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SPECIAL INFORMATION FOR THE PRESIDENT

These current developments in foreign affairs may be of interest to you:

PLANNING FOR GERMAN OCCUPATION. During a meeting of the U.S. group of the Control Council for Germany, General McSherry's criticisms of the basic plan for this group were discussed and agreement was reached. General McSherry withdrew some of his criticisms of the basic plan, particularly the point that the U.S. group should not go into the question of zoning administration but should confine itself in the Control Council to central German agencies. It is reported that the British are concerned over possibility that Russians may overrun North Sea ports. British are considering proposing arrangement under which Russians would agree to retire to their zone before formal entry into effect of protocol on zones.

CONVERSATION BETWEEN WAR REFUGEE BOARD REPRESENTATIVE AND GERMAN OFFICIAL. War Refugee Board representative in Stockholm has received proposal from German Foreign Office official to "humanize" warfare and protect civilian populations in return for promise that Germany would permit all Jews to leave Germany.

STATEMENT BY MIKOLAJCZYK. Schoenfeld has discussed with Sir Orme Sargent the possibility of a statement by Mikolajczyk accepting the Crimea agreement as a basis for discussion. Sargent is apparently unwilling to bring pressure to bear on Mikolajczyk and considers the conditions laid down by the latter to be quite reasonable. However, Sargent will discuss the matter with Eden. Schoenfeld asks whether he should make a separate approach if Eden does not approve.

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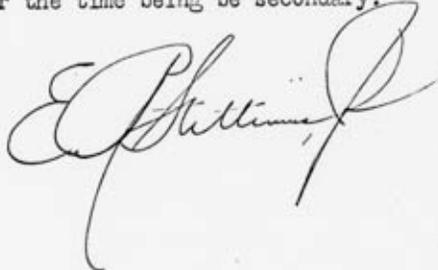
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IRISH POSITION ON AIR AGREEMENTS. The Irish Foreign Office has informed Gray that Parliamentary approval will be sought for the interim agreement on international civil aviation and the convention on international civil aviation. However, the Irish consider that the bilateral air transport service agreement covered by the February 3 exchange of notes at Washington has been fully in effect since February 15.

EUROPEAN INLAND TRANSPORT ORGANIZATION. The American, British and French Ambassadors at Moscow have formally proposed to the Soviet Government that the EITO conference be reconvened at once without Polish participation. It will be recalled that this conference broke down because of Russian insistence upon Lublin rather than London representation.

CHINESE DEVELOPMENTS. Chungking has learned that the Chinese have abandoned their plan to propose a treaty with the Soviet Union and have also abandoned for the time being the proposal to send Soong to Moscow before the San Francisco conference. The Embassy considers that Sinkiang developments reveal a definite Moscow decision to achieve a preponderant influence in that area. Methods may, however, be devious and the question of sovereignty may for the time being be secondary.



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