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SUBJECT: US-FRG NUCLEAR CONSULTATIONS ARRANGEMENTS

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1. WE WILL BE GLAD TO CARRY OUT INSTRUCTIONS IN THE REFTEL. HOWEVER, BEFORE DOING THIS IT SEEMS TO US THAT AN EVEN MORE IMPORTANT MATTER NEEDS TO BE TAKEN CARE OF: I.E. REAFFIRMATION THAT THE NEW GERMAN GOVERNMENT SUBSCRIBES TO THE CONSULTATION ARRANGEMENTS JUST AS FROM OUR SIDE THE ARRANGEMENTS WERE RE-AFFIRMED BY PRESIDENT NIXON DURING THE KIESINGER VISIT LAST SUMMER.

2. WE THEREFORE SUGGEST THAT WE FIRST BE INSTRUCTED TO TAKE UP THIS MATTER. IN THE COURSE OF DOING SO WE CAN MAKE THE POINTS IN THE REFTEL.

3. IT MAY OF COURSE BE THAT THERE ALREADY HAS BEEN SOME KIND OF REAFFIRMATION OF THE BASIC ARRANGEMENT WITH THE BRANDT GOVERNMENT, ALTHOUGH WE ARE NOT AWARE OF IT.
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