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SUMMARY OF TELEGRAMS

AUSTRIA The French Foreign Office agrees with us that the issue of an Austrian treaty should be kept alive, but it would prefer to have this matter held over until the result of the present negotiations on Berlin is known. At that time the Austrian question might be placed on the agenda of any scheduled GPM meeting or might again be referred to the GPM deputies.

GERMANY The Soviet Commandant in Berlin has replied to the protest delivered by the US Commandant concerning the demonstrations held in the city assembly on September 6, flatly denying our charges and rejecting our protest. The answer evades certain specific questions raised by the US Commandant, but implies that in the future the safety even of American personnel will not be guaranteed in the Soviet sector.

ITALY The British Foreign Office has informed Embassy London that the UK is now determined to present to this year's General Assembly the proposal for a British trusteeship over Cyprus. Despite an awareness of considerable unfavorable sentiment among Assembly members, the British do not agree with us that their chances will be better in the next regular GA session.

INDONESIA We are authorizing our Consul General in Batavia, at his discretion, to inform the Indonesian President that (1) we will in every practical way assist the democratic non-Communist government of Indonesia to resist Communist tyranny, (2) we believe the stability of his regime can best be assured through the acceptance by both the Dutch and the Indonesians of just principles for a settlement of their dispute, and (3) we will support the extension of financial assistance in which all the states of a peaceful Indonesian federation would share.