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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. 116

1. BULGARIA: NOTHING.

2. CZECHOSLOVAKIA: SEVERAL PRESS ATTACKS ON NOVOTNY ON THE EVE OF THE PARTY CONGRESS SUPPORT SPECULATION THAT THE ERRORS OF THE NOVOTNY ERA WILL BE ONE OF THE OBJECTS OF ATTACK AT THE CONGRESS AND GIVE ADDITIONAL SUBSTANCE TO THOSE RUMORS THAT NOVOTNY MAY BE EXPELLED FROM THE PARTY. IN ADDITION ONE OF THESE ARTICLES (PESLAR IN "TVORBA") LAYS TO REST THE SPECULATION THE CONGRESS MIGHT WITNESS THE SPLITTING OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY INTO CZECH AND SLOVAK PARTIES WHICH WAS CARRIED BY DPA YESTERDAY. PESLAR CONDEMNS THOSE "RIGHT WING" PERSONS WHO IN 1968 SOUGHT TO DIVIDE THE PARTY IN TWO. THIS HE DESCRIBES AS A VIOLATION OF "LENINIST INTERNATIONALISM."

3. HUNGARY: NOTHING.

4. POLAND: FRELEK TRANSFER (CF DS) IS INTERESTING IN THAT HIS NEW POSITION EFFECTIVELY MAKES HIM THE PARTY'S FOREIGN MINISTER AND THEREFORE AN IMPORTANT VOICE IN POLISH FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND A MAN WITH WHOM FOREIGN MINISTER JEDRYCHOWSKI MUST DEAL. ALSO FRELEK'S TRANSFER IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT OPENS UP A POST FOR WHICH IT HAD BEEN RUMORED WARSAW PARTY BOSS KEPA MIGHT BE SLATED. KEPA, A REPUTED MOCZARITE, WOULD THUS BE REMOVED FROM HIS POWERFUL POST AS LEADER OF THE WARSAW PARTY ORGANIZATION AND WOULD BE SHUNTED DOWNWARD TO THE POLITICALLY UNINFLUENTIAL JOB AS DIRECTOR OF THE POLISH INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS. THIS CHANGE HAS BEEN RUMORED IN ARTICLES FROM WARSAW APPEARING IN THE WEST GERMAN PRESS AND FRELEK'S MOVE WOULD APPEAR NOW TO MAKE THE TRANSFER OF KEPA POSSIBLE.

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"POLITYKA" ARTICLE (SENT DS) IS CURIOUS EXAMPLE OF ANXIETY ON THE PART OF EAST EUROPEAN (READ MOSCOW) COMMUNIST LEADERS OVER UAR DEVELOPMENTS AND A WARNING THAT THE "WORKING PEOPLE" OF EGYPT EXPECT SADAT TO CONTINUE NASSER'S POLICIES, ESPECIALLY AS THEY CONCERN RELATIONS WITH THE USSR. MOSCOW IS OBVIOUSLY USING ITS EAST EUROPEAN MOTHPIECES TO CARRY THIS MESSAGE THOUGH NO DOUBT SKACHKOV (IN CHARGE OF SOVIET EXTERNAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS), WHO HAS JUST ARRIVED IN CAIRO, AND AMBASSADOR VINOGRADOV WHO HAS MET OR WILL BE MEETING WITH SADAT HAVE CARRIED SOMETHING OF THE SAME COMMUNICATION.

5. RUMANIA; STATEMENT PUBLISHED IN "LE MONDE" BY TWO RUMANIAN FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICIALS (CF DS) IS A RINGING DECLARATION OF WHAT BUCHAREST HOPES TO DERIVE FROM A CONFERENCE ON EUROPEAN SECURITY; NAMELY MORE SECURITY.

6. OTHER; DESIGNATED ESPECIALLY USEFUL TODAY IS THE INTERVIEW OF AUDREY TOPPING WITH CHOU EN-LAI WHO DISCUSSES THE ORIGINS OF THE SINO-SOVIET SPLIT. CHOU'S DISCLOSURES ARE NOT SURPRISING BUT THEY ARE OFFICIAL.

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