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E.O. 12065: GDS 11/05/87 (YORK, CHARLES T.) UR-E
TAGS: ENRG, EEWT, GE, SU
SUBJECT: US-FRG CONSULTATIONS ON SOVIET GAS PIPELINE
1. E ENTIRE TEXT

SUMMARY: UNDERSECRETARY RASHISH AND U.S. REPRESENT-ATIVES MET WITH ECONOMICS MINISTER COUNT LAMBSDORFF AND GERMAN COUNTERPARTS NOV. 4. THE DISCUSSIONS WERE FRANK AND COVERED THE FULL RANGE OF SIBERIAN PIPELINE ISSUES INCLUDING ECONOMIC AND SECURITY CONCERNS AS WELL AS PUSSIBLE ENERGY ALTERNATIVES. RASHISH FORCEFULLY FXPRESSED U.S. VIEWS THAT: THE ECONOMICS OF THE PIPELINE MAY NO LONGER BE FAVORABLE; INCREASED DEPENDENCE ON SOVIET GAS WOULD AGGRAVATE EUROPEAN ENERGY VULNERABILITIES; AND THERE ARE MORE ATTRACTIVE ALTERNATIVES FROM AN ECONOMIC AND SECURITY STANDPOINT. THE GERMANS RESPONDED IN DETAIL, NUTING THAT PRIVATE GERMAN FIRMS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CONSIDERING THE ECONOMICS OF THE PROJECT; ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF NATURAL GAS THAT COULD BE DELIVERED TO WEST GERMANY IN THE SAME TIME-FRAME (E.G., ALGERIAN GAS) WOULD BE LESS RELIABLE THAN THE SOVIET SUPPLIES; AND, THE PIPELINE WOULD FURTHER DIVERSIFY THE FRG'S MIX UF FUELS AND ENERGY SUPPLIERS AND THEREBY ENHANCE ENERGY SECURITY. THE GERMANS ASSURED

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US THEY HAD FULLY CONSIDERED THE SECURITY ISSUES AND WERE PREPARED TO DEAL WITH A POTENTIAL SUPPLY SHORTFALL ARISING FROM INTERRUPTION OF SOVIET GAS DELIVERIES. THEY EXPRESSEDINTEREST IN FURTHER DISCUSSIONS ON ENERGY ALTERNATIVES (PARTICULARLY COAL) THAT IN THEIR VIEW COULD SUPPLEMENT, BUT NOT REPLACE, THE SIBERAN PIPELINE. ONE POSSIBLITY WOULD BE EXPLORING WITH THE U.S. PROSPECTS FOR INCREASED NORTH SEA GAS PRODUCTION. 4. COMMENT: WE SEE NO PROSPECT THAT THE GERMAN ATTITUDE TOWARD THE PIPELINE WILL BE MODIFIED AT THIS LATE DATE, WE BELIEVE WE WERE SUCCESSFUL, HOWEVER, IN REALIZING OUR OBJECTIVES OF 1) IMPRESSING ON THE GERMANS THE NEED TO TREAT THE CONCLUSION OF THE CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS IN A LOW-KEY WAY DURING THE BREZHNEY VISIT AND 2) ENGAGING THEIR SERTOUS INTEREST IN WORKING TOGETHER TO DEVELOP ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF SUPPLY SO AS TO REDUCE THEIR VULNERABILITY TO SUVIET GAS. WE PROPOSE TO FOLLOW UP AND EXPLOIT THIS POSSIBILITY VIGOROUSLY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. END COMMENT AND SUMMARY.

5. THE U.S. TEAM HELD TWO MEETINGS WITH GERMAN OFFICIALS NOVEMBER 4 -- A LARGE MEETING INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES FROM ALL RELEVANT GERMAN MINISTRIES; AND A SMALLER MEETING WITH COUNT LAMBSDORFF. PARTICIPANTS IN THE LARGER MEETING WERE: UNDERSECRETARY RASHISH, LARRY BRADY (COMMERCE), ALLAN WENDT, WILLIAM MARTIN AND DAVID LOWENFELD (STATE), BERNARD KRITZER (DOE) AND CHARLES YORK AND KARL JONIETZ (EMBASSY BONN) FOR THE U.S.; AND

THE ECONOMICS MINISTRY AND MATTHIAS AND DIECHMANN FROM

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE ALSO SAT IN. VON WURZEN LED THE

THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. MEYER-SERASTIAN FROM THE

GERMAN DELEGATION.

6. RASHISH BEGAN THE DISCUSSION AT THE LARGER MEETING BY DUTLINING U.S. VIEWS ON THE PIPELINE. HE STRONGLY EXPRESSED OUR CONCERN THAT: INCREASED GERMAN DEPENDENCE ON SOVIET GAS WOULD CREATE SIGNIFICANT ENERGY SECURITY VULNERABILITIES; THE ECONOMICS OF THE PIPELINE MAY NO LONGER BE FAVORABLE; AND SECURE ENERGY ALTNERATIVES ARE AVAILABLE AT COMPETITIVE PRICES. RASHISH ADDED HIS PERSONAL ASSESSMENT THAT IF THE WEST EUROPEANS INTEND TO PROCEED WITH THE PIPELINE PROJECT, THEY SHOULD NOT SIGN AN AGREEMENT NOW. DELAY WOULD ALLOW THEM GREATER OPPORTUNITY TO NEGOTIATE MORE FAVORABLE TERMS ON PRICE.

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THE SOVIETS TO MAKE SIGNIFICANT PRICE CONCESSIONS IF THE EUROPEANS EXTEND THE DISCUSSIONS. FURTHERMORE, A SOVIET-GERMAN CELEBRATION OF AN AGREEMENT ON THE PIPELINE BT #1968
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ON FIDENTIAL SECTION 02 OF 04 BONN 21968 DURING THE FORTHCOMING BREZHNEV VISIT TO BONN COULD STRAIN U.S.-GERMAN RELATIONS, AND SET OFF A NEGATIVE CONGRESSIONAL RESPONSE.

VON WUERZEN RESPONDED TO RASHISH'S POINTS FIRMLY. HE REITERATED THE FRG POSITION THAT THE PIPELINE IS NOW A COMMERCIAL QUESTION. GERMAN COMPANIES MUST EVALUATE THE ECONOMICS OF THE PROJECT. HE NOTED THE FRG CABINET'S DECISION TO ALLOW GERMAN DEPENDENCE UN SOVIET GAS TO INCREASEDTO UP TO 30 PERCENT OF TOTAL GAS CONSUMPTION. UR 5-6 PERCENT OF TOTAL ENERGY. HE POINTED OUT THAT ICNREASED SOVIET GAS IMPORTS WOULD HELP FURTHER DIVERSIFY GERMAN ENERGY SUPPLIES, AND THAT DIVERSIFICATION IS THE CORNERSTONE OF THE GOVERNMENT'S PROGRAM FOR IMPROVING GERMAN ENERGY SECURITY. VON WUFRZEN CHALLENGED DUR ASSESSMENT OF THE TIMING AND AVAILABILITY OF SECURE ENERGY ALTERNATIVES AND NOTED THE STRONG DUMESTIC GERMAN BARRIERS TO EXPANDED USE UF NUCLEAR POWER AND COAL. 8. VON WUERZEN SAID THE THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT'S INFLUENCE UN THE TIMING OF AN AGREEMENT WAS LIMITED. HE AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE UNDESIRABLE TO "CELEBRATE" SOVIET-GERMAN AGREEMENT ON THE PIPELINE DURING THE BREZHNEV VISIT. HE NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT BASED ON PAST EXPERIENCE, SOVIET DFFICTALS AND PRIVATE FIRMS COULD BE EXPECTED TO MAKE A PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT THAT WOULD RECEIVE EXTENSIVE PRESS COVERAGE. THE PARTIES ARE VERY CLUSE TO AN AGREEMENT,

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AND A NUMBER OF MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED OVER THE NEXT TWO WEEKS. THE NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE CONCLUDED WITHIN A FORTNIGHT AND AN ANNOUNCEMENT TIMED TO COINCIDE WITH THE BREZHNEV VISIT. THE GERMANS SAID THEY WOULD HOPE TO PLAY DOWN ANY FANFARE.

- 9. THE U.S. SIDE THEN AIRED IT VIEWS ON THE WORLD ENERGY MARKET, THE SECURITY IMPLICATIONS OF THE PIPELINE, AND ENERGY ALTERNATIVES. PARTICIPATION EXPANDED. THE GERMANS WERE PARTICULARLY WELL BRIEFED AND ANSWERED THE AMERICAN POINTS IN DETAIL. MOST OF THE DISCUSSION FOCUSED ON ENERGY SECURITY. THE GERMANS OFFERED A LONG ACCOUNT OF THEIR PERSPECTIVE ON THIS ISSUE AND THE IMPORTANCE OF SUPPLY DIVERSIFICATION. THEY OUTLINED THE PARAMETERS OF THE SAFETY NET TO BACK UP THE PIPELINE THAT WILL INCLUDE DOMESTIC GAS SURGE CAPACITY, CONTRACTED NORWEGIAN AND DUTCH GAS SUPPLY FLEXIBILITY, DUAL-FIRED CAPABILITY IN INDUSTRY AND POWER PLANTS, EXCESS ELECTRICAL GENERATION CAPACITY, EXPANDED DOMESTIC GAS STURAGE, AND INTERRUPTIBLE GAS CONTRACTS FOR INDUSTRIAL AND ELECTRIC UTILITY CONSUMERS. THEY PREDICTED THAT THE UNLY EFFECT OF A LONG-TERM, FULL-SCALE CUT OFF OF SUVIET GAS WOULD BE SOME SHORT-FALLS IN ELECTRICAL GENERATION, AND ARGUED THAT EXCESS CAPACTY IN NUCLEAR AND CHAL POWER STATIONS COULD MAKE-UP THE SHORT-FALL. (NOTE: THE GERMAN ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPACT OF A TOTAL SUVIET GAS CUT-OFF DID NOT APPEAR TO INCORPORATE THE POSSIBILITY OF SIMULTANEOUS EMBARGO UF GAS AND DIL.)
- 11. REGARDING ALTERNATIVES, THE GERMANS SAID THEY WOULD PREFER TO INCREASE IMPORTS OF HYDROCARBONS FROM THE NETHERLANDS, NORWAY, THE UK, OR EVEN NIGERIA AND ALGERIA. BUT SERIOUS PROSPECTS, IN THEIR VIEW, ARE NOT IN SIGHT. THEY RECALLED THE PRECIPITOUS ALGERIAN CANCELLATION OF GERMAN LNG CONTRACTS A YEAR AND A HALF AGO, AS WELL AS THE U.S. AND FRENCH EXPERIENCES WITH ALGERIA. WHILE THE GERMANS NOTED THAT BRITISH, DUTCH AND NORWEGIAN POLICIES LIMITED PRODUCTION AND EXPORTS, THEY SAID THEY WOULD BE WILLING TO COOPERATE WITH THE U.S. IN APPROACHING THE EUROPEAN PRODUCERS, PARTICULARLY NORWAY. 12. THE FIRST DISCUSSION CONCLUDED WITH A GERMAN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN A CONTINUING DIALOGUE ON ENERGY ALTERNATIVES THAT COULD SUPPLEMENT THE PIPELINE. RASHISH RESPONDED THAT THE U.S. HOPED TO KEEP THE LINES

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OF COMMUNICATION OPEN AND LOUKED FORWARD TO ADDRESSING ENERGY SECURITY IN A COOPERATIVE FRAMEWORK.

13. FOLLOWING THE LARGE DELEGATION MEETING, SENIOR MEMBERS OF THE U.S. DELEGATION (RASHISH, BRADY AND WENDT) MET WITH ECONOMICS MINISTER COUNT LAMBSDORFF. BT #1968

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GUNFIDENTIAL SECTION Q3 OF Q4 BONN 21968 RASHISH EXPLAINED THE TWO BASIC OBJECTIVES OF THIS TRIP: (1) TO TRY TO MINIMIZE THE LINK BETWEEN A SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE PIPELINE NEGOTIATIONS AND BREZHNEV'S TRIP TO BONN; AND (2) THE GROWING SENSE OF DISQUIET IN THE UNITED STATES ABOUT THE PIPELINE AS REFLECTED IN THE CONGRESS AND THE PRESS. HE EXPLAINED THAT HE HAS BEEN ASKED TO TESTIFY BEFORE SEVERAL CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES AND HE NEEDED ASSURANCES FROM THE EUROPEANS THAT THEY WERE SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING THE SECURITY ASPECTS OF THE PIPELINE. HE SAID THAT DUR DISCUSSIONS TO THIS POINT, WHILE VERY USEFUL, HAD ONLY SCRATCHED THE SURFACE. THERE MIGHT BE AN ADVANTAGE TO ALL OF US IF THE PIPELINE NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE DEFERRED FOR A FEW MONTHS SO THAT WE COULD ALL INFORM DURSELVES, PERHAPS ON AN AD HOC BASIS, ABOUT THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE PIPELINE AND THE ALTERNATIVES THAT MAY BE PREFERABLE -- BOTH FROM AN ECONOMIC AND SECURITY STANDPOINT. RASHISH EMPHASIZED THAT HE SAW LITTLE RISK TO THE GERMANS IN A DELAY. ON THE CONTRARY IT COULD BE ARGUED THAT TIME IS UN THE SIDE OF THE GERMANS AND THAT MARKET CONDITIONS WOULD ALLOW THEM TO OBTAIN BETTER TERMS, SPECIFICALLY ON PRICE, SHOULD THEY CHOUSE TO GO AHEAD.

14. LAMBSDORFF RESPONDED THAT THE PIPELINE HAD BEEN DISCUSSED AT SOME LENGTH WHEN HE VISITED THE U.S.

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LAST FREBRUARY. THE FRG HAD GIVENITS BLESSING TO THE COMPANIES IN MAY 1980 TO PROCEED WITH NEGOTIATIONS ON THE PIPELINE. THE CABINET DECIDED THAT 30 PERCENT OF GERMANY'S GAS SUPPLY COMING FROM SOVIET SOURCES WOULD NOT CONSTITUTE EXCESSIVE ENERGY DEPENDENCE. THE COMPANIES TOOK THAT CABINET DECISION AS A SIGNAL TO PROCEED WITH THEIR COMMERCIAL NEGOTIATIONS, AND THEY ARE NOW "ONLY A FEW INCHES" FROM THEIR GOAL. THE ONLY REMAINING ISSUE IS THE PRICE AT WHICH GAS WILL BE DELIVERED. IT IS NOW UP TO THE RUSSIANS TO DECIDE WHETHER THEY WILL MEET THE GERMAN COMPANIES' PRICE TERMS. IF THEY DO, THE GERMANS WILL SIGN THE DEAL IMMEDIATELY.

15. WITH RESPECT TO THE BREZHNEY VISIT, LAMBSDORFF SAID THE FRG IS AWARE OF THE SENSITIVITY OF THIS ISSUE IN THE U.S. AND IS NOT INTERESTED IN A LARGE "CELEBRATION". LAMBSDORFF WOULD HAVE PREFERRED THAT THE PIPELINE DEAL BE SIGNED FOUR WEEKS AGO WHICH WOULD HAVE WIDENED THE GAP BETWEEN THE SIGNING AND THE BREZHNEV VISIT. HE HAS LOOKED INTO THE CEREMONIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE FIRST GAS DEAL WHICH WAS SIGNED BY SOVIET GAS EXPORT AUTHORITIES AND THE GERMAN IMPORTING COMPANY IN THE PRESENCE OF MINISTERS (THEN SCHILLER FOR THE FRG). WHILE HE CANNOT BE ENTIRELY SURE THAT THIS PROCEDURE WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO THE RUSSIANS, HE SAID THEY ARE USUALLY VERY MUCH SWAYED BY PAST PRACTICE AND PRECEDENT AND AGREED TO TRY FOR SUCH A SIGNING. EVEN FOR THE MOST MINOR SIGNING, HOWEVER, THE RUSSIANS WOULD WANT TO "BREAK OUT CHAMPAGNE AND BRING IN THE TELEVISION CAMERAS." IN SUM, THE FRG WOULD LIKE ANY CEREMONY TO HAVE A VERY LOW PROFILE BUT ARE NOT SURE WHETHER THIS WILL BE POSSIBLE.

16. LAMBSDORFF COULD NOT SEE ANY WAY THAT THE GERMANS COULD PREVENT THE COMPANIES FROM SIGNING IF THE LAST COMMERCIAL DETAILS ARE WORKED DUT. HE EMPHASIZED, HOWEVER, THAT THE FRG IS LOOKING FOR WAYS TO LOWER ITS DEPENDENCE ON SOVIET GAS. IN THIS CONNECTION, HE BELIEVED NORWAY HAS A PARTICULARLY STRONG POTENTIAL AND IS PREFERABLE TO LNG FROM OPEC SOURCES.

17. ALTHOUGH HE HAS NO CONCRETE EVIDENCE, LAMBSDORFF IS PERSONALLY CONVINCED THAT IT WILL NOT BE LONG BEFORE WE ARE IN A POST-OIL ERA IN WHICH GAS AND OTHER FUELS ASSUME A MORE IMPORTANT MARKET RULE. IN THIS CONNECTION BOTH RELIABILITY OF SOURCE AND SUPPLY

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DIVERSIFICATION ARE ESSENTIAL. THE GERMAN EXPERIENCE EVEN WITH NATO PARTNERS -- HE SINGLED OUT NORWAY AND THE NETHERLANDS -- HAS NOT BEEN ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY. "EVERYONE WHO HAS OIL OR GAS BEHAVES LIKE A SHEIK."

18. LAMBSDORFF EMPHASIZED THAT THE GERMANS ARE NOT PUTTING THEMSELVES INTO A POSITION OF DEPENDENCY BT #1968
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E.D. 12065: RDS-4 11-03-1991 (WDESSNER, WILLIAM M.) OR-M

TAGS:PEPR, CE, SA

SUBJECT: SAUDT CROWN PRINCE FAHR!S STOP IN RUNN,

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1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT). 2. SUMMARY: SAUDI CROWN PRINCE FAHD AND FOREIGN MINISTER PRINCE SAUD AL FEISAL CUNFERRED FUR ABOUT TWO HOURS WITH CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT AND FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER ON OCTOBER 28. IT WAS A LIGHTNING VISIT AR-RANGED BY GENSCHER AND FAHD AT CANCUN, EVIDENTLY SO THE CHANCFLLUR, WHUSE ILLNESS PREVENTED HIM FROM GUING TO CANCUM, COULD PERSONALLY FOLLOW UP GENSCHER'S TALKS WITH FAHD IN MEXICO. A MINOR CUNTRETEMPS DEVELOPED WHEN THE PRESS MISTAKENLY REPORTED THAT THE FRG SPOKESMAN HAD SAID AFTERWARDS THAT FAHD HAD SUPPORTED EGYPT'S CAMP DAVID POLICY. ACTUALLY, FAHD HAD UNLY EXPRESSED GENERAL SUPPORT OF PRESIDENT MURARAKIS EFFORT TO ASSURE STABILITY IN EGYPT. SCHMIDT EXPLAINED THE DOMESTIC CONSTRAINTS LIMITING BONN'S ABILITY TO PESPOND FAVORABLY TO RIYADH'S REQUEST FOR WEAPONS, AND FAHD EXPRESSED UNDERSTANDING. THESE WERE THE MAIN POINTS EMERGING FROM A BRIFFING NOVEMBER 2 BY THE FUREIGN OFFICE MIDDLE EAST UFFICE PIRECTOR. END SUMMARY.

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3. FAHD'S CUMMENTS ON EGYPT

THE CROWN PRINCE TOLD SCHMIDT HE KNOWS AND ESTEEMS MUBARAK AND IS CONFIDENT THE NEW EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT WILL "MASTER" EGYPT'S INTERNAL PROBLEMS. FAHD NOTED THAT THE "WHOLE ARAB WORLD" MUST BE INTERESTED IN EGYPT'S STAPILITY. A DESTABILIZATION THERE WOULD AID ONLY THE COMMUNISTS AND THE FUNDAMENTALISTS. FAHD CONCLUDED THAT HE HOPES EUROPE AND THE U.S. WILL HELP MUBARAK IN TWO WAYS:

- -- HELP HIM MAINTAIN INTERNAL STABILITY, AND
- -- ENSUPE RETURN OF THE REST OF SINAL.
- 4. SCHMIDT EXPRESSED DETERMINATION TO SUPPORT EGYPT ALONG THESE LINES.
- 5. FAHD'S 8-POINT PEACE PLAN

THIS SUBJECT HAD ALREADY BEEN DISCUSSED BY GENSCHER IN CANCUM, WHERE THE ERG FOREIGN MINISTER HAD TULD FAHD BONN SEES THE PLAN AS "VERY CONSTRUCTIVE." SCHMIDT MERELY RETTERATED THIS, AND FAHD PROMISED TO CUNVEY GERMAN VIEWS TO ARAB HEADS OF STATE WHEN THEY MEET SOON IN MORDCOD.

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6. FRG WEAPONS SALES

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SCHMIDT EXPLAINED THE STATUS OF THE INTERNAL DISCUSSION IN GERMANY AND THE COALITION'S DIFFICULTIES OVER THE WEAPONS SALE ISSUE. HE SAID IT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT TO MEET THE SAUDI REQUEST.

- 7. FAHD EXPRESSED UNDERSTANDING OF THE SITUATION, INDICATING IT (PRESUMABLY A DENTAL OF THE SAUDI REQUEST) WOULD NOT CREATE ANY FURTHER DIFFICULTIES (MEANING IN FRG-SAUDI RELATIONS). THE CROWN PRINCE ADDED A HOPE THAT "SOMEDAY" THE FRG WOULD "UNDERSTAND THE NEED TO CONTRIBUTE TO SAUDI SECURITY."
- 8. ATTITUDES TOWARD THE U.S.

FAHD MADE FAVORABLE COMMENTS ABOUT THE U.S. AND SAID HE HAD BEEN VERY POSITIVELY IMPRESSED BY PRESIDENT REAGAN. SCHMIDT ECHOED THESE VIEWS, SAYING THAT THE PRESIDENT HAS BROUGHT STABILITY AND CALCULABILITY TO AMERICAN PULICY. BURNS BT

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SUBJECT: SCHMIDT/STDESSEL/BURNS MEETING OCTOBER 23

1. SECRET - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. GIVEN BELOW IS A TRANSLATION OF THE TEXT OF THE REPORT ON CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT'S MEETING WITH UNDER SECRETARY STUESSEL AND AMBASSADOR BURNS PREPARED BY THE CHANCELLOR'S NOTETAKER AND EDITED BY AMBASSADOR BURNS. STATE SECRETARY VON STADEN ALSO PARTICIPATED IN THE MEETING. UNDER SECRETARY STUESSEL MAY WISH TO MAKE FURTHER DISTRIBUTION.

3. BEGIN TEXT:

MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION WITH UNDER SECRETARY STOESSEL ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1982 AT 12:30

OTHER PARTICIPANTS: STATE SECRETARY VON STADEN

AMBASSADUR BURNS

MDG DR. ZELLER, AS NOTETAKER

- 4. THE CHANCELLOR WAS VERY PLEASED TO MEET MR. STOESSEL AGAIN. HE WANTED TO CONVEY TO HIM AND TO AMBASSADOR BURNS SOME OF HIS IMPRESSIONS ABOUT THE CURRENT ECONOMY AND POLITICAL SITUATION. AMONG THE MULTITUDE OF EXISTING DANGERS, THERE ARE TWO WHICH ARE OF SPECIAL CONCERN: ONE GROWS OUT OF EAST-WEST RELATIONS, THE OTHER OUT OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS.
- 5. ABOUT THE ECONOMIC SITUATION:
 THE CHANCELLOR STATED THAT THE POLICIES OF TWO AUTONOMOUS
 CENTRAL BANKS, THE ONE IN WASHINGTON AND THE OTHER IN
 FRANKFURT, MAY LEAD TO A DEFLATIONARY DEVELOPMENT IN THE

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WORLD. THE FEDERAL RESERVE IN WASHINGTON PLAYS HERE A CONSIDERABLY MORE IMPORTANT PART. HE, THE CHANCELLOR, ALWAYS CONDUCTED ANTI-INFLATIONARY POLICIES IN CLOSE COORDINATION WITH THE BUNDESBANK AND ALSO WITH THE CENTRAL BANKS OF OTHER NATIONS. THIS IS CURRENTLY MORE DIFFICULT. FOR HIM IT IS NOT A QUESTION OF IDEOLOGY. BUT HE SEES CLEARLY THE NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES OF A STRICTLY MONETARIST POLICY ON GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES AND ON COLLECTIVE BARGAINING CONTRACTS. HERE ONE NOTES THE CONFLUENCE OF VARIOUS DEFLATIONARY FACTORS, IN ADDITION TO OIL PRICE INCREASES WHICH HAVE BEEN GOING ON FOR YEARS, AND BALANCE OF PAYMENTS AND EXCHANGE RATE DISTORTIONS WHICH HAVE INFLAMED THE STRUCTURAL CRISIS ANEW.

- G. UNDER SECRETARY STDESSEL AND AMBASSADOR BURNS POINTED OUT THAT THE CONGRESS DOES NOT INTEND TO PURSUE A DEFLATIONARY POLICY. AMBASSADOR BURNS POINTED TO THE RECENT REDUCTION OF TAXES WHOSE IMPACT, HOWEVER, CANNOT BE FELT IMMEDIATELY. HE ALSO MENTIONED THAT SHORT-TERM INTEREST RATES IN THE U.S. HAVE COME DOWN BY SEVERAL PERCENTAGE POINTS. THE CHANCELLOR AND AMBASSADOR BURNS AGREED THAT THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATES IN INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES MAY INCREASE FOR A TIME. IN SOME COUNTRIES, THE CHANCELLOR FEARS UNEMPLOYMENT MAY REACH DRAMATIC PROPORTIONS. FROM THIS HE DREW THE CONCLUSION THAT THE ECONOMIC SITUATION IN THE WINTER OF 1981-1982 MIGHT BE PERCEIVED BY THE POPULATION AS NEGATIVELY AS WAS THE SITUATION IN THE WINTER OF 1931-1932.
- 7. IN REPLY TO A REBUTTAL BY AMBASSADOR BURNS, THE CHANCELLOR REMARKED THAT HIS WAS A POLITICAL—PSYCHOLOGICAL STATEMENT, NOT A MATERIAL—ECONOMIC ONE. IN ADDITION, SUCH A DESTABILIZING POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT COULD LEAD POLICY—MAKING TOWARDS KEYNESIAN AND PROTECTIONIST RECIPES. GOVERNMENTS THAT WISHED TO RESIST THIS COURSE WOULD EXPERIENCE CONSIDERABLE DOMESTIC POLITICAL DIFFICULTIES.
- 8. THE CHANCELLOR CONTINUED THAT HE WOULD HAVE LIKED TO EXPRESS THESE THOUGHTS IN CANCUN, SINCE THESE QUESTIONS CONCERN US ALL. IN ANY CASE, HE IS ABOVE ALL PREDCCUPIED WITH THESE ECONOMIC QUESTIONS.
- 9. THE U.S.HAS A LEADING ROLE; GERMANY'S ECONOMIC POLICY CANNOT, AND WOULD NUT WANT TO, STRAY FAR FROM THAT OF THE U.S. THE U.S. CARRIES PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY

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FOR THE REST OF THE WORLD. THE WESTERN WORLD NEEDS THE ECONUMIC LEADERSHIP OF THE U.S. BECAUSE THIS IS SO, EUR-UPEANS LISTEN ATTENTIVELY TO ALL THAT IS BEING SAID BY LEADING AMERICAN POLITICAL FIGURES. WHEN AMERICAN POLITICIANS ADDRESS A DOMESTIC AUDIENCE, EURUPEANS ALSO LISTEM. AMERICAN POLITICIANS SHUULD KNOW THAT THIS APPLIES TO THE FIELD OF ECONOMICS AS WELL AS TO OTHER FIELDS. ₽ T #1401

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10. POLITICAL QUESTIONS:
REFERRING TO THE TALK OF MINISTER GENSCHER WITH PRESIDENT REAGAN, THE CHANCELLOR EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT IS SATISFIED WITH THE REACTION OF THE FRG CABINET OF LAST WEDNESDAY. HE HOPED ESPECIALLY THAT IT WILL BE UNDERSTOOD THAT HE TPIED TO BE HELPFUL. AMBASSADOR BURNS AND UNDER SECRETARY STOESSEL EMPHATICALLY CONFIRMED THIS.

- 11. THE CHANCELLOR THEN REMARKED THAT FROM THE GERMAN POINT OF VIEW THE FOLLOWING MATTERS PERTAINING TO EAST-WEST RELATIONS WILL BE OF SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE IN THE COMING MUNTHS: PURPOSEFUL RESUMPTION OF NEGOTIATIONS AT GENEVA: CONCLUSION OF THE MADKID NEGOTIATIONS WITH CONCRETE RESULTS: CONTINUATION OF THE CONSTRUCTIVE TALKS BETWEEN SECRETARY HAIG AND MINISTER GRUMYKU: RESUMPTION OF THE SALT PROCESS IN THE SPRING OF NEXT YEAR. THE CHANCELLOR NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THAT SALT IS MENTIONED IN THE NPG COMMUNIQUE. THAT COMMUNIOUS, AS WELL AS THE COURSE OF THE NPG MINISTERIAL MEETING ABOUT WHICH MINISTER APPL REPORTED, WAS VERY SATISFYING TO HIM. HE ADDED THAT MINISTER APEL COULD NOT HAVE AGREED TO THE CUMMUNIQUE IF IT HAD NOT CONTAINED A PASSAGE ABOUT THE ZERO OPTION. UNDER SECRETARY STUESSEL AGREED THAT IT WAS NECESSARY TO INTRODUCE THE ZERO OPTION, BUT THAT UNE SHOULD AVOID RAISING EXCESSIVELY OPTIMISTIC FXPECTATIONS.
- 12. THE CHANCELLOR REPLIED THAT, ABOVE ALL, THE ERRONEOUS IMPRESSION SHOULD BE AVOIDED THAT FUTURE AMERICAN HARDWARE, AND NUT THE ALREADY EXISTING SOVIET HARDWARE, THREATENS THE BALANCE OF POWER AND PEACE.

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HE WANTED TO POINT OUT AT THE SAME TIME THAT THERE EXISTS ON THE SOIL OF THE FRG THE GREATEST DENSITY OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND HENCE ALSO THE GREATEST DENSITY OF TARGETS FOR NUCLEAR WEAPONS, AND THAT THIS EXISTS IN A DENSELY POPULATED AREA OF 60 MILLION INHABITANTS.

13. THE CHANCELLOR THEN MENTIONED THE IMPENDING VISIT OF GENERAL SECRETARY BREZHNEV, AND THAT HE IS INTERESTED IN U.S. THOUGHTS ABOUT THIS. THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC WILL CONTINUE ECONOMIC EXCHANGES WITH THE USSR AT THE NORMAL LEVEL AND TRY TO EXPAND THEM IN SOME AREAS.

14. REPLYING TO A QUESTION OF UNDER SECRETARY STOESSEL WHETHER THE CHANCELLOR EXPECTED NEW SOVIET DISARMAMENT PROPOSALS DURING THIS VISIT, THE CHANCELLOR REPLIED THAT SO FAR HE HAS HAD NO INDICATIONS TO THIS EFFECT AND WOULD THEREFORE BE SURPRISED IF THE SOVIETS CAME UP WITH AN UNANTICIPATED INITIATIVE. STATE SECRETARY VON STADEN SURMISED THAT THE SOVIETS WILL HAVE LITTLE THAT IS NEW TO OFFER, BUT ARE LIKELY TO PURSUE THE PREVIOUS PROPOSALS FOR A MORATORIUM. THEY (SOVIETS) ARE NOT LIKELY, ACCORDING TO THE CHANCELOR, TO GIVE THE GERMANS ANY PROBLEMS; GERMANY'S POSITION IS CLEAR. STATE SECRETARY VON STADEN CONSIDERED IT POSSIBLE THAT THE SOVIETS MIGHT UNILATERALLY FOREGO FURTHER DEPLOYMENTS ---HAVING PREVIOUSLY CARRIED DUT MASSIVE DEPLOYMENTS, AS UNDER SECRETARY STOESSEL INTERJECTED. THE CHANCELLOR DID NOT EXCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY THAT THIS MIGHT HAVE A CERTAIN PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECT IN THE FRG. UNDER SECRETARY STOESSEL REPORTED THAT GENERAL SECRETARY BREZHNEV HAD REPLIED TO PRESIDENT REAGAN'S LETTER. THE U.S. REPRESENTATIVE REPORTED ON THAT AT THE NATO COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 16, 1981. THE LETTER WAS IN ITS TONE QUITE CONSTRUCTIVE; IT EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH THE HAIG/GROMYKO TALKS AND, AS A SOMEWHAT NEW ELEMENT, RECOGNIZED THAT SOME RESULTS HAD BEEN ACHIEVED DURING THE TALKS. FOR THE REST, BREZHNEV TWISTED U.S. ACCUSATIONS ABOUT AFGHANISTAN, ANGOLA, ETC. AND THREW THEM BACK AT THE U.S. DESPITE THIS, THE LETTER TAKEN IN ITS ENTIRETY WAS NOT VERY POLEMICAL. AMBASSADOR BURNS ADDED THAT HE GAINED THE IMPRESSION DURING A RECENT TALK WITH ABRASIMOV ABOUT SOME TROUBLESOME BERLIN QUESTIONS THAT THE SOVIETS WANTED TO PURSUE A REASONABLY ACCOMMODATIVE COURSE AT THIS TIME. THIS ABRASIMOV ATTITUDE IS BELIEVED BY AMBASSADOR BURNS TO HAVE BEEN BASED ON INSTRUCTIONS.

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16. THE CHANCELLOR REMARKED THAT DESPITE THE CONTINUITY UF NATIONAL INTERESTS, THE CHANGE OF LEADING PERSONALITIES IN IMPORTANT NATIONS CONSTITUTES A NEW POLITICAL FACTOR. THE SOVIETS ARE STILL COPING WITH THE PROBLEM OF GETTING USED TO PRESIDENT REAGAN. WITH A CHANGE OF LEADERSHIP IN THE SUVIET UNION, THE WEST WOULD EXPERIENCE INCOMPARABLY GREATER PROBLEMS. WE WOULD BE CONFRONTED BY PERSONALITIES WHO HAD NO EXPERIENCE IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS. THEIR CAREERS HAVING BEEN IN DOMESTIC FIELDS. TODAY, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF BREZHNEY, THERE ARE IN #1401 NNNN

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THE SOVIET UNION ONLY TWO PERSONALITIES WITH INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE, GROMYKO AND PONOMAREV. WITH A CHANGE OF LEADERSHIP NONE OF THEM WILL GAIN ADDED INFLUENCE BEYOND THAT WHICH THEY ALREADY COMMAND. WE MUST THEREFORE USE CONSTRUCTIVELY THE TIME WHEN BREZHNEV IS STILL AROUND. HE STILL HAS INFLUENCE. ALTHOUGH HE DOES NOT HOLD ALL LEVERS IN HIS HANDS, HE IS STILL THE CAPTAIN. HE FEARS WAR, KNOWS IT FROM PERSONAL EXPERIENCE AND CAN BE TALKED TO. IN ANY CASE, HE IS NOT A COLD, POWER-TECHNICIAN WHO SEEKS SOVIET SUPERIORITY WITHOUT REGARD TO THE RISKS OF WAR. HE WANTS STABILITY, NOT UNDER THE CONDITIONS OF THE U.S., NOR UNDER FRG CONDITIONS, BUT HE DOES WANT STABILITY.

- 17. REFERRING TO RECENT PRESS REPORTS IN CONNECTION WITH HIS HOSPITALIZATION, THE CHANCELLOR REMARKED THAT HE FULLY INTENDS TO STAY IN OFFICE. THE REST IS SPECULATION WHICH HE, IF NECESSARY, WILL COUNTER ENERGETICALLY.
- 18. THE PEACE DEMONSTRATORS, HE ADDED, SHOULD NOT BE MISTAKEN FOR COMMUNISTS, THOUGH THERE ARE COMMUNISTS AMONG THEM. MOST OF THEM ARE NORMAL YOUNG PEOPLE WITH WHOM ONE MUST TALK AND DEBATE. AMBASSADOR BURNS REPORTED ABOUT A DISCUSSION WITH RADICAL STUDENTS AND PROFESSORS IN BERLIN. DURING THESE DISCUSSIONS FEARS OF AMERICAN REARMAMENT WERE EXPRESSED; NO ONE, HOWEVER, WANTED U.S. TROOPS TO GO HOME. IN REPLY TO A QUESTION OF UNDER SECRETARY STOESSEL, THE CHANCELLOR REMARKED THAT THE BONN DEMONSTRATION DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE PEACE MOVEMENT HAS REACHED A CLIMAX; OTHER, ECONOMICALLY MOTIVATED MOVEMENTS MAY SPRING UP IN ADDITION,

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19. RISING UNEMPLOYMENT, EVEN IF THE ECONUMY DOES NOT BECOME AS DEPRESSED AS DURING THE THIRTIES, HAS A SEVERE PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACT IN THE FRG. HERE TOO, THERE ARE STILL MEMORIES OF THE THIRTIES. IN CERTAIN MAJOR INDUSTRIES, SUCH AS STEEL, TEXTILES AND CONSTRUCTION, WORRY APOUT UNEMPLOYMENT IS RAPTULY GROWING. THIS IMPACTS ALSO ON THE ATTITUDES OF THE UNIONS. HE, THE CHANCELLUR, TAKES THESE WORRIES VERY SERIOUSLY. SOCIAL PEACE IN THE ERG DEPENDS UPON REASONABLE COOPERATION WITH THE UNIONS. HE HAS NOT LOST CONFIDENCE THAT THE SITUATION IS MANAGEABLE; BUT IT HAS NOT BEEN AS DIFFICULT IN A LUNG TIME.

20. THE CHANCELLOR EMPHATICALLY ADVOCATED A EUROPEAN TRIP FUP PRESIDENT REAGAN. THE FORCE UP REAGAN'S PERSONALITY WILL NOT FAIL TO BRING PUSITIVE RESULTS IN WEST GERMANY; IT WILL CREATE CONFIDENCE. THE CHANCELLUR IS SURE THE PRESIDENT WILL TAKE THE RIGHT APPROACH AND THAT HE WILL BE WELL-UNDERSTOLD.

21. AT THE BEGINNING OF THE TALK, AMBASSAOOK BURNS PRESENTED A PERSONAL MESSAGE OF GOOD WISHES FROM PRESIDENT REAGAN. END TEXT. BURNS BT#1401 NNNN

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2. PARA 3 CONTAINS A RESPUNSE FROM SECRETARY HAIG TO LETTERS FRUM GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER WHICH ARE REPEATED FOR YOUR INFORMATION AT PARAS 4 AND 5. REQUEST EMBASSY BONN CONVEY THE SECRETARY'S LETTER TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. THERE WILL BE NO SIGNED ORIGINAL AND NO RELEASE IS INTENDED.

3. SECRETARY HAIG'S REPLY:

QUUTE: DEAR HANS-DIETRICH,

I WAS PLEASED TO RECEIVE YOUR LETTERS REPORTING ON YOUR CONVERSATIONS IN BEIJING. AS I MENTIONED DURING OUR BREAKFAST CONVERSATION IN NEW YORK, WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF DOING ANYTHING ON THE TAIWAN ISSUE WHICH WILL CAUSE A SETBACK IM OUR RELATIONS WITH BEIJING. I AM GRATEFUL THAT YOU MADE THIS POINT SO CLEAKLY IN YOUR DISCUSSIONS.

AS ALWAYS, I DEEPLY VALUE YOUR ADVICE AND FRIENDSHIP.

SINCERELY, AL

HIS EXCELLENCY
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5. FORFIGN MINISTER GENSCHER'S LETTER DELIVERED ... OCTOBER 9:

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3. U.S. DEFENSE POLICY

SCHMIDT SUBSCRIBED TO MITTERRAND'S VIEW THAT THE DEFENSE DECISIONS OF THE U.S. PRESIDENT ARE APPROPRIATE TO RESTORATION OF THE MILITARY BALANCE BETWEEN THE TWO SUPERPOWERS AND WOULD THEREBY FURTHER THE NEGOTIATIONS PROCESS. BOTH SIDES, ACCORDING TO OUR SOURCE, ARE INDEED HAPPY THAT THE U.S. HAS COME OUT WITH SUCH AN ARMAMENT PROGRAM AT THIS TIME AND EXPECT IT TO FACILITATE ARMS CONTROL NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE SOVIETS.

4. THE NORTH-SOUTH SUMMIT

BOTH SIDES EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE NEED FOR SUCH AN "IMPORTANT CONFERENCE" AS THE DNE COMING UP IN CANCUN TO PRODUCE CONCRETE RESULTS. GIVEN THE PRESSURES IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD, THEY FELT IT WOULD NOT BE POLITICALLY WISE TO ALLOW THE CONFERENCE TO BE SEEN AS A FAILURE.

5. POLAND

SCHMIDT SAID HE HAD PROBLEMS REGARDING FUTURE AID TO POLAND. THE FRG HAS GIVEN DM ONE BILLION IN THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS IN ONE FORM OF ASSISTANCE OR ANOTHER, AND IT CANNOT CONTINUE TO DO SO AT THIS RATE. NOTING THAT FRG ASSISTANCE TO POLAND HAS ACCOUNTED FOR ABOUT ONE QUARTER OF ITS ENTIRE DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM THIS YEAR, SCHMIDT CITED BUDGETARY LIMITS AND SUGGESTED THAT FOR THE TIME BEING THE FRG CANNOT DO MUCH MORE FOR POLAND. MITTERRAND EXPRESSED SIMILAR CONSTRAINTS, AND BOTH LEADERS AGREED THAT THE POLES SHOULD DO MORE TO GET THEMSELVES OUT OF THEIR ECONOMIC PREDICAMENT.

6. EUROPEAN ISSUES: FRENCH AND GERMAN PROPOSALS

DISCUSSION OF THIS SUBJECT INVOLVED SEVERAL HOURS, AND OUR SOURCE DESCRIBED IT AS THE CENTERPIECE OF THE MEETING. HE SAID THERE WAS EXTENSIVE TALK ABOUT SUCH THINGS AS THE ONE PERCENT CEILING ON CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE EC BUDGET AND MANY ECONOMIC DETAILS.

7. OUR CONTACT ALSO DESCRIBED THE BASIC DIFFERENCE IN THE APPROACHES OF FRANCE AND GERMANY TO EUROPEAN PROBLEMS. THE FRENCH HAVE PRODUCED A PAPER WHICH IS HIGHLY TECHNICAL

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CONFIDENTIAL SECTION 02 OF 03 BONN 20560 NEED FOR MOVEMENT TOWARD POLITICAL UNION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE POLITICAL COOPERATION MECHANISM. DUR SOURCE DENIED A NEWSPAPER REPORT THAT MITTERRAND HAD ACCEPTED "IN PRINCI-PLE" THE FRG AIMS. HE SAID HE HAD BEEN IN PARIS PERSONALLY OCTOBER 15 AND KNEW THAT THE RESPONSIBLE POLITICAL DIRECTOR AT THE QUAI HAD NOT YET EVEN READ THE FRG PAPER. CONTRAST-ING THE APPROACHES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES, OUR CONTACT NOTED THAT FRANCE SEEMS UNEASY ABOUT THE MALFUNCTIONING IN THE EC ECONOMIC STRUCTURE, ITS BUDGETARY AND AGRICULTURAL PRO-BLEMS, AND VARIOUS TECHNICAL QUESTIONS SUCH AS UNEMPLOYMENT AND THE HOUSING MARKET. ON THE OTHER HAND, BONN CONTINUES TO EMPHASIZE THE LACK OF STRUCTURE IN THE POLITICAL CO-. OPERATION AREA. HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE FRG IS ALSO VERY CONCERNED ABOUT SUCH ECONOMIC QUESTIONS AS AGRICULTURAL REFORM BUT THAT IT HAS NOT YET PRESENTED A "CONCEPT" TO ITS PARTNERS. RATHER, IT IS THE FRENCH WHO HAVE TAKEN THE INITIATIVE IN THE ECONOMIC AREA.

8. AT THE SAME TIME, DUR CONTACT EMPHASIZED THAT IT IS IMPORTANT THAT BOTH SIDES HAVE COME DUT NOW WITH A RECOGNITION OF THE NEED TO DO SOMETHING TO SOLVE THE COMMUNITY'S POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS. WHETHER THEIR TWO APPROACHES ARE COMPLEMENTARY, OR

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EVEN COMPATIBLE, REMAINS TO BE SEEN. HE SAID FRANCE, LIKE THE FRG, IS JUST BEGINNING TO CONTACT THE OTHER MEMBERS ON THESE QUESTIONS.

9. SPAIN

SCHMIDT REPORTEDLY EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF SPANISH ENTRY INTO THE EC AND NATO. OUR CONTACT SUGGESTED HE HAD DONE SO IN THE CONTEXT OF MITTERRAND'S DISCUSSION OF FRENCH CONCERNS ABOUT COMPETITION FROM CHEAPER AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS. SCHMIDT EMPHASIZED THE NEED TO SUPPORT THE YOUNG SPANISH DEMOCRACY BY HELPING IT FIND A PLACE IN EUROPE.

10. SCHMIDT ALSO STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE TO EUROPE OF FINDING A SOLUTION TO THE BASQUE TERRORISM PROBLEM.

11. THE MEDITERRANEAN, THE MIDDLE EAST, AND ISRAEL

THERE WAS A LONG, COMPLICATED, AND NUANCED DISCUSSION OF THESE ISSUES, OUR SDURCE SAID SCHMIDT GOT THE
IMPRESSION MITTERRAND HAS "DIFFICULTIES IN HIS OWN MIND"
ABOUT SOME OF THE HARSHER ATTITUDES ESPOUSED BY THE
RADICAL ARAB STATES, ESPECIALLY LIBYA. HE WANTS TO MOVE
TOWARD RESOLUTION OF THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT BUT SEEMS
STYMIED BY THE OBSTACLE POSED BY THOSE STATES WHICH DENY
ISRAEL'S RIGHT TO EXISTENCE, AND HAS DIFFICULTY TALKING
WITH THEM AND WITH PEOPLE SUCH AS SOME OF THE WEST BANK
MAYORS WHOSE POLITICS ARE "TOO HARSH" FOR HIM.

12. MITTERRAND GAVE THE CLEAR IMPRESSION THAT FRANCE WOULD NOT SEEK A MEDIATING ROLE IN THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT. EVEN THOUGH HE RECOGNIZED IT IS IN EUROPE'S INTERESTS TO PUSH FOR A SOLUTION. MITTERRAND ALSO LAID HEAVY EMPHASIS ON THE WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN. HE MADE A POINT OF NOTING THAT THE PREPONDERANCE OF FRENCH NAVAL AND MILITARY DEPLOYMENT IS TO BE FOUND IN THAT REGION, BECAUSE IT IS OF PRIMARY INTEREST TO FRANCE.

13. NAMIBIA

THERE WAS BROAD DISCUSSION IN WHICH BOTH SIDES, AMONG OTHER THINGS, EXPRESSED AGREEMENT ON THE NEED FOR WITHDRAWAL OF CUBAN FORCES FROM AFRICA. OUR CONTACT

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DECLINED TO INDICATE WHETHER THEKE HAD LEEN ANY COMMENTS APRUT U.S. PHLICY.

14. THE FRANCH-GERMAN RELATIONSHIP

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CONTACT SUGGESTED THAT THE CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE TWO LEADERS HAD DONE MUCH TO REAFFIRM THE PREPONDERANCE OF HISTORICAL, GEOGRAPHICAL, SOCIAL, POLITICAL, AND OTHER INTERESTS WHICH BIND THE TWO COUNTRIES INTO A CLOSE WORKING RELATIONSHIP. HE EMPHASIZED THAT THESE BROAD INTERESTS HAVE THE EFFECT OF OBLIGING THE TWO COUNTRIES TO LIMIT THE DISHARMONY ON OTHER ISSUES TO A TOLERABLE LEVEL. HE ADDED THAT EVEN IF CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT OR PRESIDENT MITTERRAND WERE UNHAPPY ABOUT THE NEW PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP, THEY WOULD HAVE TO OVERCOME THIS BY FORCE OF CIRCUMSTANCES.

15. ON THE OTHER HAND, HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT "DISHARMONIES" DO OCCASIONALLY ARISE, RESULTING FROM DIFFERENT VIEWS ESPECIALLY REGARDING ECONOMIC POLICIES. HE NOTED THE CONTRASTING APPROACHES OF THE TWO GÜVERNMENTS TO THE INFLATION QUESTION. IN GERMANY, IT HAS BEEN DECIDED TO ACCEPT A CERTAIN DEGREE OF RISING UNEMPLOYMENT, EVEN THOUGH THIS RUNS AGAINST PRINCIPLES OF THE SPD. FRANCE, HOWEVER, PREFERS TO FIGHT UNEMPLOYMENT RATHER THAN INFLATION. GERMANY IS ALSO STRIVING TO KEEP INFLATION DOWN TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, WHEREAS THE FRENCH SAY THAT HOLDING DOWN THE BUDGET IS NOT SO IMPORTANT. THESE

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DIFFERING ATTITUDES DO CREATE DIFFERENT POLICIES, BUT THE TRICK IS TO FIND WAYS OF OVERCOMING THE DIVERGENCIES SO AS TO AVOID ANY "UNACCEPTABLE DISHARMONY." THE RECENT MEETING BETWEEN SCHMIDT AND MITTERRAND CONFIRMED, IN OUR SOURCE'S VIEW, THAT SO FAR THE "DISHARMONIES," ARE BEING NICELY CONTAINED. BURNS BT #0560

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EXDIS DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONSIDER PASSING TO MANAGUA E.B. 12065: RDS-1 10-16-2011 (WDESSNER, WILLIAM M.) UR-M TAGS: PFPP, NU, ES, GE SUBJECT: TEXT OF SPEECH OF NICARAGUAN DEFENSE MINISTER ORTEGA: FRG REACTIONS TO THE SPEECH

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 THE FOREIGN OFFICE RECENTLY RECEIVED FROM ITS. EMBASSY IN MANAGUA A TRANSLATIUM INTO GERMAN OF EXCERPTS FROM A MAJOR PULICY SPEECH BY DEFENSE MINISTER ORTEGA TO "SPECIALISTS" OF THE SANDINISTA PEUPLE'S ARMY AUGUST 25. THE EMBASSY SAYS IT OBTAINED THE TEXT FROM "A RELIABLE SOURCE." GIVEN THE APPARENT SIGNIFICANCE OF THE SPEECH, AND THE FACT THAT WE ARE UNSURE IF THE DEPARTMENT HAS THE TEXT, WE TRANSMIT IT HEREWITH IN INFORMAL TRANSLATION FROM GERMAN INTO ENGLISH. FURETGN OFFICE REACTION TO THE SPEECH FULLOWS THE TEXT BELOW.

3. BEGIN TEXT:

IDEDLOGY (HEADINGS APPARENTLY SUPPLIED BY FRG EMBASSY)

WE ARE LED BY THE SCIENTIFIC TEACHINGS OF THE REVOLUTION, AND BY MARXISM-LENINISM ... SANDINISM IS THE CUNCRETE EXPRESSION OF THE HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE STRUGGLE IN NICAPAGUA; WITHOUT SANDINISM, WE CANNOT BE MARXIST-LENINISTS, AND WITHOUT MARXISM-LENINISM SANDINISM CANNOT BE REVOLUTIONARY. THEREFORE, THE TWO ARE INEXTRICABLY BOUND TOGETHER; THEREFORE DUR MORAL STRENGTH IS SANDINISM, OUR POLITICAL STRENGTH IS SANDINISM, AND OUR DUCTRINE IS MARXISM-LENINISM.

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WE MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE COUNTERREVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES OF BOURGEUIS FORCES STILL TO BE FOUND IN NICARAGUA, WHICH MUST BE STOPPED HERE BY THE FSLN, IN DROER TO DEFEND NATIONAL UNITY AGAINST YANKEE IMPERIALISM AND TO BRING OUR LAND MORE QUICKLY OUT OF UNDER-DEVELOPMENT. WE CANNOT VIEW THE ACTIVITIES OF THOSE WHO WOULD SELL DUT THE FATHERLAND, THE ROBELO GROUPS, THE CLERGY, SEPARATELY FROM YANKEE IMPERIALISM. AT THE SAME TIME, IT MUST BE CLEAR TO US THAT THIS BUURGEDISIE WHICH IS READY TO SELL OUT THE FATHERLAND IS HERE BECAUSE WE WANT IT TO BE HERE. WE CAN TAKE THEIR FACTORIES ANY TIME WE WANT, WITHOUT FIRING A SHOT, BECAUSE THEY CANNOT FIGHT US WITH THEIR WEAPONS, RECAUSE THEY ARE COWARDS. WE CAN TAKE EVERY-THING FRUM THE ROURGEDISIE WHICH REMAINS HERE, IN BRUAD DAYLIGHT WE CAN TAKE ALL THEIR PUSSESSIONS FROM THEM.

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THE DEMOCRACY WHICH ROBELO WANTS MEANS THEY (THE BOURGEDISTE) WANT THEMSELVES RATHER THAN US TO HAVE THE ARMY AND PUWER; (THEY WANT) US TO BE LIKE THE LEFT IN COSTA PICA, A GROUP, A MOVEMENT, WHICH PUBLISHES ITS NEWSPAPERS WHILE THEY, THE BOURGEDISTE, HAVE THE POWER. NOW IT IS THE OTHER WAY AROUND. NOW IN NICARAGUA SANDINISM HAS THE POWER, THE PEOPLE HAVE THE POWER, AND THEY (THE BOURGEDISTE) ARE AND MUST BE WHAT WE BELIEVE THEY SHOULD BE, NAMELY A POLITICAL FURCE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE REVOLUTION.

THEY DU NOT WISH TO ACCEPT THIS, AND HAVE FROM THE BEGINNING SPOKEN OF ELECTIONS, BUT WE HAVE NEVER AGREED TO ELECTIONS OF THE KIND THEY WANT, AND WE WILL MEVEP...DISCUSS POWER, BECAUSE THE PEOPLE SEIZED THIS POWER WITH ARMED FORCE. THE POWER OF THE PEOPLE WILL MEVER BE GAMBLED.

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(ONE MUST BE) WARY OF THE ULTRA-LEFT GROUPS, WHICH WANT AN IMPUSSIBLE RADICALIZATION OF THE POLITICAL PROCESS, AND WHICH ATTEMPT TO GAIN PULLITUAL TERRAIN BY MAKING BT #0511

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GIVEN THE PRESENT DIFFICULTY CAUSED BY THE FACT THAT "LA PRENSA" APPEARS FREELY, AND THAT THE RADIOS BROAD—CAST FREELY AND ARE USED BY (THE FUNCES OF) KEACTION...
IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT DUK PEUPLE SEE CLEARLY, AND EVEN MURE IMPORTANT THAT THE PART OF THE PEOPLE SERVING IN THE ARMY SEE EVEN MORE CLEARLY. WHEN A SULDIER ENTERS HIS NEIGHBURHOUD, HE MUST BRING WITH HIM THE AWARENESS THAT HE IS AN ELEMENT OF ENLIGHTMENT... IF HE DOES NOT SEE IDEOLOGICALLY CLEARLY BECAUSE IDEOLOGICAL WORK IS CARRIED OUT POURLY IN THE ARMY, THEN IN THE CASE, OF, SAY, SCARCITIES IN HIS NEIGHBORHOOD, HE CAN BRING CONFUSION INTO THE ARMY. END TEXT.

TOLD US HE WAS PREPARING A "PESSIMISTIC" PAPER UN NICAPAGUA FÜR FÜREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER BASED UN THE SPEECH. THE OFFICIAL, WHO ON PREVIOUS OCCASIONS TOLD US THE ERG FELT THAT WHILE THE SITUATION IN NICARAGUA WAS WORRYING, "THE TRAIN HAD NUT YET LEFT THE STATION" NOW CONCEDED THAT THE TRAIN WAS "WAY DUWN AT THE END OF THE PLATFORM." ASKED IF HE KEALLY THOUGHT IT COULD BE REGARDED AS STILL IN THE STATION AT ALL, HE SHRUGGED HIS SHOULDERS AND SAID HE WAS "NUT OPTIMISTIC" ABOUT NICARAGUA. HE EXPRESSED PARTICULAR ASTONISHMENT THAT BRIEGA WOULD LET

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THE MASK FALL LIKE THIS AT A TIME WHEN THE VISIT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY ENDERS HAD SHOWN THE U.S. WAS STILL INTERESTED IN WORKING OUT SOME KIND OF FUNCTIONING RE-LATIONSHIP WITH NICARAGUA. THAT IT WAS PARTICULARLY UNFURTHNATE THAT GENSCHER HAD HAD TO CALL UFF HIS TRIP TO MANAGUA, AS IT PROBABLY REPRE-SENTED THE "VERY LAST OPPORTUNITY" TO TRY AND TALK SENSE INTO THE SAMUINISTAS -- UR EVEN IN VISIT NICARAGUA.

5. THE OFFICIAL WENT ON TO SAY THAT THE SPEECH, TAKEN TOGETHER WITH OTHER STATEMENTS FROM MANAGUA AND THE FACT THAT UNGO WAS INCLUDED IN THE NICARAGUAN U.N. DELEGATION, MADE IT CLEAR THAT MICARAGUA'S AIM WAS INDEED THE INSTALLATION OF MARXIST GOVERNMENTS THROUGHOUT CENTRAL AMERICA. THE EMBASSY OFFICER SPEAKING WITH HIM SAID THAT WHILE MANY PEOPLE IN FURUPE ARE AMAZED AT THE IMPORTANCE THE U.S. ATTRIBUTES TO EL SALVADOR, DUR PULICY THERE MAKES PERFECTLY GOOD SENSE IF UNE CONSIDERS THAT COMMUNIST ACGRESSION IN THAT COUNTRY IS SIMPLY PART OF A LARGER PLAN. THE DEFICE DIRECTOR FULLY AGREED.

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MILITARY ADDRESSEES HANDLE AS SPECAT EXCLUSIVE E.O. 12065:RDS-1 10/13/2001 (WDESSNER, W.M.) DR-M TAGS: SALT, PARM, TNF, GE

SUBJECT: ACDA DIRECTOR ROSTOW'S DISCUSSION ON ARMS
CONTROL ASPECTS OF TNF/SALT/STRATEGIC WEAPONS
WITH FRG FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER

1. AS - ENTIRE TEXT).

2. BEGIN SUMMARY. DIRECTOR ROSTOW SAID HE THOUGHT U.S. WAS MAKING GOOD PROGRESS IN WORKING TOWARD NEGOTIATING POSITIONS ON THE AND SALT. HE WAS NOT OPTIMISTIC ABOUT ACHIEVING ANY AGREEMENTS, HOWEVER, UNLESS THE SOVIETS ALTERED THEIR BASIC ATTITUDE TOWARD SUCH NEGOTIATIONS. GENSCHER SAID IT WAS IMPORTANT THAT THE WEST USE SIMPLE FORMULAS SUCH AS THE "ZERO OPTION" FOR THE SAKE OF PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING, EVEN THOUGH HE WAS DOUBTFUL THE SOVIETS WOULD AGREE TO SUCH A SOLUTION. HE THOUGHT THE U.S. DECISION ON MX BASING WOULD HARM THE EFFORT TO CARRY OUT THE NATO DECISION OF 1979, BUT REAFFIRMED THE SUPPORT OF HIS GOVERNMENT FOR THE U.S. POSITION. END SUMMARY.

3. ACDA DIRECTOR ROSTOW AND FRG FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER MET IN BONN OCTOBER 8 FOR ABOUT ONE HOUR. DCM AND EMBOFF ALSO PRESENT, ALONG WITH FRG ARMS CONTROL COMMISSIONER RUTH. THE DISCUSSION DEALT MAINLY WITH ARMS CONTROL ISSUES, ALTHOUGH RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN EGYPT WERE ALSO

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MENTIONED (SEPTEL). 4. GENSCHER OPENED THE MEETING BY ASKING HOW ROSTOW SAW THE OVERALL ARMS CONTROL SITUATION. ROSTOW REPLIED THAT HE WAS SATISFIED WITH THE PROGRESS THE U.S. WAS MAKING IN DEVELOPING ITS POSITIONS FOR THE COMING THE NEGOTIA-TIONS AND SUBSEQUENT START TALKS. AFTER FOUR DAYS OF MEETINGS WITH OFFICIALS IN BONN, IT WAS CLEAR TO ROSTOW THAT THE SPO HAD INTERNAL DIFFICULTIES BUT RUSTOW THOUGHT THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE WOULD PREVAIL IN THIS INSTANCE AS IT HAD IN EVEN MURE CRITICAL TIMES IN THE PAST. ROSTOW SAID HE WAS NOT PARTICULARLY OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE PRUSPECTS FOR A THE OR START AGREEMENT, GIVEN THE FACT THAT THE SOVIETS CLEARLY HAVE APPROACHED SUCH NEGOTIATIONS IN THE PAST WITH A DIFFERENT AIM THAN THE U.S. THE ONE RECENT DEVELOPMENT WHICH MIGHT LEAD THE SOVIETS TO SEEK A GENUINE ARMS LIMITATION AGREEMENT WAS POLAND. IT WAS CONCEIVABLE, SAID ROSTOW, THAT THE SOVIET NEED FOR A PERIOD OF STABILITY WITH THE WEST BECAUSE OF THE UNREST IN POLAND MGHT INDUCE THE SOVIETS TO CHANGE THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARD TNF/START.

- 5. IN ANY CASE, SAID ROSTOW, THE ALLIANCE WOULD BE BETTER DEF AS A RESULT OF THE COMING NEGOTIATIONS: IF AN AGREEMENT WAS REACHED, THAT WAS GOOD; IF NO AGREEMENT WAS REACHED BECAUSE OF SOVIET INTRANSIGENCE, THE ALLIANCE WOULD BE STRENGTHENED BY THE FACT OF ITS INTENSIVE CONSULTATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT OF A COMMON NEGOTIATING POSITION.
- 6. THE FOREIGN MINISTER AGREED THAT THE SOVIETS WERE LIKELY TO EXPLOIT ANY DIFFERENCES OF OPINION BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE EUROPEANS, AND WOULD LIKELY APPROACH THE THE NEGOTIATIONS FROM A PROPAGANDA STANDPOINT.

 MR. ROSTOW POINTED OUT THAT THE USSR'S SELECTION OF A GERMAN EXPERT AS ITS THE NEGOTIATOR CONFIRMED THIS.

 7. GENSCHER SAID THE WEST MUST MAKE USE OF SIMPLE FORMULAS TO POPULARIZE ITS POSITIONS JUST AS THE SOVIETS DID. THE "ZERO SOLUTION" WAS ONE SUCH FORMULA. HE HAD NO ILLUSIONS ABOUT THE LIKELIHOOD OF ACHIEVING SUCH A RESULT, SAID GENSCHER, BUT THE CONCEPT IS USEFUL, AND SHOULD BE RETAINED BY THE WEST. IT IS SO SIMPLE AND CLEAR THAT IT CAN BE UNDERSTOOD BY EVERYONE.
- 8. GENSCHER SAID THE WEST SHOULD ALSO BEGIN A COUNTER-PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE SOVIETS CONCERNING THE SS-20 MISSILE. HE SAID THE COUNTRIES OF THE THIRD WORLD SHOULD BE DISABUSED OF THE BELIEF THAT THEY WERE

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SOMEHOW NOT INVOLVED IN THE LRTHF QUESTION. IT SHOULD BE FREQUENTLY POINTED OUT TO THE COUNTRIES OF NORTH AFRICA, THE MIDDLE EAST, AND SOUTHEAST ASIA THAT THEY WERE WITHIN RANGE OF THE SS-20, AND THEREFORE SUBJECT TO SOVIET BLACKMAIL. THESE COUNTRIES SHOULD BE ASKED WHAT THEIR RESPONSE WOULD BE IN AN ANALOGUUS SITUATION IF THE U.S. WERE TO DEVELOP A MISSILE THAT WOULD NOT REACH THE SOVIET UNION, AND THEN DEPLOY THAT WEAPON AROUND VARIOUS PARTS OF THE USA.

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10. GENSCHER SAID HE WISHED ROSTOW TO KNOW THAT HE BELIEVED THE RECENT U.S. DECISION ON THE MX MISSILES WAS MISTAKEN AND WOULD BE INTERPRETED AS A SIGN OF WEAKNESS IN MOSCOW. HE BECIEVED THAT CHANGING THE CARTER DECISION ON THE MISSILE, WHATEVER GOOD REASONS MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED, WOULD PROVE TO BE UNWISE. TO ILLUSTRATE HIS POINT, HE SAID HE WISHED TO RELATE AN INCIDENT FROM HIS OWN POLITICAL PARTY EXPERIENCE. IN MAY 1981, AT THE FDP PARTY CONGRESS, 94 OF THE 400 DELEGATES VOTED AGAINST REAFFIRMATION OF THE NATO DECISION. OF THOSE 94, 75 OR 80 WOULD HAVE GONE ALONGWITH GENSCHER'S REQUEST FOR SUPPORT OF THE NATO DECISION IF GENSCHERHAD BEEN WILLING TO ADD ONE SENTENCE TO THE PARTY STATEMENT, TO WIT: "IT SHOULD BE EXAMINED WHETHER A SEA-BASED MODE FOR THE NATO L'RTNF WEAPONS IS FEASIBLE." GENSCHER SAID HE REFUSED, BECAUSE EVEN SUCH A SEEMINGLY INNOCUOUS STATEMENT WOULD HAVE LED MANY CITIZENS TO ASK WHY WASN'T SUCH AN INVESTI-

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GATION DUNE BEFORE THE DECISION? UNCE A DECISION IS TAKEN, SAID GENSCHER, IT MUST BE FIRMLY MAINTAINED.

11. HAVING RAISED THE TOPIC OF SLOMS HIMSELF, FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER ALLUDED AGAIN TO THE U.S. STRATEGIC FORCE DECISION. HE SAID HE BELIEVED THE ANNUUNCEMENT THAT THE U.S. WOULD DEPLOY SOME NUCLEAR CRUISE MISSILES ON US NAVY SHIPS WOULD CAUSE PROBLEMS IN THE FRG FOR THE NATO DECISION. AT THE VERY LEAST, THE OPEN TALK IN THE U.S. ABOUT BASING MISSILES AT SEA WOULD CAUSE "REVIVAL" OF THE DISCUSSION OF THE SAME BASING MODE FOR THE NATO MISSILES.

12. MR. ROSTOW REPLIED THAT WHILE HE WAS AWARE THAT THE SET OF U.S. DECISIONS ON STRATEGIC FORCES MIGHT BE VIEWED IN SOME QUARTERS AS A SIGN OF WEAKNESS, HE BELIEVED THAT INTERPRETATION WOULD RE SERIOUSLY MISTAKEN. ROSTOW SAID SECDEF WEINBERGER, WHOSE ABILITY HE RESPECTS HIGHLY, HAD APPROACHED THE DECISIONS WITH THE VIEW IN MIND THAT HE WAS MAKING CHOICES THAT WOULD DETERMINE U.S. FORCE STRUCTURE UNTIL THE 21ST CENTURY. OF UTMOST PRIDRITY, HOWEVER, WAS THE NEED TO CLOSE THE "WINDOW OF VULNERABILITY." THAT MEANT OPTING FOR THE 8-1 BOMBER, ALTHOUGH IT WAS VERY EXPENSIVE. (GENSCHER INTERJECTED THAT HE HAD NO QUARREL WITH THE 8-1 DECISION.) MEANT PUTTING SLCMS ON SUBMARINES. ROSTOW SAID HE RECOGNIZED THAT THE DECISION WOULD CAUSE SOME DIFFICUL-TIES IN EUROPE, BUT HE WISHED TO STRESS TO GENSCHER THAT THE DECISION WAS MADE IN ORDER TO ADD TO THE U.S. STRATEGIC RESERVE, THAT IT WAS NUT RELATED TO THE EUROMISSILE ISSUE.

13. ANOTHER IMPORTANT PART OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT'S THINKING CONCERNING THE STRATEGIC FORCE DECISION, SAID ROSTOW, IS THE NEED TO AVOID DECUUPLING OF THE U.S. FROM EUROPE. TO PREVENT DECOUPLING, THE U.S. MUST ENSURE THAT THE NUCLEAR UMBRELLA DOES NOT LEAK. THE REASON FOR CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT'S ALARM IN 1977 WAS DOUBT WHETHER THE U.S. NUCLEAR GUARANTEE WOULD CONTINUE TO BE AVAILABLE. SUCH DOUBTS WERE SERIOUS IF THEY WERE HELD BY EUROPEANS, SAID ROSTOW. BUT THEY WOULD BE FAR MORE DANGEROUS IF THEY EMERGED IN MOSCOW. THUS, AS HE HAD NOTED EARLIER, EUROPEAN CONSIDERATIONS WERE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT WHEN THE U.S. WAS DECIDING ON MX DEPLOYMENT AND OTHER STRATEGIC FORCE QUESTIONS.

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14. GENSCHER CLOSED THE TNF/STRATEGIC WEAPONS PORTION OF THE CONVERSATION BY REPEATING THAT HE WAS PERSONALLY NOT CONVINCED THE U.S. HAD MADE THE CORRECT DECISION ON THE MX MISSILE. THAT DECISION WAS IMMEDIATELY RELEVANT TO HIS PARTY AND GOVERNMENT BECAUSE IT WOULD BE HIGHLY LIKELY TO AFFECT GERMAN PUBLIC OPINION REGARDING THE 1979 NATO DECISION. NEVERTHELESS THE DECISION WAS MADE, AND NEITHER HE MOR ROSTOW WERE LIKELY TO CHANGE IT. IN ANY CASE, SAID GENSCHER, HE HAS STAKED HIS CAREER ON THE FRG'S ABILITY TO CARRY OUT THE NATO DECISION. HE WILL STICK TO THAT, ALTHOUGH HE SUSPECTS THE SOVIETS WILL BE MAKING SOME VERY TEMPTING OFFERS IN THE NEAR FUTURE IN AN BT #0194

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E.O. 12065: RDS-1 10/8/11 (WDESSNER, WILLIAM M.) OR-M TAGS: OVIP (POSTOW, E.V.) OTRA, PARM, NATU, GE SUBJ: RUSTOW CONVERSATION WITH CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT, OCTOBER 6

1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.

- 2. SUMMARY: ROSTOW REVIEWED WITH CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT THE RATIONALE AND TIMING OF U.S. ARMS CONTROL TALKS WITH THE SUVIETS. HE EMPHASIZED THAT THE PURPUSE OF HIS PRESENT TRIP TO EUROPE WAS TO CONSULT THE ALLIES UN U.S. PLANS AND TO LEARN MORE ABOUT EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVES, PARTICULARLY THOSE RELATING TO THE PUBLIC ASPECTS OF ARMS CONTROL EFFORTS. HE ASKED THE CHANCELLOR HOW THE U.S. COULD HELP THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT IN THIS AREA. IN REPLY SCHMIDT REITERATED HIS PLEAS FOR GREATER SENSITIVITY TO EUPOPEAN AND ESPECIALLY GERMAN POLITICAL PROBLEMS. SCHMIDT WARNED AGAINST ANY EXPECTATIONS OF OBTAINING HIS APPROVAL FOR DEPLOYMENT OF THE ERW IN THE FRG FOR AT LEAST TWO YEARS. END SUMMARY
- 3. ACDA DIRECTOR ROSTOW MET LATE AFTERNOON UCTOBER 6
 FOR ONE HOUR AND A QUARTER WITH CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT.
 ALSO PRESENT WERE AMBASSADUR BURNS, INTERNATIONAL
 AFFAIRS ADVISOR TO THE CHANCELLOR VON DER GABLENTZ,
 ROSTOW'S SPECIAL ASSISTANT LEHMAN AND ACTING CHIEF PULITICAL SECTION (NOTETAKER).

4. AFTER SCHMIDT WELCOMED HIS VISITURS, RUSTOW DPENED THE CONVERSATION BY NOTING GERMANY'S PURLIC OPINION PROBLEMS CONCERNING ARMS CONFROL AND LETTE ISSUES. HE ASKED THE CHANCELLOR: HOW CAN WE HELP.

5. CHANCELLOR REPLIED THAT HE LIKED THIS QUESTION, AND NOTED THAT SO FAR THE U.S. HAD NOT BEEN VERY

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HELPFUL WITH THE FRG'S PUBLIC OPINION PROBLEMS; THE U.S. GOVERNMENT DOES NOT SEEM TO UNDERSTAND THE CONSEQUENCES OF ITS ACTIONS. HE CITED THE NEGATIVE REACTIONS IN VARIOUS WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES (E.G., THE NETHERLANDS) NOTING WITH RELIEF THAT, SO FAR, ITALY HAD NOT YET BEEN AFFECTED, PROBABLY BECAUSE OF ITALY'S ABSORPTION WITH ITS OWN DOMESTIC PROBLEMS. SCHMIDT LAMENTED THE MISUNDERSTANDING IN THE FRG THAT THE U.S. SEEKS MILITARY SUPERIORITY OVER THE USSR, NOT AN EQUILIBRIUM OF FORCES. HE COULD READILY UNDERSTAND THIS MISREADING IN THE LIGHT OF THE VARIOUS CONFUSING "NDISES" COMING OUT OF WASHINGTON WHICH ARE GIVEN EMPHASIS BY THE MEDIA. SCHMIDT RECALLED WITH PLEASURE HIS MEETING LAST NOVEMBER WITH PRESIDENT REAGAN WHO CONVINCED HIM THAT THE U.S. SINCERELY WANTED NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE SOVIETS. SCHMIDT RECALLED HOW, UPON HIS RETURN FROM WASHINGTON, HE TOLD THIS TO EVERYONE IN THE FRG, A MESSAGE WHICH WAS NOT EASY TO CONVEY BECAUSE OF OTHER CONTRADICTORY STATEMENTS EMANATING AT THE SAME TIME FROM WASHINGTON. HE WAS THANKFUL THAT A DATE HAD NOW BEEN SET TO BEGIN THE LRTNF TALKS, ALTHOUGH, IN PASSING, HE HAD TO NOTE HIS DISTASTE FOR THE TERM "THEATER." HE ALWAYS CONSIDERED THE FRG MORE THAN JUST A "THEATER." SCHMIDT THEN REVIEWED THE HISTORY OF DEVELOPMENTS ON LRINF TO DATE. DRAWING ON HINDSIGHT, HE RECALLED HOW DIFFICULT IT HAD BEEN IN 1977 TO CONVINCE THE USG THAT A PROBLEM WAS ARISING (FROM NEW SOVIET DEPLOYMENTS). HE WAS TOLD TO MIND HIS DWN BUSINESS AND FOCUS ON THE FRG'S PROBLEMS RELATING TO THE CON-VENTIONAL THREAT. HE BECAME ANNUYED AND DECIDED TO SPEAK DUT IN HIS NOW FAMOUS SPEECH IN LONDON IN 1977 TO THE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR STRATEGIC STUDIES (IISS). IT REQUIRED MOST OF 197, HE SAID, BEFORE THE U.S. UNDERSTOOD THAT SOMETHING HAD TO BE DONE ABOUT THE NEW SOVIET THREAT. AT THE SUMMIT MEETING INVOLVING PM CALLAGHAN, GISCARD AND SCHMIDT HIMSELF THE U.S. PROPOSED THE IDEA OF PUTTING NEW MISSILES IN EURDPE. THIS REPRESENTED THE BIRTH OF THE 1979 NATO DOUBLE-TRACK DECISION. 8. SCHMIDT THEN REITERATED HIS DETERMINATION TO STICK TO THIS DECISION, RECALLING THE TOUGH FIGHT HE HAD AT THE SPD BERLIN MEETING JUST PRIOR TO THE 1979 NATO DECISION WHEN HE HAD FOUGHT FOR AND WON SPD SUPPORT BY FOUR TO ONE IN FAVOR OF THE DOUBLE-TRACK DECISION.

THEN CAME AFGHANISTAN, NOTED SCHMIDT, WHEN PRESIDENT

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CARTER DID NUTSEEM TO KNOW WHAT TO DU. HE DID CUT COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE SOVIETS, AND THEN HIT UN THE BT #0063 NNNN

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11. INSISTING THAT NO NOTES BE TAKEN AT THIS POINT SCHMIDT THEN PROCEEDED TO CRITICIZE A HIGH USG OFFICIAL FOR HIS INDISCREET REMARKS SOME TEN DAYS AGO WHEN THIS OFFICIAL SPECULATED ABOUT THE PUSSIBILITY OF A CHANGE IN THE FRG GOVERNMENT. CORRECTLY, SCHMIDT NOTED WITH SOME SATISFACTION, THIS US OFFICIAL HAD CONCLUDED THAT THE SITUATION IN GERMANY WOULD BE EVEN WORSE. SCHMIDT ALSO SPOKE AT SOME LENGTH AT THIS

EMPHASIZED THAT THE USG COULD MAKE LIFE MORE DIFFICULT

OR EASIER; SO FAR, THE USG HAD NOT BEEN HELPFUL,

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STAGE OF THE CONVERSATION ABOUT THE DIFFERENCE IN PSYCHOLOGY OF A COUNTRY SUCH AS THE FRG, THE SIZE OF DREGON (WHERE THERE WERE NO NUCLEAR MISSILES OR TARGETS), WITH A POPULATION OF 63 MILLION, LIVING SO CLOSE TO THE SOVIET THREAT.

12. PERMITTING NOTE-TAKING TO RESUME. THE CHANCELLOR NEXT DESCRIBED THE SOVIET EFFORTS TO FRIGHTEN AND INTIMIDATE THE GERMAN PEOPLE, AND PLEADED THAT THE U.S. NOT ALSO ADD TO THEIR FEAR. IN THIS CONNECTION HE EMPHASIZED THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE FRG AND FRANCE AND THE U.K. MUCH OF WHAT HE HAD SAID ABOUT SOVIET INTIMIDATION DID NOT APPLY TO THE LATTER TWO POWERS BECAUSE BOTH ARE NUCLEAR POWERS. PUBLIC OPINION IN NON-NUCLEAR COUNTRIES HAS TO RELY ON THE PROTECTION OF OTHERS, HE SAID. HE THEN STRESSED THAT THE SOVIET SS-20 MISSILES WOULD NOT BE FIRED AGAINST THE GERMANS, BUT WOULD BE USED -- AS THEY ARE NOW -- SUBLIMINALLY, TO EXERT SUBTLE POLITICAL BLACKMAIL. THIS THREAT EMPHASIZED THE NEED FOR THE U.S. TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN ITS NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE SOVIETS. 13. ROSTOW SAID THAT THE U.S. INTENDS TO SUCCEED, IF IT CAN, BUT SUCCESS DEPENDS ON THE ACTIONS OF BOTH SIDES. IN RESPONSE TO THE CHANCELLOR'S QUESTION ABOUT THE TIMETABLE OF THESE NEGOTIATIONS ROSTOW SAID THE ONLY CONDITION FOR THE OPENING OF TALKS WITH THE SOVIETS WAS AN INTELLECTUAL UNE: I.E. TO REASSESS THE THEORY OF SALT AND TO WORK OUT AN APPROACH COMPATIBLE WITH THE NEW REALITIES. WE WOULD SEEK AN AGREEMENT WHICH PERMITTED EACH SIDE TO MAINTAIN DETERRENCE BUT PREVENTED THE SOVIETS FROM USING THEIR NUCLEAR ARSENAL AS AN INSTRUMENT OF COERCION AND BLACKMAIL. ROSTOW THEN DESCRIBED BRIEFLY THE PLACE AND ROLE OF HIS AGENCY, ACDA IN THE USG ARMS CONTROL PROCESS, REMINDED SCHMIDT OF THE AGREEMENT WITH THE SOVIETS TO BEGIN THE LRTNF TALKS ON NOVEMBER 30, AND NOTED THE U.S. PLANS TO RESUME THE SALT (OR START) TALKS EARLY IN 1982. ROSTOW CONTINUED THAT OUR BASIC GOAL WAS A SIMPLE, CLEAR AND EASILY UNDERSTOOD AGREEMENT, WITH ARMS REDUCED TO THE LOWEST POSSIBLE LEVELS. WILL THE SOVIETS AGREE TO U.S. PROPOSALS? WE DO NOT KNOW, BUT WE MUST TRY TO ACHIEVE SUCH AGREEMENT. IN THIS CONNECTION ROSTOW CITED THE POTENTIALLY IMPORTANT ROLE THE SITUATION IN POLAND COULD PLAY IN BRINGING THE SOVIETS TO AN ARMS CONTROL AGREEMENT. ROSTOW EXPRESSED HIS CONFIDENCE

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THAT THE U.S. AND ERG COULD CONSULIDATE THEIR ARMS CONTROL POSITIONS. HE NUTED THAT UME PURPUSE OF HIS VISIT TO GERMANY AT THIS TIME WAS TO PURSUE CONSULTATIONS AND COMMUNICATION. HIS SPEECH THAT EVENING, AND HIS INTERVIEWS WITH THE MEDIA WERE INTENDED TO CONTRIBUTE TO THIS PRUCESS, AND TO BE HELPFUL. 15. RUSTOW NOTED THAT THE CONSULTATIVE PRUCESS WITH BT #0063 NNNN

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THE SOVIETS ACTUALLY BEGAN IN AUGUST WHEN HE HAD A LENGTHY DICUSSION WITH THE SOVIET EMBASSY DCM IN WASHINGTON WHICH FOCUSED PRINCIPALLY ON THE QUESTION OF VERIFICATION. ROSTOW EMPHASIZED THAT THE MX PART OF THE PRESIDENT'S STRATEGIC ARMS DECISIONS WAS TAKEN WITH EUROPEAN CONCERNS IN THE FOREGROUND. SCHMIDT SAID THAT HE ASSUMED THIS WAS THE CASEAND APPRECIATED IT. ROSTOW COMMENTED THAT SOME PEOPLE IN WASHINGTON BELIEVED THAT LAND BASED MISSILES COULD NOT BE MADE INVULNERABLE AND THAT, GIVEN THE POTENTIAL AND ACTUAL NUMBERS OF SOVIET MISSILES, LAND-BASED MISSILES ARE OBSOLETE.

16. THE CHANCELLOR INTERVENED FORCEFULLY TO NOTE THAT, IF WEINBERGER MAKES SUCH AN OBSERVATION PUBLICLY, HE MUST UNDERSTAND THE IMPACT IN GERMANY: THERE WILL SIMPLY BE NO PERSHING II MISSILES OR GLCM'S INSTALLED ON EUROPEAN SOIL. "THERE MUST BE NO NONSENSE ABOUT THIS," SCHMIDT EMPHASIZED. IF THIS OCCURS, HE PROMISED HE WOULD SEND THE USG A PRIVATE TELEGRAM WITH HIS REACTIONS WHICH HE WOULD MAKE PUBLIC THE FOLLOWING DAY. ROSTOW SAID THAT THIS IS UNDERSTOOD.

17. SCHMIDT THEN URGED THAT, FOR THE PROGRAM OF LRTNF MODERNIZATION TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN EUROPE, THE U.S. MUST STICK TO THE ORIGINAL DECISION, I.E., ABOUT NUMBERS AND SITES FOR NEW MEDIUM RANGE SYSTEMS. IN RESPONSE TO ROSTOW'S ASSURANCE OF NO PLANS TO ALTER THE DECISIONS, SCHMIDT EXPRESSED HIS CONCERN THAT THE U.S. MILITARY MIGHT, NEVERTHELESS, TRY TO RAISE THE NUMBERS.

18. IN RESPONSE TO LEHMAN'S ASSURANCES THAT THERE NOW EXISTS IN WASHINGTON GREAT SENSITIVITY TO THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS ASPECTS OF THE DEPLOYMENT QUESTION, SCHMIDT SAID HE WAS GLAD TO HEAR IT, BUT HE REMAINED SKEPTICAL,

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GIVEN THE WASHINGTON RECORD OF THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 1981.

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19. SCHMIDT THEN MENTIONED THE 6,000 NUCLEAR WARHEADS CURRENTLY IN EUROPE, ASKING IF IT WAS SO FUTILE TO THINK OF A REDUCTION OF THIS NUMBER. WHEN ROSTOW REMINDED HIM THAT 1,000 HAD BEEN REMOVED, SCHMIDT REGRETTED THAT MORE FAVORABLE PROPAGANDA HAD NOT BEEN MADE OF THIS ACTION. HE REVERTED TO HIS EARLIER THEME, LAMENTING THAT THE U.S. DID NOT UNDERSTAND THE PSYCHOLOGY IN EUROPE OF SUCH AN ACTION. ROSTOW NOTED THE DOUBLE STANDARD APPLIED BY THE MEDIA IN SUCH INSTANCES AND RECALCED FOR SCHMIDT HIS EXPERIENCES AND FRUSTRATIONS IN TRYING TO EXPOSE AND HIGHLIGHT THE USE OF SOVIET GAS IN YEMEN IN 1967.

20. INSISTING AGAIN THAT NO NOTES BE TAKEN AT THIS POINT SCHMIDT SHARED HIS CONCERNS ABOUT THE CURRENT SOVIET SITUATION. NOTING THAT BREZHNEV WOULD BE IN BONN IN NOVEMBER SCHMIDT COMMENTED ON THE GREAT UNCERTAINTIES SURROUNDING THE SUCCESSION OF THIS REALLY QUITE SICK LEADER, A MAN WHO COULD NOW WORK ONLY SIX OR SEVEN HOURS A DAY WITH A THREE-HOUR BREAK IN THE MIDDLE REQUIRED. SCHMIDT RECALLED THEIR CONVERSATIONS IN MOSCOW IN 1980 AND THEIR JOINT COMMITMENT TO MAINTAINING A KIND OF GENERAL BALANCE OF FORCES, WITHOUT AGREEING SPECIFICALLY ON NUMBERS. WHEN HE SAW BREZHNEV IN NOVEMBER SCHMIDT SAID HE WOULD TELL HIM THAT HE HAD CHEATED ON THAT AGREEMENT. HE ALSO WOULD WARN BREZHNEV TO STOP SOVIET EFFORTS TO TOPPLE THE SCHMIDT GOVERNMENT.

21. SCHMIDT WAS CRITICAL OF THE RECENT DOD PUBLICATION "SOVIET MILITARY POWER" WHICH SIMPLY DID NOT MEET THE NEEDS OF SOPHISTICATED (HE SAID THERE ARE AT LEAST THREE DOZEN IN GERMANY) EUROPEAN JOURNALISTS AND OTHER INFORMED OBSERVERS WHOSE GREAT NEED WAS FOR AN ASSESSMENT OF THE CURRENT BALANCE OF FORCES. THE ANNUAL IISS PUBLICATION "THE MILITARY BALANCE" WAS MORE USEFUL AND SCHMIDT QUOTED FROM THE LATEST VERSION.

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22. SCHMIDT THEN REVERTED TO THE QUESTION OF VERIFICATION: ROSTOW REVIEWED BRIEFLY THE CONTINUING IMPORTANCE OF "NATIONAL MEANS," BUT ALSO NOTED THEIR LIMITATIONS: FOR EXAMPLE, THEY COULD NOT DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF WARHEADS ON A GIVEN MISSILE, OR MEASURE

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PRECISELY PPODUCTION RATES. THE U.S. HAS TOLD THE SOVIETS THAT SUCH MEASURES WILL HAVE TO BE SUPPLEMENTED BY "COOPERATIVE MEASURES."

23. SCHMIDT INTERVENED FORCEFULLY THAT HE DID NOT WANT SOVIET INSPECTION TEAMS IN THE FRG. KOSTOW BT
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SAID HE TOOK NOTE OF THIS AND THOUGHT THERE WAS NOT MUCH DANGER OF IT. SCHMIDT OBSERVED THAT HE WAS MOST WORRIED ABOUT SOVIET LAUNCHERS. THERE WILL BE NO SECOND ROUND IN A NUCLEAR WAR, SO RE-LOAD CAPACITY DID NOT SEEM IMPORTANT. SCHMIDT SAID THAT, IN ADDITION TO THE NUMBERS OF LAUNCHERS, THEIR MOBILITY AND RELATIVE INVULNERABILITY AND MULTIPLE WARHEADS ALSO WORRIED HIM. HE WARNED ROSTOW NOT TO RAISE VERIFICATION REQUIREMENTS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS TO TOO HIGH A LEVEL.

24. TURNING TO ERW AS THE CONVERSATION CONCLUDED --AND URGING THAT PRECISE NOTES BE TAKEN ON WHAT HE WAS ABOUT TO SAY -- SCHMIDT URGED THE USG NOT TO COMPLICATE THE SITUATION BY TALKING TOO MUCH ABOUT THIS WEAPON. HIS JUDGMENT WAS THAT THE U.S. WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO OBTAIN HIS AGREEMENT FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS FOR DEPLOYING ERW IN THE FRG. "DON'T OVERLOAD THE CARRIAGE," HE WARNED, AS ILLUSTRATION OF A SENSITIVE AND SENSIBLE APPROACH, SCHMIDT RECALLED THE PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH AN ATOMIC DEMOLITION MUNITION LINE FROM THE BALTIC TO BAVARIA TO PROTECT AGAINST INVASION FROM THE EAST. HE RECALLED HOW WELL THEN SECRETARY OF DEFENSE LAIRD UNDERSTOOD GERMAN CONCERNS AND CALLED OFF THE WHOLE IDEA. SCHMIDT CONCLUDED BY OBSERVING THAT THERE ISA REAL FEAR IN GERMANY THAT DEPLOYING THE ERW WOULD LOWER THE NUCLEAR THRESHHOLD.

25. ROSTOW'S COMMENT: THIS MEETING TOOK PLACE SHORTLY AFTER WORD OF THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT SADAT REACHED BONN AND THE CHANCELLOR APPEARED DEEPLY CONCERNED WITH THIS PIECE OF BAD NEWS. HE ALSO CAME DIRECTLY

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TO THE CONVERSATION FROM THE WEEKLY MEETING OF THE SPD BUNDESTAG CAUCUS WHICH WAS PREDCCUPIED BY PLANS FOR THE OCTOBER 9 BUNDESTAG DEBATE SCHEDULED IN ANTI-CIPATION OF THE OCTOBER 10 LARGE PEACE DEMONSTRATION IN BONN WHICH HAS HAD SERIOUSLY DIVISIVE EFFECTS ON SCHMIDT'S PARTY. NONETHELESS, HE WAS NOT IN A HAMLET MODD, BUT VIGOROUS, COLORFUL AND CATEGORICAL IN HIS BEST STYLE, EVEN THE GRUMBLING WAS NO MORE THAN SPORT. HE COMMENDED HIS TWO BOOKS ON DEFENSE POLICY TO ROSTOW, SAYING THAT IF ROSTOW READ THEM HE WOULD SEE THAT HE (SCHMIDT) WAS STUBBORN AND CONSISTENT IN HIS VIEWS. WHAT CAME OUT OVER AND OVER AGAIN WAS SCHMIDT'S FLAT COMMITMENT TO THE DOUBLE TRACK DECISION WITHOUT ANY MODIFICATION WHATEVER. HE SENT ROSTOW OFF WITH A CHEERFUL "GOD. BLESS YOU." ROSTOW HAS APPROVED THIS MESSAGE. BURNS BT #0063 NNNN

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TO A QUESTION ABOUT FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER'S STATEMENTS IN DOHA (REF A) CONCERNING THE SAUDI ARABIAN PEACE PRINCIPLES, NOTED THESE POSITIVE ELEMENTS:

- -- IMPLIED RECOGNITION OF ISRAEL SRIGHT TO EXIST,
- -- EXPRESSION OF A DESIRE FOR PEACE AND WILLINGNESS TO FOREGO THE MILITARY OPTION, AND
- -- INTEREST IN A POLITICAL SOLUTION.

AGREED ABOUT SUCH "NEGATIVE ELEMENTS" AS ABNEGATION OF THE CAMP DAVID PROCESS. NEVERTHELESS, HE BELIEVED THE FAHD PROPOSALS COULD BE USED FOR "TACTICAL REASONS" TO ENCOURAGE THOSE MODERATE ARABS WHO ARE WILLING TO RECOGNIZE ISRAEL AND WORK FOR A POLITICAL SOLUTION TO CONTINUE THEIR EFFORTS IN THIS DIRECTION.

7. COMMENT

REMARKS REFLECT A GENERAL WORRY WE HAVE HEARD FOR SOME TIME HERE THAT THE U.S. IS NOT PUSHING HARD ENDUGH FOR A SOLUTION TO THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT. THERE IS A NEW TWIST IN THAT DUR PERCEIVED NEGLECT IS SEEN NOT ONLY AS A FAILURE TO PUSH THE ISRAELIS HARD ENDUGHBUT ALSO AS A TENDENCY ON THE PART OF THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION TO GIVE PRIORITY TO THE SOVIET THREAT RATHER THAN TO A CRUCIAL REGIONAL ISSUE, THE VERY RESOLUTION OF WHICH WOULD HELP US VISHA-VIS THE SOVIETS BY DENYING THEM ONE MORE AREA TO MAKE MISCHIEF.

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THAT SAID, WE SHOULD EMPHASIZE THAT RESENTATION STEMS FROM GENUINE CONCERN FOR MUTUAL U.S. AND FRG INTERESTS IN THE AREA AND A DESIRE TO BE HELPFUL, FOR EXAMPLE IN PROVIDING US REPORTS OF MODERALF ARAB REACTIONS TO OUR POLICY.

8. THE REFTELS WERE EXTREMELY USEFUL. WE HOPE THROUGH A CONTINUING SUPPLY OF SUCH BRIEFING POINTS (E.G., FOLLOWING VISITS BY FAHD AND HUSSEIN TO WASHINGTON)
TO KEEP OF THE EC WORKING GROUP ON THE MIDDLE EAST AND HAS BEEN HELPFUL IN THE PAST TWO YEARS IN ALERTING US TO KEY DEVELOPMENTS IN THAT FORUM. BURNS
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OFFICIAL'S REMARK TO THE FRG EMBASSY. ONE WAY OF KEEPING MODERATE ARABS ON OUR SIDE, MODERATE WOULD BE TO EMPHASIZE THE POSITIVE ASPECTS OF SAUDI PRINCE FAHD'S

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PEACE PRUPOSALS. SAID THIS HAD BEEN THE INTENT UF GENSCHER'S REMARKS IN DUHA (REF A) WHICH HAD DRAFTED. END SUMMARY.

SOVIET THREAT VERSUS ISRAELI QUESTION

RECALING THE PRESENTATION BY THE U.S. REPRESENTATIVE TO THE NATO EXPERTS MEETING IN BRUSSELS ON SEPTEMBER 22, EXPLAINED THAT HE "INTERPRETS" DUR PULICY AS GOING BEYOND STRATEGIC CHOPERATION WITH ISRAEL ALONE. IT SEEMS TO CENTER ON AN EFFORT TO BUILD THROUGH BILATERAL COOPERATION A SECURITY SYSTEM COMPRISING EGYPT, SAUDI ARABIA (AWACS), DMAN, SOMALIA, TURKEY, AND PAKISTAN IN A BROAD REGIONAL APPROACH. UNFORTUNATELY, HOWEVER, OUR DISCUSSION OF THE ARAB-ISRAELI QUESTION AS ONLY ONE, ALBEIT INTEGRAL, PART OF THAT APPROACH IS VIEWED BY SOME ARABS AS DOWNPLAYING THAT ISSUE. REMARKED THAT THIS COMBINED WITH THE EXAGGERATED PRESS INTERPRE-TIONS OF OUR DESIRE TO ENTER INTO STRATEGIC COOPERATION ARRANGEMENTS WITH ISRAEL IS HAVING A VERY NEGATIVE EFFECT AMONG MODERATE ARABS. IF UN TOP OF THIS, THE AWACS DEAL, WHICH RECOGNIZED AS CHIEFLY OF SYMBOLIC NATURE, FALLS THROUGH, THEN THE U.S. POSITION IN THE ARAB WORLD WILL BE SET BACK CONSIDERABLY.

EMPHASIZED THAT MANY ARAB NATIONS FEAR SOVIET ENCROACHMENTS AS MUCH AS WE DO. BUT SO LONG AS THE ARAB-ISRAELI DISPUTE CONTINUES, THE SOVIETS WILL HAVE LEVERAGE WITH THE ARABS, EVEN IN COUNTRIES LIKE SAUDI ARABIA. THUS, ARGUED, TO FURTHER OUR OBJECTIVE OF PREVENTING SOVIET INFLUENCE, WE MUST WORK TO FIND A SOLUTION TO THE ARAB-ISRAELI ISSUE IN PARALLEL WITH EFFORTS TO ADDRESS OTHER ARAB SECURITY CONCERNS. A SOLUTION TO THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT, IN VIEW, WOULD BE THE "BEST FIRST STEP" WE COULD TAKE TOWARD BUILDING AN ANTI-SOVIET SECURITY SYSTEM IN THE AREA.

5. RESPONDING, WE REHEARSED THE BASIC POINTS IN REF B AND FURNISHED HIM A COPY OF PM DIRECTOR BULTIMS MARCH 23 STATEMENT CONCERNING U.S. POLICY TOWARD THE MIDDLE EAST AND PERSIAN GULF. PROFESSING TO BE REASSURED, NEVERTHELESS REITERATED HIS POINT ABOUT THE NEED TO AVOID APPEARING TO DOWNPLAY THE PEACE PROCESS IN OUR DISCUSSION

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E.O. 12065: RDS-1 09-30-2001 (WDESSNER, WILLIAM M.) OR-M

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SUBJECT: URGENT REQUEST FOR INFORMATION BY FOREIGN OFFICE

ON HONDURAN MANEUVERS AND NICARAGUAN POLITICAL

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1. (COMPTOFNTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT).

- 2. THE FORFIGN OFFICE DIRECTOR FOR CENTRAL AMERICA HAS URGENTLY REQUESTED OF US INFORMATION ON THE CURRENT JOINT HONDUPAN-U.S.-VENEZUELAN MILITARY MANEUVERS HE MAS SEEN REPORTED IN THE PRESS, AS WELL AS ON THE STATE OF HONDURAN-NICARAGUAN RELATIONS. THE REASON, HE SAID, IS THAT IF THESE MANEUVERS ARE NOT ROUTINE, BUT REFLECT HEIGHTENED TENSION IN THE AREA, HE WOULD HAVE TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDING THAT FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER CANCEL HIS PROPOSED VISIT TO NICARAGUA AND HONDURAS FOLLOWING THE CANCUN SUMMIT.
- 3. THE OFFICE DIRECTOR SAYS FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER IS PUSHING HARD FOR INFORMATION ON THIS SUBJECT. POINTS THE OFFICE DIRECTOR SAYS HE URGENTLY NEEDS INFORMATION ON:
 -- ARE MANEUVERS INDEED GOING ON IN HONDURAS NEAR THE BORDER WITH NICARAGUA?
- -- ARE OTHER THAN HONDURAN TROOPS PARTICIPATING? SPECIFICALLY, ARE U.S. TROOPS PARTICIPATING?
- THEY ARE THESE MANEUVERS, IF THEY ARE BEING HELD, MERELY ROUTINE, OR DO THEY REFLECT HEIGHTENED TENSION BETWEEN HONDURAS AND NICARAGUA?

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4. FINALLY, THE OFFICE DIRECTUR SAID HE HAD HEARD THAT THE SITUATION IN NICARAGUA IN TERMS OF PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR THE GOVERNMENT HAD DETERIORATED "DRAMATICALLY" IN RECENT WEEKS, AND THAT THE SANDINISTAS! BACKS WERE TO THE WALL. MHILE GENSCHER FEELS IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR HIM TO GO TO NICARAGUA TO LECTURE THE GOVERNMENT ON THE NEED TO MEND ITS WAYS, HE DOES NOT WANT TO ARRIVE IN THE MIDDLE OF A CRISIS SITUATION. THE OFFICE DIRECTOR WOULD THEREFORE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE OUR ASSESSMENT OF THE CURRENT POLITICAL SITUATION IN MICARAGUA.

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5. ACTION REQUESTED: THE OFFICE DIRECTOR IS ONE OF DUR BEST CONTACTS AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE. HE IS OUR MAIN POINT OF CONTACT ON EL SALVADOR, AND DUP STAUNCHEST SUPPORTER ON THAT ISSUE. WE THEREFORE HOPE ADDRESSEES CAN HELP US BE RESPONSIVE TO HIS REQUEST. BURNS BT #9255

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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM WILLY BRANDT TO PRESIDENT REAGAN ON CANCUN SUMMIT

BELOW IS THE TEXT OF A LETTER ADDRESSED TO PRESIDENT REAGAN FROM WILLY BRANDT, CHAIRMAN OF THE INDEPENDENT

COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ISSUES (ICIDI). LETTER IS ALSO SIGNED BY SHRIDATH RAMPHAL. URIGINAL IS BEING POUCHED TO THE DEPARTMENT.

BEGIN TEXT:

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DEAR MR. PRESIDENT,

ME WPITE TO YOU IN OUR INDIVIDUAL CAPACITIES, BUT ALSO AS PERSONS FROM THE NURTH AND SOUTH RESPECTIVELY WHO, THROUGH THE WORK OF THE INDEPENDENT COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ISSUES, BELIEVE PROFOUNDLY THAT NORTH-SOUTH ISSUES DEMAND FROM OUR GLOBAL SOCIETY A PROGRAMME OF URGENT, CONCERTED AND SUSTAINED ACTION. THAT EXPERIENCE CONVINCES US ALSO THAT THE CUNVERGENCE OF INTERESTS OF NORTH AND SOUTH AND THEIR FUSION WITH THE MANDATES OF MORAL PURPOSE ARE REAL ENOUGH TO ENCOURAGE HOPE FOR CONSENSUS ON SUCH A PROGRAMME.

WE FFEL, THEREFORE, THAT WHILE THE CANCUN SUMMIT CONFRONTS ISSUES OF CONSIDERABLE GRAVITY, IT CAN DO SO WITHOUT A SENSE OF HOPELESSNESS. THE VERY FACT OF THE METING ENCOURAGES HOPE. IT IS THE FIRST OCCASION IN HISTORY WHEN THE POLITICAL LEADERSHIP OF SO LARGE A PART OF HUMAN SOCIETY MEETS TO JOINTLY CONFRONT THE DANGERS FACING MANKIND. AND THESE DANGERS ARE REAL. THE CONJUNCTURE OF A MAJOR WORLD ECONOMIC RECESSION WITH BOTH PERSISTENT NORTH-SOUTH FAILURES AND HEIGHTENED EAST-WEST TENSIONS IN THESE EARLY YEARS OF THE BOS HIGHLIGHTS SERIOUS DEFICIENCIES IN OUR INTERNATIONALISM; DEFICIENCIES IN THE AKEAS OF PERCEPTION, OF IDEAS, OF INSTITUTIONS

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AND, NOT LEAST, OF POLITICAL WILL. NO ONE IS BLAMELESS; BUT ALL ARE ENDANGERED. THE CANCUN SUMMIT PROVIDES A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR PRECISELY THE KIND OF POLITICAL DIALOGUE BY WHICH A NEW START CAN BE INSPIKED.

IN THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSION WE TRIED TO CONVEY
THE SITUATION OF CRISIS THREATENING OUR HUMAN SOCIETY:
THE DESPERATE PLIGHT OF HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF THE
WORLD'S PODREST PEOPLE, THE POLITICAL INSTABILITY THAT
DETERIORATING ECONOMIC CONDITIONS ARE INDUCING, THE WAY
IN WHICH THE FATE OF THE DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
IS INEXTRICABLY LINKED, THE DEGREE TO WHICH EAST-WEST
TENSIONS AND MORTH-SOUTH FAILURES ARE INTERACTING UPON AND
REINFORCING EACH OTHER, THE UNRAVELLING PROCESS THAT IS AT
WORK IN MANY AREAS OF INTERNATIONAL EFFORT, THE THREAT
TO EVEN THOSE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS ON WHICH MAN'S
HOPES HAVE CENTRED IN THE POST-WAR ERA. WE DO NOT SEEK
TO TRAVERSE THAT GROUND HERE. SUFFICE IT TO RECALL THAT
THE COMMISSION EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT AT THE BEGINNING

OF THE 80S THE WORLD COMMUNITY FACES MUCH GREATER DANGERS.
THAN AT ANY TIME SINCE THE SECOND WORLD WAR.

WE COMPLETED OUR REPORT AT THE END OF 1979. SINCE THEN THOSE DANGERS HAVE GROWN IN THEIR MAGNITUDE AND IN THEIR GRAVITY. THEY NOW CONFRUNT ALL COUNTRIES AND, THEREFORE, ALL GOVERNMENTS. BUT THEY COME INTO SHARPEST FOCUS IN THE LIVES OF PEOPLE THE WORLD OVER: IN THE CONTINUING PROSPECT OF STARVATION, DISEASE AND EARLY DEATH THAT FACES THOSE OF THE PODREST COUNTRIES: IN THE JOLT TO SUSTAINED PROSPERITY FOR MANY IN EVEN THE RICHEST COUNTRIES; AND IN THE IMPAIRMENT FOR ALL OF FAITH AND HOPE IN THE FUTURE THEIR CHILDREN WILL INHERIT.

IT IS IN THIS CONTEXT THAT WE SEEK TO PUT BEFORE YOU SOME SUGGESTIONS ON POSSIBLE GUALS FOR CANCUN AND ON THE WAYS BY WHICH, AS PARTICIPANTS, YOU MIGHT TOGETHER ATTAIN THEM. IF THEY APPEAR TO BE MODEST IT IS BECAUSE WE REPOSE OUR GREATEST FAITH IN COMMENCING A GENUINE ADVANCE TO CONSENSUS THROUGH A MUTUALLY REINFORCING ACT OF POLITICAL WILL ON THE PART OF THE LEADERSHIP OF BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH; AND BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT WITHOUT THAT NOTHING IS ATTAINABLE.

AGAINST THIS BACKGROUND, WE BELIEVE THAT THE FOLLOWING MIGHT BE AMONG THE SPECIFIC ORJECTIVES OF THE BT #8264
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CANCUN SUMMIT, AND WE COMMEND THEM TO YOU:
1. TO ENABLE THE GLOBAL KOUND OF NEGOTIATIONS TO

THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON DEVELOPMENT ISSUES IN AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 1980 CAME CLOSE TO AGREEMENT ON THE FRAMEWORK OF THE GLOBAL ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS WHICH SHOULD HAVE COMMENCED EARLY IN 1981. SINCE THEN MUCH EFFORT HAS BEEN DEVOTED TO CLEARING THE REMAINING PROCEDURAL OBSTACLES. PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE, BUT AGREEMENT REMAINS DEFERRED. THE GLOBAL ROUND UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE UNITED NATIONS COULD AND SHOULD BE THE PROCESS BY WHICH NORTH-SOUTH ISSUES ARE NEGOTIATED AND RESULVED IN TERMS OF THE BROAD OBJECTIVES ALREADY AGREED BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. IF ALL PARTICIPANTS AT CANCUN WERE TO AGREE TO USE THEIR BEST ENDEAVOURS

TO ENSURE THAT THE GLOBAL ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS COMMENCES EARLY IN 1982, A SIGNIFICANT STEP WOULD HAVE BEEN TAKEN TOWARDS IMPROVING THE CLIMATE AND PROVIDING THE MEANS FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION FOR DEVELOPMENT.

TO RECOGNISE THE NEED FOR EMERGENCY ACTION IN CRITICAL AREAS:

THE GLOBAL ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS WILL COVER A WIDE FIELD AND COULD BE A PROTRACTED PROCESS.

MEANWHILE, THE WORLD ECONOMY AS A WHOLE AND MANY COUNTRIES - PARTICULARLY, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY, IN THE SOUTH - FACE SITUATIONS OF ACUTE CRISIS.

THE RESULTING EMERGENCY REQUIRIES AN IMMEDIATE AND DIRECT RESPONSE. IN THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSION WE OUTLINED AN EMERGENCY PROGRAMME

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FOR THE PERIOD 1980-85 IN CERTAIN CRITICAL AREAS, NAMELY:

- (A) A GLOBAL FOOD PROGRAMME TO STIMULATE OURLD FOOD PRODUCTION AND TO BEGIN TO ABOLISH WORLD HUNGER:
- (B) A GLOBAL ENERGY STRATEGY TO ACCUMMODATE THE NEED FOR SECURITY OF BOTH PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS;
- ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL FLUWS TO ENSURE THE STABILITY OF NATIONAL ECONOMIES STRAINED BY PERSISTING BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DEFICITS AND MOUNTING DEBTS;
- (D) REFORMS TO ACHIEVE BRUADER PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND MORE BALANCED CUNDITIONS FOR WORLD TRADE.

THE OVERALL DETERIORATION THAT HAS OCCURRED IN THESE AREAS SINCE OUR REPORT APPEARED CONFIRMS THE CASE FOR PROMPT AND EFFECTIVE ACTION, AND THE TIME THAT HAS PASSED UNDERLINES THE DANGER OF FURTHER POSTPONEMENT. WE DO NOT IMPLY THAT OURS ARE THE ONLY APPROACHES, BUT WE DO URGE UPON YOU

THE NEED FOR THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO COME TO GRIPS OUICKLY WITH THE GRAVE SITUATION THAT EXISTS. WHILE THE FORMAL NEGOTATIONS PROCEED, IT WOULD BE WHOLLY IN KEEPING WITH THE SPIRIT OF THE CANCUN MEFTING FOR THE PARTICIPANTS TO ALERT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO THE NEED FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION IN THESE PARTICULAR AREAS. WE HOPE, INDEED, THAT YOU WOULD BE READY YOURSELVES TO STIMULATE AN EXAMINATION OF THE FORMS THAT SUCH A RESPONSE MIGHT TAKE - THE IDENTIFICATION OF A PROGRAMME OF EMERGENCY MEASURS NEEDED TO RESCUE THE WORLD ECONOMY AND HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF PEOPLE FROM THE CRITICAL DANGERS NOW CONFRONTING IT AND THEM.

TO ENLARGE THE PROSPECTS FOR CONSENSUS ON MORTH-SOUTH ISSUES:
CLEARLY, HOWEVER, AFTER NEARLY EIGHT YEARS OF AN INTENSIVE NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE THAT YIELDED ONLY MARGINAL CONSENSUS, AND IN THE CURPENT ECONOMIC TURMOIL AND ACCOMPANYING DISTRESS, SOMETHING MORE IS NEEDED THAN AGREEMENT TO RESUME NEGOTIATIONS. THE PARTIES TO SUCH NEGOTIATIONS MUST ENTER THEM

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IN THIS CONTEXT, WE THINK IT IMPORTANT THAT LEADERS AT CANCON SPECIFICALLY INCLUDE IN THEIR COMMITMENT A PLEDGE THAT THEIR NEGOTIATORS WILL WORK ASSIDUOUSLY FOR AGREEMENT ON PRACTICAL AND EFFECTIVE MEASURES IN THE AREAS UNDER NEGOTIATION - ESCHEWING RIGID POSITIONS ON ALL SIDES AND PROMOTING A NEW AND CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE. THE MOST PROMISING ADVANCES MADE AT CANCON WILL ONLY BE SUSTAINED IF THE POLITICAL WILL THAT MAKES THEM POSSIBLE IS CAPRIED OVER INTO THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS ITSELF.

WE UPGE AS WELL THAT IT WOULD BE UP PRACTICAL IMPORTANCE IN ENLARGING SUCCESS IN NORTH-SOUTH NEGUTIATIONS IF LEADERS AT CANCUN WERE TO AGREE TO TAKE ALL APPROPRIATE STEPS TO STRENGTHEN PUBLIC AWARENESS OF NORTH-SOUTH ISSUES IN THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES AND, MORE PARTICULARLY, TO DEVELOP A CONSCIOUSNESS OF THE IMPORTANCE TO ALL COUNTRIES, NORTH AND SOUTH ALIKE, UP A SUCCESSFUL DUTCOME TO THE NEGOTIATIONS. NORTH-SOUTH CONSENSUS WILL COME MORE EASILY IF ENCOURAGED BY THE PEOPLE OF ALL SOCIETIES; INDEED, IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT THEIR SUPPORT.

TO PRESERVE THE PUTENTIAL OF CANCUN:

PARTICULARLY IN THE LIGHT OF A SUCCESSFUL BEGINNING AT CANCUN WE URGE ON YOU THAT, AT LEAST
OURING THE PERIOD OF GREAT DANGER THROUGH WHICH
THE WORLD IS NOW PASSING, THE POTENTIAL OF CANCUN
FOR CONTRIBUTING TO HUMAN PROGRESS IS NOT LOST.

WE ARE CONVINCED THAT YOU CAN HELP THE PROCESS OF
NOPTH SOUTH NEGOTIATIONS AND THAT IT IS IN THE INTEREST OF ALL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES THAT YOU SHOULD.
TO THIS END, WE HOPE YOU WILL KEEP OPEN THE POSSIBILITY OF MEETING AGAIN - TOGETHER, AND WITH SUCH

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OTHERS AS MAY BE AGREED - TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONS AS THEY DEVELOP IN THE LIGHT OF YOUR COMMITMENTS ATCANUN, AND TO EXAMINE THE WAYS IN WHICH YOU MIGHT FURTHER CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR CON-TINUING IMPROVEMENT.

CANCUN IS IN ONE SENSE AN OCCASION OF LAST RESORT IN THE FACE OF SERIOUS FAILURES IN THE DEVELOPMENT DIALOGUE. HOWEVER, IT ARISES NOT MERELY OUT OF DESPERATION, BUT ALSO BUT OF AN AMARENESS OF THE DEGREE TO WHICH ALL PARTS OF DUR HUMAN SOCIETY DEPEND UPON EACH OTHER AND, THEREFORE, NEED TO AGREE WITH EACH OTHER ON THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF A TOLERABLE EXISTENCE FOR ALL PEOPLE. CANCUN, IN THIS SENSE, IS NOT AN END BUT A BEGINNING.

WITH DEEP RESPECT. /SIGNED/ WILLY BRANDT

/SIGNED/ SHRIDATH RAMPHAL

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