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TO IMMEDIATE FCO

TELNO 340 OF 20 JUNE 1979

INFO IMMEDIATE UKREP BRUSSELS AND ROME

INFO PRIORITY ALL OTHER EEC POSTS.

YOUR TELNOS 182 AND 183 TO BONN : COMMUNITY BUDGET.

OUTWARD

Prime Minister

A warning of what to
look out for in any draft
circulated by the Presidency.

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1. I SENT WAHL THE NEW TEXT FIRST THING THIS MORNING.

2. M(E) SUBSEQUENTLY GAVE COPIES OF THE TEXT TO ACHARD (SGCI) AND TO BOCHET (PAYE'S DEPUTY AT THE QUAI D'ORSAY) WHO WAS WITH ACHARD. IT EMERGED FROM WHAT ACHARD SAID THAT, AT OFFICIAL LEVEL, THE FRENCH STILL HANKERED AFTER DILUTING THE MANDATE TO THE COMMISSION WITH ADDITIONAL REQUESTS FOR FACT-FINDING, FOR EXAMINATION OF THE FUNCTIONING OF THE FINANCIAL MECHANISM AND FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE IMPACT ON BUDGETARY CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE ELIMINATION OF POSITIVE MONETARY COMPENSATION AMOUNTS THROUGH 'AN APPROPRIATE EVOLUTION' OF AGRICULTURAL PRICES IN UNITS OF ACCOUNT.

3. IT IS NOW CLEAR THAT NO FRENCH TEXT WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE BEFORE THE COUNCIL MEETS IN STRASBOURG. IT SEEMS THAT THE FRENCH RECOGNISE THAT PRESIDENT GISCARD (AND WAHL) WOULD BE OPEN TO A CHARGE OF ILL-FAITH IF THEY PUT FORWARD AN UNHELPFUL TEXT OF THEIR OWN, BUT THEY PROBABLY HOPE THAT THE TIDE OF THE DEBATE ON CONVERGENCE WILL EVOKE RESISTANCE FROM OTHER PARTNERS AND SO ENABLE THEM AS PRESIDENCY, RESPONSIBLE FOR COMPROMISE, TO TRY TO WRAP THE SIMPLE LANGUAGE WANTED BY THE UK IN AN ENVELOPE OF UNHELPFUL MATTER.

HIBBERT.

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- ① Kelvin
- ② E.M.S.
- ③ Energy.
- ④ ψ = $\frac{1}{2}mv^2$
= Coulombs
do "
- ⑤ G - type.
- ⑥.