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VARIOUS POINTS OF INTEREST REGARDING MIDDLE EAST CRISIS:

1. AS YOU KNOW, MARDER REPORTED IN YESTERDAY'S WASHINGTON POST THAT KOSYGIN AND JOHNSON EXCHANGED MESSAGES BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER OUTBREAK OF FIGHTING IN MIDDLE EAST. IN THESE MESSAGES BOTH POWERS REPORTEDLY ASSURED EACH OTHER OF THEIR INTENT TO AVOID THE OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES BETWEEN THE GREAT POWERS. THIS STORY HAS BEEN MENTIONED BY UPI BUT GIVEN VERY LITTLE ATTENTION ELSEWHERE IN U.S. PRESS. HILL SAYS THAT SOURCES IN WASHINGTON CONFIRM STORY AND COMMEND ITS USE WITH ATTRIBUTION TO MARDER.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE SOME UPDATING AND CLARIFICATION OF CMD REPORT ON EAST EUROPEAN AND SOVIET REPORTING ON ARAB CHARGES THAT U.S. AND BRITISH PLANES FOUGHT WITH ISRAEL AS WELL AS WESTERN DENIALS. CMD ITEM OF 7 JUNE INDICATES THAT MOSCOW, WARSAW, PRAGUE, BUDAPEST, SOFIA AND BUCHAREST (WITH POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF BUCHAREST) HAVE
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BROADCAST THE ARAB CLAIMS; BUCHAREST AND MOSCOW DID NOT BROADCAST U.S. DENIALS BUT ALL OTHERS DID EXCEPT WARSAW WHICH BROADCAST ONLY BRITISH DENIAL. IS THIS CORRECT AND STILL VALID?

3. SENATOR MAGNUSON YESTERDAY ANNOUNCED POSTPONEMENT OF SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE HEARINGS ON EAST-WEST TRADE DUE TO "HIGH DEGREE OF WORLD TENSION." HE SAID THAT RESCHEDULING WILL DEPEND TO GREAT DEGREE ON SOVIET POLICIES WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. HILL HAS BEEN ASKED TO DO DIPCORR ON RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MIDDLE EAST CRISIS AND BRIDGE BUILDING.

4. HAVE JUST READ ERMARTH'S ADMIRABLE ANALYSIS OF MOSCOW'S ROLE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED AS TO REASONS WHY IT IS BIO.

THANKS AND REGARDS.

END MSG