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*Memorandum of Conversation, by the Counselor of Embassy in Turkey (Rountree)*<sup>1</sup>.

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Subject: Turkey

Participants:

*United States*

Secretary of State Dulles

Honorable Harold Stassen

Mr. Byroade

Mr. MacArthur II

Ambassador McGhee

Mr. Rountree

*Turkey*

Prime Minister Adnan

Mendores

Foreign Minister Fuad Koprulu

Secretary General Cevad

Acikalin

Under Secretary General Nuri

Birgi

Representative to NATO Rifki

Zorlu

Assistant Secretary General for  
NATO Affairs Sadi KavurAssistant Secretary General for  
Economic Affairs Haydar

Gork

Director General, First

Department Talat Miras

Director General, Second

Department Orhan Eralp

In his introductory statement the Prime Minister extended a cordial welcome to the American visitors and expressed the hope and expectation that the conversations which were to be held would be good not only for Turkish-American relations, but also for the entire free world.

Responding, the Secretary expressed his great pleasure at being in Turkey. He said that while the purpose of his trip as originally conceived was to visit the Arab capitals and South Asian countries, he found it impossible not to accept the invitation extended by the Turkish Government for him to stop in Ankara. His visit was not merely an act of courtesy and not merely to pay his respect for the great effort which Turkey is making, although it was in part to do those things, but he primarily wished to seek the views and advice

<sup>1</sup> This conversation took place at the office of the Prime Minister.