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REF: BERLIN'S 805 TO BONN

SUBJECT: VISITS TO EAST BERLIN

1. TRIPARTITE MEETING HELD THIS MORNING TO DISCUSS SENAT PROPOSAL FOR EXTENSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISITS TO EAST BERLIN. FOLLOWING AGREEMENT EMERGED:

A) IT WOULD BE UNFORTUNATE FOR SENAT TO ENTER SUCH NEGOTIATIONS UNDER PRESSURE OF SELF-IMPOSED TIME LIMIT.

B) UNDESIRABLE TO POSE ALLIED OBJECTIONS TO THE TIMING OF THE TALKS IN A WAY THAT COULD BE CONSTRUED AS ALLIED PREVENTION OF FURTHER TALKS OR CONTACTS BETWEEN EAST AND WEST.

C) FRENCH AMBASSADOR WOULD TRY TO TALK WITH WESTRICK TODAY AND INDICATE ALLIES OFFICIALLY INFORMED OF SENAT PROPOSAL AND THAT EMBASSIES ASSUME THEY WILL BE CONSLUTED BY FEDREP PRIOR TO FRG RESPONSE TO SENAT.

D) EMBASSIES BELIEVE THAT PROPOSAL AS OUTLINED REFTEL GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE SUBJECT TO CLARIFICATION OF THE DETAILS OF POINT IIF. WOULD WANT TO KNOW WHETHER THIS WOULD MEAN CONTINUING EAST GERMAN PRESENCE IN WEST BERLIN POST OFFICES.

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E) ALLIED KOMMANDATURA SHOULD NOTIFY SENAT THAT LATTER IS RELIED ON NOT TO ACT PRIOR TO RECEIPT OF ALLIED VIEWS. IN VIEW OF UNCERTAINTY OF RECEIPT OF FINAL VIEWS FROM GOVERNMENTS PRIOR TO 9 A.M. JANUARY 2, SENAT WOULD BE WELL ADVISED NOT TO SET A FIRM TIME FOR MEETING WITH EAST GERMANS.

2. DURING DISCUSSIONS, BRITISH INDICATED THEY COULD PROVE SENAT PROPOSAL WITHOUT FURTHER REFERENCE TO LONDON. FRENCH STATED PARIS BELIEF THAT CONSULTATION IN BONN SHOULD BE CONFINED TO QUADRIPARTITE FORUM AND NOT INCLUDE BERLIN SENAT.

3. IN THIS CONNECTION, IN ABSENCE GERMAN PRESS TODAY, UPI STORY FROM BERLIN IN STARS AND STRIPES REPORTS CHANCELLOR ERHARD AS RELAYING AMERICAN WARNING TO GO SLOW IN DEALINGS WITH EAST GERMANS; THAT U.S. SEES HIDDEN DANGERS THAT FURTHER TALKS COULD STRENGTHEN COMMUNIST ARGUMENT THAT WEST BERLIN IS SEPARATE ENTITY WITH LEGAL TIES TO WEST. AFP CARRIES BERLIN STORY QUOTING SENAT'S REPLY TO EFFECT WEST BERLINERS WOULD NOT UNDERSTAND ALLIED OR FEDERAL OBJECTIONS.

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