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Note by the Secretary-General

The Secretary-General has the honour to transmit to the Members of the General Assembly the enclosed communication, dated 5 December 1966, from the Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations.

PERMANENT MISSION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
TO THE UNITED NATIONS

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Dear Mr. Secretary-General:

I have the honour to refer to the question of the location of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization. In the interest of convenience, efficiency and economy and the most effective possible contribution of the United Nations Organization as a whole to the industrialization of the developing countries, the Government of the United States believes the United Nations Industrial Development Organization should be located at the seat of the United Nations in New York City in accordance with the Headquarters Agreement between the United States and the United Nations. I can assure you that the United States is prepared to welcome location in New York City of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization under that agreement and that my Government will make every effort to assure the United Nations Industrial Development Organization of the best possible conditions there for its operations.

In order to have time adequately to investigate all possible arrangements carefully, including possible arrangements for accommodation on favourable terms, the Government of the United States hopes that this important question will be referred to the first session of the Industrial Development Board of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization for its recommendation. This would also provide time for the preparation of complete cost information, including personnel costs, for the location of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization at the various sites being considered. The Government of the United States believes this information should be available before any decision is taken.

His Excellency
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Secretary-General
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New York, New York

I should be grateful if you would have this communication distributed as a General Assembly document to all the Permanent Missions of the United Nations.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Arthur J. GOLDBERG
