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FROM: BERLIN

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PARIS FOR STOESSEL ONLY

FROM CLAY FOR NORSTAD ONLY

My instructions call for the military to advise and consult with me which seems to be interpreted as a formality. I do not understand our timidity which is slowly destroying the confidence of West Berlin. I insist that no order removing patrols from Steinstuecken be issued without advance consultation with me. I assure you I did not come to Berlin to see our position further eroded with excess timidity and caution, nor to be ignored. If this is to continue, I want to know it now. I shall go into Steinstuecken myself to bring out any refugees there as I am not afraid of escalation.

LIGHTNER

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