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SUMMARY

1. GERMANS READY TO AGREE ON A PROCEDURAL SOLUTION BUT MAY SEEK WORDING WHICH IN PRACTICE PREJUDICES THE OUTCOME.

DETAIL

2. I CALLED ON STAVENHAGEN. STATE SECRETARY IN THE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE TODAY. TO EMPHASISE THE IMPORTANCE WHICH WE ATTACHED TO ACHIEVING A PROCEDURAL OUTCOME IN DUBLIN ON WHICH ALL 12 MEMBER STATES COULD AGREE. A DECISION TO REMIT THE ISSUES TO FOREIGN MINISTERS FOR STUDY SEEMED BEST. STAVENHAGEN AGREED THAT THE OUTCOME SHOULD BE PROCEDURAL AND THAT THE ISSUE SHOULD BE REMITTED TO FOREIGN MINISTERS. THERE NEED BE NO DISCUSSION OF SUBSTANCE. BUT THE GERMANS WOULD WANT TO POINT THE WAY TO A SECOND IGC ON POLITICAL UNION BEGINNING IN DECEMBER. I SAID THAT MENTIONING A SECOND IGC WOULD IN PRACTICE PREJUDICE THE WORK OF THE FOREIGN MINISTERS. IT WOULD BE BEST TO LEAVE THE MATTER OPEN.

3. COUNSELLOR ECONOMIC TOOK SIMILAR ACTION WITH VON KYAW. AUSWAERTIGES AMT. VON KYAW SAID THAT LIKE US THE GERMANS ENVISAGED A PROCEDURAL DECISION AT DUBLIN. BUT A CALL ON THE FOREIGN MINISTERS TO EXAMINE THE ISSUES AND REPORT TO THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL IN DECEMBER WAS NOT ENOUGH. THERE WOULD HAVE TO BE AT LEAST AN INTERIM REPORT TO THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL IN JUNE AND FOREIGN MINISTERS SHOULD REPORT TO THE DECEMBER EUROPEAN COUNCIL 'IN ORDER TO ENABLE THE COUNCIL TO TAKE A DECISION'. HOWEVER THEY HAD NOT YET DRAFTED PRECISE LANGUAGE. COUNSELLOR ECONOMIC SAID THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER NOT TO PRE-JUDGE WHETHER THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL SHOULD TAKE A DECISION IN DECEMBER. VON KYAW SAID THEY WOULD REFLECT FURTHER.

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