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MY TELNO 2650 AND FCO TELNO 509 TO BONN: FRG/SOUTH AFRICA

1 STATE HAVE TOLD US THAT DISCUSSION OF SOUTH AFRICA DURING KOHL'S 21 OCTOBER MEETING WITH SHULTZ WENT WELL. KOHL RAISED HIS IDEAS ONLY IN GENERAL TERMS, SPEAKING OF THE NEED FOR THE WEST TO DO SOMETHING SOON, AND SUGGESTED A PRELIMINARY (AND UNPUBLICISED) MEETING OF US/UK/FRG AFRICA DIRECTORS TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITIES. SHULTZ AND CROCKER HAD READILY AGREED.

2 STATE UNDERSTAND THAT KOHL TOUCHED ONLY BRIEFLY ON SOUTH AFRICA WITH THE PRESIDENT.

3 CROCKER WILL NOW NOT BE LEAVING WASHINGTON UNTIL 29 OCTOBER. ASSUMING OUR OFFER TO HOST A TRILATERAL AFRICA DIRECTORS MEETING STILL STANDS, HE WOULD BE AVAILABLE ON EITHER THE AFTERNOON OF 30 OCTOBER OR 31 OCTOBER (HE WOULD ALSO BE FREE FOR LUNCH ON 30 OCTOBER, IF EG FERGUSSON SAW MERIT IN A BILATERAL SESSION FIRST). KOHL APPARENTLY LEFT THE AMERICANS WITH THE IMPRESSION THAT THE GERMANS COULD BE FLEXIBLE ON THE TIMING FOR SUCH A MEETING; CROCKER EVIDENTLY HOPES WE WILL PUT A FIRM PROPOSAL TO THEM SOON.

4 IF 30/31 OCTOBER ARE IMPOSSIBLE, CROCKER COULD PROBABLY BE IN LONDON ON 6 OR 7 NOVEMBER ON HIS WAY BACK TO THE US.

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