

# TELEGRAM

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Subject inquiries from US firms concerning direct investment controls. 1-we expect heavy volume of inquiries from US firms regarding applicability of direct investment control provisions to specific transactions satisfaction of inquiries will depend on adequacy of information provided completion of reports required by regulations may also be necessary under these circumstances it would be impractical for Department to assume burden of conduit for specific transaction inquiries by far preferred procedure is to advise inquiring firms that Department of Commerce requests that such specific inquiries be raised directly with commerces office of foreign direct investment by parent company in US but alternatively in exceptional circumstances by direct communication from abroad if parent route not possible; 2-Department will continue to attempt to service as promptly as possible all inquiries of general nature regarding applications or interpretation of provisions affecting individual countries; 3-expect to forward shortly to addressee posts circular providing inclusive list of all countries in each of three schedule categories packet or regulations executive order and other pertinent documents now being assembled for air pouching to addressee posts; 4-confusion persists regarding applicability of percentage limits to individual countries percentage limits in each schedule apply for each direct investor to total direct investments in entire list of countries in each schedule based on each investors 1965-66 base level percentage does not repeat not apply to each individual country in schedule area. Investors retain freedom to vary investment amounts and percentagens between countries within each schedule so long as each investor complies with overall percentage limit for each schedule.

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