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ZIPPER

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1. REPORTS THAT ZIPPER TAKEOVER BY FEDREP WAS TO BE BROUGHT BEFORE CABINET FOR APPROVAL ON 1 APR BUT HAS NOW BEEN STRICKEN FROM AGENDA AS RESULT OBJECTIONS BY SCHAEFFER AND STRAUSS AND ACTION HAS BEEN INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.

2. BOTH STRAUSS AND SCHAEFFER OBJECTED TO METHOD EMPLOYED BY GLOBKE TO FORCE CABINET'S APPROVAL. ON 29 MARCH ^{HERE} GLOBKE TO D CABINET MEMBERS TAKEOVER HAD BEEN DISCUSSED IN DETAIL WITH CHANCELLOR WHO APPROVED AND THEREFORE NO NEED AGAIN GO INTO DETAILS BEFORE CABINET. GLOBKE'S ATTEMPT GET BLANKET APPROVAL OF CABINET STARTED DISCUSSION DURING WHICH STRAUSS DEMANDED GLOBKE EXPLAIN DETAILS OF TAKEOVER AND GLOBKE'S ROLE IN FUTURE G18. GLOBKE CUT SESSION SHORT BY STATING MATTER WOULD BE STRICKEN FROM AGENDA AT PRESENT AND BROUGHT UP AGAIN AT LATER DATE.

3. STRAUSS TOLD HOTTELET ^{FOR} OF CBS ON 6 APR GLOBKE TRYING HARD FORCE G18 TAKEOVER IN CABINET IN A FORM WHEREBY GLOBKE COULD MAINTAIN KEY BEHIND SCENES POWER POSITION. STRAUSS SEEKING POSITION

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