

self-determination for Algeria. The transcript of the press conference is printed in *American Foreign Policy Current Documents, 1960*, pages 515-516.

The text of Eisenhower's statement was sent to Paris and several African missions. (Circular telegram 1341, April 27, Eisenhower Library, White House Office Files, Project "Clean Up") On May 4 the Department of State informed many of the African missions that the "White House wishes assure all governments that made approach wanting President to raise Algerian matter with de Gaulle are appropriately informed that subject was discussed with de Gaulle." It was, the message continued, in response to the approach by the African Chiefs of Mission (Telegram 490 to Monrovia, Department of State, Central Files, 7515 00/5-460)

310. Telegram From the Department of State to the Embassy in Ethiopia¹

Washington, June 16, 1960— 8 25 p.m.

1001. We have read carefully General de Gaulle's speech² and especially section on Algeria. To us it appears a firm re-affirmation of his September declaration with its emphasis on self-determination as means by which solution to Algerian impasse may be found. Speech additionally appears more conciliatory and takes more open attitude towards leaders of rebellion. In essence, we believe re-affirmation self-determination worthy our continued support as stated publicly by President last September.

We have noted that PGAR and other rebel organizations thus far have remained silent, indicating they giving study to declaration. PGAR also currently being represented at Addis meeting.³

At your discretion you may indicate to delegates at meeting our general support for de Gaulle declaration. You may also suggest that in our view wisest course for PGAR would be to seize opportunity of

¹ Source: Department of State, Central Files, 770 00/6-1660. Confidential. New. Drafted by I. Dean Brown on June 15, cleared by Satterthwaite, Kohler, McIlhenny, McBride, and Porter, and approved and signed by Dillon. Repeated to Paris, Luanda, Cairo, Rabat, Tripoli, and Algiers.

² For text of de Gaulle's June 14 address on French and Algerian realities, see *Mr. de Gaulle's Addresses, Statements and Press Conferences*, *General Charles de Gaulle, Memoirs, 1958* (January 31, 1959), pp. 79-83.

³ Reference is to the third conference of independent African States, held at Accra, Ghana, June 14-24.