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Clare Booth Luce and replacement of troops. Post-war contacts with DDE: wedding of John and Barbara Eisenhower.

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