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MEMORANDUM FOR: JERRY JONES
FROM: General Scowcroft *BS*
SUBJECT: Proposed Presidential Visit to Hiroshima

We have given serious consideration to a possible Presidential visit to Hiroshima.

As Bill Baroody has accurately stated, there are some advantages to such a stop.

There are also, however, a number of major disadvantages. Some Japanese might regard it as an effort to recall that we had defeated them in World War II. It could rekindle old animosities in Japan at a time when we are striving for new relationships. It could also be exploited by the Left in Japan.

On the basis of these considerations, we recommend that the President not visit Hiroshima during his trip to Japan.



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