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 Appointment of an Italian Military Mission to Jugoslavia.

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LAND FORCES SUB COM A.C. (MMA)

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Summary of correspondence up to 15 Dec 45

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- (1) To find out what action H.M.G. has taken
- (2) To refer to the other Comm. meeting tomorrow

MS (17/12)

K. J. 19/12

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(30) 15 Dec 45

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