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TELEGRAM NUMBER 804 OF 31 AUGUST
INFO IMMEDIATE UKREP BRUSSELS, DUBLIN
INFO ROUTINE PARIS

MY TEL NO 800: FITZGERALD/KOHL MEETING

SUMMARY

1. KOHL STUCK TO HIS GUNS ON CHAIRMANSHIP OF SPAAK COMMITTEE AND LINK BETWEEN ENTRY INTO FORCE OF ENLARGEMENT AND INTRODUCTION OF INCREASED OWN RESOURCES.

SPAAK COMMITTEE

2. ACCORDING TO STABREIT OF THE FEDERAL CHANCELLERY NO OFFICIALS WERE PRESENT AT THE MEETING. HE HAS GIVEN ME A SUMMARY ACCOUNT, ACCORDING TO WHICH THE GERMANS FORCEFULLY MAINTAINED THEIR PROPOSAL THAT CARSTENS SHOULD CHAIR THE SPAAK COMMITTEE. THE IRISH WERE VERY NEGATIVE. KOHL AND FITZGERALD AGREED THAT THE FIRST MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE, PLANNED FOR 6 SEPTEMBER, MUST BE POSTPONED AND THAT FOREIGN MINISTERS SHOULD DISCUSS THE QUESTION OF THE CHAIRMANSHIP AGAIN WHEN THEY MEET ON 11 SEPTEMBER.

3. STABREIT SAID THAT THE GERMANS HAD WIND BEFORE THE MEETING OF AN IRISH IDEA THAT DOOGE MIGHT HAVE THE CHAIRMANSHIP UNTIL THE END OF THE IRISH PRESIDENCY AND CARSTENS THEREAFTER. BUT FITZGERALD HAD NOT MENTIONED THIS TO KOHL. NOR HAD THERE BEEN MENTION OF A TWO-TIER CHAIRMANSHIP, SUCH AS TELTSCHIK MENTIONED TO ME ON 29 AUGUST (MY TUR).

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4. STABREIT COULD ONLY TELL ME ONE THING ABOUT THE DISCUSSION OF THIS. KOHL HAD EMPHATICALLY REITERATED TO FITZGERALD THE GERMAN POSITION THAT THE LINK, ESTABLISHED AT STUTTGART AND CONFIRMED AT FONTAINEBLEAU (SIC), BETWEEN ENTRY INTO FORCE OF ENLARGEMENT AND THE INCREASE IN OWN RESOURCES MUST BE MAINTAINED, AND BOTH SHOULD HAPPEN ON 1 JANUARY 1986.

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