

RADIO FREE EUROPE
MUNICH

OUTGOING CIPHER

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MUN 17 14 MUN 72

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. 132

1. BULGARIA: NOTHING.

2. CZECHOSLOVAKIA: NOTHING OF INTEREST WAS REPORTED FROM THE SECOND DAY OF THE TU CONGRESS, MEDIA COVERAGE BEING RESTRICTED TO VERY BRIEF SUMMARIES OF FOREIGN DELEGATE SPEECHES AND TO BARE MENTION OF THE FACT THAT FOUR CONGRESS SECTIONS HAD DISCUSSED THE MAIN PROBLEMS OF TU WORK.

3. HUNGARY: THE PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETS TODAY TO DISCUSS "TOPICAL INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS" AND PROBLEMS CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM.

4. POLAND: AT A RECEPTION IN MUNICH YESTERDAY FOR THE VISITING ZNAK DELEGATION, CARDINAL DOEPFNER STRESSED THAT SETTLEMENT OF THE CHURCH SITUATION IN THE WESTERN TERRITORIES "WOULD TAKE TIME," MADE IT CLEAR THAT THE WEST GERMAN HIERARCHY VIEWED ITSELF AS ONE OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES, AND WENT OUT OF HIS WAY TO PRAISE THE ATTITUDE OF THE EXPELLEES. (DS) IN NO LESS ABRASIVE FASHION, THE ZNAK SPOKESMEN CRITICIZED THE HIGH GERMAN CLERGY FOR FAILING TO SUPPORT ACTIVELY THE NORMALIZATION EFFORT.

5. RUMANIA: NOTHING.

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6. OTHER: THE SINO-SOVIET TRADE AGREEMENT FOR 1972 WAS CONCLUDED IN PEKING YESTERDAY. A CAA PAPER ISSUED THIS MORNING ANALYZES THE RECENT TRENDS OF SINO-SOVIET TRADE AND CONCLUDES THAT THE 1972 FIGURES MAY WELL REMAIN BELOW LAST YEAR'S RUBLES 139 MILLION.

A CURIOUS RADIO BUDAPEST NEWS ITEM OF THIS MORNING QUOTED AN UNIDENTIFIED HONG KONG PAPER AS SAYING THAT THE CHINESE CC HAS HELD AN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION WHICH DISCUSSED THE SUCCESSION PROBLEM. CONSIDERING THE WELL-KNOWN UNRELIABILITY OF HONG KONG MEDIA, RADIO BUDAPEST'S REPORTING ON THIS PROBLEM COULD REFLECT A HIGH AMOUNT OF WISHFUL THINKING.

IN ANOTHER GRUESOME PROTEST AGAINST RUSSIFICATION PROCEDURES IN LITHUANIA A SECOND YOUTH HAS BURNED HIMSELF TO DEATH, THIS TIME IN THE SMALL TOWN OF VARENA ABOUT 50 MILES SOUTH OF VILNIUS. NOT MUCH IS KNOWN ABOUT THE INCIDENT BUT ALL REPORTING SOURCES CONFIRM THE ESSENTIALS OF THE AFFAIR. WHETHER THIS WILL PRECIPITATE ANOTHER RIOT SUCH AS OCCURRED FOLLOWING KALANTA'S SELF-IMMOLATION IN KAUNUS REMAINS TO BE SEEN BUT CLEARLY LITHUANIAN (AND BALTIC) NATIONALISM IS BECOMING A SERIOUS PROBLEM FOR MOSCOW.

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