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TO SMITH  
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REF. MUN 57. I KNEW THAT BURKS WAS GOING TO TALK TO TIMS ET. AL. AND APPROVED OF THIS INCLUDING EXPOSING THEM TO HIS POINT OF VIEW ON THE PARTISANS. I MADE IT CLEAR THAT IT IN NO SENSE SHOULD BE A NEGOTIATION BUT SIMPLY AN EXPLORATION AND I HAVE NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT MY INSTRUCTIONS WERE NOT FOLLOWED.

I THINK BURKS' ARGUMENTS AS REPORTED BY HIM WERE PRETTY WELL STATED AND WILL CAUSE US NO TROUBLE.

ON THE OTHER HAND, OF COURSE THIS ALL HAS TO BE SETTLED AT A FAR HIGHER LEVEL AND HIS RECOMMENDATIONS BASED ON JUNIOR LEVELS DO NOT APPEAL TO ME EITHER.

OUR STRATEGY IS AS PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED TO YOU. A CABLE HAS GONE OUT YESTERDAY REQUESTING PROMPT REPOSE FROM THE FIELD RE. THE MUNICH REPORT.

I AM LEAVING INSTRUCTIONS THAT THE MATTER OF "LIFTING THE CORNER" SHOULD BE APPEALED NO LATER THAN TUESDAY. THEREAFTER, WE WILL TAKE THE REMAINDER OF THE MATTER UP WITH HIGHEST LEVEL IN A VERY (MORE)

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CAREFUL WAY SO AS TO BE AS SURE AS POSSIBLE TO ESTABLISH THE PRINCIPLE WHICH IS SO EXTREMELY IMPORTANT.

END MSG