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RE NYC 91 OF 19 JULY 63:

JERZY WERBLAN

LAST OFFICIAL REFERENCE TO HIM AS HEAD OF THE CC SCIENCE AND EDUCATION DEPARTMENT DATES APRIL 29 (RADIO WARSAW). DURING THE LAST CC PLENUM (EARLY JULY) HE DID NOT SPEAK, BUT THIS DOES NOT INDICATE ANY CHANGE IN HIS POSITION. SIMILARLY, HIS LAST ARTICLE IN "NOWE DROGI" (APPROVED FOR PRINT JUNE 25) PROVIDES NO HINT EITHER WAY, SINCE IT WAS SIGNED BY THE NAME ONLY, AND WERBLAN'S POSITION WAS NOT MENTIONED.

BOTH BEFORE AND AFTER APRIL 29, RFE REPORTS REFERRED TO POSSIBLE REMOVAL AND/OR TRANSFER OF WERBLAN. HE SEEMS TO BE AT ODDS WITH ARTUR STAREWICZ. THERE ARE AT LEAST TWO REASONS FOR WHICH WERBLAN MAY FEEL UNEASY ABOUT KAZIMIERZ WITASZEWSKI: 1) WERBLAN BELONGED TO THE ZAMBROWSKI GROUP, 2) HE IS A JEW. IT WAS REPORTED, HOWEVER, THAT IN THE MATTERS OF IDEOLOGY THERE IS A CONCURRENCE OF MIND BETWEEN WERBLAN AND WITASZEWSKI. REGARDS.

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