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FOLLOWING FROM ENDRST:

ANDREJ NOWALINSKI, THE WARSAW RADIO AND TV CORRESPONDENT AT THE U.N., TODAY VOLUNTEERED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE NIXON VISIT TO POLAND:

HE SAID THAT WHEN THE NEW POLISH AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON, TRAMPCZYNSKI, PRESENTED HIS CREDENTIALS IN MID-MARCH, NIXON RECALLED HIS PREVIOUS VISIT TO WARSAW AND SAID THAT IF INVITED, HE WOULD CONSIDER IT, OR SOMETHING TO THAT EFFECT.

THIS REMARK, ACCORDING TO NOWALINSKI, PROMPTED THE NEW AMBASSADOR TO TAKE IT UP WITH THE GOVERNMENT IN WARSAW. EVENTUALLY, HE RETURNED TO WARSAW TO DISCUSS IT IN PERSON, AND LAST FRIDAY HE RETURNED TO WASHINGTON WITH THE OFFICIAL INVITATION. THE U.S. EMBASSY IN WARSAW HAD BEEN INFORMED SOONER, HOWEVER.

NOWALINSKI, WHO ALSO CASUALLY DROPPED THE NEWS TO ME THAT WALDHEIM WOULD GO TO POLAND IN JUNE, READ INTO THESE TWO VISITS EVIDENCE THAT THE NEW GOVERNMENT IN POLAND "IS FINALLY MOVING AHEAD IN THE FOREIGN POLICY FIELD." HE CHARACTERIZED THE PERSONALITY OF TRAMPCZYNSKI AS THE NEW AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON AS "MARVELOUSLY SUITABLE" TO THE APPARENT NEW TREND IN POLISH-U.S. RELATIONS. HE MENTIONED ESPECIALLY THE AMBASSADOR'S HIGH-CALIBRE WESTERN EDUCATION, AND HIS LONG KNOWLEDGE OF TRADE AFFAIRS AS THE FORMER MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE.

NOWALINSKI SOUGHT TO DOCUMENT HIS THEORY FURTHER BY NOTING THAT NEVER BEFORE DURING HIS STAY IN NEW YORK HAD HE SUCH REQUESTS FROM HIS SUPERIORS IN WARSAW AS TO FILM AN INTERVIEW WITH THE NEW U.S. SECRETARY OF COMMERCE (WHICH WAS SEEN ON WARSAW TV LAST SATURDAY, HE SAID), AND ONE WHICH HE WANTS TO DO WITH U.S. AMBASSADOR GEORGE BUSH ON THE U.N. IN GENERAL, AND THE PROSPECTS OF EUROPEAN SECURITY CONFERENCE IN PARTICULAR.

NOWALINSKI, WHO SAID WAS GOING ON HOME LEAVE NEXT MONTH, REPORTEDLY OFFERED HIS SUPERIORS IN WARSAW TO HELP WITH THE NIXON COVERAGE IN POLAND, BUT WAS TOLD THAT HE WOULD PROBABLY BE REQUIRED TO RETURN TO NEW YORK TO BE ON HAND FOR FILING REACTION TO THE NIXON STAY IN POLAND AS REFLECTED IN THE AMERICAN INFORMATION MEDIA.

HE STARTED THE ENTIRE CONVERSATION WITH A MOCK COMPLAINT SAYING THAT "NOW I HAVE TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO EXPLAIN TO THE POLISH VIEWER THE FACT THAT HIS GOVERNMENT INVITED PRESIDENT NIXON TO VISIT WARSAW ONE DAY AFTER THE UNITED STATES BOMBED HAIPHONG."

NOWALINSKI EXPECTED "A SENSATION" IN POLAND, ESTIMATING THAT AT LEAST 100,000 PEOPLE WILL LINE THE ROUTE FROM THE AIRPORT TO THE CITY.

HE APPEARED SLIGHTLY NUMBED BY THE APPARENT AUDACITY OF GIEREK TO TAKE THIS CHANCE VIS-A-VIS MOSCOW, BUT NOTED THAT AS LONG AS NIXON STOPS IN WARSAW IN CONJUNCTION WITH HIS HISTORIC TRIP TO MOSCOW, THERE COULD BE "NO SERIOUS OBJECTION FROM THE OTHER SIDE."

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