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SUBJECT: US-FRENCH EXCHANGES ON HOSTAGES AND SYRIA

REF: A) PARIS 30932, B) STATE 220876

- 1. SECRET ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. EMBOFF RAISED PROPOSAL OF U.S. TEAM'S COMING TO PARIS FOR TALKS ON HOSTAGES AND SYRIAN/MIDDLE EAST TERRORISM WITH QUAI HOSTAGE COORDINATOR DIDIER DESTREMAUD (JULY 16), AND WITH NEA DIRECTOR MARC BONNEFOUS (JULY 17).
- 3. IN SPITE OF HIS ENTHUSIASM OF THREE WEEKS AGO FOR THE IDEA OF EXCHANGES ON THESE TOPICS, DESTREMAUD

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EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ON THE SUBJECT OF A TEAM VISIT PER SE, FOR TWO REASONS: A) FEARS OF A PRESS LEAK OUT OF WASHINGTON WHICH COULD DERAIL ONGOING TALKS WITH THE IRANIANS; B) VACATION PLANS OF FRENCH OFFICIALS. DESTREMAUD ALSO GAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT NEGOTIATIONS

FOR FURTHER HOSTAGE RELEASES WERE GOING WELL, AND THAT THE FRENCH WERE MORE OR LESS INCLINED TO DO THEIR OWN THING, WHILE CONTINUING QUIET EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION BETWEEN EMBASSY PARIS AND THE QUAI.

- 4. NEVERTHELESS, BONNEFOUS, WHO HAD BEEN BRIEFED IN ADVANCE BY DESTREMAUD, SEEMED PLEASED BY THE IDEA, AND INVITES APRIL GLASPIE TO COME TO PARIS AT HER CONVENIENCE. HIS ONLY COMMENT ON SUBSTANCE WAS TO EXPRESS HOPE THAT LIBYA WOULD BE AMONG THE TOPICS DISCUSSED. HE NOTED THAT HE IS LEAVING HIS POSITION PERMANENTLY ON JULY 18, FIRST ON VACATION, AND THEN TO ASSUME POSITION OF DEPUTY SYG OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY, BUT HE SAID THAT HIS DEPUTY AND BUREAU ACTING DIRECTOR JEAN-LOUIS LUCET WOULD SURELY BE PLEASED TO CONDUCT TALKS WITH STATE/EMBASSY TEAM. LUCET, HE SAID, WILL RETURN FROM VACATION ON JULY 21 AND WILL ADDRESS POSSIBLE DATES AT THAT TIME. WE WILL FOLLOW UP WITH LUCET ON JULY 21.
- 5. BONNEFOUS STRESSED THAT THE QUAI WOULD PREFER THAT ITS DISCUSSIONS BE CONDUCTED SEPARATELY FROM SIRO/DGST TALKS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THESE LATTER DISCUSSIONS ARE IN THE WORKS FOR JULY 23. WE RECOMMEND, HOWEVER, THAT GLASPIE STICK TO HER ORIGINAL PLAN OF AIMING AT THE LAST WEEK IN JULY SINCE, INTER ALIA, WINN WILL BE OUT OF PARIS WITH HIS PARENTS ON JULY 21 AND 22, AND 24-25. (WINN WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE 23RD, HOWEVER)
- 6. COMMENT: DESTREMAUD'S OFF-THE-CUFF REMARKS ARE USEFUL AS INDICATIONS OF THE CURRENT FRENCH MINDSET. BONNEFOUS' INVITATION, HOWEVER, SPEAKS FOR ITSELF BY GIVING THE GREEN LIGHT. OUR ONLY RESERVATION WOULD BE THE FACT THAT LUCET, WHILE AN AGREEABLE AND KNOWLEDGEABLE INTERLOCUTOR (WHO SPEAKS PERFECT ENGLISH), HAS TRADITIONALLY DISAVOWED ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THE HOSTAGE SITUATION. NEVERTHELESS, AS A PAST NEGOTIATOR WITH THE IRANIANS, AND ARMED WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY BLESSING, HE COULD BE FORTHCOMING IF HE WISHES. DESTREMAUD, IN ANY CASE, IS ALWAYS CANDID AND WOULD BE FLATTERED TO RECEIVE A STATE VISITOR.

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WASHINGTON

July 2, 1986

YOUR MEETING WITH PRESIDENT MITTERRAND

July 4, 1986 DATE:

LOCATION: Admiral's Quarters

12:05 p.m. - 1:05 p.m. TIME:

FROM: JOHN M. POINDEXTER

### I. PURPOSE

To provide Mitterrand with a clear understanding of U.S. views on East-West and arms control issues prior to his meeting with Gorbachev; to encourage positive shifts in French policies toward Central America, SDI, and cooperation on counterterrorism; to reinforce historically strong U.S.-French ties.

### II. BACKGROUND

The "cohabitation" government of President Mitterrand and Prime Minister Chirac has worked suprisingly well to date. Chirac has moved quickly to push his domestic/economic agenda and has demonstrated some muscle on national security issues. Still, Mitterrand maintains substantial leverage over the direction of French foreign policy, where there are, at any rate, fewer differences between the PM and himself.

Mitterrand's image as a statesman will especially be enhanced by the combination of his meeting last month with Chinese General Secretary Hu Yaobang, his participation in Liberty Weekend and his July 7-10 trip to Moscow. We expect that he will be in unusually good spirts in New York and will use the opportunity to project himself as the guardian of good relations with the United States, based on shared democratic values and our long history as Allies.

East-West relations will be at the forefront of Mitterrand's substantive concerns. He will want to be seen as playing a role by contributing toward the holding of a Reagan-Gorbachev summit. We will want to deflect any inclination that he may have to project himself as fulfilling the Gaullist ideal of privileged interlocutor between East and West. However, Mitterrand will also want to be seen as upholding Western solidarity, and we believe that he will urge the Soviets to negotiate seriously with your Administration on arms control.

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cc: Vice President Ben Regan

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Mitterrand will doubtless want to build on the theme of your Tokyo meeting that we have succeeded in putting the Libyan dispute behind us. This presents an opportunity to nudge him on important issues on our agenda, such as anti-terrorism cooperation and trade issues. It will also provide us a chance to express our pleasure regarding the direction French policy is moving on Central America, SDI and reliance on the private sector—although most of the credit for this belongs to PM Chirac.

George Shultz's comprehensive memorandum is at Tab A. Suggested talking points are at Tab B and Mitterrand's bio is at Tab C.

### III. PARTICIPANTS

Pre-Brief, 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., July 3, (Oval Office)

The President
The Vice President
George P. Shultz
Caspar W. Weinberger
Donald T. Regan
John M. Poindexter
Larry Speakes
Ambassador Joe M. Rodgers
Assistant Secretary Rozanne L. Ridgway
Tyrus W. Cobb, NSC

Working Luncheon, 12:05-1:05 p.m., July 4, (Admiral's Qtrs, Governor's Island, New York)

U.S.
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Alec Toumayan (Interpreter)

### FRANCE

President Francois Mitterrand
Jean-Bernard Raimond, Foreign Minister
Andre Giraud, Defense Minister
Jacques Attali, Special Counselor to the President
Ambassador Emmanuel de Margarie
French Interpreter

### IV. PRESS PLAN

Photo opportunity prior to the bilateral. Press/TV/media pool.

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### SEQUENCE OF EVENTS (Bilateral) V.

12:00 noon - Photo op

12:05 p.m. - Commence Luncheon/Bilateral 1:05 p.m. - Conclude Bilateral 1:10 p.m. - Mitterrand Departs

## Attachments

Tab	A	Shultz Memo
Tab	В	Talking Points
Tab	C	Mitterrand Bio

Prepared by: Tyrus W. Cobb

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

George P. Shultz 4

SUBJECT: Visit of French President Francois Mitterrand

# I. WHERE DOES OUR RELATIONSHIP STAND?

- o At Tokyo, we put the overflight issue behind us.
- o The French are delighted with the invitation to participate in the Statue of Liberty celebration, which should set a positive tone for U.S.-French relations for months to come.
- o Since Tokyo, French have been increasingly cooperative on counter-terrorism, particularly in support of US and EC initiatives to isolate Qadhafi.

# II. WHAT DO WE WANT?

- Emphasize strong, positive U.S.-French ties.
- Be certain Mitterrand understands U.S. views on U.S. - Soviet issues before his July 7-10 trip to Moscow.
- o Be certain Mitterrand understands U.S. views on interim restraint and arms control.
- o Encourage continued French support on counter-terrorism issues.

# III. WHAT DOES MITTERRAND WANT?

- o Public display of strong U.S.-French ties, building on the theme begun at Tokyo that the overflight issue is behind us.
- o To underscore pre-eminent role of the French President in French foreign policy, and himself as the guardian of good relations with the U.S.
- o To highlight himself as Gaullist ideal of privileged interlocutor between east and west.
- o To be seen as upholding western solidarity.

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# IV. WHAT CAN BE ACHIEVED FROM THIS VISIT?

- o Confirmation of fundamentally strong U.S.-French relations and of France as a key member of the western Alliance.
- o A solid understanding by the French of U.S. positions on key East-West issues, particularly arms control, on the eve of Mitterrand's Moscow trip.
- o Continue to move the French in positive direction in supporting bilateral and multi-lateral cooperation against terrorism.

### TALKING POINTS

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# I. U.S. - FRENCH RELATIONS

- -- This has been a magnificent celebration, made more significant by French participation.
- -- This celebration is especially valuable because it reminds all of us -- Americans, Frenchmen, freedom loving people throughout the world -- of shared values.

### II. U.S. - SOVIET RELATIONS

- -- Most of year, Soviets stonewalled negotiations, and operated exclusively in the propaganda sphere.

  Recently, however, we have noted what may be the first signs of a more businesslike approach.
- -- Hope this is the case; we will be studing Soviet proposals carefully and responding seriously.
- -- Relations cannot stand only on arms control. Despite talk of solving regional conflicts, Soviets have stepped up military activities in Afghanistan, Angola and Nicaragua.

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- -- Still assume Gorbachev will come to U.S. in 1986, as he agreed. However, date not set. He wants to determine minimum outcome in advance -- which is all right with us if they will get on with negotiations in realistic manner.
- -- Note you recently met with Chinese General Secretary
  Hu. Did he comment on U.S.-Soviet relations?

### III. ARMS CONTROL

- -- U.S. committed to deep, equitable and verifiable reductions in offensive arsenals to strengthen strategic stability. Also call for concrete, phased approach for eliminating all LRINF missiles.
- -- Have pushed for dialogue on managing transition to more stable deterrence through increased reliance on defensive systems. "Open labs" initiative would assure adversary of defensive intent.
- -- Recent Soviet proposals suggest they may be ready for serious bargaining. We are studying proposals and will reply to them.

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- -- Interim restraint decision to cease observing the expired SALT I and II agreements followed years of efforts to reverse Soviet non-compliance. Hopes to limit Soviet strategic force increases by SALT didn't work. Real restraint is alive for us. Future U.S. force decisions will be based on nature and magnitude of Soviet strategic forces, taking Soviet behavior into account.
- -- (If raised) We will not accept agreement limiting (French) third party nuclear forces.
- -- (If raised) CDE: Will you be discussing this with Gorbachev?

### IV. SOVIET HUMAN RIGHTS

- -- Both our efforts are bearing some fruit; we hope this reflects Soviet desire to improve public image as well as our respective bilateral relations.
- -- Recent Soviet action on divided family cases is positive, but must be seen in perspective. Jewish emigration at 10-year low, Sakharov still in exile, arrests of religious activists continuing.

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-- We know you share our concerns, especially lack of progress on Jewish emigration. Hope you will raise Soviet Jewry and other human rights concerns in Moscow.

### V. COUNTERTERRORISM COOPERATION

- -- We appreciate steps taken to implement EC efforts against Libya and for special vigilance regarding safety of American lives and property in France.
- -- Continued cooperation against terrorism essential; need not be public, our aim is effective joint action.

  We are looking to the experts meeting on terrorism in Tokyo as a good opportunity for follow-up on measures we decided upon at the Summit.
- -- We told your representatives who were here in June that we are willing to work closely, share information, in seeking release of all remaining hostages. (Six Frenchman, Four Americans).

# MTG W/PRESIDENT MITTERRAND

- -- MAGNIFICENT CELEBRATION. REMINDS ALL FREEDOM LOVING PEOPLE OF SHARED VALUES.
- -- U.S.-SOVIET RELATIONS: SOVIETS STONEWALLED NEGOTIATIONS, PROPAGANDIZED. RECENTLY, NOTED SIGNS OF MORE BUSINESSLIKE APPROACH. WILL STUDY SOVIET PROPOSALS CAREFULLY.
- -- DESPITE TALK OF SOLVING REGIONAL CONFLICTS, SOVIETS STEPPED UP MILITARY ACTIVITIES IN AFGHANISTAN, ANGOLA & NICARAGUA.
- -- ASSUME GORBACHEV WILL COME TO U.S. DATE NOT SET.

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- -- ARMS CONTROL: COMMITTED TO DEEP, EQUITABLE & VERIFIABLE REDUCTIONS. ALSO FOR CONCRETE APPROACH FOR ELIMINATING ALL LRINF. PUSHING FOR DIALOGUE ON MANAGING TRANSITION TO STABLE DETERRENCE THROUGH INCREASED RELIANCE ON DEFENSE. "OPEN LABS" INITIATIVES.
- -- INTERIM RESTRAINT DECISION FOLLOWED YEARS OF EFFORTS TO REVERSE SOVIET NON-COMPLIANCE. LIMITING SOVIET STRATEGIC FORCE INCREASES THROUGH SALT DIDN'T WORK. RESTRAINT ALIVE FOR US. US FORCE DECISIONS WILL BE BASED ON NATURE & MAGNITUDE OF SOVIET STRATEGIC FORCES.
  - -- SOVIET HUMAN RIGHTS: OUR EFFORTS ARE BEARING SOME FRUIT. SOVIET ACTION ON DIVIDED FAMILY CASES POSITIVE. JEWISH EMIGRATION AT 10-YR LOW, SAKHAROV STILL IN EXILE, ARRESTS OF RELIGIOUS ACTIVISTS CONTINUING.
  - -- HOPE YOU WILL RAISE HUMAN RIGHTS CONCERNS IN MOSCOW.
  - -- COUNTERTERRORISM: APPRECIATE STEPS TO IMPLE-MENT EC EFFORTS AGAINST LIBYA. COOPERATION AGAINST TERRORISM ESSENTIAL; AIM IS EFFECTIVE JOINT ACTION. EXPERTS MTG IN TOKYO WILL BE USEFUL.

DECLARATION WE ARE WILLING TO WORK CLOSELY W/FRANCE.

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June 26, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN M. POINDEXTER

FROM:

TYRUS W. COBB W

SUBJECT:

President's Meeting With French President Francois

Mitterrand, July 4, 1986, 12:05 p.m. - 1:05 p.m.

### RECOMMENDATION

That you sign and forward the briefing memorandum to the President at Tab I for his meeting with President Mitterrand.

Approve

Has Seen Tue Litter

Jack Matlock, Bob Linhard, Ollie North and Michael concur.

Attachments

Tab I Memo to the President

Shultz Memo to the President Tab A

Tab B Talking Points

Tab C Mitterrand Bio

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SUBJECT: GOF CONTINUES TOUGH LINE ON TERRORISM

REFS: PARIS 33006

1. (C) SUMMARY: THE CHIRAC GOVERNMENT IS CONTINUING TO TAKE A TOUGH PUBLIC LINE ON TERRORISM IN AN EFFORT TO REINFORCE ITS CREDENTIALS. BASQUES AND NOW ARMENIAN TERRORISTS ARE THE CURRENT FOCUS OF THESE

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EFFORTS. END SUMMARY.

CHIRAC SPEAKS OUT:

2. (V) PRIME MINISTER CHIRAC TOOK A TOUGH LINE ON TERRORISM IN A JULY 21 PRESS CONFERENCE. CHIRAC CITED TERRORISM AS A "WOUND AGAINST WHICH WE MUST BATTLE WITH ALL POSSIBLE MEANS." IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION ABOUT THE RECENT EXPULSIONS OF TWO BASQUES, CHIRAC COMMENTED THAT AS A DEMOCRACY FACING TERRORIST PROBLEMS SPAIN "CAN COUNT ON THE UNRESERVED COOPERATION OF FRANCE". ON FRENCH HOSTAGES IN LEBANON, THE PM USED HARD WORDS, SAYING "I HAVE NO INTENTION TO NEGOTIATE AND I HAVE NOT NEGOTIATED (AWAY) THE INTERESTS OF FRANCE IN ANY WAY..." HE ADDED THAT, ON THE OTHER HAND, IT WAS PERFECTLY IN FRANCE'S INTEREST TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS WITH IRAN, WHICH COULD HAVE AN INFLUENCE ON THE HOSTAGE SITUATION

JUSTICE MINISTER ADDS A WORD

3. (U) IN ANOTHER PRESS CONFERENCE, THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE CHALANDON SHARPENED THE PM'S LINE ON TERRORISM. "IF WE WANT TO FIGHT TERRORISM, UNITY IS STRENGTH (THUS) THE GOVERNMENT HAS CHOSEN COOPERATION WITH SPAIN." CHALANDON TOOK ANOTHER ANGLE ON THE TERRORIST PROBLEM WITHIN FRANCE, INSINUATING THAT CRITICISM OF THE POLICE BY FRENCH PRESS (AFTER THE RECENT KILLING OF AN UNARMED MAN BY A GENDARME), ENCOURAGED THE BOMBING OF THE PARIS POLICE HEADQUARTERS, FOR WHICH DIRECT ACTION HAS CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY. (COMMENT: CHALANDON'S CRITICISM OF THE FRENCH MEDIA ECHOED EARLIER REMARKS BY INTERIOR MINISTER PASQUA).

# ARMENIANS TO BE EXPELLED

4. (N) IN ANOTHER MOVE AIMED AT SHOWING GOVERNMENT ACTION AGAINST TERRORISM, THE GOF ANNOUNCED THAT IT WAS EXPELLING THREE ARMENIAN ASALA TERRORISTS WHO WERE SERVING SEVEN-YEAR TERMS FOR THE 1981 TAKING OF HOSTAGES AND KILLING OF AN EMBASSY GUARD AT THE

TURKISH CONSULATE IN PARIS. WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT DESPITE THE POSITIVE HEADLINES, THE 7 YEAR SENTENCES OF THE ARMENIANS HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY THE GOF AND IF NO COUNTRY ACCEPTS THEM (LEBANON HAS ALREADY REFUSED) THEY WILL BE ASSIGNED A RESIDENCE IN FRANCE.

5. (c) comment: these terrorism-related statements

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AND MOVES COME AMID GROWING CONCERN OVER TERRORISM AND INSECURITY IN FRANCE, HEIGHTENED BY THE RECENT ACTION DIRECT CLAIMED BOMBINGS IN FRONT OF THE OECD HEADQUARTERS HERE AND INSIDE A PARIS POLICE HEADQUARTERS. THE GOF HAS ALSO BEEN UNDER SHARP \*\* END OF CABLE \*\*

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CRITICISM FOR RECENT POLICE BLUNDERS. THE USG'S BLAST ON THE LENIENT ABDALLAH VERDICT IN LYON ADDED TO THE IMPRESSION THAT THE GOVERNMENT WAS NOT MATCHING ITS EARLIER VIGOROUS RHETORIC. MAKING HARD LINE NOISES ABOUT BASQUE AND ARMENIAN TERRORISTS WHILE TRYING TO SHIFT PART OF THE BLAME TO THE FRENCH PRESS YIELDS SOME USEFUL HEADLINES FOR CHIRAC. THIS MINI-OFFENSIVE EVEN INCLUDES A QUICKLY ORGANIZED ANTI-DRUG SWEEP BY THE POLICE. AS ONE SENIOR OFFICIAL IN THE INTERIOR MINISTRY PUT IT WE NEED SOME GOOD "COUPS" TO SHORE US UP. WHETHER OR NOT THIS TOUGHNESS WILL CARRY OVER INTO A TOUGH POLICY ON FRENCH HOSTAGES IN LEBANON REMAINS FAR FROM CERTAIN. RODGERS \*\* END OF CABLE \*\*

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SUBJECT: US-FRENCH EXCHANGES ON HOSTAGES AND SYRIA

A) PARIS 30932, B) STATE 220876

SECRET - ENTIRE TEXT.

- 2. EMBOFF RAISED PROPOSAL OF U.S. TEAM'S COMING TO PARIS FOR TALKS ON HOSTAGES AND SYRIAN/MIDDLE EAST TERRORISM WITH QUAI HOSTAGE COORDINATOR DIDIER DESTREMAUD (JULY 16), AND WITH NEA DIRECTOR MARC BONNEFOUS (JULY 17).
- IN SPITE OF HIS ENTHUSIASM OF THREE WEEKS AGO FOR THE IDEA OF EXCHANGES ON THESE TOPICS, DESTREMAUD EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ON THE SUBJECT OF A TEAM VISIT PER SE, FOR TWO REASONS: A) FEARS OF A PRESS LEAK OUT OF WASHINGTON WHICH COULD DERAIL ONGOING TALKS WITH THE IRANIANS; B) VACATION PLANS OF FRENCH OFFICIALS. DESTREMAUD ALSO GAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT NEGOTIATIONS FOR FURTHER HOSTAGE RELEASES WERE GOING WELL, AND THAT THE FRENCH WERE MORE OR LESS INCLINED TO DO THEIR OWN THING, WHILE CONTINUING QUIET EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION BETWEEN EMBASSY PARIS AND THE QUAI.
- NEVERTHELESS, BONNEFOUS, WHO HAD BEEN BRIEFED IN ADVANCE BY DESTREMAUD, SEEMED PLEASED BY THE IDEA, AND INVITES APRIL GLASPIE TO COME TO PARIS AT HER CONVENIENCE. HIS ONLY COMMENT ON SUBSTANCE WAS TO EXPRESS HOPE THAT LIBYA WOULD BE AMONG THE TOPICS DISCUSSED. HE NOTED THAT HE IS LEAVING HIS POSITION PERMANENTLY ON JULY 18, FIRST ON VACATION, AND THEN TO ASSUME POSITION OF DEPUTY SYG OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. BUT HE SAID THAT HIS DEPUTY AND BUREAU ACTING DIRECTOR JEAN-LOUIS LUCET WOULD SURELY BE PLEASED TO CONDUCT TALKS WITH STATE/EMBASSY TEAM. LUCET, HE SAID, RETURN FROM VACATION ON JULY 21 AND WILL ADDRESS POSSIBLE DATES AT THAT TIME. WE WILL FOLLOW UP WITH LUCET ON JULY 21.

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5. BONNEFOUS STRESSED THAT THE QUAI WOULD PREFER THAT ITS DISCUSSIONS BE CONDUCTED SEPARATELY FROM SIRO/DGST TALKS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THESE LATTER DISCUSSIONS ARE IN THE WORKS FOR JULY 23. WE RECOMMEND, HOWEVER, THAT GLASPIE STICK TO HER ORIGINAL PLAN OF AIMING AT THE LAST WEEK IN JULY SINCE, INTER ALIA, WINN WILL BE OUT OF PARIS WITH HIS PARENTS ON JULY 21 AND 22, AND 24-25. (WINN WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE 23RD, HOWEVER)

6. COMMENT: DESTREMAUD'S OFF-THE-CUFF REMARKS ARE USEFUL AS INDICATIONS OF THE CURRENT FRENCH MINDSET. BONNEFOUS' INVITATION, HOWEVER, SPEAKS FOR ITSELF BY GIVING THE GREEN LIGHT. OUR ONLY RESERVATION WOULD BE THE FACT THAT LUCET, WHILE AN AGREEABLE AND KNOWLEDGEABLE INTERLOCUTOR (WHO SPEAKS PERFECT ENGLISH), HAS TRADITIONALLY DISAVOWED ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THE HOSTAGE SITUATION. NEVERTHELESS, AS A PAST NEGOTIATOR WITH THE IRANIANS, AND ARMED WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY BLESSING, HE COULD BE FORTHCOMING IF HE WISHES. DESTREMAUD, IN ANY CASE, IS ALWAYS CANDID AND WOULD BE FLATTERED TO RECEIVE A STATE VISITOR. RODGERS UNQUOTE SHULTZ

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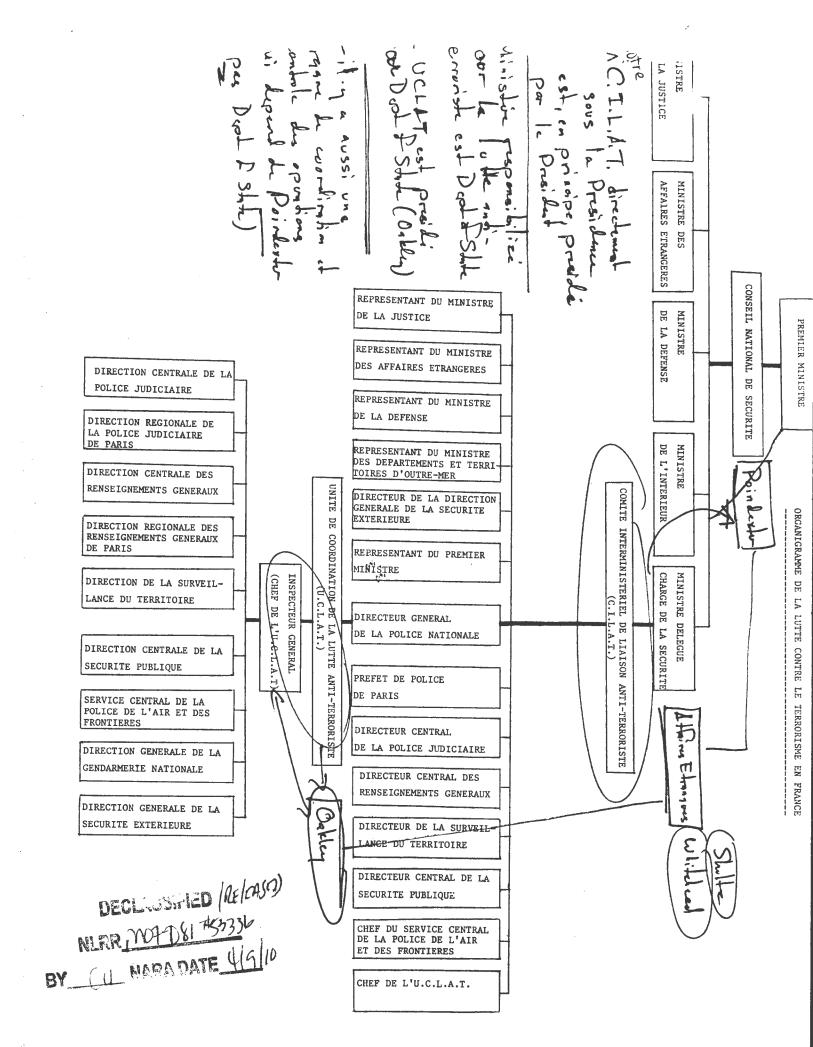
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