danish delegation will make a stronger stand than we had expected in favor of postponement of the decision until the Rome meeting.

IRELAND

Following a recent approach to the Department by Irish authorities concerning the possibility

of US arms shipments to Ireland, we requested Embassy London to comment on the probable British attitude toward such shipments. Embassy London has replied that the British Government's reaction would probably be to emphasize the priority of NATO needs. If the Irish were willing to assume NATO responsibilities, the UK would probably be sympathetic to their request for arms, but, if the arms were to be used only in defense of Ireland, the UK would probably object on the ground that the defense effort must come first, particularly since arms are in short supply.

INDONESIA

Ambassador Cochran reports that on the night before the signing of the Japanese Treaty in

San Francisco the Nationalist Party cabinet members in the Indonesian Government took a surprise vote against signing the treaty, after having given earlier support for it. This about-face may possibly endanger the chances for ratification of the treaty, although, as Cochran points out, the Parliament is in recess until the 23rd, and perhaps by that time tempers will have cooled sufficiently for Parliament to view the matter objectively and see the advantages to Indonesia which have come from attending and signing, and which will increase with ratification.

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