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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. 109

1. BULGARIA: THE BULGARIAN MEETING DISCUSSED THE PRIVILEGES GRANTED TO "ANTI-FASCIST" RESISTANCE FIGHTERS AND THEIR OFFSPRING. A FORTH-COMING ITEM IN THE SIT. REP. WILL DEAL WITH THE SUBSTANCE OF THE PROBLEM.

2. CZECHOSLOVAKIA: NOTHING.

3. HUNGARY: AN ARTICLE BY FOCK WAS PUBLISHED IN PRAVDA SATURDAY AND CARRIED IN NEPSZABADSAG SUNDAY. WE DO NOT HAVE THE FULL TEXT YET BUT IT APPEARS TO BE ANOTHER EFFORT BY AN EMBARRASSED FOCK TO TAKE THE STING OUT OF HIS WELL PUBLICISED REMARKS ON HUNGARIAN-SOVIET ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION.

4. POLAND: AN ARTICLE IN THE LATEST ISSUE OF PRAWO I ZYCIE BY WALICHNOWSKI CONTAINS A LIST OF CONDITIONS WHICH THE FRG MUST FULFILL IF REAL SUBSTANCE IS TO BE GIVEN TO THE TREATY BETWEEN BONN AND WARSAW, ONCE IT IS RATIFIED. SOME OF THE CONDITIONS, SUCH AS MEASURES TO SUPPRESS THE EXPELLEES ASSOCIATIONS, AND CENTERS SUCH AS RFE, CONSTITUTE A GROSS INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC. AS A REPORT BY HEIMRICH IN THE FAZ POINTS OUT, THIS ARTICLE SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN AS THE OFFICIAL VIEWPOINT OF THE POLISH GOVERNMENT. IT APPEARED IN A JOURNAL WELL KNOWN FOR ITS HARD LINE SENTIMENTS AND IS WRITTEN BY AN AUTHOR NOTORIOUS FOR ANTI-SEMITISM. (BOTH THE JOURNAL AND THE AUTHOR WERE SUPPORTERS OF GENERAL MOCZAR.) NEVERTHELESS IT HAS ALREADY BEEN PICKED UP BY WEST GERMAN NEWSPAPERS (DIE WELT AND THE MUNCHNER MERKUR) OPPOSED TO THE EASTERN TREATIES AND MORE MAY STILL BE HEARD OF IT BEFORE THE TREATIES ARE VOTED ON.

NOTE THE ITEMS SENT DS ON THE TWO ARRESTED IN THE GERHARD CASE. THE OFFICIAL EXPLANATION OF THE CRIME SEEMS UNCONVINCING (TO SAY THE LEAST) ON A NUMBER OF POINTS. WHILE IT IS QUITE POSSIBLE THAT THESE TWO MEN COMMITTED THE CRIME, THE QUESTION OF THEIR MOTIVES AND WHO WAS BEHIND THEM REMAINS AN OPEN AND DISTURBING QUESTION.

5. RUMANIA: THE RUMANIAN-EAST GERMAN TREATY CONTAINS NO SURPRISES AND IS VERY SIMILAR (ON FIRST GLANCE) TO RUMANIA'S OTHER TREATIES WITH WARSAW PACT JUNIOR MEMBERS. WE WILL WRAP UP THE WHOLE EPISODE IN THE NEXT SIT. REP.

CEAUSESCU AND A VERY LARGE PARTY LEFT TODAY FOR THE MEETING WITH TITO AT THE IRON GATES.

6. OTHER: NOTHING.

END MSG