MR 000.9, Sec. 2 — MRS. ROOSEVELT (Latin-American Trip)

1944

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Box 47
INCOMING MESSAGE

PRIORITY

From: CO San Antonio De Lasbaos, Cuba
To: War Department
     CG, Antilles Dept San Juan, Puerto Rico

28 March, 1944

To Chief of Staff US Army attention the President from Officer in charge of Communications signed Wade COAB.

Distinguished visitor Mrs Roosevelt departed Batista Field Cuba 28 March 1348Z for Washington National Airport completing visit.

No fig

ACTION: CG AAF
INFO: OPD
     SGS (Maj Davenport)
     Sgt Mathesom
     CM-IN-20089 (28 Mar 44) 1725Z

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RHP, NARSDate DEC 12 1973

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PRIORITY

From: CO, San Antonio de Las Banos, Cuba
To: War Department
Nr: BAT 4378, 27th March 1944

Deliver to Mrs Boettiger at the White House.

If arrival by 5 arrange for drinks and eats for 3 enlisted men of plane crew who are to see White House. Have asked 4 officers to dine. Hope Pa will shake hands with first group also include Tommy and Henry to dinner. All well, love to all. Can hardly wait to see you. Mother.

No Sig

ACTION: Col. Mathewson
INFO: SGS (Maj Davenport)

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By W. J. Stewart Date MAY 24 1973

CM-IN-19593 (28 Mar 44) 0159Z Jb

Reed 28/0235 24 Hour
E. C. retired - held for wording delivery.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Roosevelt arrived at Batista Field, Havana, at 2:20 p.m., EWT, today. She will remain overnight, and is scheduled to leave for Washington, D. C., at 10:00 a.m., EWT, tomorrow.

Very respectfully,

F. H. GRAHAM,
Lieutenant, A.O.D.
WAR DEPARTMENT
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INCOMING MESSAGE

PRIORITY

From: CO San Antonio de los Ranos, Cuba
To: War Department
     CO Antilles Department San Juan, Puerto Rico
No: BAT 4373  27 March 1944

To Chief of Staff US Army for attention the
President from Officer in Charge Communications signed
Wade COAB.

Passing to you information that Mrs R arrived
Batista Field, Cuba 271820Z without mishap.

No Sig

ACTION: Gen Mathewson
INFO to SGS (Maj Davenport)

OM-IN-19465 (27 Mar 44) 21242 Zb

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From: Aurora Airport, Guatemala City
To: War Department
No: SX26110 26 March 1944

SX-26110. To OG ATC Washington DC, OG Caribbean Wing ATC West Palm Beach, Florida and 26 Transport Co LaGuardia Field, NY. From Myers sgd COAB Guatemala City.

Entered Guatemala City 1930Z. Remaining over night estimated time departure as planned.

no sig

This message has been relayed to LaGuardia Field, NY by the War Department Code Center in accordance with the originator's request. Also Caribbean Wing ATC West Palm Beach, Florida.

Reported previously by Navy.

ACTION: COAACP
INFO: ODP
SQS (Naj. Davenport)
Col. Mathewson
CM-IN-18964 (27 May 44) 01022 jb

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PRIORITY

From: CG, Caribbean Defense Command, Quarry Heights, Canal Zone

To: War Department

Nr: C 20133 27 March 1944

For the President and Brett CDC C 20133.

Out of Guatemala at 1434Z was Mrs. Roosevelt's plane. Next stop Batista Field.

No Sig.

ACTION: Col Mathewson

INFO: CGAAF
       OPD
       SGS (Maj Davenport)

CM-IN-19367 (27 Mar 44) 1911Z

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PRIORITY

From: CG, Caribbean Defense Command Quarry Heights, Canal Zone.

To: War Department.

No. C 20129 26 March 1944.

C20129 for The President sgd Brett CDC.

Landed at Guatemala City at 1928Z Mrs Roosevelts plane.

Remaining overnight.

No Sig.

ACTION: Col Mathewson

INFORMATION: CG AAF
OPD
SGS (Maj Davenport)

CM-IN-18893 (26 Mar 44) 2229Z law

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: CG, Caribbean Defense Command
Quarry Heights, Canal Zone

To: War Department

Number CDC C20118, 26 March 1944

For the President, signed Brett, CDC C20118.

Airborne for San Jose Guatemala out of Galapagos
1241Z was Mrs Roosevelt's plane. Estimated time of
arrival San Jose 1741Z. Upon arrival you will be no-
tified.

No Sig.

ACTION: CG AAF
INFO: OPD
SGS

Colonel Mathewson

CM-IN-18743 (26 Mar 44) 1717Z med

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PRIORITY

From: CG Quarry Heights C.Z.
To: War Department
No: C 20125
26 March, 1944
For the President sgd Brett GDC C 20125.
Plane carrying Mrs Roosevelt at 17:32 did at
San Jose Guatemala arrive.
No Sig

ACTION: Col. Mathewson
INFO: CGA AF
OPD
SOGS (Maj Davenport)

CM-IN-18842 (26 Mar 44) 2010Z jb

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PRIORITY

From: CG, Sixth Air Force Albrook Field, Canal Zone
To: War Department
    AAC New York, New York
    CO, Morrison Field, Florida
Nr: 805  24 March, 1944

Signed Wooten Sixth AF, relav from Salinas Ecuador
sgc Myers and Middleton to following, CG Caribbean Wing
ATC West Palm Beach, Fla, 26th Transport Group Laguardia
Fld, NY and CG ATC Gravelly Point, DC.

Estimated time departure as scheduled. Arrived
Salinas 1535 Z, in accordance with schedule.

No Sig

"This message has been relayed to ATC West Palm Beach,
Fla. and Laguardia Fld, NY by the War Department Code Center
in accordance with the originator's request."

ACTION: CG AAF
CM-IN-17646 (25 Mar 44) 0218Z eng

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By RHP, NARS Date DEC 12 1973

600.9 Mr. R. [Redacted]

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PRIORITY

From: CG, Caribbean Defense Command
Quarry Heights, Canal Zone

To: War Department

No. C 20068 24th March 1944

For the President sgd Brett CDC C 20068. For Chief of Staff.

Landed at Galapagos Islands 2223Z Mrs Roosevelt's plane, remain over night.

No Sig

ACTION: COL. MATHEWSON

INFORMATION: CG AAF
OPD
SGS (MAJ. DAVIDPONT)
CM-IN-17640 (25 Mar 44) 0205Z ong

000.9 Mr. R.

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PRIORITY

From: CG, Caribbean Defense Command
Quarry Heights, Canal Zone

To: War Department

No. C20080, 24th March 1944

For the President C20080 from Brett CDC. For the
Chief of Staff.

Neyers C-97 with Mrs Roosevelt aboard departed Salinas
for Galapagos Islands 1903z, 2220z estimated arrival time
Galapagos Islands tentative

1503 EWT

No Sig

ACTION: COL. MATHESON

INFORMATION: CG AAF
OPD
SGS (MAJ. DAVENPORT)
CM-IR-17554 (24 Mar 44) 2357z ong

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PRIORITY

From: CG Panama Canal Department
Quarry Heights, Canal Zone

To: War Department

Number 020069, 24 March 1944

For the President from Brett CPO C 20069.
Landed in Salinas Mrs Roosevelt's plane at
1539Z safely.

No Sig.

ACTION: Colonel Mathewson
INFO: CG AAF
CPO
SOS (Major Davenport)

OM-IN-17359 (24 Mar 44) 1917Z mod

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From: CG, Caribbean Defense Command
Quarry Heights, Canal Zone

To: War Department

Number W20063, 24 March 1944

W 20063 signed Brett, CDC.

Out of Albrook Field at 1150Z on 24 March was
Mrs Roosevelt's plane for Salinas Ecuador.

No Sig.

ACTION: Colonel Mathewson

INFO: CG AAF
      OPD
      SGS (Major Davenport)

CM-IN-17181 (24 Mar 44) 1352Z med
24 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Roosevelt arrived at Salinas at 11:39 a.m., EWT, today. She is scheduled to depart Salinas for Galapagos Island at 5:30 p.m., EWT, today.

Very respectfully,

Richard Park, Jr.
Colonel, General Staff
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

PRIORITY

From: CG, Caribbean Defense Command, Quarry Heights, Canal Zone
To: War Department
For The President signed Brett CDC.
Canal Zone
Albrook Field informs you arrival at 2208Z of Mrs Roosevelt's plane.

ACTION: Col Mathewson
INFORMATION: CG AAF
          OPD
          SGS

CM-IN-15395 (22 Mar 44) 0319Z bjm

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PRIORITY

From: OI, Caribbean Defense Command Quarry Heights, Canal Zone
To: War Department
No: C 20001 22 March 1944

From Brett CDC msg nos C 20001.

Kindly inform the Commander in Chief that their son John spent evening and called upon Senora De La Guardia wife of President of Panama with his mother. Are on schedule as originally planned. Leaving here on Friday morning for Salinas and Galapagos.

ACTION: Colonel Mathewson
INFO: OPD SGS
CM-IN-15826 (22 March 44) 17192 1bw

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FROM: Caracas

DATE: March 21, 1944

RECORD: March 22, 1944, 8 p.m.

Secretary of State,
Washington.

A-245, March 21, 3:40 p.m.

Caracas press reaction to Mrs. Roosevelt's visit has been extensive and wholly favorable. Practically all dailies printed highly complimentary editorials on Sunday, March 19th, extolling her personal and public virtues and abilities and pointing to the strength of the bond of friendship between Venezuela and the United States which her presence here signified.

Much was made of Mrs. Roosevelt's continuous leadership in democratic and humanitarian activities and of her political ability while, at the same time, she preserved the essential qualities of wife, mother and companion beside the President who is an outstanding champion of the cause of civilization and humanity in the world. In the words of ANCHA: "Today, along the roads of a world in flames, Mrs. Roosevelt continues to be the interpreter and the animator, synthesis and paradigm of a beautiful democracy in action."

Much was likewise made of her defense of the negro in the United States, subject of much interest to Venezuela for, as stated in AVONA's column "Venezuela in Two Lines" on March 19th:

And so Venezuelans, citizens of democratic origin, in whom the differences of class, race, color, have never been able to exert any influence, we are going to meet with someone who in the United States has shown by action that for her there is but one class of citizens. For it is not possible to silence the equalizing work of Mrs. Roosevelt, nor her decided gestures against race discrimination.

Copies of the editorials under reference, together with a resume of Mrs. Roosevelt's activities, are being forwarded by pouch at the earliest convenience.

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S.Y./T.X.

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3/27/4.../SH 2591

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State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date 12/1/73
GAR-485
This telegram must be paraphrased before being communicated to anyone other than a Government agency. (DI)

Panama

Dated March 24, 1944
Rec'd. 2:07 p.m.

Secretary of State,
Washington.

121, March 24, 9 a.m.

Mrs. Roosevelt departed from the Isthmus early this morning. Her visit to the Republic was an overwhelming success. The things she said and did made an extremely favorable impression and were most helpful in convincing Panamanians that their contributions to the war effort are sincerely appreciated by the United States. Her visit stimulated the friendly feeling felt here towards our country.

MUGGIO

EJH

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State Dept. Letter, 11-11-78
By R. H. Parks Date DEC 12 1973

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21 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR
THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Roosevelt arrived at Aruba at 9:33 A.M., EWT, today. She is scheduled to depart Aruba for Barranquilla at 11:00 A.M., EWT, today.

Very respectfully,

Ogden S. Collins
Lieut.(jg), USNR
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COMCARIBSEAFRON

RELEASED BY: CONCARIBSEAFRON ADMIN

DATE: 21 MARCH, 1944

TOR CORDERM: 211436

DECODED BY: STONE

PARAPHRASED BY: FORCE/Thompson

ROUTED BY: SMITH

ATTN: COMINCH

FOR ACTION: COMINCH

ADDRESS: COMCARIBSEAFRON ADMIN CAFAC

PRIO: ROUTINE

PRORIT: ROUTINE

PRECEDENCE: DEFERRED

IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW

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TIME

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ACTION

(ford the president. COMCARIBSEAFRON SENDS ACTION TO COMINCH. INFO TO COMCARIBSEAFRON ADMINISTRATION AND CAFAC)

MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY ARRIVED ARUBA AT 1333Z MARCH 21ST.

1100 FOR BARRANQUILLA

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ACT COMINCH. FROM CAFAC. INFO COMCARIBSEAFRON (ADMINT) COMCARIBSEAFRON, NOB TRINIDAD.

FOR THE PRESIDENT

WRS. ROOSEVELT AND PARTY DEPARTED CURACAO AT 13:57 MARCH 21ST.

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by RHP, NASA Date DEC 12, 1973

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00.9 M.R.
From: CG, Caribbean Defense Command
Quarry Heights, Canal Zone

To: The President of the United States

No. CDC 1424, 21 March 1944

For the President sgd Brett CDC.

Out of Barranquilla, Columbia at 2007Z is Mrs Roosevelt's plane, destination Panama.

No Sig.

Rud: 2201152
To Pres " vrn wkn. "
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By RHP, NARS Data DEC 12 1973
March 21 1944

From: CG, Caribbean Defense Command
       Quarry Heights, Canal Zone

To: The President of the United States

No. CDC 1483, Filed 211855Z

For the President sgd Brett CDC.
Mrs Roosevelt's plane arrived Barranquilla,
Columbia 1750Z 21st March this year.

No Sig.

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OSD letter, May 3, 1972

RHP, NARS Date: DEL 12/973
PRIORITY

From: CG, Caribbean Defense Command Quarry Heights
Canal Zone

To: War Department

No. CDC 1483 21st March 1944

For the President sgd Brett CDC.

Mrs Roosevelt's plane arrived Barranquilla Columbia
1750Z 21st March this year.

Note: Copy sent to White House 212130Z.

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ACTION: CG AAF

INFORMATION: OPD

SGS

Gol Mathewson

CM-IN-15309 (22 Mar 44) 0100Z bjm

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From: CG, Caribbean Defense Command Quarry Heights,  
Canal Zone  

To: War Department  

No. CDC 1484  21st March 1944  

For the President sgd Brett CDC.  

Out of Barranquilla Columbia at 2007Z is Mrs Roosevelt,  
destination Panama.  

Note: This message has been delivered to the President  

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E.O. 11652, Sec. 3(E) and 3(D) or (X)  
OSD letter, May 3, 1972  

ACTION: CG AAF  

RHP, NARS Date DEC 12 1973  

INFORMATION:  
CPD  
SOS  
661 Mathewson  

CM-IN-15308 (22 Mar 44) 0059Z bjm  

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From: CG Sixth Air Force Albroot Field, Canal Zone
To: War Department
Sr. 392  21 March, 1944
Attention Commanding General Air Transport Command Gravelly Point Washington, District of Columbia.

Arrived Albroot 2210Z remaining overnight BTD as scheduled byers. 3863 arrived Albroot Field 2213Z remaining overnight BTD 1200Z 3-24-44 Salinas Corrigan.

ACTION: CG AAF
INFORMATION: OPD SGS

[Signature]

CM-IN-15313 (22 Mar 44) 0109Z bjm

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COPY No.
From: GO US Army Forces South Atlantic Recife Brazil
To: War Department
No. 3A 1605  20 March 1944

For General Marshall signed Walsh.

Visit of Mrs Roosevelt to this theater was most satisfactory. Our men deeply appreciated her coming to see them and the Brazilian reaction appeared very favorable.

No Sig

ACTION: OPD
INFO: SOS (Maj Davenport) Col Mathews Log

CM-IN-14845 (21 Mar 44) 0719Z es

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Caracas
Dated March 20, 1944
Rece.d 4:15 p.m.

SECRETARY OF STATE
Washington

293, March 20, 1 p.m.

Mrs. Roosevelt who arrived here yesterday morning was warmly welcomed by President Medina and his wife and by high officials of
the Venezuelan Government. She received a spontaneous ovation from
the public and her brief "22 hour" visit was a great success and
contributed decidedly to Venezuelan-American friendship. The details
of her visit will be reported in a dispatch which follows.

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State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Date DEC 1 2 1973

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3/22/44/AR/9:30 a.m.

2009
20 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Roosevelt arrived at Curaçao at 10:54 a.m., EWT, today. She is scheduled to depart Curaçao for Aruba at 9:00 a.m., EWT, tomorrow.

Very respectfully,

Ogden S. Collins
Lieut., (jg) USNR
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CAFAC

RELEASED BY: 27 MARCH 1944

TO: COMINCH

DECODER: 201559

RECEIVED: STONE

PARAPHRASED BY: TOUPASZ

ROUTED BY: SCRUGGS

FOR ACTION: COMINCH

INFORMATION: COMCARIB (ADMIN)

MAIL ADDRESSEE: COMCARIB (ADMIN)

ADDRESSEES: COMCARIB (ADMIN)

PRECEDENCE: COMINCH

ADDRESS: NOB TRINIDAD

ON OUTGOING DISPATCHES PLEASE LEAVE ABOUT ONE INCH CLEAN SPACE BEFORE BEGINNING TEXT

(CAFAC GIVES ACTION TO COMINCH INFO COMCARIB (ADMIN)
COMCARIB NOB TRINIDAD.)

MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY ARRIVED CURACAO AT 1454Z MARCH
27.

NAVY DEPARTMENT

ACTION

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM

ALUSNA CARACAS

RELEASED BY

24 MARCH 1944

DATE

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UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.

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GAFF

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(ACTION COMINCH INFO COMCARIB CAFAC)

(FOR THE PRESIDENT. ALUSNA SENDS)

MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY DEPARTED 14412

MARCH 24 FROM LA GUAIRA.

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DPNAV-NCR-15

201415 0009-MRS.R.
19 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Roosevelt arrived at La Guaira, Venezuela from Georgetown at 11:15 a.m., EWT, today. She is scheduled to depart La Guaira for Curacao at 10:00 a.m., EWT, tomorrow.

Very respectfully,

Ogden S. Collins
Lieut. (jg) USNR
**NAVAL MESSAGE**

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*Unless otherwise indicated this dispatch will be transmitted with deferred precedence and as administrative.*

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191530 NCR 9958

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(Alusna sends for COMCARIB. COMINCH action COMCARIB CAFAC info)(For the President)

**Mrs Roosevelt and party arrived La Guaira AT 1515 Z March 19.**

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R.O. 11652, Sec. 3(E) and 5(D) of (E)

OSD letter, May 3, 1972

By: RHP, NAV NRS Date: DEC 1 2 1973

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OPNAV-NCR-18
19 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR:

NAVY CODE ROOM

It is requested that the following message be delivered to Mrs. Roosevelt in care of Alusna, Caracas, Venezuela:

QUOTE. If you have time in Havana Mrs. Ernest Hemingway would like very much to see you. Mrs. Hemingway's telephone number is San Francisco de Paula 17-3. Signed: Mathewson. UNQUOTE.

L. MATHEWSON,
Colonel, General Staff.

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By Deputy Archivist of the U.S.
By W. J. Stewart Date DEC 12 1973
MEMO TO COLONEL MATTHEWSON FOR MRS. ROOSEVELT:

If Mrs. Roosevelt has the time in Havana, Mrs. Ernest Hemingway would like very much to see her. Mrs. Hemingway's telephone number is:

San Francisco de Paola 17-3
NAVAL MESSAGE

FOR ACTION

FROM: COMCARIBSEAFRON
RECEIVED AT: GINCH

FOR ACTION

STATION: NGB GTMO (ADMIN)

RELEASED BY: CAPTAIN

TO: COMINCH

DATE: 19 MARCH 1944

DECODED BY: WALTZ

PARAPHRASED BY: TOUPAZ

ROUTED BY: SCRUGGS

(FOR THE PRESIDENT)

MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY DEPARTED BRITISH GUIANA AT 1200Z 19TH MARCH.

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OPNAV NAV-NCR-12

19120-0009 McR.
18 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Roosevelt arrived at Georgetown, British Guiana from Belm at 11:55 a.m., EWT, today. She is scheduled to depart Georgetown for La Guaira at 10:00 a.m., EWT, tomorrow.

Very respectfully,

Ogden S. Collins,
Lieut. (jg), USNR
FOR THE PRESIDENT

MRS. ROOSEVELT AND PARTY ARRIVED BRITISH GUIANA AT 1555Z 18TH MARCH.

NAVAIDE...ACT

DOMINICH.....13......
FOR COMINCH PASS TO PRESIDENT.

MUST BE AWAY APRIL SEVENTEENTH TO TWENTIETH BUT WILL BE IN WASHINGTON BEFORE AND AFTER THAT. CAN CANCEL ARRANGEMENTS SEVENTEENTH TO TWENTIETH IF YOU WANT ME TO.

ALL WELL.

MUCH LOVE.

ELEANOR.

THIS ANSWERS YOUR 17230.

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By W. J. Stewart Date MAY 24, 1973

With: 18/1/52
Delivered to Pres and Mrs. 18/1/52. (rub)
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COMORUDIV 2

RELEASED BY: 18 MARCH 1944

DATE: 181313

TOR CODE ROOM: SCHNEIDER

DECODED BY: MCKENNA

PARAPHRASED BY: ROONEY

ROUTED BY: PRESIDENT COMINCH

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181158 NCR 9169

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BY: RHP, NARS Date DEC 12 1973

( FOR PRESIDENT )

MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY DEPARTED BELEM 1145Z ETA 1645Z. EVERYTHING FINE.

NAVAIDE...ACT

COMINCH...13.....

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OPNAV-NCR-12 181158 000.9 - Mr. R.
Rio de Janeiro
Dated March 18, 1944
Reo'd 1:06 a.m., 22nd

Secretary of State,

Washington.

1066, Twenty-First
My 1026 , March 18

The Rio de Janeiro press continues to carry highly laudatory articles and editorials covering Mrs. Roosevelt's visit to Brazil Today's A MANHA keynotes these articles as follows: "She impresses by her radiantly sympathetic personality, by her simplicity, by the admirable spirit of her comments. Besides this, she is an example of the Christian virtues of her ancestors, and her personal prestige with all classes everywhere atm therefrom".

CAFFERY

16-F...FL....OP13....OP17....OP01/02...OCR....HAVAID3....L

3/23/44/oc/9:46 a.m.

2108
17 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR

NAVY CODE ROOM

The President desires that the following message be dispatched to Mrs. Roosevelt. She is spending the night 17/18 March in Belem, Brazil, and is scheduled to depart at 1200Z, 18 March, for Georgetown, British Guiana.

"MRS. ROOSEVELT.

"LORD ATHLONE, GOVERNOR GENERAL OF CANADA, and his wife want to stay with us at the White House April 17th to 19th. Prime Minister Curtin is expected to arrive about April 18th or 19th. I hope much that you can be in Washington at that time. Will you let me know? Love.

"F. D. R."

L. MATHEWSON,
Colonel, General Staff,
Assistant to the Military Aide.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

PRIORITY

From: CO US Army Forces, Belem, Brazil

To: War Department
CG US Army Forces South Atlantic, No. Bel.8085
Recife, Brazil
17 March 1944

For Chief of Staff Washington and Commander 4th Fleet Recife from George.

Glad to report Mrs. Roosevelt and party arrived Belem 1614 GMT today. All safe, well and happy.

No Sig

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CG AAF
SOS(MAJ. DAVENPORT)
COL. MATHEWSON

CM-IN-12192 (17 Mar 44) 1929Z ong

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EO 11092, Sec. 2(2) and 2(3) or (E)
OSD letter, May 6, 1973

by RHP, NARS Dec. DEC 12, 1973

COPY No.29

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
FROM COMCARIBSEAFRON AT GUANTANAMO
RELEASED BY
DATE 18 MARCH 1944
TOR CODEROOM 18125
DECODER M. MITCHELL
PARAPHRASED BY KHOOUTEK
ROUTED BY KNIGHT

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171917 NCR 8883

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(FROM COMCARIBSEAFRON AT GUANTANAMO. ACTION CAFAC. INFO COMINCH COMCARIBSEAFRON (ADMIN) CNO NOB TRINIDAD)

THIS IS TOPSEC.
YOUR 171447. GUANTANAMO REPRESENTATIVE PROCEEDING SAN JUAN SATURDAY 18 MARCH.

COMINCH...COG.
13...NAVAIDE....

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FOR PRESIDENT

MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY ARRIVED BELEM 1615Z TODAY 17TH. GOING STRONG.

\[\text{Bus advised: 171455Z.}\]

\[\text{NAVAIDE...ACT}\]

\[\text{COMINCH...13...}\]

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\[\text{OSD Letter, May 3, 1972}\]

\[\text{By RHP, NARS Date DEC 12, 1973}\]
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**ACTION:** COMCARIBSEAFRON, NCB GUANTANAMO, COMCARIBSEAFRON (ADMIN) INFO TO NCB TRINIDAD, CNN, COMINCH FROM CAFAC.

**URDUS 16155.**

CAFAC REPRESENTATIVE PROCEEDING SANJUAN EXPLAIN SITUATION TOO COMPLICATED COVER BY DESPATCH.

WILL CONTINUE GUANTANAMO IF REQUESTED OR ADMIRAL WELDER CAN SEND REPRESENTATIVE SANJUAN.

**NAVIGATION...**

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OSD letter, May 8, 1972

By RHP, NAVD Data DECE 12, 1973

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**SHORTH**

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OPNAV-NCR-15

171447 000.9 - Mrs. R.
ACTION COMINCH FROM COMCRUDIV 2 FOR PRESIDENT.

MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY DEPARTED RECIFE 1115Z ETA 6 HOURS LATER.
17 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Roosevelt arrived at Belem from Natal at 1215 p.m. EWT today. She is scheduled to leave Belem for Georgetown at 0900 a.m. EWT tomorrow.

Very respectfully,

ROBERT W. BOGUE,
Lieutenant (jg), U.S.N.R.
16 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR
NAVY CODE ROOM

The President desires that the following message be dispatched so as to reach Mrs. Roosevelt the morning of 17 March, prior to her departure from Recife:

"MRS. ROOSEVELT.

"DELIGHTED YOUR TRIP SOUNDS SO SUCCESSFUL. ALL IS WELL HERE. EVER SO MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE ANNIVERSARY. LOVE.

F.D.R."

L. MATHEWSON,
Colonel, General Staff,
Assistant to the Military Aide.

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By Deputy Archivist of the U.S.
MAY 24 1973
By W. J. Stewart Date

SECRET
-1-
Votre 151511 devenu confus
Je comprends votre décision que les représentants militaires ne vont pas accompagner l'avion à Venise. Je crois que c'est très important que les pilotes et les représentants militaires qui ne sont pas membres officiels de la délégation soient sur place. Si les arrangements se font par les autorités venitiennes et le Consulat général des États-Unis à Guayaquil et Caracas, les représentants militaires accompagnant cette partie du voyage ne sont pas vus comme nécessaires.

NAVAL DEPARTMENT

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161550 0009

(Comcaribseafron, ADM, CNO, COMINCH)

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COP, May 3, 1972

161550 0009

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TOR CODEROOM: SCHNEIDER

DECODED BY: MCKENNA

PARAPHRASED BY: REEGAN

ROUTED BY: 161215 NCR 7728

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(COMRUDIV 2 ORIGINATES ACTION TO COMINCH FOR PRESIDENT)

MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY DEPARTED NATAL AT 1030Z AND ARRIVED RECIFE AT 1130Z TODAY 16TH. EXCELLENT TRIP.

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OSD 110-15-50009 - Mrs. R.
(FROM CAFAC ACTION TO NOB GTMO CCSF (ADM) COMEN (ADM) INFO TO CNO NOB TRINIDAD ALUSNA CARACAS) (CARACAS INFORMED BY OTHER MEANS)

AFTER CONFERENCE EMBASSY OFFICIALS AND CAFAC REPRESENTATIVE DECIDED UNDESIRABLE ANY REPRESENTATIVES MILITARY FORCES ACCOMPANY MRS ROOSEVELT TO VENEZUELA. VENEZUELA VISIT TO BE HANDLED BY VENEZULEAN OFFICIALS AND AMERICAN EMBASSY. CNO #31249Z TIMES AS GIVEN ARE CORRECT. CNO SERIAL #11313 TIMES GIVEN IN ENCLOSED SCHEDULE ARE Q AND FOR VENEZUELA AND ARUBA CURACAO LOCAL TIME IS QR NECESSITATING HALF HOUR ADJUSTMENT TO SCHEDULE THIS AREA.

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0009 - Mrs. R

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**NAV AIDE....COG**

**COMINCH...13....**

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OPNAV-NCR-15
14 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT:

Mrs. Roosevelt arrived at Natal, Brazil, on schedule at 141815Z (2:15 p.m., ERT).

Very respectfully,

CHESTER WOOD,
Captain, U.S. Navy.
From: Belem Brazil
To: Recife Brazil

14th March 1944

Signed George for Chief of Staff Washington and Commander of Fourth Fleet at Recife base.

Vacated Belem at 1258Z for Natal did Mrs Roosevelt.

No Sig

ACTION: CGAAF
INFO: OPD
      SGS
      Col Mathewson

CM-IN-9797 (14 Mar 44) 16022 jb
FOR PRESIDENT.

MRS. ROOSEVELT AND PARTY ARRIVED NATAL 141815Z.

EVERYTHING GREAT.

(Handwritten note: NAVY DE...ACT)

13...COMINCH....

Info previously read by phone.

and passed

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OPNAV-NCR-15

142056 000.9 - MRS. R.
HICOM for President, Mrs Roosevelt and Party departed Belem 1413Z ETA 6 hours later.
NAVAL MESSAGE

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ACTION

FOR PRESIDENT, COMINCH PASS TO COMGEN ATC FOR INFO.

MRS ROOSEVELT ARRIVED BELEN 132100Z. PARTY IN FINE SPIRITS.

RECEIVED

RO. 116392, Sec. 3(E) and 5(D) or (26)
O.S.D. letter, May 21, 1943
by RHP, March 1, 1973

20. June and memo 132020.

NAVAL...

COMINCH...13...ARMY (CG ATC)....

SCORE

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132157  000.9-Mrs. R.
WAR DEPARTMENT
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INCOMING MESSAGE
13 March 1944

From: COMCRUDIV 2
Action: COMINCH
Info: COMGEN ATC
Number: 132157

Mrs. Roosevelt arrived Belém 132100Z... Party in fine spirits.

ACTION: CG AAF
INFO: OPD
SGS (Maj. Davenport)
Col. Mathewson

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CM-IN-9410 (1/ Mar 44) 0244Z mon

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13 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT:

The following message has just been received in the Map Room:

"Mrs. Roosevelt arrived Belem at 1700 EWT, 13 March 1944. Party in fine spirits".

Very respectfully,

F. H. GRAHAM,
1st Lt, AGD.

DECLASSIFIED
EO 11652, Sec. 3(E) and 5(D) or (E)
OSD letter, May 3, 1972
By RHP, NARS Date: DEC 12 1973
FOR THE PRESIDENT.

MRS. ROOSEVELT AND PARTY DEPARTED DUTCH GUIANA AT 1734Z/13 MARCH.

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OPNAV-NCR-15
131802 000.9-Mrs. Roosevelt
13 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Roosevelt arrived at
Paramaribo, Dutch Guiana, at 13/1015 EWT.

Very respectfully,

ROBERT H. MYERS,
Lieutenant (jg), USNR.
FOR THE PRESIDENT
MRS. ROOSEVELT AND PARTY DEPARTED TRINIDAD AT 1136Z
MARCH 19TH.
From: Quarry Ege
To: Chief of Staff
No: CDC 1451, 12th March 1944

Book of 2 to Commander 4th Fleet and Chief of Staff
Washington signed Brett CDC.

Copy of daily schedules and arrangements for Mrs Roosevelt's trip for period 21st to 27th March inclusive was shown to Mrs Roosevelt during her stay in Miami. She had the opportunity to look over these programs and accepted them in tentative form. Therefore not necessary to forward copy to Commander 4th Fleet for Mrs Roosevelt's information. Final copy of program will be forwarded to War Dept by airmail letter in next few days. Request acknowledgment by Commander 4th Fleet of this epistle.

No Sig

ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: SGS (Maj. Davenport)
COL. MATHEWSON
CM-IN-8480 (12 Mar 44) 1716Z ong

000.9 Mrs R. [redacted]

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FOR THE PRESIDENT. COMCARIB SENDS.
ACTION TO COMINCH: INFO CAFAC COM-
CARIBSEAFRON ADMINISTRATIVE.

MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY ARRIVED SAINT
LUZIA 1849Z DEPARTED 2008Z 11 MARCH.

NAVVAIDE....13....COMINCH(6)....
11 March 1944

Memorandum For The President:

The Map Room has just been informed that Mrs. Roosevelt and party arrived at Trinidad at 5:15 P.M., E.W.T., 11 March 1944.

The Party is scheduled to remain at Trinidad until Monday morning.

Very Respectfully,

Robert W. Bogue
Lt. (jg) U.S.N.R.

Send to Mrs 112000 E.W.T.

Information received by phone from Capt. Clark’s office.

(This is one hour ahead of schedule. A recheck on the breakdown of the dispatch shows 1145 instead of 1115 E.W.T.)
FOR THE PRESIDENT

MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY ARRIVED TRINIDAD AT 2115Z MARCH 11.

6 COPIES FOR F-34.

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By RHJ, NAVO Date DEC 12 1973

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112 /23 0009 Mrs Roosevelt
INCOMING MESSAGE

PRIORI TY

From: Beane Field St Lucia
To: War
No. BSL 3279, 11 March 1944

Relay this Msg to Chief of Staff US Army and info to OCMINCH and CGATC. For the President.

Departed St Lucia at 0008 2 March 11. Mrs Roosevelt and party.

No Sig

ACTION: Col Mathewson

INFORMATION: OPD
CO AAF
SOS (Maj Davenport)
Navy

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INCOMING MESSAGE

PRIORITY

From: Borneo Fld St Lucia
To: War
No: BSL 3277 11 March 1944

For The President. Action addressee Chief of Staff United States Army. Info to COMINCH also give to Commanding General ATC.

Mrs Roosevelt and party arrived St Lucia at 1843Z March 11.

no sig.

ACTION: Colonel Mathewson

INFORMATION: OPD
CG AAF
SGS (Major Davenport)
Navy

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INCOMING MESSAGE

PRIORITY

From: Antigua BWI
To: War
No. 41, 11 March 1944

Sgd Bracken for action Chief of Staff US Army and
information Commander Caribbean Sea Frontier, CAPAC, COM
INCH, CGATC.

Deliver to the President: Mrs Roosevelt departed
Antigua March 11th at 1720 Z with party.

ACTION: Col Mathewson
INFORMATION: OPD
CG AAF
SGS (Maj Davenport)

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M.O. 11652, Sec. 3(E) and 5(D) or (E)
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CM-IN-7867 (11 Mar 44) 2053Z amr

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COPY No.
From: Antigua  
To:  WAR  
No.  40  11th March 1944  

Sgd Bracken for action Chief of Staff US Army and information Commander Caribbean Sea Frontier, CAFAC, COMINCH, CGATC.  

Party and Mrs. Roosevelt arrived Antigua at 1508 Z March 11th. For the Presidents attention. 

No Sig  

Note:  
Copy has been delivered to Chief of Staff US Army. 

WDCC
ACTION COMINCH INFO COMCARIBSEAFRON (ADMIN) CAFAC FROM COMCARIB.

FOR THE PRESIDENT.

MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY DEPARTED SAN JUAN AT 1324 MARCH 11.

COMINCH PASSED TO NCR FOR FURTHER DISTRIBUTION:

TOR NCR 111429: NCR DISTRIBUTION:

13...NAVATE...
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: ONO

RELEASED BY: COLCLOUGH

DATE: 9 MAR 1944

TOR CODE: 21289/9

DECODED BY: ZIMMERMAN

PARAPHRASED BY: WIDMAN

ROUTED BY: 

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FOR ACTION: CQ/CARIBSEAIFRON

FOR WORDING: ALUSNA CAACAC

CHAIN OF COMMAND: GAFAC

FILE: 192120

JOB: MCR 556

ORIGINATOR FILL IN: DATE: TIME: GET:

IN COMING MESSAGE: YOUR 401513, STATE APPROVES.

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092120 0009- Mrs. Roosevelt

SECRET

K.O. 11655, Sec. (CR) and (GD) or (S)

OSD letter, May 3, 1972

By: REW, NAVY Dec. DEC 12 1973
Outlines Mrs. Roosevelt's plans

Informed by State that Governor of Surinam desires discuss arrangements for visit. Desire your representative contact him.

Received
K.O. 11622, Sec. 3(D) and 3(D) or (E)

R.O. RBP, MARS Data, DEC 12 1973

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COMRCH...NAVAL...
(FROM CONCARIBSEAFRON ACTION CNO INFO ALUSNA CARGAS CAFAC)

THIS IS HICOM

SCHEDULE SUBMITTED BY ALUSNA CARGAS IN HIS Ø61722
AS MODIFIED BY HIS Ø8183. MRS ROOSEVELT PLEASED BE OVER NIGHT GUEST PRESIDENT WITH STATE DEPT APPROVAL.

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YOUR S01813 NOT TO ALL ADEES. MRS. ROOSEVELT
NOT ACCOMPANIED BY AIDES. INFORMATION
WHETHER TRAVELLING IN UNIFORM OR CIVILIAN
DRESS NOT AVAILABLE HERE.

13...ORIG
16...COM...NAVAIDE...
FOLLOWING ITINERARY PLANNED FOR MRS. ROOSEVELT IN MY AREA.

ARRIVE 1800 13TH AT BELEM RECEPTION FOR DESIGNATED OFFICIALS FOLLOWED BY SMALL DINNER ON FIELD.

14TH BREAKFAST PRESS CONFERENCE DRIVE AROUND FIELD AND 1000 TAKE OFF.

NATAL RECEIVED BY MRS ARANHA MRS SALGODO FILHO AND MRS CAFFERY PRESS CONFERENCE RECEPTION AND DINNER.

SEE NIGHT ACTIVITIES AT BASE.

15TH VISIT HOSPITAL RECREATION ROOMS ETC. ON BASE PRESENT MEDALS TO NAVY FLYERS LUNCH AT TRANSIENT MESS AFTERNOON VISIT SEAPLANE BASE USO AND BRAZ ACTIVITIES PRESS CONFERENCE TEA AT WOMENS BARRACKS DINNER AT ARMY GUEST HOUSE.

PAGE 1
16TH RECIFE ARRIVE IBURA FIELD AND SEE FACILITIES THERE LUNCH NAVY RECREATION CAMP AFTERNOON VISIT HOSPITALS USO RECREATION CENTERS BRAZ ACTIVITIES RECEPTION FOR US AND BRAZ OFFICIALS SMALL DINNER.
17TH ARRIVE BELEM 1400 VISIT HOSPITAL RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES USO AND BRAZ ACTIVITIES PRESS CONFERENCE DINNER ARMY GUEST HOUSE.
18TH 0900 DEPART.
IN MY ABSENCE REAR ADM O M READ WILL ACT ACCOMPANIED BY MAJ GEN WALSH. PLANS CHECKED WITH BRAZ AUTHORITIES AND AMBASSADOR.

COMINCH...ACTION
13...NAVAILDE...

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INCOMING MESSAGE

March 8, 1944

FROM: NAS SAN JUAN
INFO: 26th TRANSPORT GR LAGUARDIA FIELD COM OFFICER 26th TRANSPORT GR LAGUARDIA FIELD CG AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND WASHINGTON

NUMBER: 081955

3863 arrived San Juan 1845Z Ron ETD Antigua 1300Z
March 11th. Corrigan.
No Sig

NAVY DISTRIBUTION:
Copy to Army ATC

ARMY DISTRIBUTION:
ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: CGAAF
SOGS (Maj Davenport)
Col Mathewson

CM-IN-5841 (9 Mar 44) 0517Z jb

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From: NAS SAN JUAN
Information: 26TH TRANSGROUP ATC NYK
          HDQS ATC GRAVELY POINT
Number: 081856 March 8, 1944
Arrived San Juan 1811Z RON ETD as scheduled.

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ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: SGS (Major Davenport)
             Colonel Mathewson

CM-IN-5734 (9 Mar 44) 0225Z med

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COPY No. 17
From: COMCARIBSEAFRON
Action: CHIEF OF STAFF US ARMY
Information: COMINCH COMCARIBSEAFRON (ADMIN) CMAC NOB TRINIDAD
Number: 081550Z March 8, 1944

Important personal for the President. Mrs. Roosevelt and party departed Vernam Field Jamaica BWI 1415Z 8 Mar 44.

ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: SGS (Major Davenport)
Colonel Mathewson

CM-IN-5737 (9 Mar 44) 0227Z med

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8 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

Word has just been received that Mrs. Roosevelt has arrived in San Juan at 2:13 EWT.

Very respectfully,

ROBERT W. BOGUE
Lt. (jg) USNR
FOR THE PRESIDENT, FROM CCSF ACTION COMINCH INFO CCSF (ADMIN OFFICE) AND CAFAC.

MRS. ROOSEVELT AND PARTY ARRIVED SAN JUAN AT 1813Z 8 MARCH.

COMINCH DELIVERED TO NCR FOR NAVAIDE.....OP13.....

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NCR TOR 1942/8
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: ALUSHA CARACAS
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 9 MARCH 44
TOR CODEROOM: 182138
DECODER: JOHNSON
PARAPHRASED BY: MORRILL
ROUTED BY: SOBEL

ADDRESSES: COMCARI BSEAFRON
ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE: NOB TRINIDAD

PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY: RRRRRRRR DEFERRED

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ALUSHA SENDS. ACTION COMCARI BSEAFRON. INFO CNO, NOB TRINIDAD.

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REF MY 061722. By RHP, NARS Date: DEC 12 1973

AT PRESIDENTS REQUEST PROGRAM BE ALTERED TO HAVE MRS. ROOSEVELT OVER NIGHT IN QUARTERS FURNISHED BY VENEZUELAN GOVT. AMBASSADOR REQUESTS APPROVAL PLANS IN ACCORDANCE WITH DIRECTIVE CONTAINED STATE DEPT DISPATCH.

PASSED AS 090125 TO NOB TRINIDAD & COMCARI BSEAFRON.

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COMINCH... NAVAIDE... OPDO...

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ALUSNA SENDS.

VENEZUELAN GOVT ASKS NAMES RANK OF AIDES ACOMPANYING ALSO WHETHER MRS ROOSEVELT TRAVELING IN UNIFORM OR CIVILIAN DRESS.

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FOR MRS ROOSEVELT
INFORMED BY STATE THAT PRESIDENT VARGAS WROTE PRESIDENT
ROOSEVELT REGRETTING THAT HIS WIFE IS UNABLE TO MAKE
TRIP TO NATAL TO GREET MRS ROOSEVELT AND THAT INSTEAD
HE IS SENDING WIVES OF TWO CABINET MINISTERS.

UNDERSTAND WIFE

AND DAUGHTER OF FOREIGN MINISTER ARANHA AND WIFE OF
MINISTER FOR AIR SALGADO PROBABLY WILL MAKE THE TRIP.

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YOUR 771630.

INSTRUCTIONS IN MY 261515 AND 251515 EMANATED FROM WHITE HOUSE WHICH NOW AUTHORIZES MODIFICATION TO CONFORM TO NATIONAL CENSORSHIP REGULATIONS IN PUERTO RICO SO LONG AS MILITARY INFORMATION INCLUDING PLANE MOVEMENTS IS NOT DIVULGED.

13...ORIG
COMINCH...ARMY...SIR....NAVAIDE....

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072/130 000.9-Mrs. Roosevelt
**Naval Message**

**From:** COMCARIBSEAFRON  
**Released by:**  
**Date:** 7 MARCH 44  
**TOR CodeRoom:** 1753  
**Decoded by:** McCOMB  
**Paraphrased by:** WIDMAN  
**Route by:** KNIGHT  
**Addressed to:** CNO  
**Addressed to:**  

**Naval Department**

**Originator fill in date and time:**

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**FOR CNO FROM COMCARIBSEAFRON.**

YOUR 51515  

FOLLOWING CABLE SENT BYRON PRICE, DIRECTOR CENSORSHIP BY PETE MCKNIGHT WORLD JOURNAL EDITOR AND ASSOCIATED PRESS REPRESENTATIVE PUERTO RICO  

"DESPITE YOUR 195773 NAVAL COMMANDANT'S REQUEST NO PUBLICITY LOCALLY OR PRESS ASSOCIATIONALLY MRS. ROOSEVELT'S THREE-DAY VISIT PUERTO RICO BE GIVEN UNTIL POST DEPARTURE STILL STANDS. AS WAR CORRESPONDENT I MUST CONFORM. AS EDITOR WORLD JOURNAL WILL ACT ACCORDANCE YOUR RULING UNLESS POST FURTHER CONVERSATIONS NAVAL OPERATIONS YOU ADVISE ME OTHERWISE."

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**NCR IS:** 0004 - Mrs. Roosevelt  
**2d Guay**
FOLLOWING REPLY FROM PRICE: "NEWS REGARDING MRS. ROOSEVELT VISIT MAY BE PUBLISHED IN NORMAL FASHION BY YOU LOCALLY SO LONG AS MILITARY INFORMATION SUCH AS SHIPS OR PLANE MOVEMENTS OR OTHER FACTS ABOUT MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT ARE NOT REVEALED. SUCH NEWS MAY ALSO BE SENT OUT OF PUERTO RICO ON SAME BASIS REGARDLESS OF ANY INTERFERENCE SO LONG AS MILITARY INFORMATION IS NOT INVOLVED. PUERTO RICO IS STILL PART OF U. S. I AM INSTRUCTING OUR CABLE STATION ACCORDINGLY."

IN VIEW PREVIOUS DIFFICULTIES RELATIVE CENSORSHIP THIS AREA INVOLVING PRICE FULLY DISCUSSED IN NAVAL INSPECTOR GENERAL'S SERIAL 0264 OF 19 JANUARY 1944 TO COMINCH AND CNO REQUEST THIS MATTER BE CLARIFIED.
In Washington prior Mrs. Roosevelt's arrival in San Juan on eight March and this Headquarters and local cable censor be instructed accordingly.

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No. 3 F-1 or Chartroom
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THIS IS HICOM FROM COMCARIBSEAFRON TO NAVAL AIDE TO PRESIDENT.

URDIS 071301 MRS ROOSEVELT ARRIVED VERGAM FIELD JAMAICA 2112Z/6TH.

THIS INFO WAS TRANSMITTED BY ARMY RADIO JAMAICA TO ARMY RADIO WASHN AS 062300 ADDRESSED TO CHIEF OF STAFF US ARMY FOR THE PRESIDENT AND SHOULD HAVE BEEN TRANSMITTED TO THE WHITE HOUSE.

Paid 07/16/1944 Re
War checking 062300

NAVAIDE....AGTION

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NO INFORMATION RECEIVED CONCERNING MRS ROOSEVELT'S ARRIVAL
JAMAICA X PLEASE ADVISE

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MEMORANDUM FOR
THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Roosevelt arrived at Guantanamo, 1040 EWT, today.

L. MATHERSON
Colonel, General Staff.
6 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Roosevelt departed Miami this morning at 0802, EWT.

Very respectfully,

OGDEN S. COLLINS,
Lieutenant (jg), U.S.N.R.
TO CHIEF OF STAFF UNITED STATES ARMY FOR THE PRESIDENT FROM CONCARIBSEAFRONT FOR PASS FOR INFO TO COMINCH UNITED STATES NAVY.

MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY ARRIVED VERNAM FIELD JAMAICA AT 2112Z 169. PLAIN.

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ARMY...ACT*

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FOR THE PRESIDENT.
MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY DEPARTED GUANTANAMO
AT 2412Z/6 MARCH.

COMINC PASSED TO NCR FOR OP13 NAVALAIDE...

NCR TOR 2346/6TH

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FIRST PART BY 061819

(ALUSNA CARACAS SENDS COMCARIB ACTION CNO NOB TRINIDAD INFO)

REF CNO 022100.

VENEZUELAN GOVT UNDERTAKING SAME SECURITY MEASURES AS APPLIED VISIT PRINCESS JULIANA SUPPLEMENTED BY MEMBERS FBI ATTACHED THIS EMBASSY. TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES AS FOLLOWS. AMBASSADOR AND MRS CORRIGAN SENIOR EMBASSY OFFICERS WITH VENEZUELAN DIGNITARIES WILL MEET AT AIRPORT.

MOTOR CARACAS AND LUNCH INFORMALLY IN US EMBASSY WHERE WILL SPEND NIGHT AS GUEST OF AMBASSADOR. PROVISION ALSO MADE FOR SECRETARY AND AIDES TO SPEND NIGHT AT EMBASSY. AT 1500QR WILL PAY RESPECTS.

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061819 0009 - Mrs. Roosevelt
TO MEMORY OF LIBERTADOR AT NATIONAL PANTHEON
ATTENDED BY MINISTERS FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERIOR.

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1600Q VISIT TO HEADQUARTERS AMERICAN SOCIETY
RECEIVE PRESS FOLLOWED BY CALL ON MRS MEDINA AT 1630 IN HER PRIVATE RESIDENCE. 1730 THEATRE EMBASSY. 1830 PRESIDENT WILL GIVE GARDEN PARTY IN PRIVATE RESIDENCE ATTENDED BY DIPLOMATIC CORPS AND OTHER SELECTED GUESTS. OVERTUNE US EMBASSY DEPART CARACAS FOR LA GUAYRA 0815/20TH.
FINAL SECTION.

NCR NOTE: THIS MAY BE THE LAST OF 2 OR MORE PARTS
OF A DISPATCH.
COMCARIB SPEAKS. RADIO WASHINGTON PASS TO COMINCH FOR ACTION. RADIO SAN JUAN PASS TO COMCARIB (ADMIN) FOR INFO. RADIO WILLEMSTAD PASS TO CAFAC FOR INFO.

FOR THE PRESIDENT.

MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY ARRIVED GUANTANAMO AT 1440Z/6 MARCH.

COMINCH PASSED TO NCR FOR OP-13...NAVALAIDE....

NCR TOR 1639/8

13...NAVALAIDE....
SUPPLEMENTING MY 261515. CORAL SEA AFRON INQUIRED ABOUT RELEASE OF DAILY COLUMN AND WAS INFORMED THAT MRS. ROOSEVELT FULLY APPRECIATES NECESSITY FOR COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLICITY SAFEGUARDS AND DURING ENTIRE TRIP WILL BE PERMITTED TO MAKE SUCH RELEASES AS SHE DESIRES.

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13...ORIG.

COMINCH...NASAIDE...WAR DEPT (OPD)...CR...
THIS IS HICOM FROM COMGULFSEAFRON.

MRS ROOSEVELT AND PARTY DEPARTED MIAMI AT 0802Q ETA GUANTANAMO 1437Q.

already passed to President

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THROUGH THE PUERTORICAN PRESS WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF YOUR VISITING PUERTORICO IN THE NEAR FUTURE STOP COMMITTEE IN CHARGE OF DRIVE FOR AMERICAN RED CROSS IN CITY OF MAYAGUEZ CENTER OF NEEDLEWORK INDUSTRY WISH TO ARRANGE RECEPTION FOR YOU AS OUR GUEST OF HONOR AT OUR ANNUAL DRIVE FOR FUNDS STOP WOULD DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR ADVISING US IF THIS IS POSSIBLE SO THAT WE CAN SET DATE RESPECTFULLY=

A RAMIREZ SILVA CHAIRMAN.
TO: Colonel Mathewson
The White House
(Copy to Colonel Hertford and Commander Gary)

FROM: John C. Dreier
Department of State

Attached is a paraphrase of a telegram received from Rio de Janeiro.

[Signature]

John C. Dreier
PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED

TO: The Secretary of State
FROM: Rio de Janeiro
DATE: March 3, 1944, 4:14 p.m.
NUMBER: 815

Reference to my previous telegram on the subject (which said that Senhora Vargas was doubtful whether her physical condition would permit her to make the trip with Mrs. Roosevelt in northeast Brazil) Senhora Vargas has still not given any definite statement as to making the trip through Northeast Brazil. Aranha informs me that if Senhora Vargas is not able to go, Senhora Salgado and Senhora Aranha will probably do so.

CAFFERY
5 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Roosevelt departed Guantanamo
at 6:10 EST en route Jamaica.

Very respectfully,

WILSON BROWN
5 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT:

Have just been advised that Mrs. Roosevelt's plane departed West Palm Beach at 10:58 this morning and arrived Miami at 11:23.

Very respectfully,

Boyce P. Price, Captain, C.E.
COMGULFSEAFRON SENDS.

MRS. ROOSEVELT AND PARTY ARRIVED MIAMI AT 1123Q.

this info already read + passed on.

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by RHP, NARS Date: DEF 12, 1973

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IN INTEREST OF HER OWN SAFETY MRS. ROOSEVELT FULLY
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05/17/75 0004 - Mrs. Roosevelt
FROM COM FOURTH FLEET. RADIO WASHINGTON PAYS TO COMINCH AND CNO FOR ACTION AND FOR INFO TO CINCLANT.*

YOUR §2170**

I WILL COMPLY SENDING FULL SCHEDULE FROM RIO MARCH 8. AM LEAVING REAR ADMIRAL O. M. READ SECOND IN COMMAND IN THEATER AS MY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE IN CHARGE OF ARRANGEMENTS AND SECURITY MAJOR GENERAL WALSH WILL COOPERATE WITH HIM IN EVERY RESPECT AND ALSO ACCOMPANY THE OFFICIAL PARTY. BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES AND U. S. AMBASSADOR WORKING IN CLOSE HARMONY TO INSURE SUCCESS OF TOUR. I DO NOT EXPECT TO BE BACK IN NORTH BRAZIL UNTIL LATTER PART OF THE MONTH. ACTION...COMINCH...OPJ1...NAVAL...

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05/135 0009 Mrs. Roosevelt
My 241395. Netherlands Embassy Washington extended invitation from Governor for Mrs. Roosevelt and Secretary to be his guests at Curacao. Also submitted proposed schedules of arrangements Curacao Aruba and Surinam and asked to be advised whether these satisfactory. State informed Embassy ComComaribeaforn making all arrangements and Dutch authorities should coordinate with him or his representatives.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM COMCARIBSEAFRON (ADMIN)

RELEASED BY

DATE 4 MARCH 1944

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(FROM COMCARIBSEAFRON (ADMIN) ACTION TO CNO)

THIS IS HICOM.

UNITED PRESS, NEW YORK, HAS DIRECTED LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE CONTACT MRS. ROOSEVELT'S SECRETARY FOR DAILY NEWSPAPER COLUMNS TO BE SENT. UNIPRESS NEW YORK LOCAL PRESS SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES HAVE APPEALED OFFICE CENSORSHIP PERMISSION.

FIL STORIES LOCALLY AND BY WIRE CURRENTLY DURING VISIT. PRICE OF CENSORSHIP HAS REPLIED "CENSORSHIP HAS NO OBJECTION TO PUBLICATION OF NEWS OF MRS. ROOSEVELT'S VISIT PROVIDED NO INFORMATION REGARDING MOVEMENT OF SHIPS, PLANES ETC AS PROVIDED UNDER THE CODE IS DISCLOSED". THIS IS CONTRACTIONS TO INSTRUCTIONS CNO 261515 PRESS REPRESENTATIVES ANXIOUS CLARIFICATION. ADVISE.

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COM NCH...NAVYDE...ARMY (OPD)...\text{OCR}....

TO ADMIRAL, NAVAL, ARMY, NAVY DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF CENSORSHIP.
The Governor of Curacao advises that it will be a great privilege for him to offer hospitality to Mrs. Roosevelt and her secretary at Government House. If necessary Rear Admiral Chandler will be glad to provide accommodations for any officers.

In consultation with Rear Admiral Chandler the Governor proposed the following tentative program:

11:00 a.m. arrival airport
11:30 a.m. arrival at Government House

Visit to American Staff in the building located opposite Government House. Luncheon at 1:00 p.m. at Government House with U.S., Netherlands and British representatives. In the afternoon visit to American Naval Base, tea either there or at the home of Rear Admiral Chandler. Later, visit to American Army Camp and hospital, etc. If desired, a stop for refreshments can be made there, or at the USO Club, or at the home of Rear Admiral Chandler.

If there is time, a drive along the Shell refinery might be interesting.

Dinner at Government House, if desired.

The next day in Aruba: from airport to the American Camp Savaneta; then to Lago where there is a large colony of American employees, laborers and children. The Governor requests that Mrs. Roosevelt be advised that the visit to Aruba will probably have to be somewhat longer than originally scheduled.

The Governor further asks to be advised if this proposed plan is agreeable, and expresses his regrets for the delay in transmitting it, which was caused by the visit of H.R.H. Princess Juliana.

The Governor also mentions that according to Rear Admiral Chandler there should be no guards of honor.
The following program has been proposed by the Governor of Surinam, in consultation with the American Consul General and the Commander of the American forces.

10:30 - arrival and welcoming by Governor and authorities; inspection guard of honor.

10:45 - 12:15 - automobile trip to American military camp at the airport. Several stops will be made to afford ample opportunity for personal contact with the troops.

12:15 - 1:15 - reception with buffet luncheon tendered by the Government of Surinam, to which civil and military authorities, prominent citizens and members of the American colony will be invited.

1:15 - 1:30 - march in review by Netherlands and American troops, with the latter leading; then farewell and departure.

Visit to Paramaribo or bauxite mines is not possible due to lack of time. Because of this the public will be admitted to the airport, with necessary precautions.

It is the Governor's intention to address a few words to Mrs. Roosevelt at the reception. He will limit his speech to an expression of appreciation for the visit and will stress the good cooperation between the Netherlands forces and the American troops.

The Governor further asks whether above plan is agreeable and requests an answer at the earliest possible moment in view of the necessary preparations.

Washington, D.C.
March 4, 1944
From:  London
For:  The President of the United States
No number

Prime Minister to Mrs. Roosevelt.  Personal and secret.

I am delighted to hear you are going to visit our West Indian Islands. I am telling everybody to look after you in every way.

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Answered in Pres. #489 to PM.

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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Roosevelt’s plane landed
at West Palm Beach at 5:32, EWT.

Very respectfully,

OGDEN S. COLLINS,
Lieutenant (jg), U.S.N.R.
SATURDAY, March 4.

1200 - Departure from Hangar No. 6, ATC, National Airport, Washington, D. C.

1700 - Arrival at West Palm Beach. Spend night with Betty Windsor.

General Alexander has prepared a brief schedule which is sufficiently flexible to permit of alteration to meet Mrs. Roosevelt's wishes. It includes a visit to the General Hospital.

SUNDAY, March 5.

1100 - Departure from West Palm Beach.

1120 - Arrival at Miami. Admiral Monroe and Army authorities have again prepared flexible schedule which can be adjusted to Mrs. Roosevelt's desires after arrival. This includes Coral Gables Hospital where overnight stop will be made.

GUANTANAMO

MONDAY, March 6.

0800 - Departure from Miami.

1030 - Arrival at Guantanamo.

1045 - Proceed from Land Plane Hangar to Deer Point.

1100 - Arrive at Naval Dispensary; visit with ambulatory patients.

1140 - Leave Dispensary for Commandant's Quarters.

1205 - Proceed to Bay Hill Mess Hall for luncheon with enlisted Personnel.

1300 - Leave Mess Hall and proceed through military area; tour of Marine Corps Base; Low-cost Housing Projects; Fleet Recreation Area; Bombproof Hospital; Chapel and Schoolhouse; then to Naval
GUANTANAMO (cont'd)

Station Lyceum.
1415 - Arrive at Lyceum. It is hoped that Mrs. Roosevelt will address a few words to the enlisted personnel gathered here.
1445 - Leave Lyceum and return to Commandant's quarters for brief rest followed by reception for all officers at Officers Mess.
1645 - Depart for Naval Air Station.
1800 - Departure from Guantanamo for Jamaica.

JAMAICA

MONDAY, March 6.
1600 - Departure from Guantanamo.
1715 - Arrival at Fort Simonds, Jamaica. Greeted by distinguished guests, including Governor and Lady Huggins.
1800 - Presentation of Officers at Officers Club.
1830 - Informal dinner at Officers mess.
Assembly for all officers and men, Army and Navy, at open air theatre. It is hoped that Mrs. Roosevelt will address a few remarks to the assembly which will be followed by a program of Jamaican folk songs, entertainment and a movie. Mrs. Roosevelt will spend this night at Fort Simonds.

TUESDAY, March 7.

Breakfast with troops or at quarters. Tour of Base to include Mess, Barracks, Service Club, Laundry, swimming pool, bowling alleys, hospital and Jamaica Welfare Club.
JAMAICA (cont'd)

1100 - Depart for Kingston.

1200 - Arrive at King's House (Governor's Residence).

Afternoon to be devoted to visiting social welfare centers with Lady Huggins.

1830 - Public Reception at King's House.

2000 - Formal dinner with selected group.

Mrs. Roosevelt will spend this night at King's House.

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO

WEDNESDAY, March 8.

0900 - Departure from Jamaica.

1400 - Arrival at Naval Air Station, San Juan.

Proceed to La Fortaleza.

1530 - Fort Brooke.

Review of troops; inspection of Hospital and other establishments; reception.

1800 - Return to La Fortaleza.

1930 - Dinner at La Fortaleza.

2100 - Reception, La Fortaleza.

Mrs. Roosevelt will spend this night at La Fortaleza.

THURSDAY, March 9.

0900 - Red Cross.

1000 - Navy Section Base.

Glass and Cement Plant.

San Patricio Hospital.

Naval Air Station.

1200 - Lunch, Naval Air Station.
SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO (cont'd)

1330 - Return to La Fortaleza.
1430 - Plane to Arecibo.
1600 - Arecibo; Dos Boas.
     Cambalache.
1700 - Plane to Mayaguez.
     Experiment Station.
     Agricultural College.
     Housing.
1930 - Dinner, Experiment Station.

Mrs. Roosevelt will spend this night at Mayaguez.

FRIDAY, March 10.

0830 - Inspect Milk Stations in Mayaguez.
0930 - Depart by plane for St. Thomas.
1030 - Arrive Bourne Field, St. Thomas.
     Visit Marine Corps Air Station, Recreation Centers, Army
     Camp Harwood. Lunch with Marines (enlisted mess).
1315 - Leave Bourne Field for Ensenada Honda.
1335 - Arrive Ensenada Honda (Roosevelt Roads).
1345 - Leave Ensenada Honda by auto.
1430 - Arrive Camp O'Reilly.
     Visit Dispensary and recreation facilities.
1600 - Leave Camp O'Reilly by auto.
     Visit V. D. Hospital, Caguas, Enroute.
1830 - Arrive Fortaleza.
1930 - Dinner General Shedd.
2130 - U.S.O. Dance.

ANTIGUA

SATURDAY, March 11.

0900 - Departure San Juan.
ANTIGUA (cont'd)

1030 - Arrival Antigua.

Visit Army and Navy establishments.

Luncheon at Officers Mess, Coolidge Field.

1300 - Departure Antigua for St. Lucia.

ST. LUCIA

1415 - Arrival St. Lucia.

Tour through Beane Field and Base Hospital.

1700 - Departure St. Lucia for Trinidad.

TRINIDAD

SATURDAY, March 11 (cont'd)

1815 - Arrival Trinidad (Waller Field).

Party proceeds to Quarters at Fort Read.

1900 - Dinner at Fort Read. (If St. Lucia stopover is curtailed, dinner will be with enlisted men, otherwise at commanding officer's quarters.

2000 - Officers' Reception and Dance, Fort Read.

Mrs. Roosevelt will spend this night at Fort Read.

SUNDAY, March 12.

0800 - Visit activities of Fort Read and Waller Field including Hospital, Red Cross, Bakery, etc.

1000 - Depart Waller Field for Carlsen Field via JRF plane.

1015 - Arrive Carlsen Field.

Visit blimp activities and Eightieth Construction Battalion.

1100 - Depart Carlsen Field for Naval Air Station via JRF plane.
TRINIDAD (cont'd)

1115 - Arrive Naval Air Station.
Visit Escort Repair Base lunching with enlisted personnel of
that activity.

1215 - Tour of the Naval Operating Base activities including stops at
Scotland Bay Recreation Center, Escort Vessels at Section Base,
Naval Plantation, Naval Hospital, Red Cross, etc. If time permits,
trip in Commandant's Barge to Chocachacare Island to visit with
troops there.

1730 - Arrive Macqueripe Officers' Club.

1900 - Dinner by Commanding General and Commandant at Macqueripe. The
Governor will attend. (Quarters will be available at Macqueripe
for resting and dressing before dinner.)

Officers' dance.

2130 - Depart Naval Operating Base by car.

2200 - Arrive U.S.O.

2300 - Depart U.S.O.

2400 - Arrive Fort Read.

Mrs. Roosevelt will spend this night at Fort Read.

MONDAY, March 13.

0730 - Departure from Trinidad for Dutch Guiana.

DUTCH GUIANA - PARAMARIBO

1030 - Arrival Dutch Guiana (Zandery Field).

1045 - Tour Field and Facilities.

1245 - Lunch at Officers' Mess.

1350 - Departure Zandery Field for Belem.
3 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR MISS THOMPSON:

Attached you will find:

a. List of principal Army and Navy people, insofar as we can determine now, whom you will meet along the road.

b. Tentative outline of Mrs. Roosevelt's program for the first ten days of the trip. Please explain to her that this is in no way binding and can be modified to suit her taste. You will be furnished further advance information as you go along.

c. Miscellaneous information furnished by State Department which you may find useful. In this connection, you need not respond to any of the invitations which you find mentioned here. They have all been taken care of.

Happy landings,

L. MATHESON,
Colonel, General Staff.

Incls.
3 March 1944.

MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL MATHEWSON:

Subject: Senior Army and Navy Commanders at Bases Listed.

Pursuant to your request attached hereto is a list of bases and the Senior Army and Navy officers present thereat.

[Signature]

K.E. HARTFORD,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief, American Theater,
Theater Group, OPD, G.S.

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:: LC MRS FRANKLIN D ROOSEVELT WNDC

= ACCORDING TO CARACAS DISPATCHES YOU PLAN VISIT TO VENEZUELA STOP NORTH AMERICAN ASSOCIATION CHAPTER MARACAIBO CORDIALLY INVITES YOU STOPOVER HERE AS OUR GUEST ENROUTE TO OR FROM CARACAS = C C MCDERMOND PRESIDENT .

Cal Matthews
3 March 1944.

MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL HERTFORD:

Subject: Information from State Department Cables

Regarding Mrs. Roosevelt's trip to the Caribbean Area.

1. Brazil.

Ambassador Caffery states that Mrs. Vargas may be unable to make the trip to Natal in view of her health.

2. Colombia.

Acting President Echandia has stated that he will be pleased to give an informal buffet luncheon for Mrs. Roosevelt but Ambassador Lane recommends no definite arrangements be made in view of present unsettled political situation.

3. Panama.

a. Mr. Muccio advises the afternoon of March 22nd General Brett is offering a reception in honor of Mrs. Roosevelt at his quarters. The President of Panama and representatives of Panamanian Red Cross will be invited.

b. Press conference March 23rd at 1400. Immediately following this conference, Mrs. Roosevelt will meet her personal acquaintances in Panama.

c. Late afternoon March 23rd, President and Mrs. de la Guardia will offer an informal reception.

4. Venezuela.

a. Ambassador Corrigan extended invitation to Mrs. Roosevelt to reside at Embassy.

b. Mrs. Roosevelt will be met at La Guaira by Foreign Minister and Mrs. Perez, the Governor of the Federal District, the
Presidential Secretary, Ambassador and Mrs. Corrigan, and Senior Embassy officials, to Caracas by car:

c. Informal luncheon at Embassy at 1300.
d. Mrs. Roosevelt will place wreath at Liberators' tomb at 1500.
e. At 1600 Mrs. Roosevelt will visit Senora de Medina.
f. At 1700 at Embassy to present leaders in American activities.
g. At 1830, garden party at President Medina's residence to which diplomatic corps will be invited.
h. Mrs. Roosevelt will then return to Embassy and will depart for La Guaira at 0845 the following morning.

GEORGE E. HICKMAN
Major, G.S.C.
To: Colonel L. Mathewson, Map Room, The White House.

At the request of Mr. Taussig, I am sending you one copy each of three letters addressed to him by Mr. J. S. Macpherson, British member of the Anglo-American Caribbean Commission resident in Washington, regarding Mrs. Roosevelt's visit to Jamaica, British Guiana and a request from the Governor of Barbados that Mrs. Roosevelt visit that island on her tour of United States bases in the Caribbean.

One copy each of these three letters has been sent to Commander Gary.

John Gange
Executive Secretary
United States Section
Anglo-American Caribbean Commission
2nd March, 1944.

Mr. C. W. Taussig,
U.S. Section,
Anglo-American Caribbean Commission,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Charles,

I have received a secret telegram from Sir Grattan Bushe, Governor of Barbados, stating that it would be very gratifying if Mrs. Roosevelt could find time to pay a short visit to Barbados where a United States military detachment is at present stationed. Sir Grattan intimates that he would be delighted to welcome Mrs. Roosevelt.

I know how heavy Mrs. Roosevelt’s programme is and I realise that it would be quite impossible for her to visit every place in the area where there is a detachment of the U.S. Army or Navy. I assume, therefore, that the reply to Sir Grattan must be in the negative but it is my duty, and pleasure, to transmit the invitation.

Yours,

(Sgd) J.S. Macpherson
2nd March, 1944.

Mr. C. W. Taussig,
U.S. Section,
Anglo-American Caribbean Commission,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Charles,

I have received an immediate telegram from Sir John Huggins regarding the proposed visit of Mrs. Roosevelt to Jamaica. He is delighted to hear that the visit is to take place and will be very glad if Mrs. Roosevelt will stay at King's House. Sir John and Colonel Dallin have been conferring and are of the opinion that Mrs. Roosevelt will be able to cover more ground during her short visit if she spends the night of the 6th at Fort Simons. This would enable her to see something of the Forces stationed there that evening, go over the base the following morning, arrive at King's House for lunch on the 7th, and spend the night of the 7th there.

He enquires whether this will be agreeable.

Yours,

(Sgd) J.S. Macpherson

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2nd March, 1944.

Mr. S. W. Taussig,
U.S. Section,
Anglo-American Caribbean Commission,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Charles,

I have received a secret telegram from Sir Gordon Lethem, Governor of British Guiana, regarding the proposed visit of Mrs. Roosevelt to British Guiana. He has asked me to extend a warm invitation to Mrs. Roosevelt and her party to stay at Government House.

Sir Gordon assumes that arrival and departure will be at the United States Army base at Atkinson Field. You have already confirmed this and I have passed on the information. He also reports that transportation facilities are inferior and, as Mrs. Roosevelt will be desirous of spending the daylight hours with the U.S. personnel at the base, he hopes to arrange for an evening visit and reception in Georgetown. Mrs. Roosevelt would then return to the base in the morning.

Yours,

(Sgd) J.S. Macpherson
SUBMIT TO CONCARIBSEAFRON SUGGESTED SECURITY PLANS AND SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITY FOR MRS ROOSEVELT’S VISIT TO CARACAS. PARTY ARRIVES LA GUAIRA 1545Z MARCH 19TH DEPARTS 1400Z MARCH 20TH. NO ADVANCE PUBLICITY AUTHORIZED.

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E.O. 11652, Sec. 3(B) and 6(D) or (Q)
OSD letter, May 3, 1972

By RHP, NARS Dec. 12, 1973

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OPNAV-NCR-15
FROM LIEUTENANT BRACKEN. SECOND ALTERNATIVE TO SAN JUAN SCHEDULE WITH ST THOMAS TRIP ON MARCH 10 APPROVED. NO ADDITIONAL ESCORT PLANES DESIRED. OVERNIGHT GUEST GOVERNOR CURACAO RECOMMENDED. CARACAS SITUATION BEING CLARIFIED. BALANCE OF PROGRAM APPROVED.

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E.O. 11652, Sec. 3(E) and 4(D) or (3)
OSD Letter, May 12, 1973

13... ORIG
NOSMCH...NAVAYDE.. RHP, NARS Date 12 1973
MY 241300. ADVISE ORIGINATOR AND INFO ADEE BY 9 MARCH SCHEDULE OF ARRANGEMENTS VISIT MRS. ROOSEVELT YOUR AREA.

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By RHP, NAVO Date Dec 12, 1973

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COMINCH...NAVAMED...ARMY...

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CONCARIBSEAFRON 292136. AIDE ARRIVING 1430Z ON 2 MARCH

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K.O. 11692, Sec. (N) and 8(D) or (S)
OSD letter, May 3, 1972
RIP, NAVY DAA, DEC 12 1973

*SCHEDULE OF ARRANGEMENTS REQUESTED BY YOUR 202135 WILL BE DELIVERED IN AID, ON 2 MARCH BY MY AIDE LIEUT. BRADEN RE MRS. ROOSEVELT'S TRIP.

13...ACT

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DEPART GUANTANAMO 1600Q ARRIVE JAMAICA 1615R.

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COMINCH...NAVAIDE....

No. 1 ADMIRAL
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No. 4 SPECIAL

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(NOB GTMO SENDS FOR ACTION TO CNO AND INFO TO COMCARIBSEAFRON)

THIS IS HICOM:

REQUEST VERIFICATION TIME ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE GTMO.
CNO SECRET SERIAL 01313 OF 23 FEBRUARY. GTMO ON QUEEN TIME. JAMAICA ON ROGER TIME. TRAVEL TIME VIA AUTO BETWEEN VERNAM FIELD AND KINGSTON ONE AND ONE HALF HOURS. SUGGEST DEPARTURE GTMO 1600 TO PERMIT ARRIVAL GOVERNMENT HOUSE PRIOR DARKNESS.
March 1, 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL MATHEWSON

Referring to previous communications on the subject of Mrs. Roosevelt's trip to the Caribbean, I enclose a memorandum from the Office of American Republic Affairs, Department of State, dated March 1, 1944.

Raymond D. Muir
Acting Chief, Division of Protocol

Enclosure.
SCHEDULE OF ARRANGEMENTS REQUESTED BY YOUR 282O35 WILL BE DELIVERED IN WASHINGTON ON 2 MARCH BY AIDE LIEUTENANT BRACKEN. DESIRE THAT HE BE AFFORDED OPPORTUNITY ON THAT DATE TO DISCUSS ADDITIONAL MATTERS ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRIP AND PARTICULARLY THOSE MENTIONED IN REFERENCED DESPATCH. ARRIVING ANACOSTIA 1302Z ON 2 MARCH.

REFERENCE IS CONFIDENTIAL

13. ACT

COMINCH...NAVAIDE...ARMY...CNO...OPDO... etc.

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February 29, 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL MATHEWSON

I attach a copy of the telegram from Ambassador Caffery about which I spoke to you this afternoon. I find that Mr. Bonsal, Deputy Officer, Office of American Republic Affairs, has seen the telegram and, in fact, was the one who suggested that it be sent to you.

[Signature]

Stanley Woodward
February 29, 1944

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Stanley Woodward
MEMORANDUM

TO: Colonel Mathewson
The White House

FROM: John C. Dreier
Department of State

The attached telegram has just been received from Rio de Janeiro and I am calling it to your immediate attention for possible transmission to Mrs. Roosevelt.

I shall be glad to see that any reply necessary is sent to Ambassador Caffery.

[Signature]

DECLASSIFIED
State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72
By R. H. Parks Dec. 1 2 1973
John C. Dreier

ARA: JCD: CFN
PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED

TO: Secretary of State
FROM: Rio de Janeiro
DATE: February 28, 1944
NUMBER: 725, 6 p.m.

I have given the letters enclosed with the Department's instruction of February 21 to President Vargas. He said that it would be a cause of great disappointment to Senhora Vargas to learn that Mrs. Roosevelt did not plan to visit Rio de Janeiro. The President said he would discuss with Senhora Vargas the question of her going to Natal to meet Mrs. Roosevelt. Aranha was also very disappointed over the same matter.

In view of the situation, I believe that it would be well for Mrs. Roosevelt to make a point of expressing to Brazilian officials whom she encounters while in northeast Brazil the fact that she has a real interest in seeing some of the military establishments of the Brazilian armed forces as well as those of our own.
BY 24139°. BASIS FOR HANDLING PUBLICITY AS FOLLOWS.
NO PRESS REPRESENTATIVE WILL ACCOMPANY PARTY. PRESS
WILL BE Invited TO Meet MRS. ROOSEVELT AT EACH STOP
BUT SHOULD WITHHOLD RELEASES UNTIL AFTER HER DEPART-
URE. PRIMARY PURPOSE OF TRIP (VISITING ARMY AND
NAVY PERSONNEL AT REMOTE PLACES AND WELFARE AGENCIES)
WILL BE EMPHASIZED. CENSORSHIP WILL BE MINIMUM
CONSISTENT WITH HER PERSONAL SAFETY. NO PRIOR
ANNOUNCEMENTS REGARDING TIMES OF ARRIVAL OR DEPARTURE
OR SUBSEQUENT DESTINATIONS.

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OSD letter, May 6, 1972
by REP, NASA Dates DEC 12 1973

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
UNITED STATES SECTION
ANGLO-AMERICAN CARIBBEAN COMMISSION

February 28, 1944

To: Colonel L. Mathewson, Map Room,
The White House, Washington, D.C.

At Mr. Taussig's request I am sending you copies of the messages which have been sent by Mr. J. B. Macpherson, the British Resident Commissioner of the Anglo-American Caribbean Commission in Washington, to the governors of the five British possessions in or near the Caribbean which Mrs. Roosevelt will visit on her forthcoming trip. These messages were sent to Jamaica, Antigua, St. Lucia, Trinidad and British Guiana.

John Gange
Executive Secretary
United States Section
Anglo-American Caribbean Commission

Enclosures.
TELEGRAM

TO
GOVERNOR, GRENADA

26th February, 1944
AACC/42

Following personal from Macpherson. Have just been informed that Mrs. Roosevelt is shortly paying a visit to the U.S. Bases in the Caribbean, in the course of which she will arrive at St. Lucia (by Service plane) at 2:15 p.m. on the 11th March and will leave again at 5 p.m. the same day.

2. In territories where she is spending a day or more, Mrs. Roosevelt has indicated that it would give her pleasure to have an opportunity of meeting local residents prominent in labour, social welfare, etc. I think you will wish to have this information though it is unlikely that time will permit of such contacts in your territory. You will, no doubt, confer with local Service authorities regarding disposition of her time.

3. It is desired that time and place of arrival be kept secret.

CIRCULATION
1. Limited
2. AACC (Orig)

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British Govt. telegram, 1-12-72
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TELEGRAM
TO
GOVERNOR, ANTIGUA

26th February, 1944
AAOC/42

Following personal from Macpherson. Have just been informed that Mrs. Roosevelt is shortly paying a visit to the U.S. Bases in the Caribbean, in the course of which she will arrive at Antigua (by Service plane) at 10:30 a.m. on the 11th March and will leave again at 1 p.m. the same day.

2. In territories where she is spending a day or more, Mrs. Roosevelt has indicated that it would give her pleasure to have an opportunity of meeting local residents prominent in labour, social welfare, etc. I think you will wish to have this information though it is unlikely that time will permit of such contacts in your territory. You will, no doubt, confer with local Service authorities regarding disposition of her time.

3. It is desired that time and place of arrival be kept secret.

CIRCULATION
1. Limited
2. AAOC (Orig)

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TELEGRAM
TO
GOVERNOR, BRITISH GUIANA
26th February, 1944
AACC/42

Following personal from Macpherson, have just been informed that Mrs. Roosevelt is shortly paying a visit to the U.S. Bases in the Caribbean, in the course of which she will arrive at Georgetown (by Service plane) at 12:45 p.m. on the 15th March and will leave at 8 a.m. on the following morning.

2. Although object of tour is primarily and officially to visit U.S. Army and Navy personnel at the Bases, Mrs. Roosevelt has told Taussig that it would give her pleasure if time permits to have an opportunity of meeting local persons prominent in the fields of labour, social welfare, etc. You will, no doubt, confer with local U.S. Service authorities regarding disposition of her time. I think that she would be glad to accept an invitation to stay at Government House.

3. It is desired that time and place of arrival be kept secret.

CIRCULATION
1. Limited
2. AACC (Orig)

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TELEGRAM

TO

GOVERNOR, TRINIDAD

26th February, 1944

AAGC/42

Following personal from Macpherson. Have just been informed that Mrs. Roosevelt is shortly paying a visit to the U.S. Bases in the Caribbean, in the course of which she will arrive in Trinidad (by Service plane at Fort Reed) at 6:15 p.m. on the 11th March and will leave at 7:30 a.m. on the 13th March.

2. Although object of tour is primarily and officially to visit U.S. Army and Navy personnel at the Bases, Mrs. Roosevelt has told Macpherson that it would give her pleasure if time permits to have an opportunity of meeting a few local persons prominent in the fields of labour, social welfare, etc. You will, no doubt, confer with local U.S. Service authorities regarding disposition of her time. I think that she would be glad to accept an invitation to stay at Government House.

3. It is desired that time and place of arrival be kept secret.

CIRCULATION

1. Limited

2. AAGC (Orig)

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Jul 12 1979
Following personal from MACPHERSON

In course of visit to U.S. bases Mrs. Roosevelt will arrive in Jamaica (by Service plane at FORT SIMONS) at 5.15 p.m. on 6th March and will leave at 9 a.m. on 8th March. I think she would be glad to stay with you and Lady Huggins.

Following is message to you from Taussig. Begins.
Mrs. Roosevelt expressed to me a desire when in Jamaica to meet a few of the outstanding leaders of the Colony in labour, social welfare, etc. I told her of the various outstanding people whom I had met in Jamaica. She expressed an interest in meeting some of them. I explained to Mrs. Roosevelt that because of the political campaign now current there may be some people whom you might prefer her not to see at this time. Mrs. Roosevelt is most understanding and you can talk as frankly to her as to me. Inasmuch as Mrs. Roosevelt's trip is primarily to afford her an opportunity to visit the bases it would be advisable to confer with Colonel Dallin as to the disposition of her time. Ends.

I gather that if you have guests to meet her at luncheon or dinner it would be quite satisfactory if they included coloured persons.

It is desired that time and place of arrival be kept secret.

REGRADING UNCLASSIFIED
British Govt. Telegram 1-12-72
DEC 1 2 1973
25 February 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR

MISS THOMPSON:

Attached hereto is copy of instructions which have gone out regarding publicity.

L. MATHEWSON,
Colonel, General Staff.

1 Incl.
MEMORANDUM FOR

INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE OF ALL CONCERNED:

1. The President and Mrs. Roosevelt have approved the following as a basis for handling publicity in connection with Mrs. Roosevelt's projected trip to the Caribbean area:

a. No representatives of the Press will accompany Mrs. Roosevelt's party.

b. Representatives of the Press will be invited to meet with Mrs. Roosevelt at each of her stops; they will be requested to withhold their releases until after her departure; and the primary purpose of her trip will be emphasized—namely, to visit Army and Navy personnel stationed in out-of-the-way places, hospitals, Red Cross, USO and other welfare activities.

c. Censorship will be held to a minimum consistent with Mrs. Roosevelt's personal safety.

d. No prior announcements will be made of time of arrival at or departure from a given place or next destination along the route.

2. It is desired that the above be disseminated for the information and guidance of interested agencies of the State, War and Navy Departments.

L. MATHERSON,
Colonel, General Staff,
Assistant to the Military Aide.
MRS. ROOSEVELT ACCOMPANIED BY SECRETARY LILIS
M. MALVINA THOMPSON ONE NAVAL AND ONE MILITARY AIDE WILL
TRAVEL TO CARIBBEAN AREA GALAPAGOS ISLANDS BRAZIL
ECUADOR AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS. ATC WILL FURNISH
TRANSPORTATION AND ESCORT PLANE. ITINERARY FOLLOWS:
3 FEB LV MIAMI VIA GUANTANAMO AR JAMAICA. LV & AR
SAN JUAN. LV 11 VIA ANTIGUA ST LUCIA AR TRINIDAD. LV 13
VIA PARAMARIBO AR BELEN. LV 14 AR NATAL. LV 16 AR RECIFE.
LV 17 AR BELEN. LV 18 AR GEORGETOWN. LV 19 AR LA CUAJABA.
LV 20 AR CURACAO. LV 21 VIA ARUBA BARRANQUILLA AR CANAL
ZONE. LV 24 VIA SALINAS AR GALAPAGOS ISLANDS. LV 26
AR GUATEMALA CITY. LV 27 AR BATISTA FIELD. LV 28 AR

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241344 000-9 - Mrs. Roosevelt
WASHINGTON /COMSEAFRON AND CGW 4TH FL T RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL ARRANGEMENTS AND SECURITY WHILE PARTY IN THEIR AREAS. COORDINATE WITH CG ARTILLES DEPARTMENT AND CG USAF RESPECTIVELY AND DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES CONCERNED WHO ARE BEING INSTRUCTED BY DEPT OF STATE. COMSEAFRON ASSIST CG CARIBBEAN DEFENSE COMMAND WHO IS RESPONSIBLE IN PANAMA CANAL DEPARTMENT AREA. PARTY DESIRES VISIT ARMY AND NAVY HOSPITALS RED CROSS AND USO ACTIVITIES OFFICERS AND ENLISTED PERSONNEL ALSO OPPORTUNITY DINE WITH ENLISTED MEN WHEN PRACTICABLE. ON HOSPITAL VISITS PREFERENCES MEET AMBULATORY PATIENTS ASSEMBLED INSTEAD OF IN WARDS. RESPONSIBLE COMMANDERS WILL KEEP PRESIDENT INFORMED PROGRESS OF TRIP AT ALL TIMES REPORTING

No. 1 ADMIRAL.

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**DEPARTURES AND ARRIVALS THROUGH COMINCH OR ARMAY CHIEF OF STAFF AS APPROPRIATE. CERTAIN MEMBERS BRAZILIAN AND ECUADORIAN PRESIDENTIAL HOUSEHOLDS WILL BE AFFORDED OPPORTUNITY GREET MRS. ROOSEVELT AT NATAL AND SALINAS RESPECTIVELY. DESIRE AIR TRANSPORTATION TO BE MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES FOR THIS PURPOSE. SENDING BY AIRMAIL COMPLETE ITINERARY INCLUDING ETA AND ETD IN WHICH REFERENCE TO THIS DISPATCH IS 234330. FURTHER DETAILS WHEN AVAILABLE. NO PUBLICITY EXCEPT AS AUTHORIZED BY NAVY DEPT.**

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E.O. 11662, Sec. 3(E) and 6(D) or (E)

OSD letter, May 3, 1972

by RHP, NARS Dec. 12, 1973

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NCR 19
24 February 1944

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COLONEL MATHENSON TO THE PRESIDENT.

1. In view of the many questions being raised and suggestions offered, we feel the definite need of a policy governing publicity in connection with Mrs. Roosevelt's trip to the Caribbean.

2. I have discussed the matter with Mrs. Roosevelt, General Surles, Mr. Early and Mr. Bonsal and we are agreed that the following appears to offer the best solution:

a. That no representatives of the Press accompany Mrs. Roosevelt's party.

b. That representatives of the Press be invited to meet with Mrs. Roosevelt at each of her stops; that they be requested to withhold their despatches until after her departure; and that the primary purpose of her trip be played up — namely, to visit soldiers and sailors stationed in out-of-the-way places, and hospitals and USO activities, etc.

c. That censorship be held to a minimum consistent with Mrs. Roosevelt's personal safety.

d. That no prior announcements be made of time of arrival at or departure from a given place or next destination along the route.

e. That, in the interests of her own safety and military security, Mrs. Roosevelt adhere to the principles outlined above in the preparation of her daily column.

3. Subject to your approval of the above, it will be issued through the State, War and Navy Departments for the guidance of all concerned.
Will depart Washington March 4, 1944, Mrs Roosevelt for a trip through Caribbean Area, Galapagos Islands, Brazil and points en route. Complete itinerary follows, all hours local time and tentative: March 4, Washington to West Palm Beach; 5th West Palm Beach to Miami; 6th Miami 1v 0800, ar Guantansmo 0930, 1v Guantansmo 1600, ar Jamaica 1715; 7th in Jamaica; 8th 1v Jamaica 0900, ar San Juan 1400; 9th and 10th remain San Juan area; 11th 1v San Juan 0900, ar Antigua 1030, 1v Antigua 1300, ar St Lucia 1415, 1v St Lucia 1700, ar Trinidad 1815; 12th remain Trinidad; 13th 1v Trinidad 0730, ar Paramaribo 1030, 1v Paramaribo 1330, ar Belem 1600; 14th 1v Belem 1000, ar Natal 1615; 15th remain Natal area; 16th 1v Natal 0900, ar Recife 0945; 17th 1v Recife 0900, ar Belem 1400; 18th 1v Belem 0900, ar Georgetown 1245; 19th 1v Georgetown 0900, ar La Guaira 1145, Caracas by automobile; 20th 1v La Guaira 1000, ar Curacao 1100; 21st 1v Curacao 0900, ar Aruba 0920, 1v Aruba 1100, ar Barranquilla 1245, 1v Barranquilla 1600, ar Canal Zone 1745; 22nd and 23rd remain Canal Zone area; 24th 1v Canal Zone 0800, ar Salinas 1300, 1v Salinas 1500, ar Galapagos Islands 1730; 25th remain Galapagos; 26th 1v Galapagos 1000, ar Guatemala City 1530; 27th 1v Guatemala City 0800, ar Batista Field 1430, Havana by automobile; 28th 1v Batista Field 1000, ar Washington 1700. Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command will be responsible for all arrangements and security while party is within the Panama Canal Department area and will coordinate all arrangements with COMFARSEAFRON and US Diplomatic representatives. CG Antilles Department will assist COMFARSEAFRON who will be responsible for arrangements and security.
party is within that area. CG, USAFSA will assist COM 4th Fleet who will be responsible for arrangements and security while party is within that area. Mrs Roosevelt will wish to visit Army and Navy hospitals, Red Cross and USO activities and officers and enlisted personnel. When time permits she would like especially to be given an opportunity to dine with enlisted men. In regard hospital visits, Mrs Roosevelt prefers to meet ambulatory patients assembled insofar as practicable in a central location rather than individually in their respective wards. State Department will advise Diplomatic representatives concerned and you will assist and coordinate when called upon to do so. Mrs Roosevelt will be accompanied by her secretary, Miss Malvina Thompson and one Military and one Naval aide. It is essential that the President be fully informed at all times of the progress of the trip. It is therefore desired that Senior Commander each area make immediate radio report of departures and arrivals direct to the President through COMINCH or the Chief of Staff. It is important that certain members of the Presidential households of the Brazilian and Ecuadorian governments be given an opportunity to greet Mrs Roosevelt at Natal and Salinas respectively. It is therefore desired that an offer be made of air transportation for this purpose through our diplomatic representatives in the countries concerned. Party will travel in an APC airplane with escorting airplane from Washington on entire trip. Navy is sending instructions substantially as above to Commanders concerned. There will be no publicity concerning trip until further instructions from War Dept are received. You will be informed further of additional details when known.

ORIGINATOR: OPD

INFORMATION: General Arnold (for Gen Hall)
General Bissell
Mr. McCloy
SGS (Major Davenport)

CM-OUT-9382 (23 Feb 44) 21572 ejv

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
February 22, 1944.

Dear Governor Edgerton:

I am delighted to accept the kind invitation of Mrs. Edgerton and yourself to stay at the Governor's House when I visit the Canal Zone. My secretary, Miss Thompson, will be the only person with me.

Very sincerely yours,

Major General Glen E. Edgerton
Governor of the Canal Zone
The Panama Canal
411 Tenth Street, N. W.
Washington (25), D. C.

Copy to Colonel Mathewson
MEMORANDUM FOR MRS. ROOSEVELT:

I am taking the liberty of recommending that you accept the attached invitation from Major General (Governor) Edgerton of the Canal Zone.

My reason is primarily that we have no Ambassador in Panama at the present time, and secondly, I believe Mrs. Edgerton can make you more comfortable than you might be at General Brett’s quarters where they are keeping “bachelors’ hall.”

Lieutenant General George Brett incidentally is the senior Army-Navy Commander of the Panama Canal Department, while General Edgerton is the Governor of the Panama Canal proper, more of a civil function.

L. MATHEWSON,
Colonel, General Staff.

1 Incl.
MEMORANDUM FOR MRS. ROOSEVELT

This is to advise you that instructions have gone forward to the War Department to prepare detailed plans for your forthcoming trip in conformity with the approved itinerary.

The State and Navy Departments are collaborating in these preparations.

I shall keep you further advised as plans develop.

L. MATHEWSON,
Colonel, General Staff.
MEMORANDUM FOR CAPTAIN WOOD:

Attached hereto is copy of self-explanatory memorandum, with attached itinerary, concerning Mrs. Roosevelt's forthcoming trip to the Caribbean area. I would appreciate it if you would transmit same to the appropriate agencies of the Navy Department for information and such action as will fall to the Navy Department to take.

Colonel Hertford, Operations Division, War Department, General Staff (Telephone Ex. 5737), will be charged with working out detailed arrangements in conjunction with representatives of the State and Navy Departments.

Mr. Bonsal of the State Department (Telephone Ex. 655) is familiar with this general project and will handle such diplomatic arrangements as may be involved.

L. MATHEWSON,
Colonel, General Staff.

1 Incl -
Memo to Asst. Sec. of War,
21 Feb 44, with incl.

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OSD letter, May 3, 1972
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MEMORANDUM FOR

MR. BONSAL,
STATE DEPARTMENT.

Attached hereto for your information and for such action as may devolve upon your department to take is copy of memorandum, with attached itinerary, addressed to the Assistant Secretary of War, reference Mrs. Roosevelt's projected trip to the Caribbean area.

Colonel Hertford of the War Department, who will be charged with working out the detailed arrangements of this trip, will get in touch with you reference the diplomatic aspects involved.

I shall be glad to be of such assistance as I can in working out necessary details.

L. MATHEWSON,
Colonel, General Staff.

1 Incl -
Memo to Asst. Sec. of War,
21 Feb 44, with incl.

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R.G. 11602, Sec. 3(D) and 5(D) or (E)
OSD letter, May 3, 1972
By RHP, NARS Date DEC 12 1973
MEMORANDUM FOR MR. JOHN J. McCLOY,
THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF WAR:

1. With further regard to Mrs. Roosevelt's projected trip to
the Caribbean area, an itinerary has now been approved by the President
and Mrs. Roosevelt and a copy is attached hereto.

2. Brigadier General C. R. Smith, Deputy Commander of the Air
Transport Command, has been consulted in its preparation and is pre-
pared to furnish a suitable airplane for the trip. The Navy Department,
through Admiral Wilson Brown, Naval Aide to the President, has also
offered to place a suitable airplane at Mrs. Roosevelt's disposal for
any part or all of it. Since the two departments have a joint and
equal interest in the project, it is suggested that they make the
necessary transportation arrangements on a cooperative basis, with
Mrs. Roosevelt's personal safety and comfort the primary consideration.
In this connection, it is desired that an escort plane be provided for
each leg of the journey.

3. Generally speaking, Mrs. Roosevelt will wish to visit Army
and/or Navy hospitals, Red Cross and USO activities, and officers and
enlisted personnel of the bases listed in the itinerary. When time
permits, she would like especially to be given an opportunity to dine
with the enlisted men. Regarding hospital visits, she prefers to meet
ambulatory patients assembled insofar as practicable in a central
location, rather than individually scattered throughout their respective
wards. It is also expected that provision will be made for the usual
diplomatic amenities where appropriate, and it will be noted that
several stops along the route have been scheduled with this primarily
in view.

4. Mrs. Roosevelt will be accompanied by her Secretary, Miss
Malvina Thompson, and by two Aides, one military and one naval. These
officers are now in the process of selection by the two departments.
It is expected of course that senior commanders or their personal repre-
sentatives will wish to escort Mrs. Roosevelt for the time that she
remains in their respective areas.

5. It is essential that the President be fully informed at all
times of the progress of Mrs. Roosevelt's trip. With that in view, it
is desired that appropriate commanders, Army or Navy, as the case may

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be, be instructed by their respective departments to make immediate report by radio direct to the President, through the Chief of Staff or Cominich, of the hour of her arrival at each place visited. A written report that these arrangements have been made and of the names of commanders who have been so instructed will be appreciated.

6. For political reasons, it is important that certain members of the Presidential households of the Brazilian and Ecuadorian Governments should be given an opportunity to greet Mrs. Roosevelt at Natal and Salinas respectively. Without some outside assistance, difficulties of travel may operate to prevent this. It is, therefore, suggested that an offer of air transportation for this purpose be made by the War and/or Navy Departments through the State Department and our Ambassadors to those two countries.

7. The State and Navy Departments have been furnished copies of this memorandum, with attached itinerary, and both are prepared to assist the War Department in making detailed arrangements for Mrs. Roosevelt's trip along the lines indicated above.

EDWIN M. WATSON,
Major General, U.S. Army,
Secretary and Military Aide to the President.

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Itinerary.

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MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL MATHEWSON:

For your information here is a copy of a memorandum of my conversation today with the Dominican Ambassador concerning the invitation extended by the Dominicans to Mrs. Roosevelt. I assume that in a few days it will be in order for me to call up the Ambassador and state that there is unfortunately no possibility of a change in Mrs. Roosevelt's decision.

Philip W. Bonsal

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Memorandum of Conversation

DATE: February 17, 1944

SUBJECT: Invitation to Mrs. Roosevelt to Visit the Dominican Republic

PARTICIPANTS: The Dominican Ambassador
Mr. Bonsal - ARA

COPIES TO: ARA - Mr. Duggan
GGA - Mr. Gabot
- Mr. Barber
American Embassy, Ciudad Trujillo

I referred to the Ambassador's note of February 9 extending on behalf of the President of the Dominican Republic an invitation to Mrs. Roosevelt to visit that country. The invitation was extended as a result of published reports of Mrs. Roosevelt's press conference on the same day.

I told the Ambassador that, much as Mrs. Roosevelt appreciated the invitation, the primary purpose of the trip which she is planning, the details of which have not yet been determined, was to visit our military establishments in the Western Hemisphere outside of the United States, just as she had visited the same type of establishment in the Pacific last summer. I stated that Mrs. Roosevelt had regretfully come to the conclusion that it would not be possible for her in wartime to change her itinerary in any way inconsistent with the primary objective. I added that I knew Mrs. Roosevelt cherished the project of eventually visiting the other American Republics.

The Ambassador

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The Ambassador was much disappointed. He said that tremendous progress had been made in the past few years in his country in the development of institutions for the care of women and children and that President and Mrs. Trujillo were extremely anxious to have Mrs. Roosevelt visit these institutions. He said that she would need only one day to accomplish these visits, although of course the Dominican Government hopes that she could stay longer. The Ambassador asked me insistently and repeatedly to take the matter up again with Mrs. Roosevelt. Finally I agreed that I would do so, although I did not hold out any hope.
ARMY AIR FORCES
HEADQUARTERS, AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND
WASHINGTON, D.C.

16 February 1944

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt,
The White House,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

I telephoned today but found that you were out of the city. Enclosed is schedule which, I believe, is in keeping with your wishes. After you have examined it, if you would like to discuss it, or any changes in it, would you ask Miss Thompson to call me?

The notation suggested that you might want to go by Virgin Islands 'to save time'. We have not included Virgin Islands on the itinerary for the reason that going there would increase the time. If you would like to go to St. Thomas, perhaps you would want to do that while you are in Puerto Rico; it is but a short distance away and would not take much time.

There has not been included on the itinerary a journey to Rio. If you should like to go there, it can be accomplished in two extra days, it being but six hours away from Recife.

Transportation on this journey will be provided by ATC, on the basis that other passengers will be carried when their journey coincides with the trip to be made by the airplane. Further, mail will be transported when permissible weight allows.

I have heard nothing from the Navy about this trip. The best way, in my opinion, to handle the journey would be to do it all with the same type of aircraft. If, however, the Navy is of the opinion that a part of the journey should be accomplished in Navy craft, would you give me the name of the Naval officer with whom I should communicate in working out a joint arrangement.

Sincerely,

C. R. SMITH,
Brig. Gen., USA,
Deputy Commander.

[signature]

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Virgin Islands has no accomodation for large airplanes. Can accommodate smaller ones.

[signature]

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MEMORANDUM FOR:


I nominate Lieutenant Commander William L. Kilcoin, U.S.N.R., as the Naval Aide for Mrs. Roosevelt for her forthcoming trip.

The following items of information concerning Kilcoin are of interest:

(a) He was in the Foreign Service for some time prior to 1933, during which time he traveled extensively. Since then he has been in various government agencies.

(b) He is in the Intelligence Branch of the Navy and as such was thoroughly investigated prior to commissioning. He has just completed a tour of duty in Santos, Brazil and is now awaiting further assignment.

(c) He seems to be a perfect gentleman; has a nice appearance and in my estimation will prove most tactful and helpful. He is a touch old (49 years of age) for his rank but appears younger than that. Although this is a slight handicap, it does not, in my opinion, offset his numerous advantages.

(d) He mentions the following people (all of whom Mrs. Roosevelt knows) as being in a position to speak of him through previous contact:

Mrs. Clara Beyer - Assistant to Madame Perkins
Dr. Altman - Social Security Board
Mr. Wayne Coy - recently joined the Washington Post

I have not done anything towards getting in touch with these people.

(e) He states that he would like very much to make the trip and feels that he is well qualified for the prospective duty.

Pending definite word as to the assignment, he is reading up on the localities to be visited, personnel involved, etc.

I shall await further word from you as to an appointment with Mrs. Roosevelt, having orders issued, or releasing him for other duty.

Respectfully,

Chester C. Wood
Captain, U.S. Navy
Assistant Naval Aide to the President
MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT:

As a result of our conversation of Sunday morning, I have revised the itinerary for Mrs. Roosevelt's trip and respectfully submit it herewith for your consideration (Plan A). Significant changes are as follows:

a. Quito has been definitely eliminated as a stopping place.

b. Rio de Janeiro has been eliminated based upon what I believe to be your views in the matter, and Mr. Caffery's message of February 12 (context attached hereto).

I am also submitting as Plan B an alternate itinerary which covers the same ground but in the opposite direction. Adjustments necessary to provide suitable arrival time and overnight accommodations in all cases make this trip one day longer than Plan A.

Both plans are believed to provide ample opportunity for Mrs. Roosevelt to visit the more important Army and Navy establishments throughout the area and to make the other (diplomatic) calls which you have in mind. From my own flying experience over the same ground, I know that both plans are feasible and can be readily worked out.

I am furnishing copies of both of these proposed plans to Mrs. Roosevelt for her further study.

Very respectfully,

[Signature]

L. Mathewson
Colonel, U. S. Army
February 15, 1944.

To the Secretary of State:

Of course, Mrs. Roosevelt's visit to Rio would, in any event, be desirable (Department's 452, February 10, 7 p.m.). However, it is my opinion that if she made the visits throughout northern Brazil accompanied by Senhora Vargas, it would not be necessary for her to come to Rio; that is, if Senhora Vargas, who has been ill, is physically up to making the trip. In my opinion, Mrs. Roosevelt should, in any event, write a letter to Senhora Vargas along the lines set out in third paragraph of Department's telegram.

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# Suggested Itinerary
**For Mrs. Roosevelt’s Proposed Visit to Latin America**

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Balboa, Canal Zone

Chief of Naval Operations
Aerology Section
Washington, D.C.

February 12, 1944
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Introduction

The dominant control of the climate of the West Indies is the northeast trade wind system. With some minor variations the trades persist at all stations and consequently results in a marked uniformity of climatic conditions.

With the possible exception of western Cuba, which is occasionally invaded by colder air from the United States, the climate of the West Indian region is distinctly tropical. The temperature is remarkably uniform.

For the region as a whole the average percentage of relative humidity is 76%. In combination with the prevailing high temperatures during the day of 80 to 85°F, this would be very oppressive if it were not for the dependable breezes associated with the trades.

The trade winds bring ample moisture to localities that are exposed to the prevailing winds. On coasts and lowlands on the leeward sides of the islands, rainfall is as a rule considerably less than that which occurs on the windward sides. In general, the period under consideration is considered to be the dry season. However, the existing precipitation usually occurs in the form of showers of short duration.

A. MIAMI, FLORIDA

Miami has long been regarded as a popular winter resort so that little remains to be said of its climate during this period.

The prevailing east to southeast winds bring moderately warm temperatures that average between 68° and 74° during February through April. Normal daily range of temperatures is about 14° in all months. During the daytime, temperatures are about 75°, while at night they drop to about 68°. In February the extreme minimum may lower to freezing, but this is very unusual. On the other hand, the thermometer may occasionally rise above 90° in April.

Cloudiness is low and seldom is more than 50% of the sky cloud covered.

Rain may be expected on about 6 or 7 days each month but the average total fall for any one month will not exceed 2 - 3.5 inches.
Cuba, the largest of the West Indies, lies just within the tropics. The northeast trades prevail throughout the season, with only slight variations in direction and velocity. These cool winds keep the mean temperature between 75 and 78 degrees. The temperature has, however, on occasion dropped to 61°F (February), and risen to 91°F (April). During the day temperatures remain around 80°F, while at night they decrease to about 76°F.

At Guantanamo Bay, rain falls on 3 days in February. This number increases slowly to 6 days in April. In a similar manner the amount of rain increases from less than 1 inch in February to slightly over 3 inches in April. Since these months fall at the end of the dry season, the amount of precipitation increases rapidly in May.

The relative humidity is fairly low, monthly means ranging from 72 - 74 percent at Guantanamo Bay to 70 - 73 at Habana.

Cloudiness is moderate with most clouds forming in the afternoon. Clear days are not infrequent during these months.

Flying weather is good over 90% of the time, in the vicinity of Guantanamo Bay, from February through April.

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*B. GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA*

Santiago de Cuba

2.
Puerto Rico is a rugged little island which is about 95 miles long and 30 miles wide. The chief topographic feature is a central mountain range traversing the island from east to west which forms a coastal plain to the north and the south.

On the coastal plain of Puerto Rico, daily and monthly temperature ranges are small. The mean monthly temperatures at San Juan average 76° F for February through March. The extremes in temperature range from a minimum of 69° F in February to a maximum of 82° F in April. Frequent clear days (11 to 12 per month) keep the temperature during the day at about 78° and during the night at about 72°.

Relative humidity throughout the 24 hours is generally above 75 percent.

Rainfall is relatively frequent, occurring on 13 - 16 days in each month during the period, with an average of 3 - 4 inches of rain being recorded each month. February is, however, the driest month and this period (February through March) is the driest season.

Cloudiness is least during these months with most days having only scattered clouds.

Flying conditions are generally good to excellent.

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**C. SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO**

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D. ST. LUCIA

St. Lucia is a volcanic island, separated from Martinique on the north by a channel which is only 17 miles wide.

In February, March and April the prevailing winds are easterly. These east winds blow for the most part with a velocity of 15 to 20 knots. Such strong winds tend to keep the temperature, during the day, slightly lower than it would be otherwise. During this period the mean temperature averages 79°, with daytime temperatures around 80° and night temperatures around 75°.

The percentage of relative humidity is high, 77%.

St. Lucia, as represented by Port Castries, receives more rain than any of the other stations covered by this report. Rain may be expected on 20 days per month. This high frequency of rainy days, however, is not accompanied by as much rain as might be expected. Most rain falls in the form of short, intense showers. The amount of rainfall observed ranges from 3.4 inches in February to 3.9 inches, and 3.6 inches in March and April respectively.

Clear days are observed only 4 or 5 times a month, but flying conditions in general are good.

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E. PORT OF SPAIN, TRINIDAD

On the island of Trinidad the climate is quite similar to that of the islands to the northward, except that the area of Trinidad is larger, resulting in somewhat greater ranges of temperature. At Port of Spain the mean temperature averages around 78 and 80° F, but the difference between the mean maximum and minimum temperatures is 17°, which is considerably greater than that found at any other station in the southern part of the West Indian region.

Relative humidity is high, about 75% for the period, with highest readings in the evening.

In the vicinity of Port of Spain the mean annual precipitation is about 60 inches, but the rainfall is least during the months now under consideration, February through April. The rain comes in the form of showers, usually heavy
and of short duration, often accompanied by thunder and lightning. Rain falls on 7 or 8 days each month, but the total fall for any one month averages about 1.5 inches or less. Clear skies may be expected on 8 or 9 days a month.

The prevailing winds are almost due east with velocities averaging from 6 to 10 knots.

Flying conditions are good in all three months.

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F. NATAL, BRAZIL

Natal, the capital and principal city of the State of Rio Grande do Norte, is situated on the eastern bank of a river two miles from the coast. The weather of this portion of Brazil is affected chiefly by the southeast trades blowing from the south Atlantic.

This being the fall season at Natal the temperatures are rather high. Monthly mean temperatures average between 80° - 81°F, while the lowest and highest temperatures range from 85°F (April) to 61°F (April). Daytime temperatures would be in the middle 80's and evening temperatures in lower 70's. Relative humidity is also high, ranging from 76 to 80%.

At Natal the months under consideration are embraced by the rainy season. Precipitation is observed on 14 to 18 days each month with an average total fall of 5 to 9 inches of rain per month. On the other hand, maximum falls of 4 or 5 inches of rain have occurred in a 24 hour period. Most rain is of a shower type and thundershowers are reported on 1 - 3 days per month.

Cloudiness is heavier here than at any of the other stations covered by this report. The sky should have a cloud cover of 52 to 60% during all months. This cloudiness, however, is greatest in the afternoon.

During this time of year a flight from Port of Spain to Natal may encounter moderate thunderstorms, heavy rain showers and rather bumpy air. Best flight conditions are found in the morning and a few miles off shore. In the immediate vicinity of Natal, flying conditions are fair.
### Meteorological Table for Natal, Brazil

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G. CURACAO, B.W.I.

The island of Curacao, lying at latitude 12° 06' N, has a typical tropical marine climate during the entire year.

During the months of February, March, and April, the easterly trades are quite pronounced—nearly 100% of the wind observations are recorded within the quadrant between northeast and southeast. The average velocity is about 10 knots.

The mean temperature is 79 - 81° for the period with possible extremes of 74° in February and 86° in April. Temperatures during the day should be around 82° and only slightly cooler at night, 77°.

The percentage of relative humidity is relatively low and averages around 72% in these months.

Rainfall is rather light, being observed on only 8 days in February and decreasing to 4 days in April. The amount of rain received per month is about 1 inch.

Clear skies are recorded on 8 or 9 days each month.

Flying conditions along the northern coast of South America are fair to good during these months.

Meteorological Table for Willemstad, Curacao

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H. BALBOA, CANAL ZONE

The dry season begins at Balboa in early January and ends sometime between the middle of April or the middle of May. During this period the whole area of Panama has excellent weather with very little precipitation.

Mean temperatures remain around 80 or 81 degrees. Daylight temperatures are usually about 90°, but it cools off after sundown when the temperature drops to about 75°. Relative humidities remain rather high since they average over 75% for the period.
Scattered to occasionally broken fair weather cumulus clouds are predominant. Rain falls on less than 3 days in February and March, and on only 8 days in April. Similarly the average total fall in February and March is less than 1 inch and only 3 inches in April. Most rain occurs as light showers of short duration.

Winds blow almost entirely from the north or northeast and velocities are normally 10 to 15 knots. Strong northerly winds with velocities of 30-40 knots may be encountered once or twice a month in February or early March.

Ceilings and visibilities are unlimited most of the time so that flying conditions are better than average in these months.

Meteorological Table for Balboa Heights, Canal Zone

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10 February 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MRS. ROOSEVELT

I have had a further discussion with Mr. Bonsal on the subject of your trip and I think we can consider the itinerary definitely settled as it now stands with the following exception:

Mr. Bonsal plans to send a telegram to Mr. Caffery today pointing out the pros and cons of a visit to Rio. As soon as Mr. Caffery's reply is received, I think we will be in better position to determine whether it will be necessary for you to proceed to Rio or whether it will be acceptable to the Brazilians to meet you in Recife.

L. MATHEWSON,
Colonel, General Staff.
It is our view that the suggested approach for the decommisioning of the unit N4, Unit C, B, Section and the associated facilities, is not the most efficient way to proceed. The suggestion that the Opposite desktop desk is not the most efficient way to proceed is based on the fact that the suggested approach would require an extensive amount of time and resources to complete. It is our recommendation that the Opposite desktop desk be modified to accommodate the suggested approach.

From: Phillip W. Bean.
To: Colonial Reference.
Date: 6.14.46.

RECOMMENDATION.
judgment that a failure to pay such a visit would not only be considered discourteous by the Brazilians but would also perhaps unfavorably affect the progress of certain of our current negotiations with that country involving military considerations of great importance.

5. The extent to which arrangements should be made with the British and Dutch authorities covering the visits to Curacao, Dutch Guiana and the British West Indies is being given further study in the Department.

6. It is assumed that the War Department will take up the matter of Mrs. Roosevelt's visit to Puerto Rico directly with the Department of the Interior and the Government of Puerto Rico.

7. A comment similar to that made in regard to the stops at Guatemala City and Quito is in order in the case of Havana. Adequate time must be provided for the Cuban authorities to feel that they have been permitted to render appropriate courtesies to Mrs. Roosevelt.

I will furnish you in the near future for your comments a copy of the telegrams which we propose to send to our Ambassadors in Guatemala, Ecuador, Colombia, Venezuela and Cuba discussing Mrs. Roosevelt's plans and asking them to inform the local authorities. At this stage I believe the information should be transmitted on a strictly confidential basis. It is, of course, important that the discussion of plans for Mrs. Roosevelt's reception by the authorities of these countries be initiated as soon as possible. However, publicity should in our judgment be delayed to the last moment, since there will be considerable pressure from the countries which Mrs. Roosevelt is not visiting for her to accept invitations from them.

It seems to me that the line of approach which we should take is that the visit is primarily a continuation of the trip which Mrs. Roosevelt took last summer to the South Pacific in order to visit our military establishments outside of the continental United States and that while

Mrs. Roosevelt
Mrs. Roosevelt has long cherished the idea of visiting as many as possible of the other American Republics, her wartime activities and obligations do not enable her to put this idea into execution at the present time.

Arrangements will, of course, be made at each of the points in the other American Republics to be visited by Mrs. Roosevelt to make available the services of a Foreign Service Officer to interpret and otherwise assist her. It would be possible, if Mrs. Roosevelt should so desire, to assign an Officer to accompany her throughout her trip; it appears, however, that this would not be necessary in view of the relatively small proportion of her time which will be spent with the people of the countries which she will visit.

Philip W. Bonsal
3 February 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR MRS. ROOSEVELT:

I am submitting herewith for your further consideration a revised itinerary for your Latin-American trip.

Mr. Bonsal of the State Department has been consulted in its preparation, and awaits an expression of your wishes in the matter.

I take the liberty of suggesting that you discuss it with the President, particularly with regard to the Rio aspect of the trip.

I shall be happy to communicate your decision to the State and War Departments, and to be of such further assistance as you may wish.

L.E. MATHEWSON,
Colonel, General Staff.

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Suggested Itinerary.

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 11652, Sec. 3(E) and 5(D) or (M)
OSD letter, May 3, 1972
By RHP, NASD Date
Suggested Itinerary  
For Mrs. Roosevelt's Proposed  
Visit to Latin America

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Note: For political reasons the Ecuadorian government should be given an opportunity to welcome Mrs. Roosevelt following her visit to the Galapagos. For this reason therefore and for considerations of overnight accommodations, I suggest that she go on to Quito after a brief stop at Salinas. This will entail no additional travel time in the over-all trip.

| 6th Day| Quito, Ecuador      | Canal Zone                 | 690               |
| 7th Day| (Remain Canal Zone, visit安装s in Republic|                     |                   |
| 8th Day| (of Panama.        |                           |                   |
| 9th Day| Canal Zone          | Barranquilla, Colombia     | 356               |
|        | Barranquilla, Colombia | Aruba-Curaçao, D.W.I.   | 333               |
| 10th Day| Curaçao, D.W.I.     | La Guaira, Venezuela       | 246               |

Visit Caracas, Venezuela (25 miles by Automobile)

| La Guaira, Venezuela | Trinidad, D.W.I. | 393 |

11th Day (Remain in Trinidad)
Date | Leave | Arrive | Mileage (Statute)
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12th Day | Trinidad | Paramaribo, D.G. | 575
12th Day | Paramaribo, D.G. | Belem, Brazil | 633
13th Day | Belem, Brazil | Natal, Brazil | 967
14th Day | Natal, Brazil | Recife, Brazil | 154
15th Day | Remain in Recife-Natal area.

Note: The Brazilians are sure to insist that Mrs. Roosevelt, having come thus far, visit Rio. While the State Department feels rather strongly that it would be a mistake not to, I cannot agree, especially in view of the primary purpose of the trip, that it becomes a matter of political urgency for her to do so. On the other hand if Mrs. Roosevelt cares to devote four additional days to the trip, a visit to Rio would be a wise diversification for her. In that event she could proceed from Recife to Rio (1,184 miles) on the 16th day, spend two days in Rio and return directly to Belem in one day via the cut-off, rather than retrace her steps through Natal.

16th Day | Recife, Brazil | Belem, Brazil | 1121
17th Day | Belem, Brazil | Atkinson Field, B.G. | 888
18th Day | Atkinson Field | St. Lucia, B.W.I. | 582
19th Day | St. Lucia, B.W.I. | Antigua, B.W.I. | 239
19th Day | Antigua, B.W.I. | San Juan, P.R. | 298
20th Day | Remain in Puerto Rican area, (visiting bases and installations, (including Virgin Islands.
21st Day | San Juan, P.R. | Jamaica | 729
22nd Day | Jamaica | Guantanamo, Cuba | 201
23rd Day | Guantanamo | Batista Field | 500

Possibly visit Havana (22 miles by Automobile)

K.O. 11662, Sec. 2(E) and 3(D) or (E)
OSD letter, May 3, 1972
By RHP, NASA Date
26th Day Batista Field Washington 1100

Note: This last leg of the trip could be broken by a visit to Nassau, Bahamas, if desired, although we have no particular military installations (117 Air Transport Command personnel only) at that place.

Total Mileage 13667