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1. BULGARIA: NOTHING.

2. CZECHOSLOVAKIA: THERE ARE CONTINUING CRITICISMS OF SECTARIAN BEHAVIOR IN THE CS PARTY. ON OCTOBER 3 MOC IN RUDE PRAVO CRITICIZED WHAT HE EUPHEMISTICALLY DESCRIBED AS THE "IMPATIENT ONES." MORE IMPORTANT, AT A MEETING OF THE REACTIONARY LEFT FRONT ORGANIZATION, CZECH VICE-PREMIER ADAMEC GAVE THE SAME WARNING. ACCORDING TO TANJUG THE LEFT FRONT WILL BE AMALGAMATED WITH THE SOCIALIST ACADEMY, WHICH HAS ALWAYS BEEN CONSIDERED A "NEST OF REFORMERS." IT WILL BE INTERESTING TO SEE WHO WILL CONTROL THE AMALGAMATED BODY. A SUNDAY TIMES REPORT ON THE SITUATION IN PRAGUE (SENT DS) STRESSED HUSAK'S OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE ULTRAS AND POINTS OUT ITS SUCCESSES (CS BD WILL NOT FOR THE PRESENT USE THIS PIECE, ALTHOUGH IT IS CAO FOR OTHER BDS). THE QUESTION IS WHETHER THESE CRITICISMS OF THE ULTRAS ARE PART OF AN OFFENSIVE OR WHETHER THEY ARE A DEFENSIVE REACTION TO ULTRA PRESSURE.

3. HUNGARY: THE MEETING OF PARLIAMENT LASTED FOUR DAYS THIS TIME INSTEAD OF THE USUAL THREE. MINISTER OF JUSTICE KOROM OUTLINED DURING THE LAST SESSION ON SATURDAY THE NEW PLANS FOR ELECTORAL REFORM. THESE WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE HUNGARIAN MEETING ON WEDNESDAY. THEY SEEM TO COMBINE THE VARIOUS PROGRESSIVE FEATURES OUTLINED EARLIER. A PAPER IS ALSO BEING PREPARED ON THE SUBJECT. A RADIO BUDAPEST COMMENTARY FOR HUNGARIANS ABROAD ON OCTOBER 3 CLAIMED THAT THE ECONOMIC "HELP" GIVEN TO HUNGARY BY THE SOVIETS UNDER

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THE NEW ECONOMIC AGREEMENT MEANS FULL SOVIET SUPPORT FOR "THE NEW HUNGARIAN ECONOMIC GUIDANCE SYSTEM AND THEREFORE OF THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE SPECIAL, CHARACTERISTICALLY HUNGARIAN SOCIALIST DEMOCRACY." THIS IS CERTAINLY THE MOST SWEEPING STATEMENT YET BY ANY SOURCE ABOUT THE SOVIET ATTITUDE TOWARD HUNGARIAN DOMESTIC POLICY. IT IS, MOREOVER, CERTAINLY UNUSUAL FOR ANY REFERENCE TO BE MADE TO A "SPECIAL, CHARACTERISTICALLY HUNGARIAN SOCIALIST DEMOCRACY." HUNGARIAN DOMESTIC MEDIA HAVE IN RECENT WEEKS TAKEN PAINS TO POINT OUT THAT THERE IS NO SPECIAL HUNGARIAN MODEL, AND WE ARE INCLINED TO VIEW THIS AS A GAFFE OF THE "HOMELAND RADIO" FOR HUNGARIANS ABROAD.

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4. POLAND: WINIEWICZ AND DUCKWITZ BEGIN THE SIXTH ROUND OF POLISH-WEST GERMAN TALKS IN BONN TODAY IN AN ATMOSPHERE WHICH IS LESS THAN CLEAR. A USEFUL DPA CURTAIN-RAISER (DS) FROM WARSAW AND BONN AGAIN REFLECTS WHAT SEEMS TO BE A SOMEWHAT MORE RESERVED VIEW OF THE PROGRESS OF THE TALKS ON THE PART OF THE GERMANS THAN THAT OPENLY EXPRESSED FROM WARSAW OF LATE. DPA'S SOURCES IN BONN INDICATE THAT IT IS HOPED THAT THE CURRENT ROUND WILL CREATE A GOOD FOUNDATION FOR THE "ACTUAL TREATY NEGOTIATIONS" WHEN SCHEEL MAKES HIS EXPECTED VISIT TO WARSAW AT THE BEGINNING OF NOVEMBER AND FOR "SMOOTHING THE WAY" FOR INITIALING OF THE TREATY. WHAT IS INTERESTING HERE IS THAT THE IMPRESSION THUS FAR WAS THAT SCHEEL'S VISIT WOULD BE CHIEFLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INITIALING THE TREATY, NOT FOR STARTING NEGOTIATIONS. DPA FROM BONN ALSO REPORTS THAT ONE OF THE PRESENT STUMBLING BLOCKS CONCERNS THE ATTEMPT TO EMBODY A STATEMENT OF GERMAN GUILT FOR WORLD WAR II IN THE PREAMBLE OF THE TREATY, AND GERMAN RESISTANCE THERETO. DAN MORGAN'S REPORT FROM WARSAW IN SATURDAY'S "WASHINGTON POST" SAYS THAT ACCORDING TO SEMI-OFFICIAL SOURCES THERE, THE NET EFFECT OF THE MOSCOW-BONN TREATY HAS BEEN TO MAKE THE FRG LESS INCLINED TO COMPROMISE IN ITS TALKS WITH POLAND-- A POINT WHICH SEEMS PLAUSIBLE. AMONG OTHER THINGS, THIS COULD ACCOUNT FOR A REMARK IN A RADIO WARSAW COMMENTARY BY MIECZYSLAW RAKOWSKI (DS) (THOUGH NOT SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED AS SUCH, WE ASSUME THAT THIS IS THE EDITOR OF "POLITYKA" AND THUS A SPOKESMAN FOR THE VIEWS OF TOP POLITICAL CIRCLES): THAT THERE WERE NO REASONS FOR POLAND TO ABANDON ALREADY ESTABLISHED POSITIONS OR "WHAT HAD ALREADY BEEN ACHIEVED IN CONTACTS HELD THUS FAR." IT WOULD LIKEWISE THROW SOME LIGHT ON RAKOWSKI'S EMPHASIS ON THE SPECIFIC NATURE OF THE POLISH-WEST GERMAN TALKS, WHICH, HE SAID, SHOULD NOT BE COMPARED WITH ANY OTHER TREATIES (I.E., THE BONN-MOSCOW AGREEMENT). ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE COIN, RAKOWSKI APPROVINGLY QUOTED REMARKS MADE BY SCHEEL AT HIS NEW

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YORK PRESS CONFERENCE A WEEK AGO TO THE EFFECT THAT WHILE THE BONN GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZED POLAND'S RIGHT TO LIVE WITHIN SECURE BORDERS AND RECOGNIZED THE ODER-NEISSE LINE AS THE WESTERN POLISH BORDER, THIS BORDER SHOULD BE "CONFIRMED" AT THE PEACE CONFERENCE, IF SUCH IS EVER HELD. THE FACT THAT RAKOWSKI HAS QUOTED, APPARENTLY APPROVINGLY, THE PHRASE "CONFIRMED AT THE PEACE CONFERENCE" POSSIBLY SUGGESTS THAT THE POLES MIGHT VIEW THIS AS AN ACCEPTABLE FORMULA ON THE DIFFICULT BORDER PROBLEM. FINALLY, TODAY'S "TRYBUNA LUDU" CARRIES AN ARTICLE ON THE QUESTION OF EMIGRATION FROM POLAND TO WEST GERMANY (DS). THIS ARTICLE IS INTERESTING FIRST OF ALL BECAUSE OF ITS PUBLICATION ON THE DAY THE TALKS OPEN AND THEN BECAUSE OF THE FORCEFULNESS WITH WHICH IT REITERATES THE FAMILIAR POLISH POSITION ON THIS SUBJECT--THAT ALL THE PROBLEMS INVOLVED HERE FALL WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF POLISH SOVEREIGNTY, AND THAT WHILE THEIR RESOLUTION MIGHT RESULT FROM THE NORMALIZATION OF POLISH-WEST GERMAN RELATIONS, THIS CANNOT BE MADE A PRECONDITION FOR SUCH NORMALIZATION. THIS MAY SUGGEST THAT THIS IS STILL VERY MUCH AN ISSUE IN THE BONN-MOSCOW TALKS AND THAT THE GERMANS (AND HERE ONE COMES BACK TO THE MORGAN PIECE) MAY OF LATE HAVE BEEN TAKING A STRONGER POSITION ON THE QUESTION--WHICH IS OBVIOUSLY ALSO A SENSITIVE ONE IN DOMESTIC FRG POLITICS.

5. RUMANIA: ELECTIONS ARE CURRENTLY TAKING PLACE FOR BASIC PARTY ORGANIZATIONS AND RADIO BUCHAREST TODAY STATES THAT THERE SHOULD BE MORE CANDIDATES THAN PLACES TO FILL. THIS IS AN ENCOURAGING DEVELOPMENT BUT FURTHER COMMENT SHOULD BE RESERVED UNTIL THE METHODS OF IMPLEMENTING THIS EXHORTATION ARE KNOWN. ADN CONFIRMS THAT A RUMANIAN ARMORED UNIT IS TAKING PART IN THE HUGE WARSAW PACT EXERCISES IN EAST GERMANY. IT IS NOT CLEAR WHETHER THIS CONSTITUTES A CHANGE IN RUMANIAN POLICY ON THIS QUESTION. RUMANIAN STATEMENTS IN GENEVA AND AT HOME HAVE DEPLORED THE HOLDING OF MILITARY MANEUVERS ON THE BORDERS OF OTHER STATES BUT IT SEEMS PROBABLE THAT SUCH STATEMENTS REFERRED ONLY TO THE THREATENING KIND OF MANEUVERS HELD BY THE SOVIETS AND THEIR ALLIES BEFORE THE CS INVASION. BUT, EVEN SO, THE PRESENCE OF RUMANIAN TROOPS IN AN EXERCISE IN EAST GERMANY DOES PERHAPS DENOTE A TACTICAL GESTURE OF COOPERATION WITH THE WARSAW PACT WHICH CEAUSESCU THINKS IT POLITIC FOR HIM TO MAKE AT PRESENT.

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6. OTHER: THERE IS STILL A CONSIDERABLE PREOCCUPATION ON THE PART OF THE WORLD WEEKEND PRESS WITH THE POST-NASSER SITUATION IN EGYPT AND THE MIDDLE EAST. THE EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE CC OF THE ARAB SOCIALIST UNION (ASU) SCHEDULED FOR THIS EVENING WILL CLEARLY BE OF IMPORTANCE IN DEALING WITH THE UNSETTLED LEADERSHIP QUESTIONS IN THE ASU AND THE UAR.

PRESIDENT NIXON IN HIS REMARKS TO REPORTERS AT LIMERICK REAFFIRMED AMERICAN INTENTIONS TO GET THE "NEGOTIATING PROCESS STARTED" AND TO SEE TO IT THAT THERE ARE "NO FURTHER VIOLATIONS OF THE CEASEFIRE." HE SAID IMMEDIATE RESUMPTION OF THE JARRING TALKS WAS NOT IN ORDER BECAUSE OF THE INTRODUCTION OF MISSILES INTO THE CEASE FIRE ZONE BUT WARNED BOTH ARABS AND ISRAELIS AGAINST BREAKING THE CEASEFIRE AND CALLED FOR ITS EXTENSION PAST THE 90 DAYS. IN TEL AVIV DAYAN ALSO SUPPORTED AN EXTENSION OF THE CEASEFIRE BUT HE AND EBAN BOTH SAID THAT THE JARRING TALKS WOULD CONTINUE ONLY IF THE MISSILES WHICH HAD BEEN INSTALLED IN THE "MILITARY CEASEFIRE ZONE" WERE WITHDRAWN.

WE HAVE CONSIDERABLE MATERIAL ON THE SIGNIFICANCE OF PRESIDENT NIXON'S VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA. MOST COMPETANT OBSERVERS AGREE THAT IT WAS A TURNING POINT WHICH SIGNALLED SUCCESS FOR THE TRIP AND THAT NOT ONLY WAS IT A PERSONAL TRIUMPH FOR PRESIDENT NIXON BUT ALSO A CLEAR GAIN FOR AMERICAN DIPLOMACY.

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WE HAVE MARKED BIO AN AFP REPORT FROM SO-CALLED "INFORMED CIRCLES" IN BELGRADE THAT KOSYGIN AND BREZHNEV WILL VISIT YUGOSLAVIA SHORTLY. WHILE THIS COULD HAPPEN (BREZHNEV HAS AN OPEN INVITATION TO VISIT TITO), THE SPREADING OF THIS RUMOR IN BELGRADE, POSSIBLY BY PRO-SOVIET CONSERVATIVE FORCES, MIGHT BE AN EFFORT TO UPSTAGE THE NIXON VISIT. IT WOULD SEEM UNLIKELY AT THIS STAGE, WITH TITO BEING ENGAGED IN VISITS TO THE LOW COUNTRIES DURING THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, THAT A VISIT BY B AND K WOULD MATERIALIZE.

THE GAIN OF THE KREISKY SOCIALIST PARTY (SPO) IN THE RUNOFF ELECTION CAME AT THE EXPENSE OF THE CATHOLIC PEOPLE'S PARTY (OVP). THE OVP ALSO LOST THREE SEATS TO THE SPO IN THE TIROL LAND ELECTIONS. THE COMMUNISTS (KPO) FARED WORSE IN THE RUNOFF THAN IN THE ORIGINAL ELECTION. THE KPO'S SHARE OF THE VOTE SANK FROM A MEAGER 1.3 PER CENT TO ONE PERCENT. IN THE TIROL THE KPO RECEIVED ONLY 0.2 PERCENT OF THE VOTE COMPARED WITH 0.42 PERCENT IN 1965.

WE ADVISED THE BD'S TO BROADCAST THE VOLSKY SPECIAL ON ALLENDE AGREEING TO CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEES TO PRESERVE CHILEAN DEMOCRACY. GETTING HIS ASSURANCES ON THE PUBLIC RECORD WILL MAKE IT HARDER FOR HIM TO RENEGE AND WILL MAKE IT EASIER TO EXPOSE HIM IF HE DOES.

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