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RFE DAILY REPORT NO. 125

1. BULGARIA: CZECHOWICZ IS NOW IN BULGARIA AT THE INVITATION OF INTERIOR MINISTER SOLAKOV. AN INTERVIEW WITH HIM IN NARODNA ARMYA SEEMS TO BE ONE OF HIS MOST PATHETIC YET. HE EMERGES AS A CROSS BETWEEN RENAISSANCE MAN AND JOHN BUCHAN HERO. BD WILL AIR A SATIRICAL PROGRAM IN WHICH CZECHOWICZ MEETS THE BULGARIAN COMMUNIST EQUIVALENT OF JAMES BOND, AVAKHUM ZAKHOV. THIS LATTER IS THE HERO OF THE NOVEL BY GULYASHKI "AVAKHUM ZAKHOV AGAINST JAMES BOND," IN WHICH, OF COURSE, FLEMING'S DECADENT HERO IS DESERVEDLY PUT IN HIS PLACE.

2. CZECHOSLOVAKIA: THE NEW ISSUE OF TRIBUNA NOW CONFIRMS PREVIOUS PRIVATE INFORMATION THAT THE CZECH BUREAU HAS BEEN DISBANDED. THE FORMER ORGAN OF THE CZECH BUREAU NOW REFERS TO ITSELF ON ITS MASTHEAD AS THE ORGAN OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY CC. EERA IS PUBLISHING A SHORT PAPER WHICH WILL BE TELEXED.

REUTER AND AFP BOTH REPORT THAT NOVOTNY'S APPEAL FOR PARTY REINSTATEMENT HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL, WITH AFP ADDING THAT BACILEK AND SIROKY ARE ALSO REINSTATED. BD IS USING THE REPORTS WITH CLEAR ATTRIBUTION. WE THINK THE REUTER SPECULATION -- THAT THIS IS ANOTHER COMPROMISE FORCED ON HUSAK -- IS QUITE PLAUSIBLE.

3. HUNGARY: THE HOMELAND RADIO AND MTI YESTERDAY GAVE TANTALISINGLY UNCLEAR DETAILS (SEE ITEM SENT DS) ABOUT A NEW PROTOCOL WHICH APPEAR TO GRANT SOME CONCESSIONS TO THE CHURCH ON THE CRUCIAL QUESTION OF ECCLESIASTICAL APPOINTMENTS. THE MAIN DIFFICULTY -- AS CAN BE SEEN FROM THE MATERIAL SENT -- IS OVER WHAT KIND OF ECCLESIASTICAL APPOINTMENTS WILL BE

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AFFECTED BY THE NEW PROVISIONS. WHEN CLARIFIED THIS SHOULD BE AN ITEM OF INTEREST NOT ONLY TO HUNGARY BUT ALSO TO POLAND AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA. EXCEPT FOR NEWS, HOWEVER, NO REPORTING OR COMMENTING WILL BE DONE UNTIL CLARIFICATION IS FORTHCOMING. WE MAY HAVE TO WAIT FOR RECEIPT OF THE CHURCH PRESS BEFORE WE GET THIS.

EQUALLY UNCLEAR WAS A RADIO BUDAPEST REPORT LAST NIGHT ABOUT A GOVERNMENT DECISION TO REORGANIZE SOME ASPECTS OF THE BANKING SYSTEM. ON THE BASIS OF WHAT WE HAVE IT WOULD SEEM THAT THE NEW MEASURES WILL HAVE A RECENTRALISING TENDENCY PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO THE SYSTEM OF THE GRANTING OF CREDITS TO ENTERPRISES.

ON WEDNESDAY CC SECRETARY ARPAD PULLAI GAVE A LECTURE TO THE PARTY ACADEMY ON YOUTH PROBLEMS. PULLAI DEALT AT SOME LENGTH WITH THE DISCONTENT OF MANY OF THE MORE EDUCATED YOUTH AT THEIR MATERIAL CONDITION AND LIMITED OPPORTUNITIES FOR PROFESSIONAL AND SOCIAL ADVANCEMENT. THERE IS GROWING EVIDENCE OF MORE ASSERTIVENESS FROM THIS STRATUM AND IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT A PARTY ACADEMY LECTURE HAS BEEN DEVOTED TO THE SUBJECT. A FORTHCOMING SIT REP ITEM WILL DISCUSS THE SUBJECT.

4. POLAND: THE COPY OF THE OLSZTYN LOCAL PAPER WHICH FEATURES GIEREK AND MOCZAR IN OLSZTYN HAS ARRIVED, AND TO SAY THAT GIEREK DOMINATES IS PUTTING IT MILDLY. GIEREK ALONE IS FEATURED IN A HUGE BANNER HEADLINE AND HE ALONE IS PICTURED IN SEVERAL PHOTOGRAPHS. MOCZAR GETS THE SMALL PRINT AND THE ONLY PHOTOGRAPH OF HIM IS IN A GROUP OF OFFICIALS. IN THE PHOTOGRAPH, HE LOOKS QUITE WELL AND SEEMS TO HAVE PUT ON WEIGHT. THIS LIMELIGHT GIVEN TO GIEREK WAS CERTAINLY NO ACCIDENT AND STRENGTHENS THE HYPOTHESIS THAT GIEREK, HEARING OF MOCZAR'S TRIP TO OLSZTYN (AN OLD STRONGHOLD OF THE GENERAL) HURRIEDLY WENT ALONG TO DOMINATE THE PROCEEDINGS. STILL ON MOCZAR, LA STAMPA PUBLISHES A REPORT FROM A CORRESPONDENT WHO QUOTES THE PAX LUMINARY, HAGMAJER, FORMERLY KNOWN AS A MOCZAR MAN. HAGMAJER OPINED THAT MOCZAR WOULD NEVER BE FIT FOR ACTIVE POLITICAL LIFE AGAIN. HE PREDICTED THAT HE WOULD CONFINE HIMSELF TO THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF ZBOWID OR THE DIRECTORSHIP OF A INSTITUTE DEALING WITH THE HISTORY OF THE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT. BD IS USING THIS REPORT CAO.

SZYDLAK "MET THE PEOPLE" LAST NIGHT ON POLISH TV IN A QUESTION AND ANSWER PROGRAM WHICH IS DESIGNED TO BECOME A REGULAR FEATURE (SEE MATERIAL SENT DS). SO FAR WE HAVE ONLY FRAGMENTARY INFORMATION ON LAST NIGHT'S PROGRAM FROM PAP AND UPI. IN THE MATERIAL AVAILABLE NOTE SZYDLAK'S CONDITION FOR REAL CHURCH-STATE IMPROVEMENT. THIS WAS AN AUTHORITATIVE REPETITION OF SENTIMENTS PREVIOUSLY EXPRESSED IN THE PAX PRESS AND BY PUBLICISTS LIKE KRASICKI. SZYDLAK'S MOST INTERESTING ANSWER WAS ON THE COMMISSION SET UP TO INVESTIGATE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE BRUTAL REPRESSIONS ON THE COAST. (DS) NOTHING HAD BEEN HEARD ABOUT THIS COMMISSION FOR A LONG TIME. NOTE SZYDLAK'S PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO GDYNIA, WHERE PERHAPS THE WORST SINGLE INCIDENT TOOK PLACE.

5. RUMANIA: THERE IS NOTHING IMPORTANT TO REPORT ON CEAUSESCU IN CHINA.

TODAY'S BD MEETING CONSISTED OF A PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION ON A NEW DRAFT LAW ON ECONOMIC REFORM. THIS LAW WILL BE SUBMITTED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION AND THEN PASSED BY THE GRAND NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. WHAT IT DOES ESSENTIALLY IS TO CODIFY AND CONSOLIDATE -- AND IN SOME PLACES ALTER -- A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF PREVIOUS DECREES AND INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED. THE LAW IS COMPLEX AND AT TIMES UNCLEAR WITH PROGRESSIVE PROVISIONS OFTEN BEING COUNTERBALANCED BY CONSERVATIVE ONES. AN EERA PAPER WILL BE ISSUED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

6. OTHER: NOTHING.

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