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YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN PREMIER DIEFENBAKER'S REPLY TO A LETTER OF THE CANADIAN POLISH CONGRESS RE THE SO-CALLED "VISTULA PLAN" OF AN ATOMIC BARRAGE AS NATO DEFENSE OPERATION IN CASE OF ARMED CONFLICT OF EAST AND WEST.

THE DAILY "DZIENNIK CHICAGOSKI" OF MARCH 2 PRINTS IN FULL DIEFENBAKER'S LETTER TO MR. JAWORSKI OF THE POLISH CANADIAN CONGRESS. THE LETTER DATED FEBRUARY 1ST, 1963 RUNS AS FOLLOWS:

"DEAR MR. JAWORSKI:

IN THE LETTER OF JANUARY 11, 1963, SIGNED BY YOURSELF AND MR. GERTLER ON BEHALF OF THE HEAD EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE CANADIAN POLISH CONGRESS, INC., YOU BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION AN ARTICLE CARRIED IN THE OCTOBER 10, 1962, ISSUE OF THE GERMAN MAGAZINE, "DER SPIEGEL," ABOUT AN ALLEGED NATO MILITARY PLAN PROVIDING FOR A MASS NUCLEAR ATTACK ON POLAND IN THE EVENT OF SOVIET AGGRESSION ON WESTERN EUROPE.

YOU EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THERE MIGHT BE SOME TRUTH IN THIS MAGAZINE ARTICLE SINCE NO DENIAL OR CORRECTION HAD BEEN MADE AT THE NATO MINISTERIAL MEETING LAST DECEMBER. THE ANSWER I GIVE YOU IS CLEAR AND DEFINITE -- THERE
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IS NO SUCH PLAN.

I SHOULD BE GRATEFUL, MR. PRESIDENT, IF YOU WOULD CONVEY MY VERY BEST WISHES TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CANADIAN POLISH CONGRESS.

YOURS SINCERELY.

/-/- JOHN G. DIEFENBAKER."

END MSG