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RFE DAILY REPORT NO. 30

1. BULGARIA: NOTHING.
 2. CZECHOSLOVAKIA: SEVERAL WESTERN NEWS AGENCIES HAVE REPORTED THAT 26 CS YOUNG PEOPLE, IN JAIL SINCE DECEMBER 1969, WILL STAND TRIAL IN PRAGUE ON MONDAY. THERE HAS BEEN NO OFFICIAL CS ANNOUNCEMENT. A WRAP-UP ITEM COMPILED FOR USE IN OUR NEWSCASTS HAS BEEN SENT DS. WE HAVE LISTED FOR BIO THE UPI/PARIS COVERAGE OF STATEMENT BY EDMUND REHAK OF CAPTIVE NATIONS ASSEMBLY WHICH SUMMARIZES THE ALLEGED PROGRAM OF THE STUDENTS AND THEIR "SOCIALIST REVOLUTIONARY PARTY" FOR OVER-THROWING THE CS REGIME.
 3. HUNGARY: RADIO BUDAPEST REPORTED LAST NIGHT THAT MATYAS RAKOSI DIED YESTERDAY IN A GORKI HOSPITAL "AFTER A LONG AND SERIOUS ILLNESS." THE HUNGARIAN BD WILL BROADCAST A 3-4 MINUTE FACTIAL REVIEW OF HIS CAREER TONIGHT.
 4. POLAND: THE LONG-AWAITED CC PLENUM OPENS TODAY. IN OUR NEWSCASTS AT 2300 AND 2400 LAST NIGHT WE CARRIED AN ITEM, BASED ON REUTER, AFP AND CORRIERE DELLA SERA, TO THE EFFECT THAT REPORTS FROM WARSAW SUGGEST THE PLENUM WILL BEGIN ON SATURDAY. OUR 0500 NEWSCAST TODAY, BASED ON A PAP RELEASE, CARRIED THE OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT. RADIO WARSAW BROUGHT THE NEWS ONLY AT 0600 TODAY. PENDING RECEIPT OF INFORMATION FROM THE PLENUM, THE BDS WILL RELY ON THE FIRST ITEM IN YESTERDAY'S POLISH SR AND PRESS REVIEW FOR PROGRAMMING ON POLISH AFFAIRS. BUCHALLA REPORTS FROM WARSAW IN TODAY'S SDZ THAT THE PLENUM WILL BE HELD IN NATOLIN AND THAT NO SIGNIFICANT PERSONNEL CHANGES WILL TAKE PLACE AT THIS CC SESSION--ALTHOUGH LOGA-SOWINSKI, KOCIOLEK, KRUCZEK AND JEDRYCHOWSKI WILL BE EASED OUT OVER A PERIOD OF TIME. UPI REPORTS THAT LOGA-SOWINSKI AND "ONE OTHER" WILL LEAVE THE PRESIDIUM AT THIS PLENUM. BDS MAY BROADCAST SUCH REPORTS WITH CLEAR ATTRIBUTION.
 5. RUMANIA: NOTHING.
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6. OTHER: THE ANNOUNCEMENT BY RADIO ZAGREB AND TANJUG THAT YUGOSLAVIA AND ALBANIA HAVE AGREED TO RAISE THEIR MISSIONS TO AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL INDICATES THAT BOTH COUNTRIES ARE RECOGNIZING THE PRACTICAL BENEFITS TO BE GAINED FROM A POLICY OF DETENTE. AS A RESULT OF CONCERN FOR THEIR OWN SECURITY SINCE THE SOVIET-LED WARSAW PACT INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, BOTH HAVE TAKEN STEPS IN THE LAST TWO YEARS TO IMPROVE RELATIONS DESPITE EXISTING DIFFERENCES. THE STATEMENT BY MILIKA SUNDIC (DS), RADIO ZAGREB'S COMMENTATOR, THAT GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN ALBANIA AND YUGOSLAVIA "ARE A PRECONDITION FOR OUR INDEPENDENCE AND THE MOST SECURE OBSTACLE TO FOREIGN INTERFERENCE IN OUR INTERNAL AFFAIRS" APPRECIATES THAT NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY IS ONLY STRENGTHENED AS A RESULT OF A POLICY OF DETENTE. IT IS NOT UNLIKELY THAT THERE MIGHT ALSO BE A POSITIVE YUGOSLAV OVERTURE TO BULGARIA IN THE NEAR FUTURE IN VIEW OF SUNDIC'S REMARK THAT "CERTAIN CONTACTS ON THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL" BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES ARE ALSO POSSIBLE.

AFP AND REUTER HAVE REPORTED THAT THE DISSIDENT SOVIET WRITER ANDREI AMALRIK, PRESENTLY SERVING A THREE-YEAR TERM IN A LABOR CAMP FOR HIS ALLEGEDLY ANTI-SOVIET ACTIVITIES, WILL HAVE HIS APPEAL HEARD IN MOSCOW ON 9 FEBRUARY.

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