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MY TELNO 1968 AND TELECON BAYNE/THOMAS; FALKLANDS. BILATERAL WITH REAGAN

1. WE EXPLAINED TO THE AMERICANS THAT IT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT FOR THE PRIME MINISTER TO GET TO PARIS FOR A MEETING AT 1500 ON 4 JUNE AND SAID THAT, IF THE PRESIDENT REALLY FELT UNABLE TO MISS THE BOAT TRIP THAT EVENING, THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD LIKE TO INVITE HIM TO BREAKFAST THE FOLLOWING MORNING.

2. STATE DEPARTMENT HAVE NOW TOLD US THAT THE PRESIDENT BELIEVES IT WOULD CAUSE UNACCEPTABLE OFFENCE TO PRESIDENT MITTERRAND IF HE WERE TO MISS THE BOAT TRIP. UNFORTUNATELY, HE IS NOT FREE FOR BREAKFAST THE NEXT MORNING. STATE DEPARTMENT WONDERED WHETHER A MEETING IN PARIS STARTING HALF AN HOUR LATER IE RUNNING FROM 1530 TO 1630 WOULD BE ANY BETTER FROM THE PRIME MINISTER'S POINT OF VIEW.

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