

MEMORANDUM

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TO: RN
FROM: HARLOW

Bob Murphy felt you should know that the President, on the evening of November 23, sent "on his own" a very friendly personal message to General DeGaulle -- the idea being that a national leader is "all alone" in reaching a great decision such as DeGaulle's on the current monetary crisis.

Bob believes that when this message becomes public, as would seem to be fairly predictable, it will be probably construed in a number of complicated ways, particularly by the Germans.