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Sir M Palliser,
Cabinet OfficeFRENCH ARMS SALES (*ref - Mikesand's Tel call*)

1. Mr Arbuthnott, Head of Chancery, Paris, telephoned this evening to say that he had contacted the Secretary-General of the Elysée to inform him of the contents of our telegrams Nos.310 and 311. The Secretary-General is out of Paris.
2. The Embassy had delivered a translation of the text of the letter in telegram No.311 to the Elysée Palace but Mr Arbuthnott did not anticipate their taking any action on the letter until tomorrow morning. He would pursue it with them at that time. I have informed the Duty Officer, No.10 and Sir Michael Palliser.
3. DS11 Duty Officer in the MOD has also been informed. Their interest is that they are making contingency arrangements for an aeroplane to take Sir M Palliser to Paris and an expert on the subject of the arms sales in question is standing by.

M. W. Growcott.

30 May 1982

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