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Daily Situation Report.

President DE GAULLE was the first foreign chief of state to [decide to] participate personally in KENNEDY's funeral, (B val conveyed) good will to the American public through the meeting with the new President JOHNSON, and has decided to visit America in the spring of next year, etc., and the relationship of both countries, which has been estranged, has taken a favorable turn.

However, it is observed that JOHNSON's statement on 27 November saying he will follow KENNEDY's foreign policy, dampened the above expectations.

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