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THE POLISH SIT. REP. OF 18 FEB WAS RECEIVED WITH PARTICULAR INTEREST BY RECIPIENTS ON THIS END; HOWEVER CONFLICTING REPORTS FROM OTHER SOURCES PROMPTED THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS WHICH WE PASS ON TO YOU RE. CHURCH-STATE SITUATION:

1. SINCE MEETING BETWEEN GOMULKA AND CARDINAL HAS THERE BEEN ANY INDICATION OF CARDINAL'S OR HIERARCHY'S VIEW OF SITUATION?
2. SINCE MEETING HAS THERE BEEN ANY INDICATION OF A WORSENING OF CHURCH-STATE RELATIONS RE. BIRTH CONTROL AND ABORTION QUESTIONS?
3. SINCE MEETING HAS REGIME BEEN MORE AGGRESSIVE IN COLLECTING TAXES ON CHURCH PROPERTY?
4. SINCE MEETING HAS THERE BEEN ANY NOTICEABLE CHANGE IN STATUS OF PAP?
5. SINCE MEETING HAS THERE BEEN ANYTHING NEW ON STATE'S ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OVER CHURCHES AND SEMINARIES?
6. SINCE MEETING HAS SITUATION OF THE CHURCH IN THE WESTERN TERRITORIES UNDERGONE ANY CHANGE? SPECIFICALLY, HAS THE CHURCH'S JURISDICTION OVER PROPERTIES IN THESE TERRITORIES BEEN FURTHER THREATENED?

REQUEST DOES NOT CALL FOR FULL-SCALE REPORT; RATHER INTEREST EXPRESSED IN QUICK SUMMARY OF ANY RECENT INFO AND YOUR CURRENT EVALUATION OF POSSIBILITIES.

THANKS AND REGARDS

END MSG