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TO IMMEDIATE PARIS TELNO 271 OF 18 MAY

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MIPT: 30 MAY MANDATE

1. THE FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER TO PRESIDENT MITTERAND. IT SHOULD NOT (NOT) BE DELIVERED UNTIL YOU HAVE RECEIVED CONFIRMATION FROM NUMBER TEN THAT IT HAS BEEN APPROVED.

2. BEGINS. I UNDERSTAND FROM PETER WALKER THAT AN ATTEMPT MAY BE MADE TO TAKE A VOTE ON THE AGRICULTURE PROPOSALS IN THE COUNCIL IN BRUSSELS TODAY, DESPITE THE FACT THAT THE UK HAS MADE IT CLEAR THAT WE WISH THE DISCUSSION TO CONTINUE BECAUSE VERY IMPORTANT NATIONAL INTERESTS ARE AT STAKE. I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT YOU INTEND TO DESTROY THE LUXEMBOURG COMPROMISE BY ALLOWING THIS VOTE TO OCCUR. CLEARLY THE COMPROMISE WOULD NOT SURVIVE ITS ABANDONMENT ON THIS OCCASION. FRANCIS PYM MADE IT CLEAR IN LUXEMBOURG YESTERDAY THAT THE UK IS READY TO NEGOTIATE AN EXTENSION OF THE 30 MAY AGREEMENT TO 1982 AND I ~~AM~~ ^{BELIEVE} ~~CONFIDENT~~ THAT A SOLUTION TO THESE RELATED PROBLEMS ~~WILL~~ ^{CAN} QUICKLY BE FOUND. ~~ENDS.~~

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~~Duty PS~~ No 10 D.S.
Duty Officer - Cabinet Office
(for delivery to Mr Hancock at 0800 today)