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1. SUMMARY:

-- PEACE PROCESS: PRESIDENT MUBARAK MEETS PLO CHAIRMAN ARAFAT (LEAD IN ALL PRO-GOVERNMENTS 9/8); HIGH-LEVEL EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI CONTACTS ON OBSTACLES TO THE TABA TALKS FOCUS ON HEBRON, EILAT TALKS RESUME, PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY CALLS ON INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO PRESSURE ISRAEL FOR AN AGREEMENT (ALL PAPERS); PLO-ISRAELI AGREEMENT SIGNING IN WASHINGTON POSTPONED TO SEPTEMBER 24 (PRO-GOVERNMENT AL GOMHOURIYA 9/8).

-- EGYPTIAN POWS: EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON STATES EGYPT WILL NOT BE SILENT ON THE CRIME (ALL PAPERS 9/8); RADIO ISRAEL REPORTS ISRAEL WILL ABROGATE STATUTE OF LIMITATION ON WAR CRIMES "TO SATISFY EGYPT" (ALL PAPERS 9/9); EGYPTIAN FOREIGN MINISTER APPLAUDS DECISION SINCE STATUTE OF LIMITATION FOR WAR CRIMES IS CONTRARY TO INTERNATIONAL LAW (ALL PAPERS ON 9/10).

-- BOSNIA: ISLAMIC AND WESTERN NATIONS AGREE TO CONTINUE NATO SHELLING UNTIL SARAJEVO BLOCKADE IS LIFTED, PARTIES AGREE ON BOSNIA PEACE PLAN, MOST OF WORLD WELCOMES AGREEMENT, EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR TO UN WARNS AGAINST MORE BOSNIAN MOSLEM CONCESSIONS, RUSSIA OBJECTS TO CONTINUED NATO SHELLING (ALL PAPERS).

-- IRAQ: SADDAM HUSSEIN CALLS FOR PUBLIC REFERENDUM TO CONFIRM HIS POPULARITY, AND U.N. MAINTAINS SANCTIONS ON IRAQ (ALL PAPERS); KING HUSSEIN DOES NOT RULE OUT THE RETURN OF HASHIMITE RULE TO IRAQ (PRO-GOVERNMENT AL AKHBAR AND OPPOSITION AL AHRAR 9/8).

-- BEIJING WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: MRS. MUBARAK CONFIRMS CONSISTENCY OF EGYPT'S PLATFORM AND ISLAM (ALL PAPERS); ISLAMIC COUNTRIES REJECT EQUALITY IN INHERITANCE (OPPOSITION PAPERS).

-- U.S.-EGYPTIAN RELATIONS: U.S. SECURITY TEAM TO VISIT EGYPT SOON TO DISCUSS COOPERATION TO FACE ISLAMISTS AND VIOLENCE IN THE REGION (ONLY IN OPPOSITION AL SHAAB 9/8); EGYPT REQUESTS 540 TOW MISSILES FROM PENTAGON (AKHBAR AL YOM 9/9); INTERNATIONAL PARLIAMENTARY UNION LEADER FATHY SOROUR BLASTS U.S. FOR MISSING RECENT CONFERENCE (PRO-GOVERNMENT PAPERS AL AHAM AND AL AKHBAR 9/10); PRESIDENT MUBARAK APPROVES PROPOSALS FOR JOINT COOPERATION ON INFRASTRUCTURE, BANKING AND FREE TRADE ZONES, WILL BE PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 15 IN NEW YORK (AL AHAM 9/10); U.S. AMBASSADOR TO EGYPT COMMENCES U.S. TOUR TO PROMOTE U.S. INVESTMENT IN EGYPT (AL AKHBAR 9/10).

-- DOMESTIC SCENE: EGYPTIAN JOURNALISTS ISSUE HISTORIC RECOMMENDATIONS DEMANDING FREE EXPRESSION (ALL PAPERS 9/9).

2. BLOCK QUOTES

-- PEACE PROCESS:

SAAD ELDIN WAHBA, CONTRIBUTOR, PRO-GOVERNMENT DAILY AL
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AHRAM, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9: "IN A REPORT BY THE
STRATEGIC STUDIES CENTER IN TEL AVIV, THE ANALYST STATED
THAT EGYPT'S ABILITY TO PRODUCE SCUD MISSILES SHOULD NOT
BE IGNORED DESPITE THE YEARS OF PEACE.... ISRAEL HAS
PREPARED A SECRET PLAN TO 'PUNISH EGYPT.'"

WAGIH ABU ZIKRI, CONTRIBUTOR, PRO-GOVERNMENT DAILY AL
AKHBAR, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8: "CLOSING THE FILE ON
EGYPTIAN POWS WILL BE NATIONAL TREASON....CLOSING THE
FILE WILL BE OF NO INTEREST TO ISRAEL EITHER, IF IT IS
REALLY EAGER FOR NORMAL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO
PEOPLES."

-- NUCLEAR ISSUES:

IBRAHIM SAADA, EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, WEEKLY AKHBAR ALYOM,
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9: "WHAT WILL ISRAEL DO IF IT SEES
FRANCE, ONE OF THE NPT SIGNATORIES,...RESUMING ITS
NUCLEAR TESTING?...CAN ANYONE NOW FORCE ISRAEL TO SIGN
THE TREATY? EVEN IF IT ACCEPTED TO SIGN, WILL IT ABIDE
BY IT OR WILL IT ACT LIKE FRANCE?"

-- BOSNIA:

SAMIR FOUAD RAMZI, COLUMNIST, AL AKHBAR, FRIDAY,
SEPTEMBER 8: "THE U.S. WAS CORRECT...WHEN IT DECLARED
THAT THE PEACE PLAN DID NOT INCLUDE A CONFEDERATION
BETWEEN THE BOSNIAN SERBS AND SERBIA....TO GUARANTEE ITS
SUCCESS, THE PLAN SHOULD BE BALANCED AND SHOULD NOT
PRIORITIZE THE INTERESTS OF ONE PARTY OVER THE OTHER'S.
SINCE FORCE IMPELLED THE SERBS TO ACCEPT THE PEACE PLAN,
CONTINUING TO USE FORCE WILL MAKE THEM SHOW FLEXIBILITY
THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS."

-- IRAQ:

MUSTAFA AMIN, COLUMNIST, AL AKHBAR, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10:
"THE ELECTIONS WHICH PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN ANNOUNCED
ARE PHONY....NATURALLY, SADDAM WILL BE THE ONLY

CANDIDATE....CAN SADDAM DARE TO ALLOW DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES TO SEND SUPERVISORS FOR THE ELECTIONS?.... SADDAM CANNOT GIVE FREEDOM TO HIS PEOPLE FOR ONE DAY."

-- BEIJING WOMEN'S CONFERENCE:

UNSIGNED, AL AKHBAR, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10: "MRS. MUBARAK REFUTED ALL THE ALLEGATIONS THAT CALLED FOR PREVENTING EGYPT FROM PARTICIPATING IN THE CONFERENCE....SHE WAS ABLE...TO GIVE THE CONFERENCE AN HONEST PICTURE...OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS IN ISLAM.... SHE PROVED THAT THERE WAS NO REASON FOR DEMANDING BOYCOTTING THE CONFERENCE."

UNSIGNED, PRO-GOVERNMENT DAILY AL GOMHOURIYA, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8: "MRS. MUBARAK CONFIRMED...THAT EGYPT HOLDS TO RELIGION AND THAT FREEDOM DOES NOT MEAN RENOUNCING RELIGION....SHE SAID THAT BOTH MOSLEMS AND COPTS IN EGYPT REJECT ALL THAT CONTRADICT THEIR BELIEFS."

-- EGYPTIAN ELECTIONS:

ADEL HUSSEIN, COLUMNIST, FUNDAMENTALIST OPPOSITION TWICE WEEKLY AL SHAAB, FRIDAY: "[THE RULERS] ARE NOT WAITING TO RIG THE ELECTIONS, BUT ARE ENDING THE BATTLE BY ARRESTING UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 03 CAIRO 012005

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THE CANDIDATES (MOSLEM BROTHERHOOD LEADERS REFERRED TO MARTIAL COURTS)."

-- EGYPTIAN PRESS:

MUSTAFA AMIN, COLUMNIST, AKHBAR AL YOM, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9: "I DOUBT THAT THE EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT WILL APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JOURNALISTS' CONFERENCE. THE RECOMMENDATIONS EXPRESSED A WILL OF A NATION, A DEMAND FOR THE FREEDOM OF THE PEOPLE NOT OF THE PRESS ONLY.... THE GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS THESE PRINCIPLES DESTRUCTIVE, BECAUSE THEY DESTROY CORRUPTION,...THE USE OF POWER, AND RIGGING OF ELECTIONS." CAVNESS
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1. PROGRESS ON THE PLATFORM FOR ACTION CONTINUED
APACE OVER THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBERS, 9 AND 10. MORE
THAN HALF OF THE BRACKETS IN THE PLATFORM HAVE NOW
BEEN REMOVED, AND MOMENTUM IN ALL AREAS SHOULD LEAD TO
CONCLUSION OF SUBSTANTIVE DEBATE. IF THIS SCENARIO
HOLDS, THE CONFERENCE'S MAIN COMMITTEE WILL COMPLETE
ITS WORK ON TIME TO ALLOW ADOPTION OF THE DOCUMENT BY
THE PLENARY ON SEPTEMBER 14. BELOW ARE MAJOR
AGREEMENTS THAT APPEAR TO BE HOLDING IN THE PLATFORM'S
THREE MAIN BASKETS.

2. DEBATE OVER LANGUAGE IN THE HEALTH SECTION MOVED
PARTICULARLY WELL OVER THE WEEKEND. AN IMPORTANT
COMPROMISE WAS REACHED IN PRINCIPLE TO SUBSTITUTE THE
CONCEPT OF EQUALITY IN SEXUAL RELATIONS FOR SEXUAL
RIGHTS. THE UNITED STATES' UNDERSTANDING OF THIS
COMPROMISE IS THAT THE REFERENCE EMPHASIZES PREVENTING
SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND CHILD ABUSE, AND IS NOT AN
ENDORSEMENT OF ANY NEW RIGHTS. THERE IS ALSO APPARENT
COMPROMISE BEING GENERATED OVER BALANCING THE
DIRECTION AND GUIDANCE GIVEN BY PARENTS AND THE

EXERCISING OF RIGHTS BY CHILDREN. A REFERENCE TO CONSCIENCE CLAUSES FOR PHYSICIANS WAS REPLACED BY LANGUAGE EMPHASIZING ETHICAL PRINCIPLES THAT GOVERN HEALTH PROFESSIONALS. THERE WAS CONSENSUS ON THE NEED

TO CONSIDER REDUCING PENALTIES ON WOMEN WHO UNDERGO ILLEGAL ABORTIONS, ALTHOUGH SEVERAL COUNTIES HAVE INDICATED THEY WILL TAKE RESERVATIONS ON THIS PROVISION. THESE AND OTHER COMPROMISES FROM OTHER SECTIONS BELOW WILL NEED TO BE VETTED BY BROADER CONSTITUENCIES, THOSE STATES NOT REPRESENTED IN SMALL INFORMAL GROUPS, DURING THE NEXT 48 HOURS.

3. IN TERMS OF HUMAN RIGHTS, CONSENSUS APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN REACHED ON WHERE AND HOW THE PLATFORM FOR ACTION WILL ACKNOWLEDGE THE UNIVERSALITY OF HUMAN RIGHTS. A COMPROMISE HAS ALSO BEEN REACHED IN PRINCIPLE CONCERNING EMPHASIS ON THE ROLE OF THE FAMILY THAT RECOGNIZES THAT THE FAMILY EXISTS IN VARIOUS FORMS AND CONSTITUTES THE BASIC UNIT OF SOCIETY. IN PART DUE TO U.S. LEADERSHIP, VIRTUAL CONSENSUS HAS ALSO BEEN REACHED ON THE IMPORTANT ROLE OF RELIGION IN THE LIVES OF WOMEN AND MEN, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF IRAN -- A REFERENCE TO THE DETRIMENTAL EFFECTS OF RELIGIOUS EXTREMISM IS HOLDING UP AGREEMENT. THERE ALSO APPEARS TO BE PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT ON THE ROLE OF FAMILIES. LANGUAGE READ OUT OVER THE WEEKEND NOTING THAT THE FAMILY IS THE BASIC UNIT OF SOCIETY AND THAT IT EXISTS IN VARIOUS FORMS, IS POISED FOR ADOPTION. STILL TO BE ADDRESSED ARE THE SUGGESTIONS BY ISLAMIC STATES THAT EQUALITY FOR WOMEN BE REPLACED BY EQUITY FOR THEM AND THE MULTIPLE REFERENCES TO FOREIGN OCCUPATION. THE EUROPEAN UNION AND G-77 (WITH THE MEDIATION OF THE U.S. DELEGATION) ARE MEETING TO DETERMINE THE BEST MEANS TO RECONCILE THE NOTION OF UNIVERSALITY OF HUMAN RIGHTS WITH THE ICPD'S RECOGNITION THAT SOCIAL PRACTICES DIFFER IN SOME PLACES.

4. IN THE ECONOMICS AND RESOURCES AREA, PROGRESS IS BEING MADE ON THE ISSUE OF VALUING AND MEASURING WOMEN'S UNWAGED WORK -- A CONTACT GROUP IS DISCUSSING CLARIFYING TERMS OF REFERENCE. IN THE SECTION ON THE ENVIRONMENT, LANGUAGE RELATED TO THE CONCEPT OF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE WAS COMPLETELY UNBRACKETED, THOUGH CONSIDERATION OF ISSUES BELATED TO THE TRANSPORTATION OF HAZARDOUS WASTES AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS FOR INDIGENOUS WOMEN ARE STILL CONTINUING. ALTHOUGH THE PLATFORM ALREADY CONTAINS REFERENCES TO THE NEED TO ELIMINATE DISCRIMINATION BASED UPON RACE AND ETHNICITY, THERE IS NOT YET CONSENSUS ON REFERRING TO RACE AND ETHNICITY IN

COLLECTION OF STATISTICS -- AFRICAN STATES LED BY RWANDA AND BURUNDI NOTE THAT STATISTICS HAVE OFTEN BEEN USED TO HARM AT RISK GROUPS. DELEGATIONS AFFIRMED THAT EDUCATION IS A HUMAN RIGHT. A VARIETY OF REFERENCES ON "ADEQUATE" VERSUS "NEW AND

ADDITIONAL" RESOURCES AND THE NEED TO ALLEVIATE
MULTILATERAL DEBT ARE STILL TO BE RESOLVED.

5. IN OTHER DISCUSSIONS, THE CONTACT GROUP WORKING ON
THE DECLARATION FOR THE CONFERENCE ADOPTED
APPROXIMATELY HALF OF THE 38 PARAGRAPHS IN ITS FIRST
READING ON SEPTEMBER 8. THERE APPEARS TO BE NO
CONSENSUS ON INCLUDING THE LANGUAGE, AS ARTICULATED BY
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FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON, THAT WOMEN'S
RIGHTS ARE HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMAN RIGHTS ARE WOMEN'S
RIGHTS.

6. ISSUES THAT WILL BE DISCUSSED FOR THE FIRST TIME
ON SEPTEMBER 11 INCLUDE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND THE
SECTION ON THE GIRL CHILD. ALSO ON THE LLTH, THE MAIN
COMMITTEE WILL MEET FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE THE
BEGINNING OF THE CONFERENCE TO BEGIN ADOPTING
COMPLETED LANGUAGE.

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SUMMARY

1. ALTHOUGH ATTEMPTS TO DEAL WITH BUCKETED TEXT N
THE FORMAL WORKING GROUPS CONTINUES TO BE SLOW-GOING,
THE WORK OF THE CONTACT GROUPS AND INFORMAL CORRIDOR
NEGOTIATIONS ON THE MOST DIFFICULT LANGUAGE HAVE
GENERAL PROVED USEFUL. THE WORK OF THE CONFERENCE WAS
FACILITATED BY THE FACT THAT THIS WAS THE FIRST DAY
THAT LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS (E.G., INTERPRETATION
EQUIPMENT MALFUNCTIONS, ADEQUATE MEETING SPACE) DID
NOT IMPEDE THE WORK OF DELEGATIONS. NEVERTHELESS,
INTERNAL NEGOTIATION PROBLEMS AND LACK OF COMMEN OR

INTRANSIGENT POSITIONS WITHIN THE G-77 AND EU CONTINUE TO MAKE EFFORTS TO REACH CONSENSUS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT. PROGRESS IN NEGOTIATING THE DECLARATION STALLED WHEN THE G-77 RENEGED ON THE AGREEMENT REACHED YESTERDAY TO USE THE JUNE 13 G-77 DRAFT AS THE BASIS FOR NEGOTIATIONS. THE GOODWILL AND ENERGY GENERATED BY THE APPEARANCE OF FIRST LADY HILLARY CLINTON AND U.S. HEAD OF DELEGATION AMBASSADOR MADELEINE ALBRIGHT AT VARIOUS CONFERENCE AND NGO FORUM EVENTS CONTINUE TO INFLUENCE MUCH OF THE DISCUSSIONS IN BEIJING. END SUMMARY.

PLENARY

2. THE PLENARY WENT WELL INTO THE EVENING TO ENSURE THAT ALL 46 SCHEDULED SPEAKERS SPOKE. PLENARY HIGHLIGHTS REPORTED SEPTEL.

THE WORKING GROUPS

3. INFORMAL MORNING MEETINGS OF WORKING GROUP ONE ON INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS PRODUCED AGREEMENT ON INVITING THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO ESTABLISH WITHIN EXISTING RESOURCES A HIGH-LEVEL POST WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO OVERSEE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLATFORM FOR ACTION. ADDITIONALLY, IT WAS AGREED TO HAVE ECOSOC AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY REVIEW AND STRENGTHEN THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (CSW), AND REALLOCATE RESOURCES WITHIN EXISTING RESOURCES TO SUPPORT THE CSW.

4. LANGUAGE MAKING THE 4WCW A CONFERENCE OF COMMITMENTS WAS ALSO AGREED IN THE INFORMALS. A FIRST READING OF BUCKETED TEXT IN CHAPTERS ONE (MISSION STATEMENT) AND TWO (GLOBAL FRAMEWORK) WERE TAKEN UP IN THE AFTERNOON WITH, NOT UNEXPECTEDLY, LITTLE PROGRESS IN REMOVING BUCKETS. INFORMAL CORRIDOR NEGOTIATIONS ON RESOURCES CONTINUE TO BE SLOW AND FRUSTRATING, WITH THE G-77 STILL INSISTING ON EXTREME POSITIONS DEALING WITH RESOURCES AND THE EU WILLING TO CAVE EARLY ON LANGUAGE DEALING WITH NEW AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES.

5. THE HEALTH CONTACT GROUP HAS ESTABLISHED A NUMBER OF SUB-GROUPS TO ADDRESS BRACKETED TEXT, INCLUDING LANGUAGE DEALING WITH PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND SEXUAL RIGHTS. AGREEMENT WAS REACHED IN THE CONTACT GROUP ON LANGUAGE DEALING WITH THE CONSEQUENCES OF UNPROTECTED AND PREMATURE SEXUAL RELATIONS.

6. WORKING GROUP TWO CONTINUED ITS LONG AND DIFFICULT DISCUSSIONS ON ARMED CONFLICT, WITH VERY LITTLE PROGRESS. WHILE SOME INTERNAL BUCKETS WITHIN PARAGRAPHS WERE LIFTED, NO COMPLETE PARAGRAPHS ON THIS ISSUE HAVE BEEN AGREED. USDEL AND OTHERS CONTINUED TO

OPPOSE LANGUAGE RELATED TO LANDMINES AND NUCLEAR WEAPONS PROPOSED BY SOME DELEGATIONS.

7. AGREEMENT WAS REACHED IN WORKING GROUP TWO ON LANGUAGE DEALING WITH APE IN ARMED CONFLICT AS A WAR CRIME. LANGUAGE WAS ALSO AGREED TO ENSURING THE RIGHT OF REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS TO VOLUNTARILY RETURN TO THEIR PLACES OF ORIGIN. LANGUAGE WAS UNBRACKETED WITH U.S. CHANGES ON PROVIDING ACCESS TO TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR WOMEN WHO HAVE BEEN DETERMINED TO BE REFUGEES. FURTHERMORE, CAIRO (ICPD) PARA 10.11 LANGUAGE REGARDING WOMEN MIGRANTS WHO SUFFER ABUSE WAS REAFFIRMED. A SEPARATE CONTACT GROUP WILL CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS ON REFUGEE LANGUAGE.
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8. THE WORK OF THE CONTACT GROUP NEGOTIATING THE DECLARATION QUICKLY STALLED. DESPITE AGREEMENT REACHED YESTERDAY TO USE THE JUNE 13 G-77 DRAFT AS THE BASIS FOR NEGOTIATIONS, EXCESSIVELY SLOW AND PAINFUL INTERNAL G-77 NEGOTIATIONS HAVE PROVED DIFFICULT IN COMING UP WITH A COMMON REACTION TO OTHER DELEGATIONS' (INCLUDING THE U.S) AMENDMENTS TO THAT DRAFT TEXT. SUBSEQUENTLY, THE G-77 SHARED WITH THE CONTACT GROUP A NEW DRAFT PREAMBLE TEXT, WHICH INCLUDES NEW (AND UNACCEPTABLE) TEXT DEALING WITH UNFAVORABLE ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENTS AND THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT, WHILE IGNORING THE AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY OTHER DELEGATIONS TO THEIR ORIGINAL TEXT.

9. NINE INFORMAL SUB-GROUPS OF THE TWO WORKING GROUPS HAVE FORMED TO FACILITATE NEGOTIATIONS: PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES (CHAIRER BY CANADA); SEXUAL RIGHTS (BARBADOS); PUNATIVE MEASURES AGAINST ILLEGAL ABORTIONS; PREMATURE AND UNPROTECTED SEXUAL RELATIONS; CAIRO (ICPD) PROGRAM OF ACTION VS. THE REPORT OF CAIRO (ICPD) (SENEGAL); ROLE OF FAMILIES AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES; ROLE OF RELIGION; NEW AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES; AND DEBT/STRUCTURAL ADJUSTMENT.

AMB. FERRARO'S MEETING WITH UNHCHR LASSO

10. USDEL VICE-CHAIR AMBASSADOR GERALDINE FERRARO HAD A USEFUL MEETING WITH UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AYALO LASSO. FERRARO STRESSED THE NEED FOR THE HIGH COMMISSIONER TO WORK ON DEFENDING THE VIENNA

HUMAN RIGHTS DECLARATION AND THE CONCEPT OF UNIVERSALITY. LASSO HAS RECEPTIVE TO FERRARO'S MESSAGE.

COMMENT

11. IF THE AGREEMENT REACHED IN THE INFORMAL NEGOTIATIONS OF WORKING GROUP ONE ON MAKING THE 4WCW A "CONFERENCE OF COMMITMENTS" HOLDS THROUGHOUT THE REVIEW BY THE FORMAL WORKING GROUP AND THE MAIN COMMITTEE, THIS WILL TRULY REPRESENT A TRANSITION FROM AN ANALYSIS-LADEN TO ACTION-ORIENTED INTERNATIONAL AGENDA FOR THE ADVANCEMENT AND EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN.
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1. THE PLENARY SESSION OF THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN IN BEIJING CONTINUED ON 7 SEPTEMBER UNDER THE AGENDA ITEM, GENERAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. GIVEN BELOW ARE THE MAIN POINTS CONTAINED IN THE REMARKS DELIVERED TO DELEGATES IN THE MORNING PLENARY SESSION.

UNIDO: MR. MAURICO DE MARIA Y CAMPOS, DIRECTOR-GENERAL

-- MR. MAURICO DE MARIO Y CAMPOS STRESSED THAT ONE GOAL OF THE UNITED NATION'S INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (UNIDO) IS TO ENCOURAGE WOMEN TO BECOME FULL PARTNERS IN THE PROCESS OF INDUSTRIALIZATION, TO TRANSFORM AGRARIAN SOCIETIES INTO MODERN ONES. HISTORY HAS SHOWN THAT ENTRY INTO THE INDUSTRIAL STAGE HAS

IMPROVED KEY FACTORS RELATED TO WOMEN SUCH AS INFANT MORTALITY. WITH WOMEN MAKING UP MORE THAN ONE THIRD OF THE MANUFACTURING FORCE, THEIR ROLE IS INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT, PARTICULARLY IN ASIA AND LATIN AMERICA. YET THERE ARE MANY PROBLEMS, AS WOMEN HAVE FEWER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES THAN MEN AND IN MANY CASES ARE CONFINED TO AREAS WHERE MENIAL LABOR IS REQUIRED.

-- TO IMPROVE WOMEN'S STATUS UNIDO IS WORKING TO IMPROVE THE EDUCATIONAL LEVEL OF WOMEN, STRESSING JOB PROMOTION THROUGH ASSISTANCE TO SMALL AND MICRO-BUSINESSES, AND WORKING TO BUILD HUMAN RESOURCES, PARTICULARLY IN THE TECHNICAL AND MANAGERIAL AREAS, TO ELIMINATE BARRIERS TO WOMEN'S ADVANCEMENT IN THE WORK PLACE.

AUSTRIA: MS. HELGA KONRAD, FEDERAL MINISTER FOR WOMEN'S AFFAIRS

-- MS. KONRAD STRESSED THAT DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN TAKES MANY FORMS, BUT OVERALL IT IS THE EXPRESSION OF THE WORLDWIDE DOMINANCE OF MALE, PATRIARCHAL POLICIES. BECAUSE OF THIS, THE PLATFORM FOR ACTION MUST GIVE STRONG IMPETUS TO THE EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN. ON HUMAN RIGHTS, SHE STATED THAT VIOLATIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF WOMEN ARE DIRECTLY CONNECTED TO THEIR BEING FEMALE. AS FOR THE PLATFORM, AUSTRIA DOES NOT WISH TO MERELY REPEAT THE AGREEMENTS OF THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN VIENNA, BUT MOVE FORWARD TO DEVELOP STRATEGIES TO ERADICATE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, USING TOOLS EMPLOYED IN PUNISHING HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATORS. AN INITIATIVE TO ADVANCE THIS AIM IS THE DRAFTING OF AN OPTIONAL PROTOCOL TO THE CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN (CEVAW) TO ESTABLISH THE RIGHT OF PETITION AND AN INQUIRY PROCEDURE FOR WOMEN.

-- THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT HAS ADOPTED WOMEN-RELATED POLICIES DESIGNED TO ACHIEVE DE-FACTO EQUALITY OF WOMEN IN ALL SPHERES OF SOCIETY. BUT MUCH REMAINS TO BE DONE ON THIS SCORE. FOR EXAMPLE, THE INCOME OF EMPLOYED WOMEN IN AUSTRIA IS 30 PERCENT LOWER THAN THAT OF MEN. MS. KONRAD PLACED AT THE TOP OF HER AGENDA ISSUES SUCH AS ENSURING THE RIGHT OF WOMEN TO HAVE FULL CONTROL OVER THEIR BODIES. IN AUSTRIA ABORTION DURING THE FIRST THREE MONTHS OF PREGNANCY HAS BEEN LEGAL SINCE 1974, BUT CONSERVATIVE CIRCLES HAVE REPEATEDLY ARGUED AGAINST THIS ESSENTIAL RIGHT OF WOMEN. COMMITTED AUSTRIAN WOMEN WILL DO EVERYTHING IN THEIR POWER TO PRESERVE THIS RIGHT. SHE ALSO NOTED THAT THE GOAL IN AUSTRIA IS TO DE-PRIVILEGE

MEN AND DE-DISCRIMINATE WOMEN.

HUNGARY: DR. MAGDA KOVACS KOSA, MINISTER OF LABOR

-- DR. KOSA NOTED THAT HUNGARY HAS RATIFIED THE

CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF
DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN (CEDAW) AND WELCOMED THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE POST OF SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR OF THE
COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN. SHE
STRESSED THAT WE STILL HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO FROM DE JURE
EQUALITY TO ELIMINATING ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION
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AGAINST WOMEN. SHE POINTED TO THE RADICAL SOCIAL AND
POLITICAL CHANGES IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE AS
BRINGING ABOUT A NEW SITUATION FOR THE POLITICAL AND
CIVIL RIGHTS OF WOMEN. SHE STATED HER CONVICTION THAT
THERE WOULD BE NO RETURN TO DICTATORIAL, TOTALITARIAN
REGIMES IN THE REGION.

-- HUNGARY IS VERY APPRECIATIVE OF THE WORK OF THE
EUROPEAN UNION, THE WORLD BANK, AND THE INTERNATIONAL
LABOR ORGANIZATION, WHICH HAVE MADE EFFORTS TO REDUCE
INEQUALITIES AND DEVELOP HUMAN RESOURCES. HOWEVER, THESE
PROGRAMS CANNOT FUNDAMENTALLY CHANGE THE SITUATION OF
WOMEN, SINCE THEIR PROSPECTS ARE INSEPARABLE FROM THE
GENERAL CONDITIONS OF THE ECONOMY IN A PARTICULAR
COUNTRY. SHE REMINDED THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY THAT
THE GRAVE ECONOMIC PROBLEMS OF EASTERN EUROPE CANNOT BE
OVERCOME WITHOUT EFFICACIOUS INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION.
SHE SAID THAT THIS EFFORT MUST FACILITATE THE ENTIRE
TRANSFORMATION PROCESS IN THE REGION. SHE CALLED ON
DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TO REALIZE THE PRESENT PROBLEMS
FACING EASTERN AND CENTRAL EUROPE.

ARGENTINA: MRS. ZELMIRA M. REGAZZOLI, DIRECTOR OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND WOMEN'S AFFAIRS OF THE
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE AND
WORSHIP

-- MRS. REGAZZOLI STRESSED THE NEED TO PURSUE SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT LOSING TOUCH WITH REGIONAL AND
NATIONAL IDENTITIES, MOVING FORWARD WITHOUT BREAKING WITH
THE PAST. SHE POINTED TO THE NEED FOR EMPOWERMENT OF
WOMEN THROUGH EDUCATION, AND TO THE BASIC ROLE OF WOMEN
AS GENERATORS OF IDEAS, HEALERS AND PEACEMAKERS. SHE
ASKED RHETORICALLY, "WHAT WOULD THE WORLD BE LIKE IF
THERE WERE MORE WOMEN DEFENSE MINISTERS?"

- SHE OBSERVED THAT SINCE THE NAIROBI CONFERENCE, LATIN
AMERICA HAD ACHIEVED MUCH IN PROMOTING WOMEN'S RIGHTS. IT
WAS THE ONLY REGION TO RATIFY CEDAW, AND THE NAIROBI
STRATEGY HAD ALLOWED THOSE WORKING ON WOMEN'S ISSUES TO
PINPOINT THE AREAS OF DIFFICULTY THAT NEEDED TO BE

OVERCOME. ARGENTINA WAS WORKING TO PROMOTE THE PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN DECISIONMAKING IN ALL SPHERES OF SOCIETY, AND HAD ESTABLISHED A WOMEN'S ADVISORY BODY TO THE PRESIDENT. IN ARGENTINA, 28 PERCENT OF PARLIAMENTARIANS ARE WOMEN, AND THE CONSTITUTION ENSHRINES THE RIGHT TO EDUCATION, AND EMPHASIZES THE FAMILY AS THE FUNDAMENTAL UNIT OF SOCIETY. SHE STATED HER BELIEF THAT HUMAN RIGHTS STARTS AT HOME.

LEBANON: FIRST LADY MOUNA HRAOUI

-- FIRST LADY HRAOUI DESCRIBED LEBANON'S EMERGENCE FROM 18 YEARS OF WAR AND THE NEW 1990 CONSTITUTION, WHICH GUARANTEES FREEDOM OF SPEECH, BELIEF, EDUCATION, AND ASSOCIATION. LEBANON IS CHARACTERIZED BY ITS RELIGIOUS PLURALITY, AND HAS PROVIDED THE FRAMEWORK FOR A CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE BETWEEN CHRISTIANITY AND ISLAM. SHE DETAILED LEBANON'S EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE STATUS OF WOMEN, INCLUDING INCREASED PARTICIPATION IN POLITICAL DECISIONMAKING. SEVERAL LAWS UNDERMINING WOMEN'S LEGAL CAPACITY HAVE BEEN EXPUNGED FROM THE LEBANESE CIVIL LAW, AND LEBANESE WOMEN NOW HAVE THE RIGHT TO CARRY ON COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THEIR HUSBANDS. LEBANON HAS FORMED A COMMITTEE IN THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE TO STUDY THE RATIFICATION OF CEDAW.

-- HRAOUI STRESSED THE A BASIC OBSTACLE PREVENTING THE ENHANCEMENT OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS, EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT, AND PEACE, WAS THE CONTINUED ISREALI OCCUPATION OF PARTS OF HER COUNTRY. SHE STATED THAT LEBANESE WOMEN, PARTICULARLY IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE COUNTRY, WERE AND ARE STILL VICTOMS OF ISRAELI AGGRESSION AND OCCUPATION. MANY LEBANESE WOMEN ARE STILL BEING
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SUBJECTED TO VARIOUS TYPES OF TORTURE IN ISRAELI CAMPS AND PRISONS. SHE CALLED ON THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO EXERT PRESSURE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 425, WHICH STIPULATES THE UNCONDITIONAL AND COMPLETE ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL FROM SOUTHERN LEBANON AND THE WESTERN BEQAA VALLEY.

SLOVAK REPUBLIC: MRS. OLGA KELTOSOVA, MINISTER OF LABOR, SOCIAL AFFAIRS AND FAMILY

-- MRS. KELTOSOVA OBSERVED THAT THE SLOVAK GOVERNMENT HAS

CARRIED OUT A COMPLEX TRANSFORMATION OF THE SOCIAL SYSTEM FOLLOWING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT SLOVAK REPUBLIC IN 1993. IN APPROACHING ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MARKET ECONOMY, THE GOVERNMENT IS LAYING STRESS ON RESPECTING THE SOCIAL DIMENSION OF ECONOMIC REFORM. SLOVAK WOMEN HAVE BEEN GREATLY AFFECTED BY THIS TRANSFORMATION. AT PRESENT, SOME 11.4 PERCENT OF HOUSEHOLDS ARE HEADED BY A WOMAN. SLOVAK WOMEN ARE HIGHLY EDUCATED WITH 42.6 PERCENT OF THOSE EMPLOYED HOLDING A UNIVERSITY EDUCATION, AND 57.2 HAVING A SECONDARY EDUCATION. HOWEVER, THERE IS LITTLE PARITY WITH MEN IN POLITICAL AND DECISIONMAKING BODIES, WHERE ONLY 14 PERCENT OF PARLIAMENTARIANS ARE WOMEN, AND THERE ARE ONLY 3 WOMEN IN THE CABINET.

-- THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC IS COMPLICATED AND AGGRAVATED BY THE CONDITIONS OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION, WHICH FALL HEAVILY ON WOMEN'S SHOULDERS. THE GOVERNMENT IS CURRENTLY WORKING ON A DOCUMENT THAT IS BASED ON THE CONCEPTION OF A STATE FAMILY POLICY, INCLUDING NEW APPROACHES TO ADOPTION, ALIMONY AND ALTERNATIVE FAMILY UPBRINGING, STATE SOCIAL WELFARE AND ASSISTANCE, AND ENSURING THE UPBRINGING AND NUTRITION OF CHILDREN. IT WILL ALSO INCLUDE A LEGAL DEFINITION OF WOMEN'S STATUS.

LATVIA: MR. ANDRIS BERZINS, VICE PRIME MINISTER

-- MR. BERZINS HIGHLIGHTED THE STRIKING DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TODAY'S WORLD AND THAT OF 1985, WHEN THE NAIROBI FORWARD-LOOKING STRATEGIES WERE ADOPTED. THE FALL OF THE IRON CURTAIN IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE MEANS THAT THESE SOCIETIES HAVE BEGUN THE TRANSITION TO A DEMOCRATIC AND CIVIL SOCIETY. HE UNDERLINED THE ROLE OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (NGOS) IN THE PROCESS OF BRINGING DOWN THE TOTALITARIAN REGIMES OF THE REGION. DURING LATVIA'S TRANSITION SINCE ITS INDEPENDENCE IN 1991, WOMEN'S EQUALITY HAS BEEN RECEIVED WITH SCEPTICISM, AND IS SEEN AS A DESIRE TO RETURN TO THE COMMUNIST PAST. WOMEN'S ADVANCEMENT IS OFTEN VIEWED AS A THREAT TO SOCIETAL STABILITY. THE SMALL NUMBER OF GENDER-SPECIFIC STATISTICS ABOUT WOMEN'S EARNINGS AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE JOB MARKET MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO ACCURATELY ASSESS THE SITUATION AND TRY TO DEVELOP APPROPRIATE POLICIES. THIS CONTRIBUTES TO PUBLIC DENIAL OF THE EXISTENCE OF PROBLEMS.

-- THERE ARE SOME POSITIVE SIGNS SUCH AS THE GROWING NUMBER OF WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS AND STATISTICS THAT SHOW THAT 56 PERCENT OF COLLEGE-LEVEL STUDENTS ARE FEMALE. BUT WOMEN APPEAR TO BE MORE VULNERABLE THAN MEN TO THE HARDSHIPS OF THE TRANSITION PROCESS. PRIVATIZATION HAS RESULTED IN A MIX OF STATE-OWNED AND PRIVATE ENTERPRISES, SOME REGULATED, SOME NOT. SOME EVIDENCE EXISTS THAT WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION IN PRIVATE ENTERPRISE IS MUCH LESS THAN THAT OF MEN. IT IS NOT UNUSUAL TO SEE EMPLOYMENT ADVERTISEMENTS WHICH SPECIFICALLY SEEK MEN. IN

ADDITION, A HIGH RATE OF DOMESTIC INSTABILITY, WHERE 70 OUT OF 100 MARRIAGES END IN DIVORCE, ALCOHOLISM, AND THE GROWING NUMBER OF CHILDREN BORN OUT OF WEDLOCK HAVE FUELED THE FEMINIZATION OF POVERTY. IN THE POLITICA

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DECISIONMAKING SPHERE, WOMEN CONSTITUTE ONLY 15 PERCENT OF PARLIAMENTARIANS, AND HOLD JUST ONE CABINET SEAT.

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-- THE GOVERNMENT OF LATVIA HAS RECENTLY ESTABLISHED A HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICE TO ISSUE REPORTS ON WHAT IS NEEDED TO COMPLY WITH INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW. IT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE GOVERNMENT'S REPORTING OBLIGATIONS UNDER INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTRUMENTS, INCLUDING CEDAW. OTHER PRIORITY MEASURES UNDER CONSIDERATION ARE IMPROVEMENTS IN SOCIAL WELFARE BENEFITS TO GUARANTEE A MOTHER'S OCCUPATIONAL CHOICES, AND INCREASING THE BUDGET ALLOCATED FOR EDUCATION AND HEALTH.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES: MR. MOHAMMAD ISSA AL-SUWAIDI,
UNDERSECRETARY, MINISTRY OF LABOR AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

-- MR. AL-SUWAIDI NOTED THAT THE UAE HAD PLACED WOMEN'S ISSUES ON THE TOP OF ITS AGENDA, AND HAD A NATIONAL POLICY TO PROMOTE THE STATUS OF WOMEN. THE EMIRATE'S CONSTITUTION CALLS FOR SOCIAL EQUALITY, WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO FAMILY LIFE AND THE CARE OF MINORS. WOMEN IN THE UAE HAD AN APPROPRIATE STATUS AND WERE ENTERING ALL FIELDS OF WORK, SUCH AS ENGINEERING, MEDICINE, AND CIVIL SERVICE. THE EMIRATE IS MAKING EFFORTS TO ERADICATE ILLITERACY, AND THE LEVELS OF FEMALE ENROLLMENT IN EDUCATION HAVE INCREASED. THE GOVERNMENT HAS PURSUED A POLICY OF INCREASING OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN TO ENTER THE WORKFORCE. IN 1980 ONLY 5.3 PERCENT OF THE WORK FORCE WAS FEMALE. THIS HAS RISEN TO 16.3 PERCENT TODAY.

-- THE UAE ALSO ACCORDS GREAT IMPORTANCE TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, AND HAS CONDUCTED STUDIES AND SEMINARS ON THIS TOPIC TO WHICH WOMEN HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS. MR. AL-SUWAIDI NOTED THAT MONOTHEISTIC RELIGIONS SUCH AS ISLAM PLACED GREAT EMPHASIS ON THE RIGHT TO LIFE. IN THIS REGARD, HE INDICATED HE FELT OBLIGATED TO MENTION THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN BOSNIA-HERCEGOVINA, WHO CONTINUE TO BE THE VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE. HE EXPRESSED HIS BELIEF THAT SOME ASPECTS OF THE PLATFORM FOR ACTION RUN COUNTER TO DIVINELY REVEALED LAW, IN PARTICULAR THE SHARIA. HE HOPED THESE ISSUES COULD BE RESOLVED IN THE FINAL DOCUMENT.

NORWAY: MRS. GRETE BERGET: MINISTER FOR CHILDREN AND
FAMILY AFFAIRS

-- MRS. BERGET TALKED AT LENGTH ABOUT NORWAY'S
ACHIEVEMENTS IN PROMOTING THE PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN
POLITICAL DECISIONMAKING, NOTING THAT OVER 40 PERCENT OF
PARLIAMENTARIANS IN NORWAY WERE WOMEN, AND ALL THREE
CANDIDATES IN THE LAST ELECTION FOR PRIME MINISTER WERE
WOMEN. IN FACT, THE LARGE NUMBER OF WOMEN IN POLITICS
HAD CHANGED THE POLITICAL AGENDA. MORE EMPHASIS WAS BEING
PLACED ON FAMILY ISSUES, SUCH AS THE ADOPTION OF FLEXIBLE
LEAVE POLICIES FOR PARENTS, AND GOVERNMENT SUBSIDES TO
ENSURE NO LOSS OF INCOME DURING THE EARLY YEARS OF
PARENTHOOD. SHE EXPRESSED NORWAY'S COMMITMENT TO THE
PLATFORM OF ACTION, STRESSING THE NEED TO COMBAT THE
FEMINIZATION OF POVERTY, AND HIGHLIGHTING THE NEED FOR
EQUAL ACCESS TO EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES. SHE
CONCLUDED WITH AN APPEAL THAT THERE BE AN END TO ALL
NUCLEAR TESTING.

FRANCE: MADAME COLETTE CODACCIONI, MINISTER FOR
SOLIDARITY BETWEEN GENERATIONS

-- MINISTER CODACCIONI STRESSED THAT THE BEIJING
CONFERENCE WAS THE OUTCOME OF A LONG PROCESS. THE
OVERRIDING IMPORTANCE OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
CONTRIBUTIONS OF WOMEN IS BETTER UNDERSTOOD AT PRESENT,
AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONSENSUS THAT EMERGED AT RIO IN
RECOGNITION OF THE CENTRAL ROLE OF WOMEN IN THE
PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT EXTENDS TODAY TO THE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROCESS OF WHICH WOMEN ARE THE
CORNERSTONE. SHE OBSERVED THAT THE CONCEPT OF EQUALITY
WAS THE KEY TO PROGRESS, AND SAID THAT ONLY EQUALITY HAD
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RNED, UNLIKE
EQUITY, WHICH ENTAILS A SUBJECTIVE ASSESSMENT OF ANY
GIVEN SITUATION. HER COMMENT THAT THE FACT THAT WOMEN
AND MEN HAVE IDENTICAL RIGHTS DOES NOT MAKE THEM
IDENTICAL DREW STRONG APPLAUSE. EQUALITY DID NOT IMPOSE
A UNIQUE MODEL THAT COULD BE ADJUSTED TO ALL
CIRCUMSTANCES WORLDWIDE, BUT RATHER DEFINES THE UNIVERSAL
FRAMEWORK WITHIN WHICH INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE FREEDOM
CAN FIND EXPRESSION.

-- SHE DECLARED HER BELIEF THAT WOMEN HAD TO HAVE EDUCATION, INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR RIGHTS, ACCESS TO RESOURCES, GUARANTEE OF HEALTH STANDARDS, FERTILITY CONTROL, AND FULL PARTICIPATION IN THE DECISIONMAKING PROCESS. SHE SAID ADDRESSING CORE CONCERNS WITHOUT AVOIDING SPECIFICS WHILE STRESSING UNIVERSAL ASPECTS AND BEING CONCRETE WITHOUT GIVING UP AMBITION WAS THE IMPOSSIBLE EQUATION THAT WOMEN AND MEN ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE HAD TO TRIUMPH OVER.

SAINT LUCIA: LORRAINE WILLIAMS, ATTORNEY GENERAL AND MINISTER OF LEGAL AFFAIRS AND WOMEN'S AFFAIRS

-- THOUGH IT IS A SMALL ISLAND STATE, MS. WILLIAMS STRESSED THAT SAINT LUCIA WAS AN ACTIVE AND COMMITTED PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTING TO THE MISSION STATEMENT THAT IS INFORMING THE PLATFORM OF ACTION OF THE CONFERENCE. COMMENDING THE PLATFORM'S CONSIDERATION OF THE LINK BETWEEN GENDER AND POVERTY, SHE NOTED THAT ACCORDING TO A RECENT STUDY, NEARLY 23 PERCENT OF SAINT LUCIANS LIVE IN POVERTY, WITH WOMEN BEARING THE BRUNT OF INCREASING POVERTY AND DEPRIVATION. SHE OBSERVED THAT IN SAINT LUCIA, WOMEN ARE VIEWED AS PACK-HORSES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, WORKING CEASELESSLY FOR WAGES WHICH BEAR NO EQUITABLE RELATIONSHIP TO THOSE OF MEN. SHE URGED THE PLATFORM TO STRIKE A BLOW AT THIS LEVEL OF EXPLOITATION BY CONSTRUCTING A CHARTER OF RIGHTS FOR DOMESTIC WORKERS, WHICH WOULD OUTLINE THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF THOSE AT THE GROUND LEVEL OF THE ECONOMIC SPECTRUM.

-- SHE CLAIMED THAT THE LONG AND ARDUOUS ROAD FROM MEXICO CITY TO COPENHAGEN, NAIROBI AND NOW BEIJING HAS HAD ONLY A MARGINAL EFFECT ON THE STRUCTURAL IMBALANCES REGARDING GENDER IN THE WORLD'S SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC SYSTEM. SHE URGED GOVERNMENTS AND ORGANIZATIONS TO RE-RIG THE SYSTEM WITH A GENDER BIAS IN FAVOR OF WOMEN. IN THIS REGARD SHE EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION, AND THE NEED FOR THE PLATFORM TO ACCELERATE THE THRUST FOR THE CREATION OF EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS THAT ENSURE EQUAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND PROVIDE TEACHING MATERIALS FREE FROM GENDER-BASED STEREOTYPES. CITING STATISTICS ON SEXUAL ABUSE AND RAPE IN VARIOUS LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES, SHE ALSO CALLED FOR THE PLATFORM TO SEEK TO ENACT AND ENFORCE LEGISLATION WHICH STRICTLY PUNISHES PERPETRATORS OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN.

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1. SUMMARY: THE NATO AIR CAMPAIGN IN BOSNIA, THE
EXPULSION OF FOREIGN WORKERS FROM LIBYA, THE SACKING OF
THE PAKISTANI EMBASSY IN KABUL, AND THE ATTACK BY JEWISH
SETTLERS ON A PALESTINIAN GIRLS SCHOOL HAVE BEEN THE BIG
INTERNATIONAL STORIES IN THE SAUDI MEDIA DURING THE
WEEKEND SEPTEMBER 8 - 11, 1995. MOST OF THE SAUDI
DOMESTIC PRESS HAS CONTINUED TO IGNORE THE BEIJING
WOMEN'S CONFERENCE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE
CONSERVATIVE ARABIC DAILY "AL MADINA," WHICH HAS
UNRELENTINGLY BLASTED THE CONFERENCE AS A "RETURN TO THE
AGE OF IGNORANCE" FOR MORE THAN A WEEK. THE INFLUENTIAL

CONSERVATIVE ARABIC DAILY "AR-RIYADH" ON 9/11 BREAKS ITS SILENCE ON THE CONFERENCE WITH TWO SUB-EDITORIALS, ONE BY A SAUDI WOMAN WHO CALLS THE CONFERENCE A "CLASH BETWEEN RELIGIONS," AND ONE BY A U.C. BERKELEY ARAB-AMERICAN PROFESSOR WHO ATTACKS THE U.S. FOR REFUSING TO SIGN A U.N. AGREEMENT ON DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN. U.S. POLICY IN BOSNIA IS BEING PRAISED EVEN BY SUCH PERSISTENT CRITICS AS "AL MADINA." THE UPCOMING AMMAN ECONOMIC SUMMIT HAS TO DATE BEEN IGNORED ENTIRELY BY THE SAUDI DOMESTIC PRESS, NOR HAS THE DOMESTIC PRESS MADE ANY REFERENCE TO SAUDI MOVES IN FAVOR OF JORDAN. END SUMMARY.

2. BLOCK QUOTES:

BOSNIA:

"ASH-SHARQ AL-AWSAT" 9/9, LONDON BASED, INTERNATIONALLY CIRCULATED NEWSPAPER, EDITORIALIZES ON THE U.S. INITIATIVE IN A PIECE ENTITLED "WHY WE SHOULD FEEL OPTIMISTIC ABOUT BOSNIA":

"ONE OTHER REASON TO FEEL OPTIMISTIC IS THAT THE EUROPEAN COUNTRIES THAT HAVE USED THE BALKANS AS A THEATER FOR THEIR TUG-OF-WAR ARE THEMSELVES AGREED ON BACKING THE U.S. INITIATIVE. EVEN RUSSIA, WHICH HAS EXPRESSED ITS ANGER OVER NATO'S AIR STRIKES, IS FOR THE U.S. MOVE. AND ONE MORE REASON TO BE OPTIMISTIC IS THAT THE U.S. INITIATIVE IS GETTING THE BACKING OF ISLAMIC COUNTRIES THAT HAVE SEEN THE DETAILS AND THAT IN ITSELF SHOULD GIVE AN ADDED FEELING OF SECURITY TO THE BOSNIAN PEOPLE."

"FINALLY, AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, THERE ARE TELL TALE SIGNS THAT SAY THAT ALL COMBATANTS FROM EITHER SIDE ARE TIRED AND WAR WEARY, AND WARS MUST END EVENTUALLY. MAYBE THE TIME TO END THE BOSNIAN WAR IS NOW; AND, AT THIS JUNCTURE, WE SHOULD BE CAUTIOUSLY OPTIMISTIC."

"AN-NADWA" 9/10, INFLUENTIAL, RELIGIOUS NEWSPAPER, COMMENTS EDITORIALY IN "THE SETTLEMENT OF THE BOSNIAN CRISIS WILL DEPEND ON KEEPING THE MILITARY PRESSURE ON":

"U.S. DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS ARE ON THE VERGE OF A BREAKTHROUGH IN THE BOSNIAN TRAGEDY...AND IN LIGHT OF PAST AND PRESENT DEVELOPMENTS, MILITARY PRESSURE ON THE SERBS REMAINS THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO SUCCESS FOR NEGOTIATIONS AND DIPLOMATIC MOVES. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT PRESIDENT CLINTON NEEDS TO REALIZE A CLEAR AND TANGIBLE SUCCESS IN THE SETTLEMENT OF THE BOSNIAN CRISIS, THUS REMOVING THE CRISIS FROM THE U.S. POLITICAL AGENDA BEFORE THE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN GETS UNDERWAY."

IRAQ:

"AL-JAZIRA" 9/10, CALLS FOR KEEPING THE SANCTIONS ON IRAQ IN ITS EDITORIAL ENTITLED "THE SANCTIONS MUST REMAIN BECAUSE THE REASONS FOR THEM ARE STILL THERE":

"THE SANCTIONS WILL REMAIN UNTIL THE UNSC IS CONVINCED
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THAT THE NECESSARY CONDITIONS FOR LIFTING OR AMENDING
THESE SANCTIONS ON IRAQ FOR MORE THAN FIVE YEARS HAVE
BEEN MET."

"THE IRAQI REGIME MUST UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS NO
ESCAPING THE INTERNATIONAL SANCTIONS WITHOUT FULL
COOPERATION WITH THE UNITED NATIONS. SADDAM HUSSEIN AND
HIS COHORTS SHOULD KNOW THAT THE SANCTIONS WILL REMAIN
IN PLACE AS LONG AS THE REASONS FOR THOSE SANCTIONS
STILL REMAIN (IRAQ'S DEADLY ARSENAL)..."

"AR-RIYADH" 9/10, INFLUENTIAL, CONSERVATIVE ARABIC
DAILY, COMMENTS IN ITS EDITORIAL "IRAQ..A CRISIS OF
EXISTENCE AND A REGIONAL SECURITY CRISIS":

"IRAQ WILL CONTINUE TO BE A DANGEROUS SECURITY NIGHTMARE
FOR THE REGION...WITH SADDAM'S PRESENCE...OR WHO EVER
COMES AFTER HIM, LOOMING IN THE MINDS OF STRATEGISTS ARE
THE DANGERS OF PARTITIONING - A PARTITIONING THAT SERVES
ISRAEL FIRST AND FOREMOST, FOR IT HAS ADVOCATED ENTITIES
BUILT ON RELIGION AND NATIONALISM..."

"THERE ARE SOME WHO BELIEVE THAT, IF SADDAM HUSSEIN
FINDS HIMSELF IN A TIGHT CORNER, HE WILL RESORT TO
SUICIDAL ADVENTURES; THERE ARE OTHERS WHO BELIEVE THAT
HE SHOULD RELINQUISH POWER AND MAKE FAMILY CONCESSIONS;
AND OTHERS STILL WHO THINK THAT MAYBE THROUGH THE
STRUGGLE OF COMPETING INTERESTS HE MAY FIND IN
NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES THOSE WHO WILL UNDERSTAND THE
(REGIONAL) SECURITY CIRCUMSTANCES AND OPEN UP BORDERS
WITH IRAQ. . . BUT THE MORE PRESSING CONSIDERATION IS
THAT ARAB COUNTRIES AND OTHER NEIGHBORS, ESPECIALLY
TURKEY AND IRAN, SHOULD SEE THAT THE GAME IS FR MORE
DANGEROUS THAN ANYONE CAN IMAGINE AND THT NO ONE CAN
ACHIEVE REGIONAL GAINS. THERE ARE WARNING SIGNS THAT NO
ONE WILL WIN IF THE FIRST SPARK OF THE BIG FIRE STARTS
IN THE REGION . . ."

THE PEACE PROCESS:

"ASH-SHARQ AL-AWSAT" 9/11, LONDON BASED, INTERNATIONALLY
CIRCULATED EDITORIALIZES IN "THE HEBRON CRISIS":

"IT IS CLEAR FOR ALL TO SEE NOW THAT THE PEACE PROCESS
BETWEEN ISRAEL AND THE PLO IS PLAGUED WITH SERIOUS
PROBLEMS."

"THE THORN IN THE SIDE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS IS ISRAEL'S
INSISTENCE ON KEEPING A MILITARY PRESENCE IN ARAB HEBRON
EVEN AFTER IT GIVES ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY TO THE
PALESTINIANS."

"THE ISSUE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED WITHIN ISRAEL'S
FORTHCOMING GENERAL ELECTIONS AND BRING IN A NEW
GOVERNMENT WITH CLEAR RESPONSIBILITIES CAPABLE OF
FINDING A SOLUTION TO THE CORE OF THE PROBLEM."

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"YELTSIN: NATO'S EASTWARD EXPANSION WILL MEAN A
CONFLAGRATION OF WAR THROUGHOUT EUROPE" (FRANKFURTER
ALLGEMEINE)

"WARRING PARTIES IN EX-YUGOSLAVIA ACHIEVE PARTIAL
AGREEMENT - BOSNIA TO BE DIVIDED INTO TWO PARTS BUT
REMAINS SOVEREIGN UNITY" (SUEDEDEUTSCHE ZEITUNG)

"YELTSIN WARNS WEST AGAINST A WAR" (DIE WELT)

"YELTSIN WARNS NATO AGAINST WAR IN EUROPE"
(FRANKFURTER RUNDSCHAU)

"FDP ABOUT TO SUPPORT ECOLOGICAL TAX PLANS OF SPD"
(FRANKFURTER RUNDSCHAU)

"NEW CHANCE FOR PEACE IN BOSNIA" (GENERAL ANZEIGER)

EDITORIALS WERE CHIEFLY CONCERNED WITH YELTSIN'S
WARNING AND THE REACTION OF THE BONN GOVERNMENT TO
THE FRENCH PROPOSAL TO OFFER THE FORCE DE FRAPPE TO
PROTECT GERMANY.

MONDAY

HEADLINES

"EUROPEAN UNION CANNOT UNDERSTAND MOSCOW'S HARSH
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WORDS TO NATO" (FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE)

"NATO CONTINUES TO ATTACK BOSNIAN SERBS - MOSCOW:
BOMBING JEOPARDIZES SUCCESS OF NEGOTIATIONS"
(SUEDEDEUTSCHE ZEITUNG)

Q"SERBS COMPLAIN OF DEVASTATING NATO ATTACKS" (DIE
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ANZEIGER)

MOST EDITORIALS CONCERN THE STATE OF
NEGOTIATIONS ON BOSNIA.

B. BOSNIA: GENEVA DECLARATION

ON SATURDAY AND MONDAY, THE HEADLINES IN MANY
PAPERS DEAL WITH THE DEVELOPMENTS IN BOSNIA. WHILE
THE PRESS CONCENTRATED ON THE 'DECLARATION OF
PRINCIPLE' FROM GENEVA ON SATURDAY, MONDAY'S PAPERS
FOCUS ON THE CONTINUED NATO BOMBARDMENTS ON BOSNIAN-
SERBIAN POSITIONS. EDITORIALS ON BOTH DAYS CENTER ON
THE MEETING IN GENEVA, BUT ARE NOT VERY OPTIMISTIC
THAT THE GENEVA 'DECLARATION' CAN BE CONSIDERED A
'MILESTONE,' SINCE THE MUSLIMS WILL HARDLY ACCEPT THE
DIVISION, AND HOW CAN THE BOSNIAN SERBS BE PROMPTED
TO GIVE UP 20 PERCENT OF THE 70 PERCENT OF BOSNIA-
HERZEGOVINA THEY CAPTURED (FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE)?
NEVERTHELESS, THE COMMENTATOR OF BAYERISCHER RUNDFUNK
SAID THAT WE SHOULD HAVE GUARDED OPTIMISM 'IN THE
WAITING ROOM FOR PEACE, SINCE IT IS THE ONLY AND LAST
CHANCE TO TERMINATE THE WAR IN THE BALKANS.'

1. THOMAS REIMER SAID IN A COMMENTARY ON ARD-
TV'S (NATIONAL TV CHANNEL ONE) EARLY EVENING NEWSCAST
TAGESSCHAU:

"THE OUTCOME OF THE TALKS MAY BE A FIRST STEP, BUT IT IS STILL NECESSARY TO SHOW CAUTION, SINCE, FIRST, THE 51:49 DIVISION CAN BE ACHIEVED ONLY IN A VERY DIFFICULT SOLUTION, AND THIS WILL BE A LONG AND THORNY PATH. AND SECOND, ALL AGREEMENTS AND PROMISES - HERE IN GENEVA AND ELSEWHERE - HAVE BEEN BROKEN. UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 12 BONN GE 18573

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BUT WHAT HAS BEEN PRESENTED SOUNDS CREDIBLE, BUT IT IS NO SOLUTION TO THE CONFLICT. BUT A SOLUTION HAS NOT PLANNED HERE IN GENEVA. THUS WE SAW A SMALL BUT MAYBE DECISIVE STEP.... IT COULD BE A BEGINNING."

2. D. WAGENER SAID ON FRIDAY'S NATIONAL RADIO STATION DEUTSCHLANDFUNK OF COLOGNE:

"THE TIMING OF THE MASSIVE INTERVENTION (OF NATO AND THE U.N.)...COMES YEARS TOO LATE, BUT FITS WELL THE PSYCHOLOGICAL AND DIPLOMATIC LANDSCAPE, SINCE ALL SIDES ARE NOW RIPE...FOR PEACE NEGOTIATIONS. WHAT HAS BEEN AGREED UPON TODAY IN GENEVA WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT FORCE OF THE U.N. AND NATO.... THOSE WHO ARGUE DIFFERENTLY ARE INCORRIGIBLE DREAMERS.... UNTIL TODAY, IT HAS BEEN VERY IMPORTANT THAT NATO'S BOMBS INITIATED A PEACE PROCESS WHICH IS IRREVERSIBLE. AND SOONER OR LATER THE SERBS WILL WITHDRAW THEIR ARTILLERY FROM AROUND SARAJEVO. THIS ALONE IS WORTH THE USE OF FORCE. TO NEGOTIATE AND TO BOMB, THIS WILL BRING PEACE TO BOSNIA. THE PURE DOCTRINE OF NON-VIOLENT POLITICS WILL BE DAMAGED, BUT THIS IS THE PRICE WE SHOULD PAY FOR SARAJEVO."

3. STEPHAN MAIER OF REGIONAL RADIO STATION BAYERISCHER RUNDFUNK OF MUNICH COMMENTED FRIDAY EVENING:

"IT WOULD BE HIGHHANDED TO EXPECT THE GENEVA CONFERENCE ON BOSNIA TO ACHIEVE A BREAKTHROUGH ALREADY TODAY. BUT IT IS A FIRST IMPORTANT SUCCESS WHICH IS A REASON TO HOPE THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE WARRING PARTIES WILL SIT DOWN AT THE NEGOTIATING TABLE. THE SLOGAN IS THE ATTRIBUTION OF

TERRITORIES WHICH DE FACTO MEANS A DIVISION. BUT IN GENEVA, ALL SIDES AVOID THIS TERM LIKE THE PLAGUE. THE PARTIES INVOLVED ARE TALKING ABOUT THE CHIMERA OF BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA'S EXISTENCE AS A STATE, KNOWING VERY WELL THAT THIS FORMULA HAS NO FUTURE. BUT THE AMERICANS WANT TO PREVENT THE UNSPEAKABLE FROM BEING SAID: THE MUSLIMS WILL BE THE LOSERS.... NEVERTHELESS, IRRESPECTIVE OF ALL SKEPTICISM, OPTIMISM SHOULD PREVAIL IN THE WAITING ROOM FOR PEACE. DIPLOMACY AND NATO RESOLVE ARE NOW THE ONLY AND LAST CHANCE TO PUT AN END TO THE WAR IN THE BALKANS."

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4. KLAUS NATORP COMMENTS ON THE FRONT-PAGE OF MONDAY'S RIGHT-OF-CENTER FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"A MILESTONE?"

"THE TALK OF A BREAKTHROUGH, WHICH HAD BEEN ACHIEVED DURING THE GENEVA TALKS ON BOSNIA, HAS QUICKLY DIED DOWN. THIS 'DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLE' IS FIRST OF ALL NOTHING BUT A PIECE OF PAPER THAT IS, IN ADDITION, FULL OF CONTRADICTIONS.... THEREFORE IT IS NO WONDER THAT HARDLY ANYONE IN SARAJEVO SHARES THE U.S. VIEW THAT THE GENEVA DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLE IS A 'MILESTONE' ON THE WAY TO PEACE IN EX-YUGOSLAVIA.

"THE 'TERRITORIAL DIVISION...' WHICH FORMED THE 'BASIS OF THE DECLARATION' WILL FAIL BECAUSE OF TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES. HOW SHOULD IT EVER BE POSSIBLE TO TAKE AWAY 20 PERCENT OF THE TERRITORY THE BOSNIAN SERBS CAPTURED AND WHERE COULD THIS HAPPEN?... AND BECAUSE THEY ARE STILL NOT WILLING TO WITHDRAW THEIR HEAVY WEAPONS FROM AROUND SARAJEVO DESPITE NATO'S BOMBARDMENTS, WE MUST TAKE THEIR INTENTIONS SERIOUSLY. OBVIOUSLY, THEY ARE NOT YET WILLING TO MAKE PEACE.

"BUT WITHOUT A CEASE-FIRE, THE 'DECLARATION' FROM GENEVA IS ALL IN THE AIR LIKE THE RECONSTRUCTION PLAN OF THE EU FOR THE BALKANS, SOMETHING THE EU FOREIGN MINISTERS DISCUSSED DURING THEIR MEETING IN SANTANDER. AND THE CRITICAL TONES FROM MOSCOW ARE ALSO NOT APPROPRIATE TO CONSIDER THE GENEVA 'MILESTONE' AS A REAL MILESTONE."

5. MONDAY'S CENTRIST BADISCHE ZEITUNG OF FREIBURG COMMENTS:

"AGAIN THOSE CYNICS ARE RIGHT WHO SAY THAT THE OUTCOME OF NEGOTIATIONS IS ONLY EVIDENCE OF THE STATEMENT OF EXPENSES. IRRESPECTIVE OF THE GENEVA AGREEMENT ON THE DIVISION OF BOSNIA, WHICH HAS PREMATURELY CONSIDERED A 'BREAKTHROUGH' TO PEACE, THE WAR GOES ON AS BEFORE. THE SERBS CONTINUE TO REFUSE TO WITHDRAW THEIR HEAVY WEAPONS, WHILE NATO BOMBS. AND, IN VIEW OF NATO'S AIR STRIKES, THE FRAGILE WESTERN ALLIANCE WITH THE RUSSIANS IS ABOUT TO FALL UNCLAS SECTION 05 OF 12 BONN GE 18573

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APART. IT SPEAKS FOR ITSELF THAT TOGETHER WITH THE 'PEACE PLAN'... A CEASEFIRE HAS NOT AGREED UPON. THIS MEANS THAT NOT ONLY A 'BREAKTHROUGH' DID NOT TAKE PLACE, BUT THAT HOPES FOR A NEGOTIATED SOLUTION FAILED TO MATERIALIZE. BUT WHAT IS EVEN WORSE: WITH EVERY ADDITIONAL DAY OF THE BOMBARDMENT, NATO IS TURNING INTO A PARTY THAT IS DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THIS ABHORRENT WAR."

6. MONDAY'S RIGHT-OF-CENTER HANNOVERSCHE ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG WRITES:

"ACCORDING TO WESTERN VIEWS, BOSNIA IS TO BE DIVIDED INTO A MUSLIM-CROATIAN AND A SERBIAN PART, BUT IS TO BE CONTINUED AS A UNIFORM STATE. NOBODY KNOWS HOW THIS COULD FUNCTION, AND THIS IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT BOTH HALVES SHOULD GET THE RIGHT TO 'SET UP PARALLEL, SPECIAL RELATIONS WITH NEIGHBORING STATES.' THUS, THE BOSNIAN SERBS WILL TURN TO SERBIA, AND THE CROATIAN BOSNIANS TO CROATIA. BUT

WHAT ABOUT THE MUSLIMS? FRANJO TUDJMAN TURNED CROATIA INTO A NATIONAL STATE. THE WEST GAVE ITS BLESSING FOR SUCH A MOVE WHEN IT ALLOWED HIM TO EXPEL THE SERBS FROM THE KRAJINA.... SO FAR, THE SERBS HAVE DONE EVERYTHING TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE WORLD AS THE MAIN CULPRITS, BUT IT MAY BE THAT OTHERS WILL SOON TAKE OVER THE ROLE OF VILLAINS."

C. NATO: YELTSIN'S WARNING

BORIS YELTSIN'S WARNING OF A 'WAR' MADE THE HEADLINES IN MANY PAPERS ON SATURDAY. HOWEVER, EDITORIALISTS CONSIDER THE THREAT MAINLY TO BE 'DIRECTED TO THE INSIDE,' BUT AT THE SAME TIME, THEY RECOMMEND THE WEST NOT SIMPLY TO IGNORE WHAT YELTSIN SAID BUT TO INCLUDE THE KREMLIN MORE IN THE SOLUTION TO THE CONFLICT IN THE BALKANS. AS BILD PUT IT: 'WITHOUT RUSSIA, THERE CAN BE NO LASTING PEACE IN EUROPE.'

1. FRIDAY'S ARD-TV'S (NATIONAL TV CHANNEL ONE) LATE EVENING NEWSCAST TAGESTHEMEN FEATURED THE FOLLOWING COMMENTARY BY STEFAN BERGMANN:

"YELTSIN IS BASHING NATO BUT HE MEANS MAINLY THE AMERICANS. WITH ITS SUCCESSFUL DUAL STRATEGY OF DETERRENCE AND NEGOTIATIONS, THE UNITED STATES IS DEMONSTRATING LEADERSHIP SKILL.... CZAR BORIS, WHOSE UNCLAS SECTION 06 OF 12 BONN GE 18573

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BOSNIA INITIATIVES ALL FAILED, IS NOW SEEING HIMSELF DEMOTED AND IS ACTING LIKE A BAD LOSER....

"AS FAR AS PSYCHOLOGY IS CONCERNED IT IS NO SURPRISE THAT YELTSIN IS NOW TRYING TO OVERCOME THE RUSSIAN NATO TRAUMA REGARDING BOSNIA. BUT THE HARSH WORDS DIRECTED AT THE WEST ARE NO SUBSTITUTE FOR A CLEAR FOREIGN POLICY. MOSCOW'S ZIG-ZAG COURSE REGARDING NATO'S EXPANSION EASTWARD DEMONSTRATED HOW UNPREDICTABLE MOSCOW'S POLICY IS. RUSSIA'S NEW ALLURES TO PROTECT THE SERBS SHOULD NOT BE OVERESTIMATED BUT SHOULD ALSO NOT BE TAKEN LIGHTLY. IN ORDER TO PREVENT (MOSCOW'S) ISOLATION AND

THOUGHTLESS REACTIONS, THE KREMLIN SHOULD BE INCLUDED MORE IN MILITARY RESCUE ATTEMPTS FOR BOSNIA. BUT NATO SHOULD BEWARE NOT TO BE BLACKMAILED AND SHOULD STOP ITS AIR STRIKES...ONLY AFTER KARADZIC, MLADIC & CO. HAVE GIVEN IN. AND EVEN BORIS YELTSIN MUST CONCEDE THAT THE GENEVA SUMMIT WOULD HAVE BEEN A FAILURE WITHOUT NATO'S PRESSURE."

2. MOSCOW CORRESPONDENT HANS-PETER RIESE COMMENTED ON FRIDAY'S REGIONAL RADIO STATION HESSISCHER RUNDFUNK OF FRANKFURT:

"THIS UNUSUALLY SHARP TONE WHICH YELTSIN HAS NOW ADOPTED MUST PROMPT THE WEST TO SIT UP AND TAKE NOTICE.... HOWEVER, WHAT YELTSIN SAID SHOULD MAINLY BE DIRECTED TO THE INSIDE...SINCE AN ELECTION CAMPAIGN IS GOING ON IN RUSSIA.... ON THE OTHER HAND, YELTSIN CANNOT TOLERATE WAR AND PEACE BEING AGREED UPON WITHOUT PRIOR CONSULTATIONS. THUS, THE WEST WOULD BE WELL ADVISED TO INCLUDE THE KREMLIN AGAIN IN ITS POLICY TO SOLVE THE BOSNIA CONFLICT. THE FACT THAT THE RUSSIANS HAVE SO FAR NOT USED THEIR RIGHT TO VETO IN THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL INDICATES THAT YELTSIN IS PURSUING A REALISTIC FOREIGN POLICY. THIS IS WHY WE SHOULD NOT SIMPLY IGNORE TONES LIKE THE ONES FROM TODAY."

3. MOSCOW CORRESPONDENT PETER JOSEF BOCK SAID ON FRIDAY'S REGIONAL RADIO STATION HESSISCHER RUNDFUNK OF FRANKFURT:

"YELTSIN'S THREAT HAS MAINLY DOMESTIC POLICY REASONS.... WITH A SHARP DECLARATION, YELTSIN IS TRYING TO TAKE THE WIND OUT OF THE SAILS OF HIS UNCLAS SECTION 07 OF 12 BONN GE 18573

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DOMESTIC POLICY OPPONENTS...AND YELTSIN'S WARNINGS TO THE WEST SHOULD ALSO REASSURE THE MILITARY.... IT IS RIGHT THAT YELTSIN ATTACKED NATO AND INDIRECTLY WASHINGTON, BUT HE EXPRESSLY PRAISED THE FRENCH PRESIDENT AND THE GERMAN CHANCELLOR FOR THEIR WILLINGNESS TO INCLUDE AND NOT ISOLATE RUSSIA. BUT

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MOSCOW AND WASHINGTON HAS DETERIORATED."

4. GUENTER NONNENMACHER SAID IN A COMMENTARY IN SATURDAY'S RIGHT-OF-CENTER FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE UNDER THE HEADLINE;

"THE CONTROVERSY IS GETTING FIERCER."

"YELTSIN'S VIGOROUS WORDS AGAINST NATO'S EXPANSION EASTWARD AND HIS SIDING WITH THE SERBS...SHOULD MAINLY HAVE A DOMESTIC POLICY EFFECT. IT IS THE ATTEMPT TO GET RID OF HIS WEAK REPUTATION AND TO IMPROVE HIS CHANCES OF BEING REELECTED. BUT THIS IS NOT ALL. IN RUSSIA, THERE IS NO SINGLE PARTY WHICH COULD SUPPORT...NATO'S STILL UNCLEAR EXPANSION EASTWARD. EVEN THOUGH THE WEST DEFENDS ITS POLICY WITH ANGELS' TONGUES: THE SUSPICION THAT THE STATES OF CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE ARE MAINLY TRYING TO BE PROTECTED FROM MOSCOW CANNOT BE REFUTED BECAUSE IT FITS THE FACTS. AND IT IS ALSO CLEAR THAT MOSCOW CANNOT INTERPRET THIS AS A SIGN OF FRIENDSHIP BUT AS A SIGN OF SUSPICION AND EVEN HOSTILITY. THIS CANNOT BE CHANGED AS LONG AS THIS LOGIC REMAINS EVIDENT.

"THE QUESTION IS WHAT MOSCOW CAN DO TO EMPHASIZE ITS POSITION. THE ANSWER IS: NOT MUCH. THE KREMLIN WILL RESORT TO DISRUPTIVE POLITICAL MANEUVERS, FOR INSTANCE WHEN IT COMES TO A SETTLEMENT OF THE BOSNIA CONFLICT. RUSSIA WILL CONTINUE TO TRY TO IMPRESS NATO WITH STRONG WORDS, AND THIS WILL NOT REMAIN WITHOUT ANY EFFECT, SINCE THE THESIS HAS MANY ADVOCATES IN THE WEST THAT RUSSIA'S INTERNAL REFORM PRESSURE SHOULD NOT BE DISRUPTED BY PRESSURE FROM THE OUTSIDE. BUT A WEAKENED RUSSIA COULD ALSO NOT FORFEIT ALL ITS SYMPATHIES WITH THE WEST, AND THIS IS WHY THE CONTROVERSY BETWEEN EAST AND WEST WILL BECOME LOUDER, WHILE QUIET LIMITED COOPERATION WILL CONTINUE."

5. MONDAY'S CENTRIST MAERKISCHE ALLGEMEINE
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ZEITUNG OF POTSDAM CARRIES AN EDITORIAL UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"ONLY WORDS?"

"THE PITHY TONES FROM MOSCOW ARE TOTALLY MISPLACED. IT IS UNDERSTANDABLE THAT THE RUSSIAN PARTIES ARE TRYING TO MAKE PEACE REGARDING FOREIGN POLICY TO TURN ALL THE MORE VIGOROUSLY TO RUSSIA'S DOMESTIC POLICY PROBLEMS. BUT WE CAN DEMAND FROM THE PRESIDENT OF A NUCLEAR POWER THAT HE RESTRAINS HIMSELF REGARDING THE RHETORIC ABOUT A 'WORLD WAR.' THE ATTACKS AGAINST NATO IN GENERAL AND ITS MISSION IN BOSNIA IN PARTICULAR ARE AN OWN GOAL. RUSSIA AGREED ON THE U.N. MANDATE, EVEN THOUGH IT NO LONGER WANTS TO BE REMINDED OF IT. SUCH KIND OF 'OBLIVION' OR THE INTERPRETATION OF COMMON POLICY IS CREATING DOUBTS ABOUT THE RELIABILITY OF A PARTNER. WE SHOULD NOT OVERESTIMATE MOSCOW'S TIRADES. BUT THE QUESTION REMAINS WHETHER THESE ARE ONLY WORDS. IF THIS IS NOT THE CASE, YELTSIN WOULD BE THE INSTIGATOR OF A NEW COLD WAR, AGAINST WHICH HE IS WARNING SO LOUDLY."

6. RIGHT-OF-CENTER DEISTER- UND WESERZEITUNG OF HAMELIN NOTES IN AN EDITORIAL ON MONDAY"

"YELTSIN'S TIRADES SHOULD NOT BE OVERESTIMATED. REALITY HAS SET CLEAR LIMITS FOR YELTSIN. NOTHING HAS CHANGED THE FACT THAT THERE WERE REAL REASONS FOR THE COLLAPSE OF THE SOVIET UNION: THE WEST CLEARLY HAS THE BETTER MILITARY AND ECONOMIC CARDS IN ITS HANDS, AND IT WOULD, IN THE END, WIN ANOTHER BRUTAL ARMS RACE.... THE STATE LEADERS IN WASHINGTON, PARIS, LONDON, AND BONN HAVE EVERY REASON TO CONTINUE THEIR POLICY OF CONCRETE COOPERATION WITH MOSCOW, INCLUDING THE RELAXED ACCEPTANCE OF FIERCE TONES FROM MOSCOW. AT THE SAME TIME, IT SHOULD NOT ALLOW MOSCOW TO CHANGE THE CONCEPT OF THE WEST WHENEVER IT IS NECESSARY TO INSIST ON DEFENSE POLICY ASPECTS AS WELL AS DEMAND THE RESPECT OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND INTERNATIONAL LAW."

7. PETER BOENISCH ARGUED IN SATURDAY'S MASS-CIRCULATION RIGHT-OF-CENTER BILD ZEITUNG UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"NO PEACE WITHOUT YELTSIN."

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"YELTSIN IS THREATENING WAR, HE IS OPPOSED TO NATO'S EXPANSION EASTWARD, AND HE IS OPPOSED TO NATO BOMBS ON BOSNIA. THIS IS NOTHING NEW FROM RUSSIA. ONLY THE THREAT TO WAGE WAR IS NEW AND MUST BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY EVEN THOUGH IT COMES FROM A WEAKENED RUSSIA. BUT, APART FROM A STICK, THERE IS ALSO A CARROT COMING FROM THE 'CZAR.' YELTSIN WANTS TO ORGANIZE A PEACE CONFERENCE ON BOSNIA IN MOSCOW OR ELSEWHERE. THE BONN GOVERNMENT SHOULD SUPPORT HIM NOT ONLY BECAUSE YELTSIN THINKS THAT RUSSIA IS PART OF EUROPE. THERE ARE ALSO NON-EUROPEAN PARTS OF RUSSIA. BUT IRRESPECTIVE OF THIS VIEW: THERE CAN BE NO TASTING PEACE IN EUROPE AGAINST AND WITHOUT RUSSIA."

D. NUCLEAR: FRENCH OFFER OF PROTECTION

1. REGIONAL RADIO STATION BAYERISCHER RUNDFUNK OF MUNICH BROADCAST THESE COMMENTS BY A. TRUNK ON FRIDAY:

"THE DISCUSSION WHICH FRANCE HAS PROVOKED ABOUT ITS NUCLEAR WEAPONS IS A CLEAR VIOLATION OF THE FUNDAMENTAL COURSE OF EUROPEAN POLICY. UNTIL THIS CONTRADICTION HAS BEEN ELIMINATED, WE MUST DOUBT THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE FRENCH OFFER. THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT WOULD THEREFORE BE WELL ADVISED NOT TO CONTINUE THE DISCUSSION."

2. DIETRICH MOELLER COMMENTED FRIDAY EVENING ON NATIONAL RADIO STATION DEUTSCHLANDFUNK OF COLOGNE:

"FIRST, THE VERY PROPOSAL ITSELF IS WORTHY OF THOROUGH PUBLIC DISCUSSION. SECOND, DISCUSSION OF THE FUTURE TASKS AND STRUCTURE OF NATO MAKES IT NECESSARY TO DEBATE ALSO THE NUCLEAR COMPONENT OF THE ALLIANCE. WHATEVER JUPPE AND CHIRAC'S MOTIVES ARE, FURTHER DELIBERATIONS ARE REQUIRED.... IT WOULD, HOWEVER, BE PERILOUS IN THE EXTREME TO BELIEVE EVEN FOR A MOMENT THAT WE COULD GET BY WITHOUT THE UNITED STATES. ANY CONSIDERATION OF EUROPEANIZING SECURITY POLICY WOULD BE VIRTUALLY FATAL, SINCE NO EUROPEAN COUNTRY POSSESSES OR COULD ACQUIRE THE NECESSARY NUCLEAR POTENTIAL - UNLESS WE DECIDED TO COUNT ON RUSSIA AND ACCEPTED ITS DESIRE TO INSTALL A EUROPEAN SECURITY STRUCTURE.... THIS WOULD BE TRUE EVEN IF RUSSIA HAD GONE SOME WAY ALONG THE ROAD TO BECOMING A UNCLAS SECTION 10 OF 12 BONN GE 18573

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DEMOCRATICALLY STRUCTURED STATE. AS A EURASIAN
SUPERPOWER, IT WOULD BE A NATURAL RIVAL OF THE UNITED
STATES AND STILL BOUND BY ITS HISTORY AND TRADITIONAL
WAYS OF THINKING. NEITHER OF THESE ARE AS EUROPEAN
AS THEY ARE IN THE UNITED STATES. THIS IS SOMETHING
WE MUST NOT FORGET."

3. ON SATURDAY, DEUTSCHLANDFUNK BROADCAST THIS
COMMENTARY BY J. ROSENZWEIG:

"IS IT SENSIBLE TO ENTRUST THE SECURITY OF AN
AFFLUENT AND DYNAMIC CONTINENT...EXCLUSIVELY TO THE
AMERICAN NUCLEAR UMBRELLA? WHO CAN SAY WHETHER
WASHINGTON WILL ALWAYS REGARD IT AS BEING IN ITS
VITAL NATIONAL INTEREST TO PROTECT BERLIN AND PARIS
JUST THE SAME WAY AS NEW YORK AND LOS ANGELES? IS IT
REASONABLE TO BELIEVE THAT THOSE CURRENTLY IN
POSSESSION OF THE BOMB WILL NOT ONE DAY BE TEMPTED TO
USE IT TO MAKE THEIR CRAZY DREAMS OF POWER OR REVENGE
COME TRUE, AND THAT STATE-SPONSORED TERRORISM WITH A
NUCLEAR COMPONENT IS JUST A FIGMENT OF THE
IMAGINATION?... FRANCE WANTS REAL ANSWERS TO REAL
QUESTIONS."

4. SATURDAY'S EDITION OF CENTRIST SUEDEDEUTSCHE
ZEITUNG OF MUNICH FEATURED THESE COMMENTS BY JOSEF
JOFFE:

"A NUCLEAR UMBRELLA FOR BONN?"

"IT IS STILL AS INCONCEIVABLE AS EVER THAT
FRANCE WOULD THREATEN A NUCLEAR STRIKE - AND THUS
RISK NATIONAL SUICIDE - IF A RAMPAGING RUSSIA
ATTACKED GERMANY.... WHY? BECAUSE A MINI NUCLEAR
POWER CERTAINLY CANNOT DO WHAT WOULD BE DOUBTFUL EVEN
FOR A SUPERPOWER LIKE AMERICA: TO JEOPARDIZE ITS OWN
EXISTENCE FOR THE SAKE OF A THIRD PARTY.

"AS FRENCH OFFICIALS HAVE REPEATEDLY EMPHASIZED,
THE DETERRENCE OF 'A STRONG COUNTRY BY A WEAK ONE'
DEPENDS ON THE PRESENCE OF A SECOND 'STRONG COUNTRY'
- I.E. THE UNITED STATES. THE SMALL UMBRELLA WORKS
BECAUSE IT IS UNDERNEATH THE LARGE ONE. IF THE LARGE

ONE FULFILLS ITS PROMISE, THE GERMANS DO NOT NEED THE SMALL ONE. AND IF THE AMERICAN PROMISE OF PROTECTION IS WITHDRAWN, THE FRENCH ONE WILL BE USELESS. ONLY THE FRENCH WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE SHELTER UNDER IT.
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THERE WILL BE NO ROOM FOR ANYONE ELSE."

5. KARL GROBE COMMENTED IN SATURDAY'S LEFT-OF-CENTER FRANKFURTER RUNDSCHAU:

"UNDER THE UMBRELLA."

"A SAY FOR THE GERMANS IN THE USE OF FRENCH NUCLEAR WEAPONS: AN ABSURD CONCEPT.... THE IDEA THAT THE FRENCH NUCLEAR UMBRELLA COULD PROTECT GERMANY FROM ANYTHING AT ALL IS UNREAL.... AS AN ALLIANCE PARTNER, (AMERICA) IS LINKED WITH THE INTERESTS OF ITS ALLIES. THIS LINK COULD SWIFTLY BECOME LOOSER IF THE EUROPEANS SUCCUMB TO THE TEMPTATION TO ACQUIRE SUPERPOWER STATUS - I.E. AN INDEPENDENT NUCLEAR FORCE OF THEIR OWN."

E. UN: BEIJING WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

1. T. SCHLESINGER COMMENTED FRIDAY ON ARD (NATIONAL TV CHANNEL ONE):

"THE CHINESE LEADERSHIP'S STRATEGY WORKED IN PART. BY MOVING THE INDEPENDENT WOMEN'S GROUPS TO HUAIROU, IT SUCCEEDED IN KEEPING PROTEST AND DEMONSTRATIONS OUT OF BEIJING AND AWAY FROM TIENNANMEN SQUARE. BUT THERE ARE PERCEPTIBLE CRACKS QIN THE SMOOTH FACADE. TOO MANY SECURITY OFFICIALS POOR TRANSPORTATION AND AN EXTREMELY BAD SITUATION FOR THE HANDICAPPED DOMINATED THE DISCUSSIONS HERE. THE CONFERENCE HAS INTENDED TO SET 'THE ACCENTS FOR WOMEN'S POLICY IN THE NEXT CENTURY.' BUT IT CAME NOWHERE NEAR ACHIEVING THIS AIM."

2. SATURDAY'S LEFT-OF-CENTER DIE TAGESZEITUNG OF BERLIN FRONT-PACED THIS PIECE BY JUTTA LIETSCH:

"THE LAST MEETING."

"THE NGO WOMEN'S CONFERENCE...HAS THE BIGGEST FEMINISTS' MEETING OF ALL TIME. AND THIS MEETING COULD HAVE BEEN WONDERFUL.... IT HAS PROBABLY THE QLAST WEE\ling OF ITS KIND. THE FRUSTRATION AND ANGER WHICH SPREAD AMONG MANY PARTICIPANTS OVER THE TEN DAYS OF THE FORUM WERE NOT JUST CAUSED BY CHINESE POLICY.... OF COURSE IT HAS UNREALISTIC TO THINK THAT THERE COULD BE AN ISLAND OF FREEDOM IN A SEA OF POLITICAL REPRESSION. A COUPLE OF DEMONSTRATIONS AT UNCLAS SECTION 12 OF 12 BONN GE 18573

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A UN-PROTECTED LOCATION WERE NOT ENOUGH. PERHAPS THIS TAUGHT THE PARTICIPANTS A LESSON. MANY WOMEN WERE DISSATISFIED PRIMARILY BECAUSE THEY DID NOT KNOW WHAT THEY WANTED TO ACHIEVE IN CHINA.... IN THE EYES OF MANY LOBBYISTS, IT HAS TOTALLY WRONG TO ACCEPT THE DECISION TO MOVE THE FORUM TO A LOCATION 50 KILOMETERS OUTSIDE BEIJING, EVEN THOUGH NOBODY BELIEVED THAT THE SURVEILLANCE WOULD HAVE BEEN ANY LESS INTENSIVE AT A CENTRAL SITE. BUT THERE IS NO WELL ORGANIZED AND STRONG INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S MOVEMENT WHICH COULD HAVE PREVENTED THIS. NOT YET." EARLE

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1. SUMMARY:

-- BOSNIA: FRESH NATO RAIDS, SERBS REFUSE TO WITHDRAW
HEAVY WEAPONS, ISLAMIC COUNTRIES DISCUSS SETTLEMENT WITH
EGYPT PARTICIPATING (ALL PAPERS). EU DISCUSSES FINANCIAL
ASSISTANCE TO BELLIGERENTS AFTER PEACE (OPPOSITION AL
WAFD).

-- PEACE PROCESS: PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY REJECTS ISRAELI
PROPOSAL ON PARTIAL WITHDRAWAL FROM HEBRON, U.S. SOURCES
DO NOT CONFIRM PALESTINIAN-ISRAELI AGREEMENT SIGNING
DATE, 200 PALESTINIANS CROSS LIBYAN-EGYPTIAN BORDERS TO
REACH GAZA (ALL PAPERS).

-- IRAQ: EGYPTIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY DENIES REPORTS THAT IT
AGREED TO A VISIT BY IRAQI DEFECTOR HUSSEIN KAMEL, IRAQI
AUTHORITY INVITES TEN THOUSAND FOREIGN OBSERVERS TO
PUBLIC REFERENDUM (ALL PAPERS).

-- LIBYA: LIBYA EXPELS SEVEN THOUSAND EGYPTIAN WORKERS
(ALL PAPERS), BUT EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR IN LIBYA CONFIRMS
THAT LIBYA PUTS NO RESTRICTIONS ON EGYPTIAN
LABOR (PRO-GOVERNMENT AL AKHBAR).

-- U.S. AND ISLAM: PRESIDENT CLINTON ALLEGEDLY TRIES TO
PERSUADE AMERICAN MOSLEMS THAT HIS DECISION TO CUT OFF
AMERICAN FUNDING OF TERRORIST GROUPS DOES NOT AIM AT
ISLAM (PRO-GOVERNMENT AL AHAM).

-- BEIJING WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: CONFERENCE RESUMES
ACTIVITIES AND AGREES ON HALF OF THE THORNY ISSUES (ALL
PRO-GOVERNMENT PAPERS). VATICAN AND EU CONTINUE TO
EXCHANGE ACCUSATIONS (OPPOSITION AL WAFD).

2. BLOCK QUOTES

-- BOSNIA:

GALAL DWIDAR, EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, PRO-GOVERNMENT DAILY AL
AKHBAR: "NATO INTERVENTION TO STRIKE SERBIAN ENEMY
BASES...IS A RESPONSE TO ISLAMIC AND EGYPTIAN
PRESSURES....PRESIDENT MUBARAK STATED...THAT A JUST,
PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT IS THE ONLY SOLUTION FOR BOSNIA....
FOREIGN MINISTER MOUSSA STATED THAT THE SOVEREIGNTY OF
BOSNIA SHOULD BE MAINTAINED....EGYPT'S AMBASSADOR TO THE
U.N....WARNED AGAINST PRESSURING THE BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT
FOR MORE TERRITORIAL CONCESSIONS TO THE SERBS....EGYPT'S
EFFORTS WILL NOT STOP UNTIL PEACE AND JUSTICE IS ACHIEVED
FOR THE BOSNIAN PEOPLE."

UNSIGNED, AL AKHBAR: "IT WAS NOT STRANGE FOR PRESIDENT
YELTSIN TO BE THE MAJOR OPPONENT OF THE DISCIPLINARY
OPERATIONS OF NATO AGAINST SERBIAN GANG BASES....HIS BIAS
TOWARD THE SERBIAN REBELS...AND THEIR ETHNIC WAR AGAINST
THE MOSLEMS...IS NOT NEW....HE SEEKS TO PRESSURE THE
MEDIATORS TO END THE DISPUTE PEACEFULLY SO THAT THE
AGGRESSOR WOULD TAKE THE LION'S SHARE OF BOSNIAN LAND,

AGAINST WHICH MINISTER MOUSSA WARNED."

-- BEIJING WOMEN'S CONFERENCE:

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SUBJECT: CAIRO MEDIA REACTION -- SEPTEMBER 11, 1995

DR. FAWZEYA SHAFIK EL-SADR, CONTRIBUTOR, PRO-GOVERNMENT
DAILY AL AHAM: "WE EXPECT THE CONFERENCE TO RELEASE
MANY RESOLUTIONS--SOME MAY BE POSITIVE, OTHERS NEGATIVE.
HOWEVER, CERTAINLY WE WILL TAKE WHAT IS APPROPRIATE FOR
US IN ALL RESPECTS BECAUSE WE CANNOT FORGET OUR CULTURE
OR RELINQUISH OUR DEEP-ROOTED TRADITIONS, WHATEVER THE
CHALLENGES OR INCENTIVES MAY BE."

-- DOMESTIC TERRORISM:

MAHMOUD AL MARAGHI, EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, OPPOSITION WEEKLY AL
TRUTH IS THE MILITARY SHOULD NOT INTERVENE IN CIVILIAN
LIFE. THEIR HONORABLE MISSION TO GUARD EGYPT'S LAND
IS...NOT AN EASY JOB.... I TOLD (DEFENSE MINISTER) GEN.
TANTAWI...THAT EGYPT'S ARMED FORCES SERVE THE WHOLE
NATION...AND ARE (ABOVE) SIDING WITH THIS PARTY OR THE
OTHER." CAVNESS
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