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tac nukes in such a contingency.

2. I do not need a reply quite so urgently as on many of my other requests to you lately -- early next week should suffice. While I know you will have to put a few of your bright planners on this, I would caution you to hold this subject very closely. Warm regards.