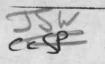
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PRESIDENT MITTERRAND'S MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER

- 1. MOREL (ELYSEE) HAS JUST TELEPHONED ME TO SAY THAT THE PROPOSED DATE OF 20 NOVEMBER FOR A MEETING IS NOW NOT POSSIBLE. MOREL'S HOPE THAT THE TIMINGS OF THE FRANCOPHONE SUMMIT COULD BE JUGGLED AROUND HAVE NOT PROVED REALISABLE. THE PERIOD 19-21 NOVEMBER IS COMPLETELY BLOCKED OFF. HE CONFIRMED THAT WITH 13 NOVEMBER UNAVAILABLE, AS YOU KNOW, AND 15 NOVEMBER BLOCKED OFF FOR THE FRANCO-GERMAN SUMMIT, THE ONLY OPTION NOW WAS FOR YOU AND HIM YET AGAIN TO COMB THROUGH THE DIARY. HE COMMENTED WRILY THAT THE SAME DIFFICULTIES ALWAYS SEEMED TO ARISE.
- 2. MOREL WAS RELUCTANT TO GUESS AT OTHER POSSIBLE OPTIONS IN THE ABSENCE OF A DETAILED EXCHANGE WITH YOU.

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