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Bonn telegrams 4023, June 23 and 75, RPTD Paris 12, Rio 1, July 9.

Basis data submitted Bonn telegram 4023, AEC believes gas centrifuges will
each have capacity many times in excess of 1 MG per 24 hours. They
seem, therefore, subject to AHC Law 22, Article I, paragraph 1-B which prohibits,
repeat prohibits, facilities with a yield potential in excess of 1 MG per 24 hours.
Thus, on legal basis alone, appears this equipment can not be constructed in
Germany.

If HICOG, French, and British nevertheless wish consider methods taking
favorable action this application, Department should be informed so that consider-
ation may be given to substantive aspects of problem.

Today, informed Rio Branco, Brazilian Embassy, de Paiva having left Washington
(Rio telegram 41, July 13), that AEC finds that gas centrifuges, in which Admiral
Alberto expressed interest to Ambassador Conant, have separation capacity sub-
stantially in excess 1 MG per 24 hours and thus, their construction in FED REP
is prohibited by applicable law.

Showed Rio Branco copy of AHC Law 22. Pointed out that US finding requires
British and French confirmation in HICOG. Expressed hope that, in view background,
against which Alberto's request must be considered, Brazilian Government would understand if response Admiral's request was delayed or unfavorable.

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