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N.Y. SUGGESTIONS.

1. DISARMAMENT. WASHINGTON TALKS ARE PRODUCING
VERY LITTLE

AND U.S. APPEARS NOT TO WISH TO OVER-EMPHASIZE TALKS IN
ANY WAY.

VERY LITTLE PUBLICITY APPARENT HERE. APPROACH IS THAT THESE ARE
PROCEDURAL IN CHARACTER. THE SOVIETS SEEM INCLINED TO MAKE
THEM MORE SUBSTANTIVE, BUT WE UNDERSTAND U.S. MAKING EVERY
EFFORT TO KEEP THEM OUT OF THIS REALM.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS BY UN COMMITTEE ON SECRETARIAT PERSONNEL.
WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR NEW YORK DESKS TO PREPARE
PROGRAMS ON THIS REPORT. WHILE REPORT RECOMMENDS INCREASED
EAST EUROPEAN PARTICIPATION, ITS ISSUANCE ALSO PROVIDES
OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLAIN WHY THIS PARTICIPATION HAS BEEN RELATIVELY
LOW IN THE PAST--NAMELY BECAUSE OF SOVBLOC ATTITUDE AGAINST
CONSIDERING UN EMPLOYEES AS TRUE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL SERVANTS,
FAILURE OF SOVBLOC TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR UN ACT-
IVITIES, ETC.

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