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AND TO DESKBY 061200Z KUALA LUMPUR, JAKARTA, BANGKOK

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YOUR TELNO 53 TO KUALA LUMPUR: TIN.

1. BELGIAN FINANCE MINISTER, EYSKENS, TOLD ME LAST NIGHT THAT SINCE THE CRUNCH WAS REALLY AT HAND HE WAS NOW PREPARED TO SEEK CLEARANCE FROM HIS COLLEAGUES FOR BELGIAN ACCEPTANCE OF THE ARRANGEMENTS, INVOLVING IN PARTICULAR A BELGIAN CONTRIBUTION OF 90 MILLION BELGIAN FRANCS ON THE STRICT UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE WAS NO FURTHER LIABILITY. THE BELGIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, TINDEMANS, CONFIRMED TO ME SEPARATELY THAT EYSKENS HAD ASSURED HIM HE WOULD PROPOSE THIS AT TODAY'S MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE OF THE BELGIAN CABINET FOR CONFIRMATION BY THE BELGIAN COUNCIL OF MINISTERS TOMORROW.

2. I HAD THESE CONVERSATIONS LAST NIGHT AND OF COURSE WAS NOT AWARE OF TODAY'S DEADLINE REPORTED IN YOUR TUR. I EXPECT THAT THE BELGIAN REPRESENTATIVE AT TODAY'S MEETING IN LONDON WILL HAVE THE NECESSARY DISCRETION BUT YOU WILL NO DOUBT LET ME KNOW IF A FURTHER APPROACH TO BELGIAN MINISTERS COULD EXPEDITE THEIR AGREEMENT.

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