


RADIO FREE EUROPE
MUNICH

OUTGOING CIPHER MESSAGE

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TO: DURKEE INFO YARROW HOVEY DUNNING KAUFMANN REYMAN
FM: WALTER INFO COOK BEDE BERNARD BROWN KOHAK LYON
NOWAK PECHACEK/BELLUS ZAHARIEFF

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RFE DAILY REPORT NO. 211

1. BULGARIA: BTA AND RADIO SOFIA CONTINUE TO GIVE VERY BIASED COVERAGE OF THE VARNA SOCIOLOGISTS' MEETING, AS MENTIONED IN YESTERDAY'S DR. A SAMPLE, FROM RADIO SOFIA LAST NIGHT: "THE ONLY SWEDISH SOCIOLOGIST, HAMMELSTRAND, MADE AN UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO ASCRIBE ALLEGED DOGMATISM TO SOCIALISM. WE SHOULD STRESS, HOWEVER, THAT THE CONCEPT OF THE SPEAKER WAS SUBMITTED TO THOROUGH AND PROFOUND CRITICISM...BY THE PROMINENT SOVIET SCIENTISTS...KONSTANTINOV AND...MITIN. THEIR WORDS WERE RECEIVED WITH STORMY APPLAUSE BY THE MAJORITY OF DELEGATES." IN ADDITION TO OUR PLANS TO USE IN PROGRAMMING SELECTED MATERIALS FROM THE CONGRESS WHICH WE EXPECT TO RECEIVE LATER, WE SHALL ALSO TRY VIA THE NEWS BUREAUS TO CONTACT SOME OF THE PARTICIPANTS (E.G. THE ABOVE-MENTIONED HAMMELSTRAND) AFTER THEY RETURN HOME.

2. CZECHOSLOVAKIA: CETEKA YESTERDAY (DS) REPORTED ON PLANS TO CREATE A NEW ORGANIZATION OF CATHOLIC CLERGYMEN TO BE CALLED "PACEM IN TERRIS," A CLEAR INDICATION OF THE INTENT TO REVIVE THE "PATRIOTIC PRIESTS" MOVEMENT.

3. HUNGARY: THE NEW LONG-TERM HUNGARIAN-FRG ECONOMIC AGREEMENT WAS INITIALED IN BONN YESTERDAY. CF. DE WITT SPECIAL--DS. WE ARE QUERING DE WITT FOR CLARIFICATION CONCERNING THE QUESTIONS OF CREDITS AND FRG IMPORT RESTRICTIONS.

4. POLAND: CF. TODAY'S DGS ON "POLES REAPPRAISE STATE OF THE NATION."

5. RUMANIA: NOTHING.

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6. OTHER: UPI AND "LE MONDE FROM MOSCOW AGREE THAT TOLSTIKOV SUFFERED A DEMOTION IN BEING TRANSFERRED FROM LENINGRAD TO PEKING (CF. YESTERDAY'S DGS).

DYBVIK ITEMS FROM STRASBOURG SENT DS ARE AN INTERESTING DISQUISITION BY THE WEST GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTER, WALTER, SCHEEL, ON THE BENEFITS TO A UNITED EUROPE OF THE MOSCOW TREATY. IN ADDITION SCHEEL STRESSES THAT MOSCOW WILL PERFORCE HAVE EEC AS A NEGOTIATING PARTNER IF IT IS TO ENJOY BILATERAL COOPERATION ON MAJOR ECONOMIC PROJECTS WITH THE FRG. THE MOSCOW TREATY IS ALSO DECLARED AN ECONOMIC BRIDGE TO COMECON AND EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

IN ADDITION TO THE EEC-MOSCOW ASPECT OF THE DISCUSSIONS BEFORE THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE MATERIAL ON BRITISH ENTRY IS OF CONSIDERABLE INTEREST, IN PARTICULAR SCHEEL'S REMARK THAT GREAT BRITAIN "MUST" BE A MEMBER AT THE END OF NEXT YEAR.

ANOTHER ITEM WHICH SEEMS TO CONTRADICT THE CURRECT EAST EUROPEAN AND SOVIET "SOFT" PROPAGANDA LINE ON THE FRG HAS APPEARED IN GDR MEDIA. THIS PARTICULAR ITEM (SENT DS) IS FROM THE AUTHORITY "NEUER WEG" WHICH EXPRESSES SHARP CRITICISM OF THE FRG. THIS ARTICLE SERVES TO CONFIRM OUR FEELING THAT OPPOSITION TO MOSCOW'S "WEST POLITIK" IS NOT CONFINED TO THE "HARDLINERS" AROUND HONECKER AND NORDEN BUT ALSO IS THE VIEW OF ULBRICHT (CF. DR'S NO. 199 AND 208).

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