

OUTGOING CIPHER

1972 FEB 21

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

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RFE DAILY REPORT NO. 41 FOR SATURDAY 19 FEB 72

1. BULGARIA: NOTHING.

2. CZECHOSLOVAKIA: THE MOST NOTABLE ASPECTS OF HUSAK'S PLENUM REPORT (AVAILABLE IN SUMMARY FORM) ARE, ACCORDING TO OUR PRELIMINARY IMPRESSIONS: THE PREDICTABLY STRONG STRESS ON PLAN AND WORK DISCIPLINE; THE VAGUE GENERALITIES OF HIS BRIEF REMARKS ON ECONOMIC REFORM, WHICH DID EMPHASIZE THE PRE-EMINENCE OF THE SOVIET MODEL; THE STRESS ON BLOC ECONOMIC INTEGRATION; AND THE RELATIVELY CONCILIATORY STATEMENTS ON THE TECHNICAL INTELLIGENTSIA. THE APPOINTMENTS OF SVOBODA AND ONDRICH TO HEAD CC COMMISSIONS PREVIOUSLY CHAIRED BY INDRA COME AS NO SURPRISE. WHAT IS INTERESTING IS THAT NOTHING WAS SAID ABOUT INDRA'S LEAVING THE SECRETARIAT AS WELL IN VIEW OF HIS ELECTION AS FEDERAL ASSEMBLY CHAIRMAN (THOUGH THE COMMUNIQUE REFERRED TO HIM ONLY AS PRESIDUM MEMBER).

3. HUNGARY: NOTHING.

4. POLAND: THE PAPERS WITH THE LISTS OF SEJM CANDIDATES ARRIVED THIS MORNING. THE FIRST POINT TO EMERGE IS THAT CANDIDATES ARE NOT RPT NOT LISTED IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER. COMMENT ON THE REPLACEMENT OF "TRYBUNA LUDU'S CHIEF EDITOR (SEE DS) WILL FOLLOW IN MONDAY'S DAILY REPORT.

5. RUMANIA: NO WORD YET FROM AGERPRES ON THE SERB CASE. THE COMMUNIQUE ON THE MANESCU VISIT TO AUSTRIA SEEMS ROUTINE.

6. OTHER: NOTHING.

END MSG