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FACTS AND VIEWS NO. 1802, SCHEDULED FOR BROADCAST TODAY, 14 JANUARY, CONTAINS A REFERENCE TO THE ODER-NEISSE. IT IS QUOTED IN FULL BELOW. THE PROGRAM TAKES AS ITS FEG A CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE ITALIAN NEWSPAPER IL TEMPO, WHICH WRITES THAT SOME POLITICAL OBSERVERS BELIEVE THAT THE KREMLIN ADVISED KLISZKO ON HIS TRIP TO MOSCOW IN DECEMBER TO ADOPT A FIRM ATTITUDE TOWARD THE LETTER OF THE POLISH BISHOPS TO THE GERMAN EPISCOPATE. OTHER CORRESPONDENTS, SUCH AS BERNARD MARGUERITTE WRITING IN LE MONDE, ALSO RAISE THE QUESTION OF MOSCOW'S INFLUENCE IN WARSAW IN CONNECTION WITH THE NEGATIVE ATTITUDE OF THE GOMULKA REGIME TOWARD THE LETTER EXCHANGE. OUR COMMENTARY STRESSES THAT SUCH EVIDENCE AS EXISTS IS CIRCUMSTANTIAL, BUT ONE CANNOT RULE OUT THE POSSIBILITY OF SOVIET INFLUENCE ON GOMULKA. THE PROGRAM MARSHALS THIS CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE, AMONG WHICH IS THE DELAY IN THE POLISH RESPONSE OF NINE DAYS, THE INITIAL POSITIVE REACTION OF THE ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY DAILY L'UNITA, WHICH SUBSEQUENTLY REVERSED ITSELF AFTER WARSAW BEGAN TO ATTACK THE POLISH EPISCOPATE. THE PROGRAM STATES:

"ON DECEMBER 4, AND THUS 4 DAYS AFTER THE PUBLICATION OF THE BISHOPS' MESSAGE, THE WHOLE PRESS WITH THE TRYBUNA LUDU AT ITS HEAD PUBLISHED THE COMMUNIQUE OF THE POLISH PRESS AGENCY (PAF) ON THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE CONGRESS OF THE UNION OF POLISH WRITERS. IT WAS STATED IN ONE OF THESE RESOLUTIONS THAT 'IT IS DEEMED ADVANTAGEOUS AND NECESSARY TO SEARCH CONTACTS AND A DIALOGUE WITH ALL THE FORCES WHICH IN THE GERMAN FEDERAL REPUBLIC DESIRE PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE AND AN AGREEMENT WITH POLAND WITH THE SIMULTANEOUS RECOGNITION OF THE INVIOABILITY OF OUR FRONTIERS'. THE BISHOPS' LETTER WAS NOT MENTIONED, OF COURSE, BUT IN THE ABOVE SENTENCE ONE COULD DISCERN AN INDIRECT APPROVAL FOR THEIR UNDERTAKING, AND ESPECIALLY FOR THE WORDS OF THANKS WHICH THE LETTER EXPRESSED FOR THE MEMORANDUM OF THE EVANGELICAL CHURCH IN WEST GERMANY".

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THE ABOVE REFERENCE OF THE WRITERS' UNION, OF COURSE, REQUIRES CLEARANCE BY YOU. AS ADDITIONAL CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE, THE PROGRAM CITES THE COORDINATED CAMPAIGN IN EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES AGAINST THE POLISH BISHOPS, WHICH SUGGESTS A RESPONSE TO A CENTRAL REQUEST FROM MOSCOW. THE PROGRAM CONCLUDES BY AGAIN STRESSING THE CIRCUMSTANTIAL NATURE OF THE EVIDENCE, WHILE STATING THAT IT CANNOT BE DISMISSED ALTOGETHER.

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