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YRTELNO 289 AND TELCON RICHARDSON/WALL, ECD(1): PREPARATIONS
FOR THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL.

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1. WE WERE FINALLY ABLE TO SPEAK TO FONTANA GIUSTI (RN)
17 JUNE: RUGGIERO CANNOT SEE ME UNTIL 19 JUNE WHEN IT WILL GO
OVER THE GROUND FOR MILAN.

2. FONTANA GIUSTI SAID THAT THE PRESIDENCY WAS NOW REFLECTING
ON WHAT HAD BEEN SAID AT STRESA IN ORDER TO DRAW UP TENTATIVE
DRAFT CONCLUSIONS ON INSTITUTIONAL MATTERS AT MILAN. HE CONFIRMED
THAT ANDREOTTI SAW ATTRACTION IN THE IDEA OF TURNING THE LUX-
EMBOURG EUROPEAN COUNCIL INTO AN INTER-GOVERNMENTAL CONFERENCE,
AND HE HAD SAID AS MUCH AT A CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT FOREIGN
AFFAIRS SEMINAR IN FLORENCE OVER THE WEEKEND ATTENDED BY A
MEMBER OF MY STAFF. BUT IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO GIVE THE BUILD-UP
TO THAT MEETING AS MUCH SHAPE AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THE
POLITICAL IMPACT WHICH WAS NOW EXPECTED. HENCE THE ITALIAN
SUGGESTION THAT FOREIGN MINISTERS SHOULD BE CHARGED WITH PREP-
ARATION FOR IT, AFTER MILAN, REMITTING WORK TO SENIOR OFFICIALS
AS NECESSARY, WHO WOULD REPORT BACK TO FOREIGN MINISTERS BEFORE
THE LATTER PRESENTED THE FRUITS OF THEIR WORK TO THE CONFERENCE/
EUROPEAN COUNCIL IN EARLY DECEMBER. WHETHER THIS WOULD RUN WOULD
DEPEND ON THE ATTITUDE OF THE OTHER MEMBERS STATES. THE PRESI-
DENCY NOW AWAITS A MEMORANDUM FROM THE FRENCH PROMISED AT THE
FRANCO/ITALIAN SUMMIT LAST WEEK (REPORTED SEPARATELY).

3. AS TO OTHER ISSUES FOR MILAN, THE ITALIANS LIKED OUR DRAFT
ON POLITICAL COOPERATION, BUT THOUGHT THAT IN CERTAIN RESPECTS IT
COULD GO FURTHER, EG ON JOINT ACTION IN THIRD COUNTRIES. ANDREOTTI
SAID IN FLORENCE THAT HE DID NOT DISAGREE WITH ITS INSTITUTIONALIS-
TION PROVIDED THAT THIS DID NOT MAKE IT LESS EFFICIENT. FONTANA GIUSTI
HAD NOTHING NEW TO SAY ON DECISION MAKING OR THE POWERS OF THE
PARLIAMENT.

4. FCO PSE PASS SAVING ADDRESSEES.

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