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RECEIVED YOUR MEMO OF 21 MAY ON THE AMIS DE LA POLOGNE ON RETURN FROM ROME THIS MORNING; AM REPLYING BY CABLE IN CASE THE GROUP ARRIVES WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

RFE'S POLISH BROADCASTING DEPARTMENT AND OUR PARIS BUREAU ASSURE ME THAT THESE PEOPLE ARE HIGHLY RESPECTED IN FRANCE AND DO INDEED HAVE THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT'S BACKING AS DELGADO SAYS. ZBIGNIEW RAPACKI IS OF POLISH BLOOD BUT WORKS AS A CIVIL SERVANT IN THE FRENCH PARLIAMENT. HE ACTS AS SECRETARY AND ADVISER TO THE GROUP. THE POLITICAL LINE OF THE AMIS DE LA POLOGNE IS SOPHISTICATED. THEIR DECLARATION CONCERNING THE ODER NEISSE WAS BROADCAST BY RFE THIS WINTER. METZ KNOWS RAPACKI AND MINTON SPENT AN HOUR WITH HIM LAST JULY. GENERAL BILLOTTE SPOKE AT THE ACEN'S PARIS SESSION LAST FALL. WE THEREFORE BELIEVE THAT ANYTHING FEC CAN DO TO HELP THESE GENTLEMEN DURING THEIR VISIT WILL BE MOST USEFUL. PARENTHETICALLY ADAM RUDZKI OF GEORGE MINDEN'S STAFF IS A FRIEND OF RAPACKI'S AND WILL NO DOUBT BE SEEING HIM. REGARDS.

END MSG