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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1986

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Posted: Fri 12-Sep-86 15:01 EDT Sys 64 (116)
To: N.FINNEGAN (EOP307)

Subject: aquino departure remarks
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Comments from: N.FINNEGAN (EOP307)

Posted: Fri 12-Sep-86 17:28 EDT Sys 64

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Alfred H. Kingon

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RESPONSE:

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Treasury - no comment
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David L. Chew
Staff Secretary
Ext. 2702

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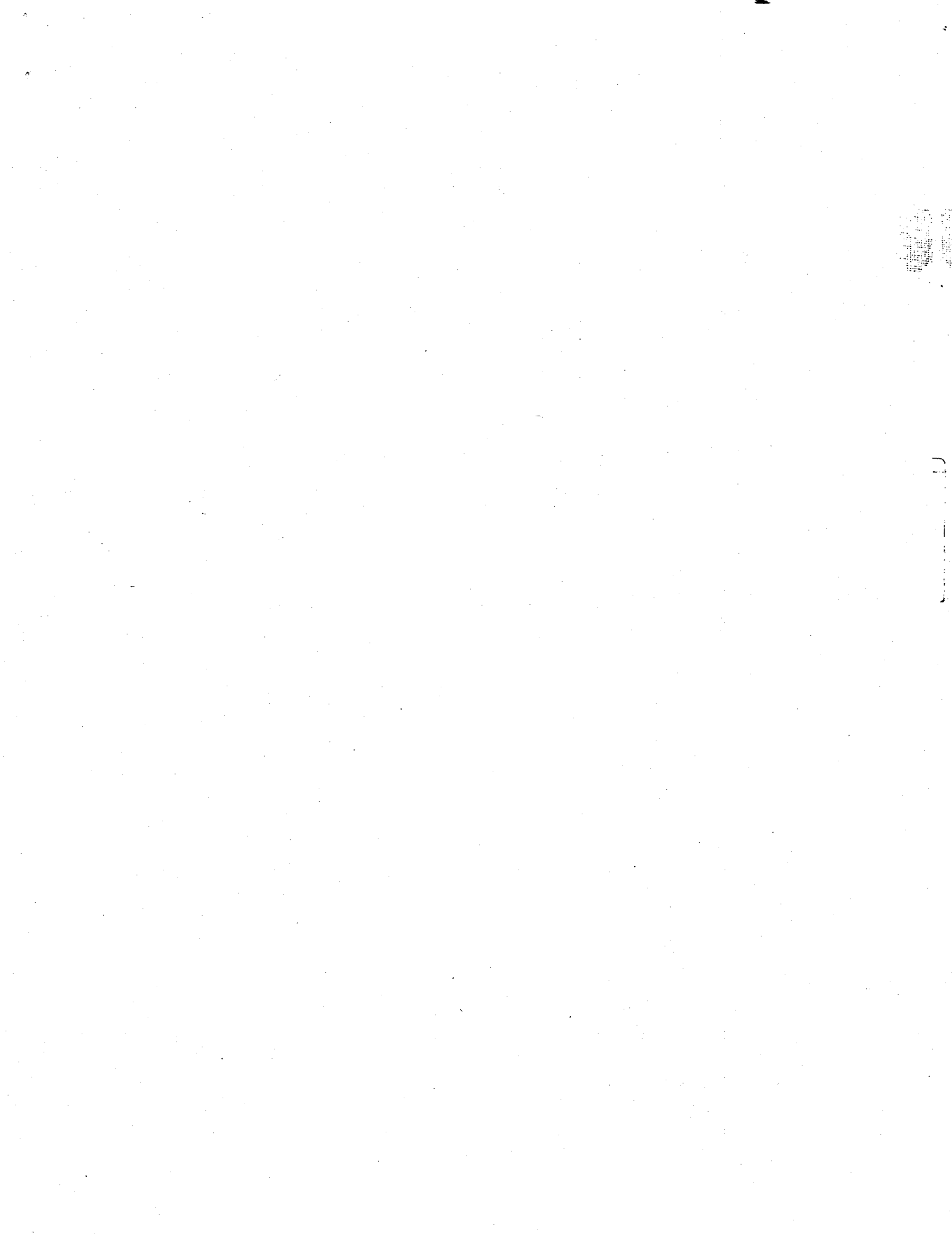
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SUBJECT: Departure Statement - Aquino Visit

We have reviewed and concur in the Departure Statement with
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Attachment

Tab A Chew Memorandum with Departure Statement

cc: David L. Chew



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MEMORANDUM FOR TONY DOLAN

FROM: RODNEY B. MCDANIEL *Bob L*
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Attached are pages three and four of the Presidential remarks at the departure ceremony for President Aquino with changes as indicated in our telephone conversation with Dana Rohrabacher. These changes have been cleared with David Chew.

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Tab A Remarks

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