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- (9 ENTIRE TEXT)
- IT WOULD APPEAR FROM CONVERSATIONS I HAVE HAD IN FRANCE THAT THE STRATEGIC IMPACT OF OUR PIPELINE SANCTIONS IS NOT WIDELY UNDERSTOOD. I SET FORTH MY ANALYSIS OF OUR STRATEGY, INVITING COMMENT.
- THE BACKGROUND IS THAT THE SOVIET ECONOMY IS IN TROUBLE. APART FROM THE SYSTEM ITSELF THERE ARE SEVERAL PROBLEMS: THERE IS A SERIOUS SHORTAGE OF FOREIGN CURRENCY IN RELATION TO THEIR EXPANSIONARY FIVE YEAR PLANS. IN COMMERCIAL TERMS A RAPID EXPANSION WAS COMMITTED FOR BASED ON A CASH FLOW WHICH HAS NOT MATERIALIZED, I.E. LIKE BRANIFF AIRWAYS THEY EXTENDED THEMSELVES AT THE WRONG TIME. THE CASH FLOW IS DOWN BECAUSE OF THE DROP IN SPOT OIL PRICES, AS WELL AS PRICES OF DIAMONDS, GOLD AND OTHER RAW MATERIALS. POOR HARVESTS, POLAND, AND EASTERN EUROPEAN RESCHEDULING HAVE AGGRAVATED THE SITUATION. CONSEQUENTLY, THE CREDIT STANDING OF THE SOVIET UNION IS UNDER SEVERE SCRUTINY AND IT IS UNLIKELY THAT A BALANCE OF PAYMENTS LOAN BASED ON THE CREDIT OF THE SOVIET UNION COULD BE ARRANGED TODAY.
- THE CURRENT SOVIET PLAN IS TO INCREASE THEIR GAS PRODUCTION BY ABOUT 50 PCT. ONLY ABOUT 15 PCT. OF THIS INCREASE WILL GO TO WESTERN EUROPE, WHILE 85 WILL BE USED TO ENERGIZE SOVIET INDUSTRY WITH GAS. 85 PCT THIS CHANGEOVER TO GAS WILL NOT ONLY COMPENSATE FOR FALLING OIL PRODUCTION AND ALLOW FOR OIL BE EXPORTED, IT WILL SET THE BASE FOR FURTHER INDUSTRIAL EXPANSION WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE NOT BE POSSIBLE. IN OTHER WORDS THE SOVIET EXPORTS OF GAS ARE GOING TO PAY FOR THE PIPELINE WHICH WILL TRANSFORM AND EXPAND THE SOVIET ENERGY BASE WHICH IN TURN SHOULD HAVE A PROFOUND BENEFICIAL EFFECT ON SOVIET INDUSTRIAL AND MILITARY CAPABILITY. I REALIZE I MAY BE OVERSTATING THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE PIPELINE AND

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THAT MANY OTHER FACTORS CAN DETERMINE THE ECONOMIC SUCCESS OR FAILURE OF THE SOVIET UNION, BUT THE DEVELOPMENT OF SOVIET NATURAL GAS IS WITHOUT DOUBT ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS IN THE ECONOMIC HISTORY OF THE SOVIET UNION.

- 5. THE SOVIET SYSTEM IS STRAINED AND TO BUILD THIS PIPELINE THE SOVIETS MUST IMPORT MATERIALS SUCH AS LARGE PIPE AND LARGE COMPRESSORS. DENYING THEM PRODUCTS SUCH AS ROTORS WHICH COME FROM GE TECHNOLOGY REQUIRES THE SOVIETS TO DO SOMETHING ELSE LIKE REDESIGN, REDIRECT THEIR OWN CAPACITIES, PROCURE ELSEWHERE, ETC.; THIS MEANS DELAYS, AND WHEN THEIR CASH FLOW IS DOWN AND THEIR CREDIT STANDING IS FADING, DELAYS COULD MEAN SERIOUS PROBLEMS. THE PIPELINE COULD BE DELAYED BEYOND THE PERIOD NEEDED TO COMPENSATE FOR THE ROTORS. THE QUESTION I POSE IS WHY SHOULD THE UNITED STATES BAIL THE SOVIET UNION OUT OF ITS PROBLEMS BY ALLOWING IT THE USE OF OUR TECHNOLOGY?
- 6. THE CONTRACTED-FOR GAS EXPORTS TO EUROPE WILL PROBABLY BE MET EVEN THOUGH THE PIPELINE IS DELAYED BUT ONLY BY DRAWING GAS FROM SOME OTHER USE IN THE SYSTEM, ALL OF WHICH ADDS TO THE OVERALL STRAIN. NOR WILL THE CASH THAT COMES FROM THESE EXPORTS OF GAS SOLVE THEIR PROBLEMS BECAUSE MOST OF IT WILL BE DEVOTED FOR SEVERAL YEARS TO PAYING FOR THE NEW PIPELINE.
- 7. I DO NOT LOOK UPON THIS ISSUE AS ONE OF EUROPEAN DEPENDENCY (UNLESS THERE IS A THIRD SOVIET TRANCHE TO EUROPE, I.E., A SECOND PIPELINE). NOR IS THE DOLLARS 8 TO 10 BILLION NEW CASH GENERATED BY GAS SALES TO EUROPE THE RANKING PRIORITY OF CONCERN, BAD AS IT IS. BECAUSE THAT CASH WILL BE USED FOR

SEVERAL YEARS TO PAY FOR THE IMPORTED MATERIALS. THE IMPORTANT POINT IS THE SOVIETS ARE IN ECONOMIC TROUBLE BECAUSE OF THEIR OWN DOING AND THEIR OWN SYSTEM AND THE UNITED STATES IS PERFECTLY JUSTIFIED IN NOT CHOOSING TO HELP THEM MAKE THE QUANTUM LEAP FORWARD THAT WILL COME FROM THEIR EXPANDED USE OF GAS. OUR POLICY NEED NOT BE CHARACTERIZED AS ECONOMIC WARFARE; IT IS SIMPLY A DECISION NOT TO BAIL THEM OUT BT

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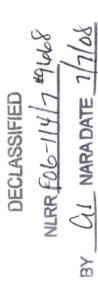
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OF THEIR TROUBLE OR SUPPORT THEIR EXPANSION, TAKEN AT A TIME WHEN THEIR AGGRESSIVENESS AROUND THE WORLD CONTINUES.

8. I THINK IT IMPORTANT EUROPEANS UNDERSTAND WHAT WE HOPE TO GAIN BY AN ECONOMICALLY WEAKENED SOVIET UNION. IN MY OPINION THEIR ABILITY TO SUPPORT EXTERNAL SUBVERSION AND AGGRESSION, I. E.G., CUBA, ETHIOPIA, YEMEN, VIETNAM, EL SALVADOR, NICARAGUA, AFGHANISTAN COULD BE SEVERELY LIMITED. SECOND, THE SOVIETS MIGHT BE FORCED BY INTROSPECTION AND COMPARISON TO MODIFY THE NATURE OF THEIR ECONOMIC SYSTEM. GALBRAITH BT

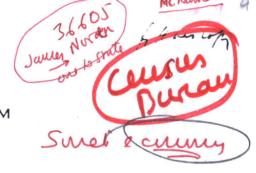




#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

### INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

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July 14, 1982

TO:

The Acting Secretary

FROM:

INR - Hugh Montgomery

EUR - Robert D. Blackwill, Acting

SUBJECT:

Soviet Vulnerability to Economic Sanctions According

to the Census Bureau

The Census Bureau's press release (July 12) citing the results of a study (which concludes that Soviet imports in 1980, if expressed in domestic prices, would be equal to 20 percent of Soviet national income) exaggerates the USSR's vulnerability to trade sanctions.

The figures used in the study must be placed in perspective.

- --First, Soviet national income (Marxist concept) was about 75 percent of Soviet GNP (Western concept) in 1980. Thus, total Soviet imports would be equivalent to 15 percent of Soviet GNP in 1980, according to the methodology used in the study. In comparison, imports accounted for about 10 percent of US GNP in 1980.
- were from other communist countries. Another 15 percent were from countries that are not likely to go along with trade sanctions against the USSR: 6.7 percent from the four European neutrals (Austria, Finland, Sweden, and Switzerland); 4.4 percent from seven less developed countries (Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Iran, Iraq, India, Libya, and Syria) that are closely alligned with or sympathetic towards the USSR; and 3.6 percent from three LDCs (Argentina, Brazil, and Thailand) that took advantage of the partial US grain embargo to promote their own agricultural exports. Another 3.5 percent of Soviet imports came from more than thirty-five LDCs.
- --This leaves only about 29 percent of Soviet imports in 1980, the equivalent of roughly 4 percent of Soviet GNP, that originated in eighteen "non-neutral Developed

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Western nations" (including the United States). Recent efforts have demonstrated the difficulty--if not impossibility--of arriving at a unified trade policy toward the USSR even within this latter group.

As CIA noted in its critique of the press release, much of the estimated rise in the share of imports in Soviet national income-from 9 percent in 1970 to 20 percent in 1980--resulted from a faster rate of inflation in Soviet foreign trade than in Soviet domestic production. (Soviet domestic prices were not adjusted for inflation). CIA concluded that if 1970 prices were used for the entire period, imports probably would not have accounted for more than 12 percent of Soviet national income in 1980 (or 9 percent of Soviet GNP).

Accordingly, imports from the eighteen non-neutrals in 1980 would have been the equivalent of only 2.6 percent of Soviet

GNP. This does not make a convincing case for Soviet vulnerability to economic sanctions, even if all eighteen countries were to cooperate in trade sanctions.

From what we have seen of the Census study, we agree with CIA that on balance it makes a significant contribution to research on Soviet foreign trade pricing. But it is worth noting that the authors themselves caution that any comprehensive analysis of the role of foreign trade in the Soviet economy is beyond the scope of their study, and that any attempt to assess the real importance of foreign trade "is probably impossible or at least very difficult because of the absence of the necessary data."

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#### 1. USSR: ECONOMY SPUTTERS ALONG

Soviet industry turned in another disappointing performance during the first half of the year with output growing by 2.7 percent, little more than half the planned annual rate. The likelihood of a fourth consecutive harvest failure points to more problems ahead, particularly for Soviet consumers. But Moscow also improved its hard currency position during the first quarter and maintained access to needed credits despite heightened East-West tensions.

Industrial output accelerated during the second quarter to help close the gap between planned and actual performance. Continued improvement is possible during the remainder of the year. It will not be enough, however, to overcome the USSR's serious systemic problems or the chronic difficulties in key industries (e.g., coal and metallurgy), whose shortcomings have a ripple effect throughout the economy. Nonetheless, the Soviet economy should register real growth this year.

The USSR continues to have difficulty with its energy sector. Oil production has leveled off at roughly 12 million barrals per day since September 1980. Coal output has picked up marginally this year but is unlikely to emerge from the doldrums of the past three years. Natural gas continues to account for nearly all the USSR's incremental energy output.

CIA currently projects this year's Soviet grain harvest at 165 million metric tons (mmt), some 70 mmt below plan. Moscow is expected to import some 45 mmt in the marketing year ending June 1983, matching last year's record grain imports. This will not be enough to prevent distress slaughtering, with ominous implications for Brezhnev's food program. The supply situation, particularly for meat and dairy products remains poor, and spontaneous demonstrations are reported to have occurred in a number of cities protesting food shortages.

On the positive side, Soviet hard-currency exports jumped 50 percent in value during the first quarter while imports fell somewhat. The resulting \$1.3 billion trade deficit was only one-third the size of the deficit incurred during the first quarter of 1981. Meanwhile, Moscow's net debt to Western banks, as reported by the Bank for International Settlements, rose only \$0.5 billion during the first quarter compared with end of year 1981. (This contrasts with a \$3.6-billion increase a year earlier.)

Because of continuing soft prices for oil and gold, the Soviets are increasingly dependent on short-term credits to finance grain imports. They already have obtained \$100 million of the \$500 million currently being sought from US banks to finance purchases from the US and have an offer for another \$20 million at attractive rates. Most notable among other offers are the \$1-billion package with government guarantees from Canada and a \$150 million commercial

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JIETS SUFFER 9-MONTH SLUMP IN ECONOMY

BY MATHIS CHRZANOV

MOSCOW (UPI) -- OFFICIAL FIGURES RELEASED SATURDAY IN THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER PRAVDA CONFIRMED SOVIETS HAVE SUFFERED A 9-MONTH SLUMP IN THE GROWTH OF THEIR ECONOMY.

HESTERN ANALYSTS SAID THE PRAVDA REPORT WAS IN LINE WITH FIGURES THE SOUIETS PUBLISHED EARLIER THIS YEAR, WITH INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION GROWING ONLY 2.7 PERCENT COMPARED WITH 3.4 PERCENT LAST YEAR. THE PLAN TARGET FOR 1982 WAS 4 PERCENT.

ANOTHER KEY FACTOR, PRODUCTIVITY OF LABOR, WAS ALSO BELOW EXPECTATIONS, GROWING AT 2 PERCENT.

WESTERN EXPERTS SAY PRODUCTIVITY OF LABOR -- WHICH MEASURES HOW EFFECTIVELY THE AVERAGE WORKER IS DOING HIS JOB -- WILL HAVE TO INCREASE IF SOVIET INDUSTRY IS TO COPE WITH A DECLINE IN GROWTH OF THE RUSSIAN-SPEAKING POPULATION.

THERE WERE BRIGHT SPOTS IN THE 9-MONTH REPORT ISSUED BY THE CENTRAL STATISTICAL BOARD OF THE U.S.S.R., ESPECIALLY THE ENERGY SECTOR.

OUTPUT OF NATURAL GAS TOTALLED 386 BILLION CUBIC METERS, 108 PERCENT OF WHAT IT WAS AT THE SAME POINT LAST YEAR.

ELECTRICITY WAS 997 BILLION KILOWATT-HOURS, 103 PERCENT OF THE 1981 FIGURE, AND COAL WAS 539 MILLION TONS, 102 PERCENT OVER THE PREVIOUS MARK.

OIL HELD STEADY AT 456 MILLION TONS, OR NINE MILLION BARRELS A DAY, JUST TWO-TENTHS OF A PERCENTAGE POINT OVER 1981.

BUT OTHER IMPORTANT SECTORS OF THE ECONOMY WERE DOWN, INCLUDING THE TROUBLED TRANSPORTATION SECTOR, WHERE OUTPUT OF RAILROAD FREIGHT CARS WAS 97 PERCENT OF WHAT IT WAS IN SEPTEMBER 1981.

PRODUCTION OF MINERAL FERTILIZER WAS 103 PERCENT OF THE PREVIOUS FIGURE AND CHEMICAL HERBICIDES ALSO REGISTERED AN INCREASE OF FIVE PERCENTAGE POINTS, REFLECTING THE HIGH PRIORITY OF THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR AFTER FOUR BAD GRAIN HARVESTS IN A ROW.

DESPITE THE INCREASE, MINERAL FERTILIZER PRODUCTION DID NOT MEET ITS PLANNED TARRETS.

A STATEMENT BY THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS R WEEK AGD CALLED FOR STRICT CONSERVATION OF ENERGY RESOURCES DESPITE THE INCREASES IN GAS, COAL AND ELECTRICITY PRODUCTION.

IT SAID THE RAILROAD INDUSTRY WAS NOT FULFILLING ITS OBLIGATIONS FOR FREIGHT HAULING.

ANALYSTS SAID THIS INDICATED THAT THE SOVIET UNION, THE WORLD'S LARGEST PETROLEUM PRODUCER, WAS CONCERNED ABOUT LEVELLING-OFF OF PRODUCTION AS SUPPLIES BECAME HARDER TO FIND AND EXPLOIT.

THE MINISTERS SAID "EXISTING INADEQUACIES IN LEADERSHIP" AND "WERKENED CONTROLS" WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR SHORTFALLS IN VARIOUS

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#### DIRECTORATE OF INTELLIGENCE

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European Community: Agricultural Exports to the USSR

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#### Introduction

Traditionally the European Community has been a relatively small supplier of agricultural goods to the USSR. Prior to 1980, the EC accounted for less than 5 percent of total Soviet agricultural imports. By the end of 1981, the share had risen to about 10 percent. US exports, on the other hand, have declined. In the late 1970's, the United States provided roughly 20 percent of Soviet agricultural imports; by 1981, this share had dropped to less than 10 percent. As a result of these trends, EC sales of agricultural goods to the USSR exceeded sales by the United States in both 1980 and 1981.

### Historical Trends

Throughout most of the 1970s, the USSR was an insignificant agricultural market for the EC. Annual agricultural sales to the Soviet Union usually amounted to only \$200-\$300 million and accounted for only about 2 percent of total EC agricultural exports outside the Community. At the turn of the decade, however, EC agricultural exports to the Soviet Union ballooned.

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		Analysis, in response
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Questions and comments	may be addressed to	the Chief

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By 1981, sales reached nearly \$2 billion. Although EC agricultural exports to other countries also grew considerably over the past few years, the share going to the Soviet Union expanded to about 8 percent by 1981. The USSR is now the Community's second largest export market. The United States is still the largest, but only by about \$100 million.

The jump in EC agricultural exports to the USSR has occurred primarily for two reasons: (a) the growth in EC agricultural production has outpaced domestic consumption, causing the Community's exportable surplus of agricultural commodities to continue to grow; (b) beginning with the US embargo of grain exports to the USSR in 1980, the Soviets have diverted grain orders to other suppliers.

EC agricultural production has been stimulated both by structural improvements in the use of land, labor, and capital and by the Community's Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), the overall goal of which is to improve self-sufficiency in essential foodstuffs. From the early 1960's to the late 1970's, the yield of wheat per hectare climbed 57 percent in the EC, with France's gain--70 percent--being the largest. Primarily through continual increases in CAP minimum price supports for pork and poultry, production of these commodities has grown more than 60 percent and 250 percent respectively over the past 15 years.

By the late 1970's, the EC had largely achieved self-sufficiency in foodstuffs for human consumption. Substantial surpluses, which are purchased and stored at Community expense, have developed in dairy products, meat, sugar as well as grains. In an attempt to reduce costs, the EC has increased efforts to sell surplus products in international markets, and the Soviet Union has become an important outlet. In dairy products, for example, the Soviet Union is the only major commercial world market willing to buy surplus EC butter.

The US grain embargo of 1980 and 1981 also led to increased EC agricultural sales to the USSR. By international standards the EC remains only a marginal grain exporter. Nevertheless, EC grain exports to the USSR grew from .2 million tons in 1979 to almost 2 million tons in 1981 and likely will rise again in 1982.

Grain is only one of a number of agricultural goods the EC exports to the USSR. Traditionally, sales of sugar, meat and meat products, and dairy products together have been much more important than have sales of grain. The 1979 jump in EC farm sales was composed entirely of increases in these three commodity

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groups while grain exports declined to less than half of 1978 levels. In 1980, however, EC grain exports increased nearly tenfold but were still less than half of United States grain exports that year. Agricultural goods make up about 20 percent of total EC exports to the USSR.

France is the single largest EC exporter of farm goods to the USSR, constituting 35-40 percent of the total, and is by far the largest EC exporter of wheat and a sizable exporter of sugar. Germany's exports, in second place, are composed largely of animal feeds, other cereals, sugar, and meat. Dutch export data should be viewed with some caution; sizable transshipments through Rotterdam may distort country of origin information.

In contrast, an average 95 percent of U.S. farm sales to the USSR are grains, and agricultural sales accounted for about 70 percent of total U.S. exports in 1980. The United States has not exported any meat or dairy products and only very small amounts of sugar to the Soviet Union in recent years.

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## The Subsidy Issue

Nearly all EC agricultural exports receive substantial Subsidies, and exports to the Soviet Union are no exception. These non-discriminatory export refunds are offered by the Ten to enable EC goods to compete on world markets; they are not

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intended to subsidize the economic development of the importing country or to bring EC agricultural export prices below the prevailing world market price.

Export subsidies are an integral element of the EC's Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), a comprehensive program designed to support farm income within the Ten. The Community annually sets minimum support prices on many agricultural products and pledges to buy any farm production at this intervention price. Agricultural export subsidies offset the difference between the internal EC farm prices and generally lower world market prices.

Although export refunds are only one type of aid available to EC farmers, they now account for nearly one-half of all EC spending on agriculture. For the past three years EC export refunds have cost the Community over \$5 billion annually. Nearly 40 percent of these refunds subsidize the export of dairy products. Other subsidies go to grains (25 percent), sugar (15 percent), oils and fats (7 percent) and meat products (6 percent). We estimate that in 1981 the EC provided more than \$400 million in export subsidies on agricultural goods sold to the USSR.

#### Eastern European Connection

Since the Soviet Union can buy directly from EC countries, it has no need to indirectly purchase EC agricultural goods via Eastern Europe. Moscow does not recognize politically the EC Commission, but instead deals directly with the individual EC countries. Nevertheless, the Commission has been forthcoming in awarding export subsidies on annual, one-time sales to the USSR.

In 1981 EC agricultural exports to Eastern Europe reached almost \$1.4 billion--about \$400 million less than agricultural exports to the USSR that year. Almost 60 percent of EC agricultural exports to Eastern Europe consisted of grains and meat; fish accounted for another 20 percent. Poland took just over 50 percent of agricultural sales to Eastern Europe; Romania 15 percent; East Germany 13 percent; and Czechoslovakia 10 percent.

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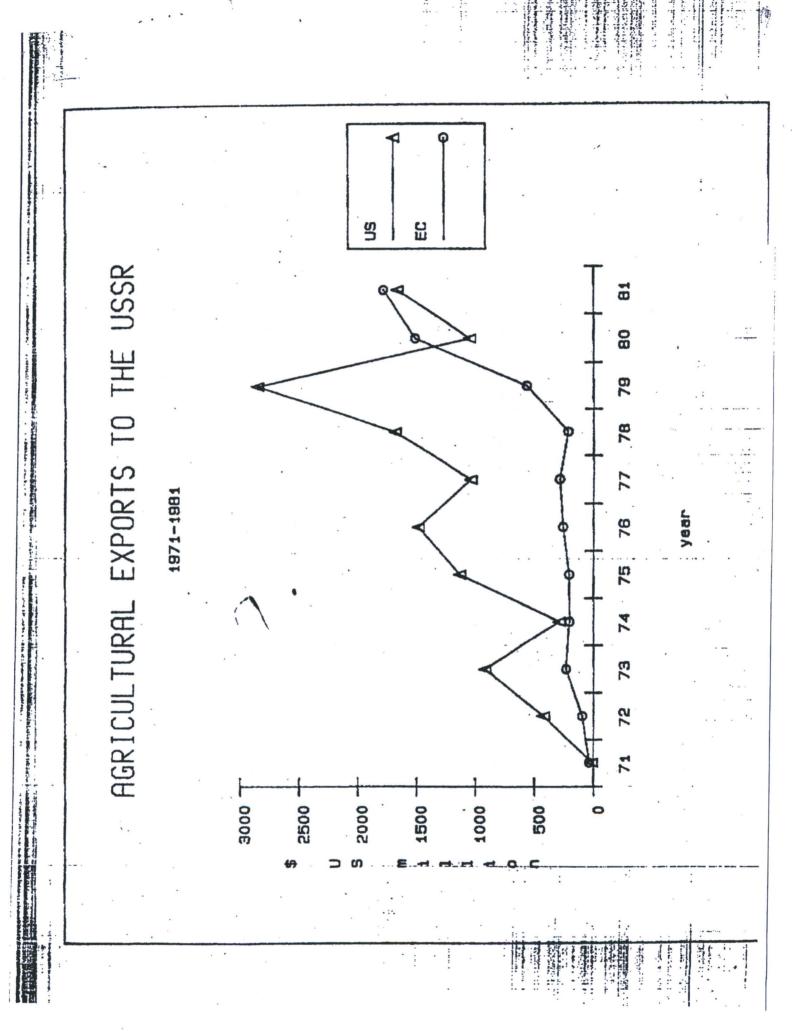


Table 1

## European Community<sup>1</sup>: Agricultural Exports to the USSR By Major Commodity Group, 1971-1981

#### Million US \$

	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	19812
otal	38	99	233	203	206	257	285	214	560	1510	1780
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#### Excludes Greece

Figures for 1981 do not include Dermark, Ireland, and the United Kingdom; these countries accounted for only 7 percent of EC agricultural exports to the USSR in 1980.

Table 2

European Community<sup>1</sup>: Agricultural Exports to the USSR By Country, 1971-1981

Million US \$55

	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981
propean Community	38	99	233	203	206	257	285	214	560	1510	1780 <sup>2</sup>
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aly	10	9	3	13	24	8	11	53	33	54	112
etherlands	10	11	22	27	29	34	66	26	92	261	391
nited Kingdom	4	2	1	3	5	5	7	53	41	37	NA
ermany	0	6	35	29	21	28	26	1.5	70	366	419

Excludes Greece

Total excludes Dermark, Ireland, and the United Kingdom.

Table 3 Buropean Community<sup>1</sup>: Grain Exports to USSR, 1971-1981

Million US \$

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otal Grains	4	64	109	43	51	55	20	95	41	398	781
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rybeans	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	NA
ther Cereals	1	47	80	36	35	55	0	51	22	143	NA.

Excludes Greece.
Figures for 1981 do not include Denmark, Ireland, and the United Kingdom.

United States: Agricultural Exports to the USSR
By Major Commodity Group, 1971-1981

Million US \$

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Table 5
United States: Grain Exports to USSR, 1971-1981

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#### 2. USSR: ECONOMY SLOWS BUT EXPORTS SURGE

The Soviet economy is expected to grow by 1-2 percent in 1982. The increase in industrial production will be the lowest since the end of World War II, and agricultural performance will be poor for the fourth consecutive year. Soviet consumers face the grim prospect of continued hard times, while Kremlin leaders confront difficult economic decisions.

According to official statistics, Soviet industrial production increased by 2.7 percent during the first nine months of 1982, well below the planned annual rate of 4.7 percent. The economy was affected by chronic difficulties in key industries—oil, coal, metallurgy—and lagging construction. Labor productivity increased only 2 percent during this period (about half the planned annual rate). The persisting decline in the growth rate of productivity reflects the USSR's continuing failure to install new and more efficient equipment on schedule.

Oil production has remained at roughly 12.2 million barrels per day since September 1980. To achieve the 1982 target of 614 million metric tons, output will have to exceed 12.5 million barrels per day throughout the last guarter of the year. We doubt that such an increase can be sustained. Coal output is growing, but it is unlikely to attain the levels reached in 1977-78 any time soon.

Natural gas continues to be the one bright spot in the energy sector, if not the entire Soviet economy. Natural gas production, up 8 percent this year, accounts for nearly all of the USSR's incremental energy output. The Soviets should have little difficulty surpassing their 1982 target of 492 billion cubic meters.

To help ease their tight hard-currency position, the Soviets have increased exports by 37 percent--largely through increased oil sales to Western Europe and the recovery of trade with Iraq--while they have reduced the value of imports by 1 percent. As a result, the USSR narrowed its hard-currency trade deficit during the first half of this year to \$2.2 billion, a sharp improvement over the mid-year 1981 deficit of \$6.0 billion. If mid-year trends continue, the Soviets should end the year with a hard-currency trade deficit substantially below last year's level of \$4 billion.

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FROM:

RICHARD PIPES

SUBJECT:

European Involvement in Building in Soviet Union

the World's Largest Sulfur Plant

The attached intelligence report (Tab	I),
discus	ses a major Soviet project,
the world's largest sulfur plant to b	e built in Astrakhan. From
it transpires that:	

- The French will get the bulk of the contracts, the Germans and the Italians the remainder.
- On Soviet insistence, U.S. technology will be shut out.
- The European firms involved will provide "host government" concessionary project financing" which will come to onequarter of a billion dollars or more.

Norman Bailey cc: William Martin Roger Robinson

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Tab I				

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#### 3. USSR: 1983 ECONOMIC PLAN SIGNALS RETREAT FROM MID-TERM GOALS

The Soviets appear to have accepted that the goals of the Eleventh Five-Year Plan (1981-85) are unattainable. Whether the new leadership will now face up to the tough decisions it must make on resource allocations remains to be seen. Meanwhile, the very "inertia" that Andropov has attacked as a major obstacle to needed changes in planning and management will provide the momentum to keep the economy moving slowly.

The planned increases in national income (3.3 percent) and industrial production (3.2 percent) for 1983 clearly indicate that Moscow is abandoning the growth rates previously targeted under the Pive-Year Plan (FYP). Last year—in an effort to put the Plan back on track after a disappointing first year—the Soviets adopted growth rates for 1982 that were higher than those origin—ally envisaged in the FYP. The growth rates now slated for 1983, however, are below those originally projected and well below what would be needed to make up lost production.

In announcing the new goals, Gosplan Chairman Baybakov pointed to problems in agriculture, steel, chemicals, and rail-road transport as some of the major factors behind the economy's disappointing performance. He also echoed Andropov's remarks last Monday on the unimpressive increase in labor productivity, which the Soviets were counting on to provide 90 percent of the increase in production during the current FYP. Baybakov indicated that the Soviets do not expect to make up lost ground in this key area.

In the critical energy sector, the 1983 target for coal production has been scaled back from this year's goal. The 1983 target for oil production is consistent with the PYP, but Moscow is having difficulty meeting even this year's lower goal. This means increased reliance on natural gas (28 percent of primary energy output in 1981) to take up the slack in energy supplies.

Moscow obviously is hoping for a rebound in agriculture, where output is slated to increase 10.5 percent next year. Andropov has reaffirmed that measures related to Brezhnev's Food Program are central to Soviet plans. He could change his mind, however, when the Food Program is discussed in forthcoming plenary and other meetings.

While continuing to give lip service to consumer welfare, Baybakov made clear in his announcement of 1983 plan targets that the goals for consumer goods in general—and meat and dairy products in particular—will have to slip because of arrearages in production and the fourth consecutive harvest failure.

The Soviet Economy Within A Global Framework: Input-Output Projections to the Year 2000

Wassily Leontief, Jorge Mariscal, Ira Sohn
Institute For Economic Analysis
New York University
December 1982

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#### ABSTRACT

This study provides a structural description of the current state of the Soviet economy, a methodology for viewing it within the broader context of the World economy and a number of alternative projections of its future course up to the year 2000.

The main methodological tools used for the projections were the 1972 Reconstructed Soviet Input-Output Table and the World Input-Output Model.

The main conclusions are that Soviet economic growth to the end of the century, even at a relativly high rate of 4% per annum, will not be constrained by foreign exchange considerations in light of the projected growth in Soviet gas exports to Western Europe. However, low growth in the projected labor force and lagging productivity growth appear to be serious impediments for achieving even an annual 3% rate of growth in economic activity.

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1. TOW SUMMARY. ECONOMIC RESULTS FOR 1982, RELEASED HERE ON JANUARY 22, CONFIRM THAT GROWTH CONTINUED TO DECLINE IN THE SECOND YEAR OF THE ELEVENTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN. GROWTH RATES FOR NATIONAL INCOME, INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, AND LABOR PRODUCTIVITY WERE ALL LOWER THAN DECREED BY PLAN AND FELL BEHIND THE ALREADY DISAPPOINTING RESULTS OF 1981 AND 1980. THE ENERGY SECTOR WAS BRIGHTENED BY THE RAPID AND ABOVE-PLAN GROWTH OF NATURAL GAS OUTPUT, AND SLIGHT OVERFULFILLMENT OF THE ELECTRICITY TARGET. HOWEVER, OIL OUTPUT BARELY GREW AND WAS SLIGHTLY BELOW PLAN, WHILE REVERSAL OF THREE YEARS OF DECLINE IN COAL EXTRACTION STILL LEFT THIS BRANCH -- ON WHICH THE SOVIETS HAVE PLACED GREAT HOPES -- BELOW PLAN AND BELOW THE LEVEL OF 1978. IN HEAVY INDUSTRY, MOST MACHINE-BUILDING BRANCHES PERFORMED

RELATIVELY WELL. BUT RESULTS WERE MIXED IN THE "PROGRES-SIVE" CHEMICALS SECTOR, AND DECIDELY NEGATIVE IN THE TRADITIONAL INDUSTRIAL BRANCHES THAT ARE STILL CRITICAL TO THE SOVIET ECONOMY: FERROUS METALLURGY, CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT. AS IN 1981, THE OUTPUT OF CONSUMER GOODS PURPORTEDLY GREW A LITTLE FASTER THAN PRODUCER GOODS, BUT THIS CLAIM DESERVES A CLOSE LOOK IN LIGHT OF THE RESULTS OF SPECIFIC LIGHT AND FOOD INDUSTRY BRANCHES. AS IN 1981, NO GRAIN HARVEST FIGURE IS DIVULGED. END SUMMARY.

#### BASIC ECONOMIC INDICATORS

2. (COU) "IZVESTIYA" JANUARY 22 CARRIES SOVIET ECONOMIC STATISTICS FOR 1982. NATIONAL INCOME REPORTEDLY GREW 2.6 PERCENT LAST YEAR, LESS THAN THE 3.0 PERCENT PLANNED OR THE 3.2 PERCENT GROWTH ACHIEVED IN 1981. (ANALYSTS WILL REMEMBER THAT IN HIS NOVEMBER SUPREME SOVIET SPEECH, GOSPLAN CHIEF BAYBAKOV ESTIMATED 1982 NATIONAL INCOME GROWTH AT 2 PERCENT. WE HAVE NO EXPLANATION FOR THIS DISCREPANCY.) THE 2.8 PERCENT GROWTH RATE FOR INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDICATES THAT IN CONTRAST TO 1981, PERFORMANCE IMPROVED DURING THE SECOND HALF OF THE YEAR: THE MID-YEAR FIGURE WAS 2.7. NEVERTHELESS, THE YEAR-END RESULT IS WELL BELOW PLAN (4.7) AND THE LEVEL ACHIEVED IN 1981 (3.4). SEE SEPTEL FOR AGRICULTURE RESULTS.

3. (TOW) WHAT IS SLOWING THE ECONOMY DOWN? THERE ARE THREE OBVIOUS CULPRITS. LABOR PRODUCTIVITY IS DECLINING EVEN AS SOVIET ECONOMIC STRATEGY ASSIGNS IT THE CENTRAL ROLE IN SPEEDING ECONOMIC GROWTH. TRANSPORT IS STRUGGLING. WITH TOTAL FREIGHT TURNOVER IN 1982 GROWING ONLY 1.2 PERCENT AND PRODUCTION OF TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT FALLING WELL BELOW THE LEVELS OF 1981. THE RAW MATERIALS

SECTORS ARE UNDERNOURISHING AN INDUSTRIAL MACHINE THAT STILL NEEDS A HEAVY DIET. THE OUTPUT OF IRON ORE IN 1982 WAS ONLY Ø.8 PERCENT ABOVE 1981, AND THE PRODUCTION OF STEEL, ROLLED STEEL, AND STEEL PIPE ALL DECLINED AFTER

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SUBJECT: SOVIETS ANNOUNCE 1982 ECONOMIC RESULTS MARGINAL INCREASES IN 1981. ALL THREE BRANCHES OF CON-STRUCTION MATERIALS (TIMBER, CEMENT AND CONCRETE) POSTED ABSOLUTE DECLINES IN 1982, AFTER MARGINAL GROWTH IN 1981.

- 4. (LOW) AS FOR THE ENERGY SECTOR THAT FUELS THE ECONOMY, A BARRAGE OF PRESS REPORTS IN 1982 SIGNALLED SHORTAGES AND TOUTED CONSERVATION. DOMESTIC SUPPLY IS BARELY KEEPING UP WITH DEMAND, AND ONLY NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION GIVES REASON FOR OPTIMISM.
- 5. (COU) 1982 OIL AND GAS CONDENSATE OUTPUT WAS 613 MILLION METRIC TONS (12.25 MILLION BARRELS A DAY), AN INCREASE OF ONLY 4 MMT OVER THE 1981 FIGURE AND SLIGHTLY BELOW THE PLAN TARGET OF 614 MMT. BOTH PAST GROWTH AND FUTURE GOOD PERFORMANCE IN THE OIL SECTOR DEPEND ENTIRELY ON THE

PRODUCTIVITY OF THE GIANT WEST SIBERIAN FIELD, WHOSE SHARE IN TOTAL OUTPUT IS INCREASING AS OIL PRODUCTION ELSEWHERE DECLINES. IN 1983 WEST SIBERIA IS SCHEDULED TO BETTER THIS YEAR'S ACHIEVEMENT BY 18 MMT. WHILE PRODUCTION WILL SLUMP IN MOST OTHER MAJOR FIELDS: AND WEST SIBERIAN OIL WILL COME TO CONSTITUTE 60 PERCENT OF THE SOVIET TOTAL.

- 6. (DOU) THE PROSPECTS FOR NATURAL GAS ARE BRIGHTER. THE FINAL 1982 PRODUCTION FIGURE OF 501 BILLION CUBIC METERS IS AN IMPRESSIVE 8 PERCENT ABOVE 1981 PRODUCTION. MASSIVE SOVIET INVESTMENT AND THE ABUNDANCE OF THIS RESOURCE ENSURE GOOD PERFORMANCE IN THE GAS INDUSTRY FOR SEVERAL YEARS TO COME AS THE MAJOR PIPELINE SYSTEMS COME ON LINE. HERE, AS WITH OIL, RAPID EXPLOITATION OF WEST SIBERIA ACCOUNTS FOR THE INCREASE IN OUTPUT.
- 7. TOU) COAL PRODUCTION IN 1982 INCREASED OVER THE PREVIOUS YEAR FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1978. NEVERTHELESS, THE OUTPUT OF 718 MILLION METRIC TONS REMAINED BELOW THE 1978 LEVEL (723.6 MMT), AS THE INDUSTRY FAILED TO MEET ITS 1982 PLAN TARGET (728.3 MMT). NEW CAPACITY, PARTICULARLY THE OPEN PIT MINES IN THE SIBERIAN EKIBASTUZ REGION, OFFSET THE PRECIPITOUS DECLINE IN PRODUCTION IN OLD COAL-PRODUCING AREAS LIKE THE DONETS BASIN. BUT GROSS MEASUREMENTS ARE MISLEADING: EKIBASTUZ COAL, FOR EXAMPLE, HAS A LOW HEAT CONTENT AND IS UNSUITABLE FOR COKING.
- 8. (LOU) GOSPLAN HEAD BAYBAKOV'S NOVEMBER PROJECTION OF YEAR-END RESULTS FOR ELECTRICITY OUTPUT (1359 BILLION KILOWTT-HOURS) WAS CLOSE: 1366 BILLION KWH OF ELECTRICITY WERE ACTUALLY GENERATED IN 1982 FULFILLING THE PLAN. FOR FUTURE GROWTH IN THIS SECTOR THE SOVIETS WILL BE RELYING DECREASINGLY ON FOSSIL FUELS: TWO-THIRDS OF NEXT YEAR'S PLANNED 1405 BILLION KWH OF ELECTRICITY IS SUPPOSED TO BE GENERATED IN ATOMIC AND HYDROELECTRIC POWER PLANTS.

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NUMBER OF WORKERS AND	101.1	101.4
EMPLOYEES		
LABOR PRODUCTIVITY:		
- IN INDUSTRY	102.1	102.7
- IN AGRICULTURE (PUBLIC	1 Ø 6	98
- SECTOR)		
- IN CONSTRUCTION	102.0	102
- IN RAILROAD TRANSPORT	98.5	100.8
PROFITS IN THE ECONOMY	103.5	101
REAL INCOME PER CAPITA	100.1	103.3
WAGES FUNDS IN THE ECONOMY	103.9	103.6
-	1982 AS	1981 AS
-	PERCENT	PERCENT
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AVERAGE SALARIES:		
- WORKERS AND EMPLOYEES	102.8	102.1
- KOLKHOZ FARMERS	104	104
PAYMENTS TO THE POPULATION OUT		
OF SOCIAL CONSUMPTION FUND:		
- TOTAL	104.8	104.2
- PER CAPITA	103.9	103.4
RETAIL TURNOVER: STATE	100.3	184.4
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-	1982 AS	1981 AS
-	PERCENT	PERCENT
-	OF 1981	OF 1980
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NATIONAL INCOME USED FOR	102.6	103.2
CONSUMPTION AND ACCUMULATION		
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION TOTAL	102.8	103.4
- OF WHICH:		
<ul> <li>PRODUCER GOODS</li> </ul>	102.8	103.3
- CONSUMER GOODS	102.9	103.6
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION	104	98
FREIGHT TURNOVER - ALL	101.2	102.3
TRANSPORT		
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MINERAL FERTILIZER (MILLION TONS)	26.7	26.0	103
HERBICIDES/PESTICIDES (THOUSAND TONS)	533	5Ø4	1Ø6
SULFURIC ACID (MILLION TONS)	23.8	24.1	99
PLASTICS (MILLION TONS)	4.1	4.1	99.2
SYNTHETIC FIBERS (THOUSAND TONS)	1.2	1.2	102
TIRES (MILLION)	61.7	60.5	102

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(C) CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS			
TIMBER (MILLION CUBIC	270	274	98
METERS)			
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(MILLION CUBIC METERS)			
(D) TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT			
DIESEL LOCOMOTIVES	3.6	3.8	96
(MILLION HORSEPOWER)			
ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES	3.7	3.5	108
(MILLION HORSEPOWER)			
FREIGHT CARS (THOUSANDS)	58.6	61.8	96
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EQUIPMENT FOR LIGHT INDUSTRY	1.5	1.4	103
AND FOOD PRODUCTION			
(BILLION RUBLES)			
(F) HIGH-TECH. MACHINES			
AUTOMATED PROGRAMMABLE	5.4	NP	161
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(G) AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY			
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- CARS	13Ø7	1324	99
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(E) MACHINES FOR INDUSTRY A	ND ENERGY		
-	(1)	(2)	(3)
ELECTRIC MOTORS	53.3	53.2	101
(MILLION KILOWATTS)			
TURBINES (MILLION KILOWATTS)	17.3	15.6	118
MACHINE TOOLS (MILLION	2068	2045	106
RUBLES)			
(OF WHICH HAVING NUMER-	523	10.0	115
CAL PROGRAMMED DIRECTION),			
(THOUSAND ITEMS 1981)			
PRESSES (MILLION RUBLES)	612	596	102
OIL EQUIPMENT (MILLION	211	198	100.2
RUBLES)			
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(BILLION RUBLES)	3.3	2.8	103
MACHINERY FOR LIVESTOCK			
AND FODDER PRODUCTION	2.3	2.1	106
(BILLION RUBLES)			
GRAIN COMBINES	112	1Ø6	105
(THOUSANDS)			
CORN COMBINES	1.6	N.P.	129
(THOUSANDS)			
POTATO COMBINES	10.6	N.P.	103
(THOUSANDS)			
BEET GATHERING	9.7	N.P.	104
MACHINES (THOUSANDS)			
COTTON GATHERING	9.9	9.6	103
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(H) LIGHT INDUSTRY			
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PORCELAIN/MAJOLICA WARE (MILLION RUBLES)		773	105
GLASS/CRYSTAL QUALITY PLATEWARE (BILLION RUBLES)	1.3	1.1	103
(I) FOODS			
-	(1)	(2)	(3)
MEAT TOTAL (MILLION TONS), OF WHICH:	15.24	15.2	100.2
INDUSTRIALLY PROCESSED	9.2	9.2	99.1
SAUSAGE (MILLION TONS)	3.1	3.1	100
EDIBLE FISH PRODUCTS (BILLION RUBLES)	6.4	5.1	106
ANIMAL FATS/OILS (MILLION TONS)	1.3	1.2	1 Ø 7
WHOLEMILK PRODUCTS (MILLION TONS)	26.4	25.7	1 Ø 3

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- OIL PIPELINE	645	638	101
FREIGHT TURNOVER			
(BILLION TON-KILOMETERS)			
IN: RAILROAD	3465	35Ø7	99
- RIVER TRANSPORT	263	255	103
- AUTOMOBILE	143	140	102
- OIL PIPELINE	1307	1263	103
- GAS PIPELINES	772	N.P.	113
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PASSENGER TURNOVER	941	926	101.5
(BILLION PASSENGER-KILOMETERS	5)		

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#### 2. USSR: ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE MIXED IN 1962

Last year's economic performance was a major disappointment to the Kremlin. Although the USSR markedly improved its hard-currency position, GNP increased only 1.6 percent and agricultural output rose about 2 percent, according to CIA estimates. With the possible exception of a rebound in agriculture, and some improvement in transportation and services resulting from Andropov's discipline campaign, the outlook for a major improvement in 1983 is not promising.

Official Soviet statistics confirm that the USSR's economic growth rate continues to decline. As a consequence of shortages of raw materials, fuels, and power, industrial output in 1982 (up 2.0 percent) failed to meet the planned increase (4.7 percent) or to match the previous year's performance (3.4 percent). Perennial transportation bottlenecks contributed to the disruption of industrial production.

It is increasingly difficult for the USSR to squeeze out gains in labor productivity, the key to meeting economic growth targets. Labor productivity in industry increased only 2 percent, about half the planned annual rate; it fell 1.5 percent in rail transport. Motivated perhaps as much by frustration as by the need to improve efficiency in this troubled sector, Andropov fired the Minister of Railroads last November. This action was a harbinger of Andropov's campaign to hold managers and workers accountable for poor performance.

Soviet officials recognize the difficult path ahead. According to a clandestine source, a Gosplan official expressed concern about the effects of a potentially worse hard currency situation in the years ahead on investment opportunities. He stressed the need to increase the production and export of natural gas to offset a projected decline in revenues from oil sales.

Nine-month data for 1982 show that the USSR continued to reduce its hard-currency trade deficit and rebuild its deposits in Western banks. The trade deficit narrowed to \$1.6 billion from the \$5.3 billion deficit a year earlier. Deposits in Western banks increased to nearly \$7.5 billion during the third quarter. This improvement occurred because of Moscow's increased export of goods--particularly oil--to the West at the expense of domestic requirements and exports to its allies. Moscow also reduced its imports of Western grain and capital goods. Notwithstanding this improvement, we believe that the likelihood of lower world oil prices will adversely affect the Soviet Union's financial condition in 1983.

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- (C/NOFORN) THE 1982 GROWTH RATES FOR NATIONAL INCOME (GNP LESS SERVICES), INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, AND LABOR PRODUCTIVITY WERE ALL LOWER THAN DECREED BY PLAN AND FELL FURTHER BEHIND THE ALREADY DISAPPOINTING RESULTS OF 1981 AND 1980. IN THE ENERGY SECTOR, ABOVE-PLAN GROWTH WAS ACHIEVED FOR NATURAL GAS. BUT OIL BARELY SHOWED A GAIN, AND COAL EXTRACTION, WHILE INCREASING FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 4 YEARS, IS STILL BELOW THE 1978 LEVEL. IN HE ME IN 4 YEARS, IS STILL BELOW THE 1978 LEVEL. IN HEAVY MOST MACHINE-BUILDING BRANCHES DID WELL, BUT IN THE FERROUS METALLURGY, CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, AND TRANSPORTATION BRANCHES THE FIGURES WERE DOWN. THE RESULTS IN THE CHEMICAL SECTOR WERE MIXED, AND NO GRAIN HARVEST FIGURE WAS ANNOUNCED FOR THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR.
- THESE DISAPPOINTING ECONOMIC STATISTICS COME AS COMMENT: NO SURPRISE TO THE KREMLIN BOSSES, WHO HAVE SEEN A DOWNTURN IN THE RATE OF ECONOMIC GROWTH SINCE THE MID-1970'S. GENERAL SECRETARY ANDROPOV'S CONCERN FOR THE ECONOMY HAS BEEN A CONSISTENT THEME SINCE HIS 22 NOVEMBER PARTY PLENUM SPEECH, AND HIS PERSONAL INTEREST WAS MOST RECENTLY DISPLAYED IN A 31 JANUARY VISIT TO A MACHINE-TOOL FACTORY IN MOSCOW. THE SYMBOLISM OF THE TOP PARTY LEADER QUESTIONING WORKERS ABOUT THEIR SITUATION INDICATES THE HIGH PRIORITY ANDROPOV ATTACHES TO THE ECONOMY, AND IT ALSO SEEKS TO CONVEY THE IMAGE OF THE PARTY'S ACCESSIBILITY AND CONCERN FOR COMMON LABORERS. ALTHOUGH NO NEW POLICY INITIATIVES WERE ANNOUNCED DURING ANDROPOV'S VISIT, HE STATED THAT, "THE GREATER OUR SUCCESSES, THE STRONGER OUR ECONOMY, . . . THEN THE STRONGER OUR INTERNATIONAL POSITION WILL BE. " TO DATE, ANDROPOV HAS STRESSED DISCIPLINE AS THE MAIN FOCUS FOR STRENGTHENING THE ECONOMY. DESPITE THE VALUE OF SUCH AN APPROACH, GREATER DISCIPLINE HAS ITS THE IMPLICATION OF HIS REMARKS AND THE LATEST ECONOMIC RESULTS SUGGEST SOME TOUGH CHOICES LIE AHEAD REGARDING BOTH THE REQUIREMENTS FOR BASIC ECONOMIC GROWTH AND THE GROWTH OF DEFENSE PROGRAMS.

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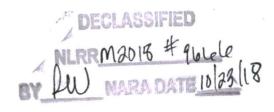
In a major article, Andropov has indicated that he favors some structural changes to make the Soviet economy more efficient. But the Kremlin leader implied that political dissent would still not be tolerated. Andropov's emergence as party theorist is again suggestive of his relatively strong power position.

Andropov's article, marking the centenary of the death of Karl Marx, was published in the Soviet party journal Kommunist. It addressed such key issues of the Soviet economy as low return on capital investment and slow introduction of new technology. The fault was said to lie in backward methods of management. Andropov urged that more use be made of price and profit incentives rather than centralized planning orders.

Ironically, Andropov used the Marx anniversary to argue for even more organized social inequality under socialism. He attacked instances of wage leveling and asked for still further use of higher pay differentials for more skilled employees. Stress was put on higher productivity rather than the shifting of investment priorities as the remedy for consumer goods shortages.

Andropov clearly intends to keep the lid on political nonconformists inside the USSR. He alluded to dissidents as people who tried to "oppose their own egotistic interests to those of society and its other members. The reeducation of such people was not a violation of human rights but "real humanism and democracy, according to Andropov. He also took a dim view of revising Soviet theory with the aid of Western social science.

The only real surprise about Andropov's article is that he penned it, rather than letting the honors be done by Party Secretary (for ideology) Chernenko. Soviet elites are aware of Chernenko's recent meeting with a top ideologue from East Berlin to prepare for the upcoming centenary of Marx's death. They are accordingly likely to assume that it is Andropov who is really calling the shots in this sensitive area of party politics. flaunting his authority in Kommunist, Andropov may hope to lower bureaucratic resistance to the limited changes in economic management that he seems to be formulating.



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MOSCOW (UPI) -- THE SOVIET UNION ACKNOWLEDGED MONDAY IT SUFFERED ACUTE ECONOMIC PROBLEMS, BUT VOWED PRESIDENT REAGAN' ATTEMPTS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THOSE PROBLEMS WOULD BACKFIRE.

WASHINGTON'S DECISION TO DEPRIVE MOSCOW OF CREDITS AND TO WITHHOLD TRADE IS BASED EITHER ON BAD HISTORICAL ANALYSIS, "POLITICAL NAIVETE OR COMPULSIVE WISHFUL THINKING," THE OFFICIAL PRAVDA NEWSPAPER SAID.

"MASHINGTON'S POLICIES HAVE RESULTED NOT IN THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE CONDUCT OF THE SOVIET UNION, BUT IN AN AGGRAVATION OF THE CRISIS IN NATO," PRAVDA SAID.

"THIS HAS LED TO AN UNDERMINING OF TRUST IN THE UNITED STATES BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND, FINALLY, IN THE WORSENING OF THE ECONOMIC SITUATION IN THE UNITED STATES ITSELF," IT SAID.

BUT IN ANOTHER REPORT ON THE NEWSPAPER'S FRONT PAGE, PRAVDA SAID "URGENT MEASURES ARE REQUIRED" TO CORRECT PROBLEMS IN THE CONSTRUCTION, TRANSPORTATION, FERTILIZER, FORESTRY AND AGRICULTURE SECTORS.

SLOPPY AND INEFFICIENT WORK HAVE A DOMINO EFFECT ON OVERALL ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE IN THE NATION'S CENTRALLY PLANNED SOCIETY, PRAVDA SAID IN A STORY CITING PRODUCTION SHORTFALLS IN THE FORESTRY AND PAPER INDUSTRIES.

NBC TELEVISION REPORTED REAGAN HAS ISSUED A TOP-SECRET ORDER, NATIONAL SECURITY DECISION DIRECTIVE 75, THAT CALLS FOR WITHHOLDING MOST CREDITS AND TRADE WITH THE U.S.S.R. ONLY GRAIN SALES TO THE SOUIETS WERE EXEMPTED.

IN GENEVA, DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE KENNETH DAM SAID WASHINGTON WOULD LIKE TO AGREE WITH EUROPEAN ALLIES ON A COMMON OPEN TRADE STRATEGY, AND ONE TO CONTAIN SOVIET MILITARY POWER.

"IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT ADVOCATE ECONOMIC WARFARE," DAM SAID IN A SPEECH. "RATHER, WE SIMPLY BELIEVE THAT TRADE WITH THE SOVIET UNION SHOULD BE CONDUCTED WITHIN A COMMON FRAMEWORK CONSISTENT WITH OUR POLITICAL AND SECURITY OBJECTIVES."

PRAUDA SAID U.S.-SOVIET TRADE RELATIONS HAVE BEEN MARKED BY A SERIES OF SHARP UPS AND DOWNS EVER SINCE THE COMMUNIST REVOLUTION IN 1917.

BUT WASHINGTON'S "INCONSISTENCY AND ARBITRARINESS" HAVE NOT PREVENTED THE SOVIET UNION FROM BECOMING ONE OF THE WORLD'S GREAT ECONOMIC POWERS, IT SAID.

SOVIET LEADER YURI ANDROPOV, WHO TOOK POWER ON THE DEATH OF LEONID BREZHNEV LATE LAST YEAR, HAS PLACED A HIGH PRIORITY ON IMPROVING THE SOVIET ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE.

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2. SUMMARY: IN A MAJOR ARTICLE TIMED TO THE CENTENARY OF KARL MARX'S DEATH, SOVIET LEADER ANDROPOV FORCEFULLY CALLS FOR REAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE SOVIET ECONOMY AND FOR MORE DISCIPLINE AND PRODUCTIVITY FROM THE LABOR FORCE. THE MAJOR THEME OF THE ARTICLE IS THAT WAGES AND CONSUMPTION MUST BE LINKED TO OUTPUT; RAISING WAGES MAY CREATE "A FAVORABLE IMPRESSION" BUT IT RESULTS IN ULTIMATE SHORTAGES AND RESENTMENT AMONG WORKERS. ANDROPOV DIRECTLY LINKS THE PAST FOUR YEARS OF AGRICULTURAL DISASTER TO THE FAILURE TO REORGANIZE THE ECONOMY AND DEMANDS MEASURES WHICH ARE "CAREFULLY PREPARED AND REALISTIC." IN A SIGNIFICANT PASSAGE, ANDROPOV ACKNOWLEDGES THAT SOVIET DEMOGRAPHICS DO NOT PERMIT THE ECONOMY TO CONTINUE RELYING ON BRUTE LABOR TO INCREASE OUTPUT AND HE IS CRITICAL OF THE FAILURE TO INCREASE MECHANIZATION. ANDROPOV'S COMMENTS ARE THE MOST BLUNT HE HAS YET USED TO IDENTIFY HIS CULPRITS OF THE CURRENT SOVIET ECONOMIC DILEMMA: POOR MANAGE-MENT AND LACK OF DISCIPLINE. MANY OF HIS REMARKS CAN (AND PROBABLY WILL) BE READ AS IMPLIED CRITICISMS OF THE LAX ADMINISTRATION OF THE BREZHNEV YEARS AND AS

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- 3. ANDROPOV'S ARTICLE, ENTITLED "THE TEACHINGS OF KARL MARX AND SOME QUESTIONS OF BUILDING SOCIALISM IN THE USSR" IS THE MOST SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC STATEMENT BY THE NEW SOVIET LEADER ON THE PROBLEMS OF THE SOVIET ECONOMY SINCE HIS SPEECH TO THE NOVEMBER 1982 PARTY PLENUM. IT APPEARS IN THE PARTY JOURNAL "KOMMUNIST" AND IS CLEARLY TIMED TO THE CENTENARY OF MARX'S DEATH ON MARCH 14. (FULL TEXT ON TASS ENGLISH WIRE. | UNLIKE HIS SPEECH ON THE OCCASION OF THE 68TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE USSR LAST DECEMBER. THE ARTICLE IS NOT A ROSY RECITAL OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE SOVIET STATE BUT RATHER A FORCEFULL WORDED CALL FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN THE LAGGING SOVIET ECONOMY
- 4. IN IDEOLOGICAL TERMS THE ARTICLE IS LARGELY UNEXCEPTIONAL. ANDROPOV CALLS MARX "A GREAT PRACTICAL REVOLUTIONARY" IN ADDITION TO HIS THEORETICAL WORK, NOTES THAT MARX APPROACHED THE QUESTION ON INTERNATIONALISM WITH AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE "PECULIARITIES OF THE SITUA-TION IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES" AND HE REJECTS THE IDEA THAT THE REVOLUTION IN RUSSIA WAS OUT OF KEEPING WITH MARY S THEORY OR PREDICTIONS. HOWEVER, HE NOTES THAT THE OCTOBER REVOLUTION TOOK PLACE IN ECONOMIC CONDITIONS NOT EXISTING IN MARX'S LIFETIME, THUS JUSTIFYING THE IDEOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENTS OF LENINISM.
- 5. MUCH OF THE ARTICLE IS A CRITICISM OF THE CONTINUES EXISTENCE IN SOVIET LIFE OF ATTITUDES AND "INDIVIDUALISTIC HABITS" INHERITED FROM THE PRE-REVOLUTIONARY PERIOD. ANDROPOV SAYS THAT THE PEOPLE NEED TO "SHAPE THEMSELVES"

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TO BE "WISE AND THRIFTY" IN ECONOMICS, POLITICS AND PSYCHOLOGY. HE LINKS THE ATTITUDINAL QUESTION DIRECTLY WITH BASIC ECONOMIC PROBLEMS OF THE ECONOMY: THE RATE OF SAVINGS, RATIONAL USE OF MATERIALS AND LABOR, AND EFFICIENCY OF PRODUCTION. ANDROPOV ACKNOWLEDGES THAT "THINGS ARE MOVING NOT SO SUCCESSFULLY AS NECESSARY" IN THIS REGARD.

- 6. ANDROPOV IDENTIFIES TWO CULPRITS AS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SHORTCOMINGS OF THE SOVIET ECONOMY: MANAGE-MENT AND DISCIPLINE. HE STATES THAT REORGANIZATION OF THE ECONOMY AND OF MANAGEMENT IS FALLING SHORT OF REQUIREMENTS AND SAYS THAT THIS HAS RESULTED IN AGRI-CULTURAL "UNDERPRODUCTION OF CONSIDERABLE QUANTITIES" IN THE LAST FOUR YEARS AND IN THE "EVER INCREASING" COSTS OF DEVELOPING ENERGY AND RAW MATERIALS EXTRACTION. HE DEMANDS THAT MEASURES TO DEAL WITH THESE PROBLEMS SHOULD BE "CAREFULLY PREPARED AND REALISTIC" (I.E. NO HARE-BRAINED SCHEMES) AND THAT THE TENDENCY OF SOME OFFICIALS TO SOLVE PROBLEMS BY "COMMUNIST DECREEING" IS "NAIVE."
- 7. ANDROPOV DISCUSSES THE DISCIPLINE QUESTION IN BROAD TERMS BUT CLOSELY LINKS WAGES AND BETTER DISTRIBUTION OF GOODS TO IMPROVEMENTS IN WORKER PRODUCTIVITY. AN INCREASE OF WAGES WITHOUT A PRIOR INCREASE IN OUTPUT MAY PRODUCE "A FAVORABLE IMPRESSION" BUT IS "INADMISSIBLE." BECAUSE "IT ENGENDERS REQUIREMENTS WHICH CANNOT BE FULLY

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SEQUENCES, JUSTLY RESENTED BY THE WORKING PEOPLE." THE "CORRECT SOLUTION" IS THAT "MONEY IN POSSESSION OF THE POPULATION SHOULD BE MATCHED BY THE EXISTENCE OF ADEQUATE AMOUNTS OF VARIOUS CONSUMER GOODS AND SERVICES." THE "DETERMINING FACTOR" IS PRODUCTIVITY. ANDROPOV IS BLUNT ABOUT THE NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT LINKING WAGES TO WORK: "WE HAVE TO FACE UNEARNED INCOMES. SHODDY WORKMANSHIP, SO-CALLED ROLLING STONES, SHIRKERS, SLACKERS" AND SO FORTH "WHICH MUST NOT BE TOLERATED."

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- 8. ANDROPOV IS HIGHLY CRITICAL OF MEASURES SOMETIMES USED TO MEET CURRENT CHALLENGES, SUCH AS "EXCESSIVE RELIANCE ON ADMINISTRATIVE METHODS, FUSSING AND TALK INSTEAD OF WORK." HE CALLS ON THE PARTY TO "IMPROVE MANAGEMENT, RAISE THE LEVEL OF ORGANIZATION, EFFICIENCY, DISCIPLINE IN MATTERS OF PLANNING, STATE AND LABOR DISCIPLINE." HE IS PARTICULARLY CRITICAL OF THE "SLOW RATE OF MECHANIZATION" AND NOTES THAT THE DEMOGRAPHIC SITUATION IN THE SOVIET UNION DOES NOT PERMIT CONTINUED USE OF NON-MECHANIZED LABOR. HIS ANSWER IS A MORE INTENSIVE USE OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF SCIENCE, "FIRST OF ALL IN THOSE SECTIONS WHERE LABOR CONSUMPTION IS PARTICULARLY HIGH."
- 5. ANDROPOV IS MORE THAN A LITTLE VAGUE ABOUT WHAT KIND OF REORGANIZATION OF THE ECONOMY HE HAS IN MIND. IN THIS PART OF HIS ARTICLE, THE SOVIET LEADER RETREATS INTO IDEOLOGICAL VERBIAGE ABOUT THE "DEMO-CRATIC EXAMPLE" OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND THE CON-CEPT OF "DEVELOPED SOCIALISM." (HE ALSO NOTES THE NEED FOR "RE-EDUCATION OF SOME PERSONS, FOR COMBATTING ENCROACHEMENTS UPON SOCIALIST LAW AND ORDER" BUT CENIES THE "BOURGEOIS PROPAGANDA" THAT THIS CONSTITUTES A "FLOUTING OF HUMAN RIGHTS.") HE DOES STATE THAT "THE SCOPE OF ACTIVITY OF DISTRICT, REGIONAL, TERRITORIAL

AND REPUBLICAN SOVIETS WILL BE INCREASING IN THE FORMATION OF AGROINDUSTRIAL AMALGAMATIONS," BUT MAKES NO COMMITMENTS TO ANY OTHER CHANGES IN THE EXISTING

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ECONOMIC STRUCTURE. ALMOST IN PASSING, ANDROPOV COMMENTS THAT "THE MULTIFORM EXPERIENCE OF THE FRATERNAL SOCIALIST COUNTRIES, WHICH IS NOT IDENTICAL IN EVERYTHING, PRO-VIDES VAST MATERIAL FOR THEORETICAL INTERPRETATION." (HARDLY A RINGING ENDORSEMENT OF THE HUNGARIAN OR OTHER MODELS.)

10. FOR PRACTICAL PURPOSES, THERE IS NO FOREIGN POLICY CONTENT TO THE ARTICLE, MERELY PASSING REFERENCES TO "IMPERIALISM" AND THE NEED FOR PEACE.

11. COMMENT: SOVIETS WILL READ THIS ARTICLE WITH GREAT CARE FOR WHAT IT FORETELLS ABOUT ECONOMIC POLICY UNDER THE NEW REGIME. THEY WILL SEE THAT THE BOSS IS VERY DISSATISFIED WITH THE ECONOMY HE HAS INHERITED FROM LEONID BREZHNEV AND THAT HE EXPECTS IMPROVEMENTS FROM THE SHOP FLOOR TO THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL. HOWEVER, THEY WILL LOOK IN VAIN THROUGH THIS ARTICLE FOR CLEAR GUIDANCE AS TO THE DIRECTIONS THEY SHOULD PURUSE. THERE IS PRECIOUS LITTLE FOR AN ADVOCATE OF "LIBERALIZATION" OR A MORE MARKET-ORIENTED APPROACH TO TAKE HOPE FROM. THERE IS NOTHING TO INDICATE WHETHER ANDROPOV WANTS MORE OR LESS CENTRALIZATION OR, INDEED, WHAT KIND OF RE-ORGANIZATION THE PARTY LEADER HAS IN MIND AT ALL. THE GREATEST CLARITY IN THE PIECE COMES WHEN ANDROPOV LINKS WAGES TO OUTPUT; THIS IS A SIGNAL THAT WAGES AND PRICES WILL BE LOOKED AT IN A MORE RATIONAL WAY BY THE NEW LEADERSHIP. OTHERWISE, ANDROPOV HAS DEMANDED THAT

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