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MEMORANDUM FOR: DAVID N. PARKER  
FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT *(Signature)*  
SUBJECT: Presidential Telephone Call to  
Prime Minister Trudeau

Prime Minister and Mrs. Trudeau's second child was born on Christmas Day. The background information and talking points at Tab A are forwarded should the President wish to place a telephone call of congratulations to the Canadian Prime Minister.

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RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO: The Honorable Pierre Elliott Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada.

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BY: Henry A. Kissinger

PURPOSE: To congratulate the Prime Minister and Mrs. Trudeau on the birth of their second son, born on Christmas Day.

BACKGROUND: This is the second child born to the Trudeaus -- both on Christmas Day. The first son, Justin Pierre, was born on December 25, 1971. On that occasion you sent the Prime Minister the following message:

"What a special Christmas this has been for you. I know that your countrymen are particularly excited about the arrival of young Justin Pierre since he is the first child born to an incumbent Prime Minister of Canada in over 100 years. You can be sure that your many friends in this country also share your joy at the birth of your first son.

"Mrs. Nixon joins me in extending our warmest congratulations to both of you at this very happy time. All the Trudeaus have our very best wishes for a wonderful 1972."

The second son (seven pounds, nine ounces) has not yet been named. The Canadian Embassy advises that both mother and child are doing well.

Mrs. Trudeau's photo  are at Tab A.

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- TALKING POINTS:
1. We are very, very pleased with the good news that you have a second son.
  2. Mrs. Nixon joins me in extending our warmest congratulations to you and Mrs. Trudeau.
  3. It is truly quite grand that both children have been born on Christmas day; you must be especially proud and pleased.
  4. I trust that Mrs. Trudeau and the new child are doing well.
  5. Please also extend our warm best wishes to young Justin Pierre. It is good that he has a brother to play with.

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