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From the Private Secretary

Prime Minister

Enquiries of my friend in

the MOD confirm:

① that Mr. Heseltine did lunch with Bevins;

② that the MOD line is that Mr. Brittan did mislead the House.

③ that the European consortium will unveil an improved offer on Friday. In particular it will have extra cash from GEC;

④ that Mr. Heseltine expects  
the Banks to jump at this  
offer; and

⑤ that if the matter is not  
resolved by 27 December in ~~favor~~  
favor of the European  
consortium, Mr. Heseltine will  
postpone his holiday in Nepal.

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