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1. The importance of Grumbach in the SFIO (Section Francaise de l'Internationale Ouvriere) is rapidly decreasing due to his favorable attitude toward the SED and his opposition to the growing tendency in French Socialist circles for closer cooperation among the three western Allies. Blum considers this the right time to make direct contact with Schumacher and the SPD but Grumbach is considered no longer the right liaison man. Decheselle, Carrier, Gazier, and other SFIO leaders want closer and more regular contacts with the SPD.
2. Prior to the 22 December 1946 press conference, Blum gave General Koenig a last minute order to limit his remarks regarding the French customs move in the Saar to the statement that the move protected the area from German money and black market goods. Koenig was forbidden to grant interviews without informing Blum. He also was ordered to obtain permission from Blum for all future actions in the Saar.

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