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MUNICH

OUTGOING CIPHER MESSAGE

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TO: KAUFMANN COPY MOFFAT PETZALL
FM: OTT COPY ESTEN KINGSLEY HANMER FISCHER

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RE NYC 43 AND IN CONNECTION WITH YOUR SCHEDULED MEETING MENTIONED IN NYC 33 AND LETTER OF BURCH QUOTED IN THE LATTER, I WANT TO BE SURE YOU KNOW THAT I WISH TO EXERCISE FINAL POWER OF APPROVAL AND THAT I AM WAITING FOR YOUR RECOMMENDATION IN DUE COURSE.

I AM ASKING ESTEND TO SEND YOU A COPY OF HIS MEMORANDUM TO ME OF 9 FEBRUARY SO YOU CAN HAVE THE BENEFIT OF HIS VIEWS.

WE HAVE SOME UNOFFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TO THE EFFECT THAT PRESS WIRE WILL BE IMPROVING ITS EQUIPMENT SO AS TO ACCOMMODATE 100 WORDS PER MINUTE TELETYPE OPERATION. THIS WOULD BE A REAL ADVANTAGE TO US AND IS IN LINE WITH IMPROVMENTS WE HAVE BEEN WORKING TOWARD IN OUR OWN EQUIPMENT. IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE I THINK FOR YOU TO INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBILITY OR THE LIKELIHOOD OF SUCH AN IMPROVEMENT IN FACILITIES OFFERED TO US BOTH BY PRESS WIRE AND BY UPI.

WE SHOULD NOT EVEN AT THIS LATE DATE DO ANYTHING IN HASTE BUT HANMER'S MESSAGE MUN 46 TO SALERNO POINTS UP A REASON FOR TRYING TO ARRIVE AT A FINAL DECISION SO AS TO CUT OFF ONE OF TWO DUPLICATING SERVICES BY THE END OF FEBRUARY. WE SHOULD NOT BE STAMPEDED BY THIS PRESSURE BUT LET US MOVE WITH ALL DELIBERATE SPEED.

END MSG