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RE (1) EMBTEL 4839, (2) DEPTTEL 3584

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1. BRITISH TELL US ^{Beitz} BEITZ OF KRUPP WORKS CALLED ON BRITISH AMBASSADOR RECENTLY AND MADE STATEMENTS SIMILAR TO THOSE REPORTED IN EMBTEL 4839. AMBASSADOR SAID TO HAVE MADE NON-COMMITTAL REPLY TO BEITZ. BRITISH SAY HMG IS INCLINED TO TAKE NO ACTION ON DECONCENTRATIONS TO PERMIT RELAXATION OF PRESENT CONTROVERSY (APPARENTLY REFERRING TO DISCUSSIONS IN PARLIAMENT). NEVERTHELESS, BRITISH EMBASSY OFFICER IS SEEING MOTZ IN GERMAN FOREIGN OFFICE AT LUNCHEON AND WILL INQUIRE INFORMALLY RE PROGRESS REPORT DUE JUNE 30.

2. RE DEPTTEL 3584. IT NOW SEEMS TO US AND BRITISH THAT BEITZ'S REFERENCE TO SO-CALLED PARIS AGREEMENT RESTS ON FACT THAT ARTICLE 8 OF CHAPTER II OF 1952 VERSION OF SETTLEMENT CONVENTION, CONTAINING STATEMENT THAT GERMANS INFORM THREE POWERS OF DECONCENTRATIONS, WAS ELIMINATED IN PARIS IN 1954; CONSEQUENTLY, NO OBLIGATION TO SUBMIT REPORTS EXISTS UNDER CONVENTIONS. SUGGESTION THAT GERMAN GOVERNMENT SUBMIT PROGRESS REPORT, AND READY ACCEPTANCE THIS SUGGESTION BY FOREIGN OFFICE, WAS NOT BASED ON ANY LEGAL OBLIGATION BUT ON DESIRABILITY OF SUCH REPORT AS BASIS FOR CONSIDERATION OF CHANCELLOR'S REQUEST.

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