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(A) SUBJECTS COVERED IN TODAY'S REPORT:

1. FRANCO-AMERICAN RELATIONS
2. UN REFORM: CLINTON-KOFI ANNAN MEETING

(B) SUMMARY OF COVERAGE:

HEADLINES AND EDITORIALS COMMENT ON THE FRENCH COURT'S DECISION FOR MAURICE PAPON, A FRENCH GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL DURING THE VICHY REGIME WHO IS ACCUSED OF CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY, TO STAND TRIAL. THIS DECISION PUTS AN END TO A SIXTEEN-YEAR CONTROVERSIAL LEGAL PROCEDURE. PAPON WILL PROBABLY BE TRIED IN THE FALL.

THE OTHER INTERNATIONAL TOPIC MAKING THE HEADLINES IS THE ALGERIAN SITUATION. THE RAND REPORT IN THE U.S., PRESIDENT ZEROUAL'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF AN ADDRESS SCHEDULED FOR THIS EVENING, AND THE CALL FOR A U.S. MEDIATOR FROM OPPOSITION LEADER HOCINE AIT AHMAD ARE MENTIONED. JEAN-JACQUES MEVEL WRITES IN LE FIGARO: "JUST WHEN PARIS AND WASHINGTON ARE TRYING TO FORGET ABOUT THEIR RECENT DISAGREEMENTS OVER AFRICA AND NATO, THE RAND REPORT ON ALGERIA HAS PROMPTED THE U.S. GOVERNMENT TO SAY THAT THE REPORT'S CONCLUSIONS DO NOT 'REFLECT THE GOVERNMENT'S POSITION'...TWO YEARS AFTER FRANCE ACCUSED THE U.S. OF BEING TOO LAX WITH ISLAMIC GROUPS, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE ISSUE IS NOT FULLY RESOLVED.-."

FRANCO-AMERICAN RELATIONS, PARTICULARLY FRANCE'S POSITION ON NATO, AND THE UN-U.S. RELATIONSHIP MAKE UP THE REST OF THE INTERNATIONAL COVERAGE (SEE PART C).

(C) SUPPORTING TEXT/BLOCK QUOTES:

FRANCO-AMERICAN RELATIONS

"FRANCE-U.S.: THE COUNTERWEIGHT"

HUBERT VEDRINE IN RIGHT-OF-CENTER WEEKLY LE POINT (01/25): "IT IS CLEAR THAT FRANCE OFTEN IRRITATES THE U.S-...ALTHOUGH FROM DECADE TO DECADE THE SKIRMISHES SEEM TO LOOK ALIKE, THE CONTEXT HAS CHANGED. WHAT THE U.S. ACCEPTED FROM FRANCE AS AN ALLY DURING THE EAST-WEST CONFRONTATION IS NO LONGER TOLERATED WHEN GLOBALIZATION RHYMES WITH AMERICANIZATION...HENCE THE FABRICATED DE CHARETTE/CHRISTOPHER INCIDENT, THE NATO SKIRMISHES, IRAQ, THE MIDDLE EAST, AFRICA, BOUTROS-GHALI. THERE IS TODAY, IN THE TONE OF VOICE USED BY AMERICAN OFFICIALS AND THE MEDIA, MORE THAN JUST IRRITATION. THERE IS A DESIRE TO SHOW WHO IS IN COMMAND AND TO PUT FRANCE BACK IN ITS PLACE...HOW THEN TO REMAIN A FRIEND

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AND ALLY OF SUCH AN OVERPOWERING NATIO, WITHOUT HAVING TO ALWAYS AGREE? HOW TO PREERVE FRANCE'S AUTONOMY AND ITS PLAN FOR EUROPE...

THE ANSWER IS TO USE EUROPE AS A COUNTERWEIHT. BUT THIS WORKS ONLY WHEN OUR PARTNERS FEELCOMMERCIALLY THREATENED AND WHEN THEY ARE SURE I IS NOT A FRENCH ANTI-AMERICAN CRUSADE...FRACE'S MAIN TASK IS TO CONVINCE ITS EUROPEAN PARTERS, AND THE AMERICANS AS WELL, THAT A STRONG UROPE, ALLIED WITH THE U.S., WOULD MAKE TRNSATLANTIC RELATIONS HEALTHIER AND WOULD BE A SECURITY ASSET FOR PEACE..."

"PARIS AND WASHINGTON PLAYING DETENTE"
PATRICK SABATIER IN LEFT-O
F-CENTER LIBERATION (01/24): "WITH HIS
NEW FOREIGN AFFAIRS TEAM IN PLACE, BILL CLINTON CAN NOW
CONCENTRATE ON THE MAIN ISSUES OF HIS SECOND TERM: HIS
RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UN AND WITH FRANCE...BOTH IN FRANCE AND IN
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PARIS, THE ACCENT HAS BEEN PUT ON COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO
COUNTRIES...THIS DESIRE FOR EASING RELATIONS IS ATTRIBUTED IN
PART TO THE GOOD CHEMISTRY BETWEEN CHIRAC AND CLINTON. IT IS
ALSO DUE TO FRANCE'S DECISION TO GIVE UP ON THE SOUTHERN
COMMAND, AS DE CHARETTE EXPLAINED IN HIS INTERVIEW WITH THE
FINANCIAL TIMES..."

"NATO: FRANCE LOOKING TO GET OUT FROM UNDER"
BAUDOIN BOLLAERT IN RIGHT-OF-CENTER LE FIGARO (01/24): "IN ORDER
TO COME OUT OF ITS ISOLATION, FRANCE HAS SOFTENED ITS POSITION
ON THE SOUTHERN COMMAND, WHILE REMAINING FIRM ON ITS
PRINCIPLES... THE DAGGERS ARE BEING PUT AWAY...FRANCE HAS NO
CHOICE, FACED AS IT IS BY THE U.S- POSITION...AT THE SAME TIME,
FRANCE HAS ARGUMENTS TO DEFEND THE ROLE IT WANTS TO PLAY WITHIN
THE ALLIANCE...IN ASKING WHETHER THE ALLIANCE CAN DO WITHOUT
FRANCE'S POTENTIAL, FRANCE WANTS TO REMIND (THE U.S.) THAT IT
CAN BRING NATO VALUE-ADDED ASSETS WHEN MILITARY BUDGETS ARE
BEING REDUCED BY ALL. BUT FRANCE WILL HAVE TO PLAY WITH MORE
FINESSE THAN IT HAS IN THE PAST."

UN REFORM: CLINTON-KOFI ANNAN MEETING

"CLINTON READY TO PAY HIS DEBT"
PATRICK SABATIER IN LEFT-OF-CENTER LIBERATION: 901/24): "IN
CHOOSING THE WHITE HOUSE AND CONGRESS AS HIS FIRST MEETING
PLACES, KOFI ANNAN HAS MADE A GESTURE OF SYMBOLIC ALLEGIANCE
WHICH HE HOPES WILL BEAR FRUIT: HIS MOST IMPORTANT MEETING WAS
NEITHER WITH CLINTON NOR MADELEINE ALBRIGHT, BUT WITH TRENT LOTT

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AND JESSE HELMS...ANNAN'S MARGIN OF MANEUVER FOR SATISFYING
CONGRESS IS VERY LIMITED. HIS PREDECESSOR HAS ALREADY GONE AS
FAR AS POSSIBLE IN REDUCING THE BUDGET AND CUTTING PERSONNEL..."
SNOW

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SOURCE: London The Times in English 24 Jan 97 p 18

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[Report by Ian Brodie: "Americans Angry After Cuba Signs Pact With Canada"]

[FBIS Transcribed Text] Washington -- Canada angered and baffled Washington yesterday by reaching a 14-point agreement with Cuba that includes cooperation on human rights and striking back at the controversial American law designed to penalise Cuba's foreign investors.

The agreement, which runs counter to US efforts to isolate Cuba's Communist Government, was reached after a three-hour dinner between President Castro and Lloyd Axworthy, Canada's Foreign Minister, followed by a lunch of similar length for the pair the next day.

American reaction ranged from a conviction that the Canadians were naive to assertions that they were determined to embarrass the United States. Or maybe they were trying to flaunt their independence from European allies who also oppose the Helms-Burton law, which seeks to impose sanctions on those trading with Cuba.

President Clinton praised Canada for trying to improve human rights in Cuba, but questioned whether Mr Axworthy's Havana trip had accomplished a breakthrough. He was sceptical that the talks would lead to any advances and he was still convinced that America's approach, based on its 35-year trade embargo, had a better chance of winning democratic reform.

Jesse Helms, the crusty Republican senator who coauthored the Bill, reacted with scorn, comparing Mr Axworthy's visit to Neville Chamberlain's appeasement of Hitler in 1938. Canada should examine its principles, he said, but he stopped short of saying that America should consider retaliation against its northern neighbour. A Helms aide said the Cuba-Canada agreement would not improve the human rights of a single Cuban citizen.

As if to underline Cuba's disregard for human rights, three

dissidents were arrested during Mr Axworthy's 24-hour visit for trying to produce economic and independent news reports outside the state-controlled media. Two were later released.

Under the agreement, Canada and Cuba made an opaque pledge to broaden and deepen co-operation on human rights through joint seminars and academic exchanges between officials, professionals and experts. Mr Axworthy said he had requested the release of specific political prisoners in Cuba, but did not say if he had received any assurances about them.

Roberto Robaina, the Cuban Foreign Minister, said there were no taboo subjects for Cuba, as long as it was treated with respect. But he made it clear that Cuba would accept lessons from no one and that human rights there were a strictly Cuban responsibility.

Canada and Cuba agreed to negotiate how to strike back at the US over Helms-Burton, but gave no details. They also agreed to co-operate over justice, including exchanges of judges and judicial training.

Unlike America, Canada has no trade embargo with Cuba and is Senor Castro's largest overseas trading partner. Mr Axworthy said the agreement was the Canadian way of doing things.

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2. THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT WAS POSTED IN THE
DEPARTMENT ON 1/28/97

3. RELEASE OF THE 1996 COUNTRY REPORT ON HUMAN RIGHTS

THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE WILL PROVIDE TO THE CONGRESS THE ANNUAL "COUNTRY REPORTS ON HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES FOR 1996". SECRETARY OF STATE MADELEINE ALBRIGHT, TIMOTHY WIRTH, UNDER SECRETARY FOR GLOBAL AFFAIRS, AND JOHN SHATTUCK, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS AND LABOR, WILL BRIEF THE PRESS ON THE RECORD ON THE REPORTS AT 12:30 PM THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT PRESS BRIEFING ROOM (ROOM 2118). FOLLOWING INTRODUCTORY REMARKS BY SECRETARY ALBRIGHT, A SPECIAL BRIEFING WILL BE CONDUCTED BY UNDER SECRETARY WIRTH AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY SHATTUCK.

ADVANCE COPIES FOR EMBARGOED RELEASE

THE OFFICE OF PRESS RELATIONS WILL MAKE AVAILABLE TWO PRE-PUBLICATION REFERENCE COPIES OF THE FULL REPORT FOR PRESS TO REVIEW: ONE IN THE PRESS OFFICE (ROOM 2109) AND ONE IN THE CORRESPONDENTS' ROOM (ROOM 2313). JOURNALISTS MAY PHOTOCOPY SELECTED INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY REPORTS FROM THE REFERENCE COPIES.

BASED ON INPUT FROM MEMBERS ON THE STATE DEPARTMENT CORRESPONDENTS ASSOCIATION, THE PRESS OFFICE WILL PROVIDE A LIMITED NUMBER OF COPIES OF THE INTRODUCTION AND 20 SELECTED COUNTRY REPORTS. THESE REPORTS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON A FIRST-COME BASIS, ONLY ONE SET PER MEDIA ORGANIZATION. THEY MUST BE PICKED UP IN PERSON AT THE PRESS OFFICE, ROOM 2109; THEY WILL NOT BE FAXED OR MAILED.

THESE DOCUMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT 9:00 A.M. ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 30. ALL DOCUMENTS ARE EMBARGOED UNTIL THE CONCLUSION OF THE DEPARTMENT'S ON THE RECORD BRIEFING ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT WHICH BEGINS AT 12:30 PM ON JANUARY 30.

ELECTRONIC ACCESS TO THE HUMAN RIGHTS COUNTRY REPORTS

INTERNET

THE BUREAU OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS WILL PLACE THE FULL TEXT OF

THE REPORT ON THE INTERNET, AND IT WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR
DOWNLOADING AT APPROXIMATELY 1:30 PM ON THURSDAY, JANUARY
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FEDERAL BULLETIN BOARD

THE FULL REPORT ALSO WILL BE AVAILABLE, ON A FEE BASIS,
ON THE GPO'S FEDERAL BULLETIN BOARD AT ABOUT 1:30 PM
THURSDAY, JANUARY 30. NEW USERS MUST ESTABLISH A CREDIT
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BOOK FORM

THE GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE WILL PUBLISH AND OFFER FOR
SALE AT ITS BOOKSTORES BOUND COPIES OF THE FULL REPORT A
FEW WEEKS AFTER THE DATE OF RELEASE.

4. THE FOLLOWING PRESS GUIDANCES WERE PREPARED ON
1/28/97. THERE WAS NO REGULAR PRESS BRIEFING ON THAT
DAY. POSTS MAY DRAW FROM THESE GUIDANCES ON AN IF ASKED
BASIS.

5. NORTH KOREA -- CARGILL/FOUR PARTY TALKS

Q: IS IT TRUE THAT THE DPRK HAS POSTPONED THE JOINT
U.S.-ROK BRIEFING ON THE FOUR PARTY PROPOSAL BECAUSE THE
CARGILL DEAL FAILED?

A: THE DPRK, THROUGH ITS U.N. MISSION IN NEW YORK,

REQUESTED TWO DAYS AGO THAT THE JOINT U.S.-ROK BRIEFING ON THE FOUR PARTY PROPOSAL, ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 29, BE POSTPONED BY ONE WEEK. THE U.S. AND THE ROK HAVE ACCEPTED THE DPRK REQUEST AND WILL MEET NEXT WEEK IN NEW YORK, ON FEBRUARY 5. THE U.S.-DPRK BILATERAL MEETING WOULD FOLLOW VERY SOON THEREAFTER.

THE NORTH KOREANS MENTIONED TO US THAT THEY HAVE PUT FIRST PRIORITY ON RECENT BUSINESS DISCUSSIONS TO OBTAIN GRAIN. TO CLARIFY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT ROLE IN THESE TYPES OF CASES: WE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ISSUING EXPORT LICENSES FOR COMMERCIAL SALES OF HUMANITARIAN GOODS, BUT THE USG DOES NOT INTERFERE IN COMMERCIAL NEGOTIATIONS.

Q: CAN YO PROVIDE MORE DETAILS?

A: IF YOU HAVE FURTHER QUESTIONS, YOU SHOULD REFER TO THE NORTH KOREANS FOR THEIR RESPONSE.

Q: IS IT TRUE THAT THE U.S. HAS A PLAN TO APPROVE A FURTHER \$6 MILLION IN ADDITIONAL HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 04 STATE 016306

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TO NORTH KOREA?

A: WE HAVE NO IMMEDIATE PLANS TO PROVIDE FURTHER FOOD ASSISTANCE TO THE DPRK, BUT WE CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE FOOD SITUATION AND WILL RESPOND ON A HUMANITARIAN BASIS AS APPROPRIATE.

AS IN THE PAST, WE REMAIN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH NGOS AND CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE THE PROVISION OF PRIVATE ASSISTANCE TO PROGRAMS THAT BENEFIT NEEDY NORTH KOREAN CIVILIANS.

6. HONG KONG -- VISA RESTRICTIONS

Q: WHAT IS THE UNITED STATES' REACTION TO SENATOR HELMS' PROPOSED BILL TO DENY VISAS TO ANY MEMBERS OF HONG KONG'S PROVISIONAL LEGISLATURE?

A: WE HAVE SEEN PRESS REPORTS THAT THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE IS CONSIDERING LEGISLATION THAT WOULD DENY VISAS TO MEMBERS OF HONG KONG'S PROVISIONAL LEGISLATURE. WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED A COPY OF THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION. THEREFORE, OF COURSE, WE CANNOT COMMENT ON ITS SPECIFIC PROVISIONS.

IF ASKED

OUR POSITION ON THE PROVISIONAL LEGISLATURE IS QUITE CLEAR: WE HAVE FREQUENTLY EXPRESSED OUR VIEW THAT DISBANDING THE ELECTED LEGISLATURE IN HONG KONG WAS

UNJUSTIFIED AND UNNECESSARY. WE BELIEVE A LEGISLATURE ELECTED ON THE BASIS OF OPEN AND FAIR ELECTIONS SHOULD BE PUT INTO PLACE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER REVERSION.

7. CHINA -- STATE/NSC DELEGATION

Q: CAN YOU GIVE US MORE DETAILS ABOUT THE STATE/NSC DELEGATION THAT WILL BE IN BEIJING FOR TALKS WITH CHINESE OFFICIALS THIS WEEK?

A: NSC ASIA SENIOR DIRECTOR AMBASSADOR SANDY KRISTOFF HEADS THE DELEGATION, WHICH ALSO INCLUDES STATE'S EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY JEFFREY BADER AND BUREAU OF DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS AND LABOR OFFICE OF BILATERAL AFFAIRS DIRECTOR PETER EICHER.

THE GROUP WILL BE IN BEIJING THIS WEEK, AND WILL MEET WITH A NUMBER OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICIALS JANUARY 29-30.

THEY WILL DISCUSS A RANGE OF BILATERAL ISSUES, INCLUDING HUMAN RIGHTS.

Q: WILL THEY BE NEGOTIATING ON A HUMAN RIGHTS RESOLUTION FOR THE UPCOMING UN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION MEETING?

A: WE HAVE TOLD THE CHINESE MANY TIMES UNLESS THERE IS PROGRESS ON HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES OF INTERNATIONAL CONCERN, WE ARE PREPARED TO COSPONSOR A RESOLUTION ON CHINA AT THE UNHRC. THEY UNDERSTAND OUR POSITION ON THIS ISSUE.

8. PERU -- HOSTAGE SITUATION 1/28

Q: CAN YOU GIVE US AN UPDATE ON THE SITUATION?

A: TUPAC AMARU (MRTA) TERRORISTS CURRENTLY HOLD 72 HOSTAGES AT THE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE IN LIMA, INCLUDING SENIOR PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, DIPLOMATS AND PRIVATE CITIZENS.

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YESTERDAY (MONDAY 1/27), THE TERRORISTS FIRED SHOTS IN THE AIR WHILE PERUVIAN POLICE WERE MAKING A LARGE SHOW OF FORCE OUTSIDE THE WALLS OF THE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE.

THERE WERE NO REPORTS OF INJURIES.

THE U.S. REITERATES ITS CONDEMNATION OF THIS HOSTAGE TAKING AND CALLS ON THE TERRORISTS TO IMMEDIATELY RELEASE ALL REMAINING CAPTIVES SAFE AND UNHARMED.

9. PERU -- DIRECT TALKS

Q: WHAT IS THE U.S. REACTION TO THE INCREASE TENSIONS IN LIMA AND THE EXPRESSIONS OF CONCERN MADE YESTERDAY BY THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT?

A: THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES STRONGLY SUPPORTS PRESIDENT FUJIMORI'S EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF THE CRISIS AND THE SAFE RELEASE OF ALL HOSTAGES. WE ALSO STRONGLY SUPPORT HIS POLICY OF MAKING NO CONCESSIONS TO THE TERRORISTS.

AT THE SAME TIME, WE APPLAUD THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMISSION OF GUARANTORS TO WORK TOWARDS A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION ON THIS SITUATION.

IN THIS REGARD, WE HOPE THAT THE PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT AND THE MRTA, WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF THE COMMISSION OF GUARANTORS, BEGIN THEIR FACE TO FACE DIALOGUE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Q: IS THE U.S. CONCERNED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF VIOLENCE?

A: OBVIOUSLY THIS IS A TENSE SITUATION. WE REMAIN CONCERNED FOR THE WELLBEING OF THE HOSTAGES AND HOPE THAT THIS SITUATION CAN BE RESOLVED QUICKLY AND PEACEFULLY.

Q: ARE WE PUSHING THE PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT TO NEGOTIATE?

A: AS I SAID, WE FULLY SUPPORT PRESIDENT FUJIMORI'S EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION TO THIS CONFLICT AND HIS DECISION NOT TO MAKE CONCESSIONS TO TERRORISTS.

WE BELIEVE THAT THE COMMISSION OF GUARANTORS, AS PROPOSED BY PRESIDENT FUJIMORI, IS A MEANS TO FACILITATE THE KIND OF DIALOGUE THAT COULD BE USEFUL IN RESOLVING THIS SITUATION.

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PAGE ONE STORIES

1. "ANOTHER BLOW TO PRIVATIZATION OF TELECOM SERVICE":

-- THE INDIAN EXPRESS AND THE BUSINESS STANDARD FRONT-PAGED STORIES STATING THAT PRIVATIZATION OF INDIA'S BASIC TELECOM SERVICES SUFFERED A SEVERE SETBACK ON TUESDAY AS THE DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS (DOT) REVOKED LETTERS OF INTENT AND ORDERED THE FORFEITURE OF BANK GUARANTEES OF ESSAR COMMVISION AND TECHNO TELECOM COMPANIES FOR THE PUNJAB AND BIHAR CIRCLES. THE EXPRESS REPORT NOTED THAT WITH THIS, SEVEN CIRCLES OUT OF THE 13 THAT HAVE LICENCES SO FAR IN THE FIELD OF BASIC TELEPHONE SERVICES ARE NOW JEOPARDIZED. THE DECISION TO ENCASH THE BANK GUARANTEES OF THE TWO COMPANIES WAS TAKEN BECAUSE THEY HAD NOT FURNISHED FINANCIAL AND PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES AFTER ACCEPTING THE LETTERS OF INTENT, DOT OFFICIALS SAID. THE DOT IS ALREADY EMBROILED IN LEGAL TANGLES WITH TWO OTHER COMPANIES--HIMACHAL FUTURISTIC COMPANY LTD. AND THE RPG GROUP--WHEN IT ORDERED THE ENCASHMENT OF THEIR BANK GUARANTEES, AND THE COMPANIES OBTAINED STAY ORDERS FROM THE COURT.

1. NEW CLINTON ADMINISTRATION

--"NEW CHALLENGES FOR INDIAN DIPLOMACY," ANALYSIS IN JANUARY 29 CENTRIST THE PIONEER BY DIPANKER BANERJEE OF THE INSTITUTE FOR DEFENSE STUDIES AND ANALYSES:

"A REPORT OF AN INDEPENDENT TASK FORCE RELEASED IN WASHINGTON HAS RECOMMENDED A POLICY OF 'STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP' BETWEEN U.S. AND INDIA.... BUT THE PRESCRIPTION THAT THE REPORT RECOMMENDS IS PERHAPS WORSE THAN THE DISEASE. IT SUGGESTS THAT IN ORDER TO HAVE GREATER SAY IN PAKISTAN AND SOME INFLUENCE OVER ITS MILITARY IT SHOULD RESUME 'LIMITED CONVENTIONAL ARMS SALES.' THIS POLICY HAS NEVER IN THE PAST ACHIEVED WHAT THE U.S. HAD HOPED.... ON INDIA, THE REPORT...RECOMMENDS A MULTIFACETED ENGAGEMENT.... MORE IMPORTANT IT RECOMMENDS A 'CLOSER STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP WITH INDIA'.... BUT IS INDIA READY TO ACCEPT SUCH A RELATIONSHIP? SERIOUS DOUBTS HAVE BEEN RAISED AND A DISSENTING PRO-PAK VIEW IN THE REPORT SUGGESTS THAT INDIA WOULD NOT....

"THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TASK FORCE'S RECOMMENDATIONS IS PROBABLY UNLIKELY. THE REPLACEMENT OF MS. ROBIN RAPHEL BY A MORE MATURE, SENIOR AND DISTINGUISHED CAREER DIPLOMAT LONG FAMILIAR WITH SOUTH

ASIA, WILL MOST LIKELY BRING A DEGREE OF OBJECTIVITY AND BALANCE THAT MANY THOUGHT WAS LACKING. IN CLINTON'S FINAL TERM IT IS TIME...FOR PRAGMATISM AND DEVELOPING NEW RELATIONSHIPS. INDIAN DIPLOMACY TOO HAS ENTERED A QUALITATIVELY NEW ERA. THE GUJRAL (FOREIGN MINISTER) DOCTRINE RIGHTLY FOCUSES ON IMPROVING RELATIONS WITH INDIA'S IMMEDIATE NEIGHBORS. ITS SUCCESS SO FAR HAS UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 03 NEW DELHI 001036

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BEEN REMARKABLE. THE TIME HAS COME NOW TO MOVE ON TO A WIDER NEIGHBORHOOD.... A STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP WITH THE U.S. ON TERMS THAT IS ACCEPTABLE TO INDIA MAY WELL BE A PART OF THIS."

2. U.N. REFORM: CLINTON-KOFI ANNAN MEETING

--"U.N. DISGRACED," 'GLOBAL WATCH' COLUMN IN JANUARY 29
PRO- ECONOMIC-REFORMS THE ECONOMIC TIMES BY PUNDIT K.
SUBRAHMANYAM:

"KOFI ANNAN...WENT HAT IN HAND TO PLEAD WITH THE DEFAULTING HEGEMONIC POWER TO PAY ITS DUES TO THE UN. HE WAS TREATED BY THE U.S. PRESIDENT, OFFICIALS AND LEGISLATORS WITH GREAT CONDESCENSION AND TOLD IN PLAIN LANGUAGE THAT IF HE WOULD BE A GOOD BOY AND CONVERT THE UN TO BE AN INSTRUMENTALITY OF THE U.S. THEY WOULD CONSIDER PAYING THE DUES IN INSTALLMENTS. ANY SELF RESPECTING SECRETARY GENERAL...WOULD NOT HAVE GONE BEGGING TO WASHINGTON, AND WHEN FACED WITH THIS TREATMENT WOULD HAVE MADE IT CLEAR THAT A UN WHICH IS BEING TREATED LIKE THIS IS NOT WORTH SERVING. BUT KOFI ANNAN IS THE U.S. NOMINEE FOR THE POST. PRESIDENT CLINTON MADE SOME SOOTHING NOISES.... THE REAL MESSAGE CAME LATER FROM SENATOR JESSE HELMS TO ANNAN.... INDIA HAS TO CONSIDER SERIOUSLY ABOUT THE FUTURE OF A UN WHICH IS BEING INCREASINGLY SUBORDINATED TO THE U.S....

"IN A SENSE ALL THAT U.S. IS DOING TODAY WILL SET PRECEDENTS FOR CHINA AS IT BECOMES THE SECOND HEGEMON OF THE WORLD.... THE U.S. APPEARS TO BE WORKING TOWARDS THE OBJECTIVE OF REDUCING THE UN TO ONE INSTRUMENTALITY FOR EXERCISING ITS HEGEMONY.... BEFORE LONG SUCH BLATANT ABUSE OF THE UN IS BOUND TO LEAD TO OPPOSITION

BY CHINA.... BY ITS BEHAVIOR THE U.S. IS ENHANCING CHINA'S STANDING AND PRESTIGE IN THE WORLD. THE CHINESE-RUSSIAN STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP IS ALSO PERHAPS A REACTION TO THIS BLATANT EXERCISE OF U.S. HEGEMONY."

--"U.S. ASKS KOFI ANNAN TO SHOW RESULTS," ARTICLE IN JANUARY 25 CENTRIST THE TELEGRAPH FROM CALCUTTA BY WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT SEEMA SIROHI:

"KOFI ANNAN, WHOSE BIGGEST TASK CURRENTLY IS NOT PEACEKEEPING IN BOSNIA BUT EXTRACTING MONEY FROM THE AMERICANS, WAS TOLD TO SHOW RESULTS FROM 'REFORM' BEFORE EXPECTING ANY PAYMENTS FROM WASHINGTON.... THE NEW SECRETARY GENERAL GOT NO ASSURANCES FROM THE U.S. CONGRESS WHICH CONTROLS THE PURSE STRINGS.... EVEN MR. CLINTON ASKED FOR THE SAME QUID PRO QUO.... UN OFFICIALS MAY FACE NEW CONDITIONS AND A 'CODE OF CONDUCT' DICTATED BY WASHINGTON.... ANNAN, WHO KNOWS THE VALUE OF GOOD PUBLIC RELATIONS, QUICKLY PUT THE BEST FACE ON HIS MEETINGS....

"SIMPLY PUT, WHAT THE UN WANTS IS WHAT THE U.S. ALSO WANTS-- A REFORMED UN THAT IS EFFECTIVE, LEANER AND RELEVANT TO THE TASKS THAT MEMBER STATES WANT TO SET FOR US.... ANNAN'S...SPECIAL STATUS IN THE WHITE HOUSE, HOWEVER, DID NOTHING TO MOLLIFY SENATOR HELMS.... AMERICAN POLITICIANS LATCHED ON THE ISSUE OF REFORMS AFTER THE UN WAS IDENTIFIED AS AN UNNECESSARY CLUB OF TALKATIVE THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES DURING THE REAGAN ERA."

3. RUSSIA: YELTSIN'S HEALTH

--"BIG BROTHER BORIS' BEAR HUG," ANALYSIS IN JANUARY 29 UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 03 NEW DELHI 001036

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RIGHT-OF- CENTER THE INDIAN EXPRESS BY MOSCOW
CORRESPONDENT DADAN UPADHYAY:

"THE MUCH-DELAYED MOSCOW SUMMIT OF THE HEADS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF INDEPENDENT STATES (CIS) SCHEDULED FOR TODAY, WITH RUSSIAN PRESIDENT BORIS YELTSIN AS CHAIRMAN, HAS BEEN INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.... THIS TIME...KREMLIN OFFICIALS SAY THE SUMMIT WAS POSTPONED TO GIVE CIS

COUNTRIES MORE TIME TO STUDY PROPOSALS FOR A POSSIBLE UNION BETWEEN RUSSIA AND BELARUS.... AT THE FORTHCOMING TALKS, KREMLIN IS EXPECTED TO MAKE MOVES AIMED AT RECOVERING SOME OF ITS INFLUENCE IN FORMER SOVIET REPUBLICS AND ENSURING THAT POLITICAL CHAOS DOESN'T SPREAD FURTHER FROM DESTABILIZED REGIONS SUCH AS TRANSCAUCASUS AND TAJIKISTAN....

"ALTHOUGH ALL FORMER SOVIET REPUBLICS HAVE PAID LIP SERVICE TO THE NECESSITY OF ECONOMIC AND MILITARY COOPERATION, EVER SINCE THE CREATION OF THE CIS FOLLOWING THE BREAKUP OF THE SOVIET UNION IN 1991, ALL ARE SKEPTICAL ABOUT THE WHOLE PROCESS. APART FROM THE RHETORIC AT SUMMITS, THEY HAVE REPEATEDLY EXPRESSED THEIR APPREHENSIONS THAT CLOSER ECONOMIC AND MILITARY COOPERATION WITH MOSCOW MAY RESULT IN ITS OLD POLITICAL DOMINATION.... SOME CIS COUNTRIES FOR INSTANCE UKRAINE AND UZBEKISTAN, DON'T...SHARE RUSSIA'S PERCEPTION OF THREAT FROM NATO'S EASTWARD EXPANSION." WILLS

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[Commentary by Arnolando Grinam Bravo: "Backward Policy"; from the "Weekly Review" newscast]

[FBIS Translated Text] During the electoral campaign for the 1992 elections, William Clinton advocated centrism as a means to implement a policy that would benefit the poorest sectors in his country while showing some tolerance toward Republican goals. Using that tactic, the young Democratic politician managed to reach the White House, even though his party lost the majority in both chambers of Congress.

Four years later, Clinton was reelected. This time, however, after making numerous concessions to Republicans, his speech has moved away from populism and offers very little for the poor. Once again it has been confirmed that the interests of Democrats and Republicans are the same.

Expansion of U.S. Right: Analysts agree that the indecision in foreign policy shown by the head of the Oval Office during his first mandate has been followed now by a conciliatory and ambiguous language that seeks a bipartisan scheme to govern. This plan has made him fall in the hands of the increasingly radical U.S. conservative groups, and has made him lose strength before Congress, which is controlled by the Republicans. Examples of this are the shameful submission to the Cuban-U.S. Mafia which has forced him to

apply the Helms-Burton Act despite the world's rejection of this monster, and the warning made by sinister Jesse Helms in the sense that the country's debt with the United Nations cannot be paid without the approval of the senatorial group he leads.

Bleak future for minorities: President William Clinton's new mandate offers no hope for U.S. minority groups. Although it is true that he has announced more support to education, people know that the President is good at making promises. The virtual dismantling of the social welfare system and the reduction of medical assistance for low-income families and elderly people are the result of a budget cut of \$138 billion in the health plan for the next six years.

Racism and xenophobia, drugs, and other maladies are growing in that country, where cult for power and the Anglo-Saxon race increasingly remind us of Hitler's fascism, which was a scourge to mankind.

Latin America is not priority: The Clinton administration that has just begun does not have among its priorities giving economic aid to Latin America to help the region overcome its social and technological backwardness. Its main interest is in the Pacific Rim. The White House's assimilation of the Republican doctrine endangers hemispheric democracy. The appointment in the cabinet of ultra-rightist personalities William Cohen and Madeleine Albright as secretary of defense and secretary of state, respectively, forecasts a somber future for the region. As for our country, our commander in chief has clearly said that Cuba is not for sale and will never be on its knees, as its socialist revolution is here to stay.

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1. SENSITIVE BUT UNCLASSIFIED.

2. CANADA'S AMBASSADOR TO CUBA, MARK ENTWHISTLE, VISITED CALGARY ON FEBRUARY 3 AND SPOKE TO AN AUDIENCE AT THE CALGARY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, EMPHASIZING BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES IN CUBA. ENTWHISTLE'S REMARKS OCCASIONED A FLURRY OF ARTICLES AND EDITORIALS IN THE LOCAL PRESS, INCLUDING ONE PARTICULARLY RABID "CALGARY HERALD" EDITORIAL AUTHORED BY CATHERINE FORD (SEE PARA 5) WHICH CONSUL GENERAL HAS RESPONDED TO BY LETTER.

3. ENTWHISTLE MAINTAINED THAT "APART FROM CUBAN EXILE GROUPS IN FLORIDA...THERE IS NO EVIDENCE AMERICANS ARE ANGRY WITH CANADIANS FOR GOING TO CUBA." HE ADDED THAT MANY ARE GLAD TO SEE "PIONEERS WORKING OUT LEGAL FRAMEWORKS, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND BUSINESS CULTURE THAT U.S. VENTURES WILL NEED WHEN THEY

EVENTUALLY RETURN TO CUBA." CONTINUING HIS MESSAGE OF ENCOURAGING CANADIAN ENTREPRENEURS TO INVEST IN CUBA, ENTWHISTLE ASSERTED THAT SOVIET-STYLE COMMUNISM HAS LARGELY BEEN SET ASIDE AND CASTRO HAS PROMOTED "AN UP AND COMING GENERATION OF MODERATE, MARKET-ORIENTED PEOPLE" WHO WILL CEMENT NEW RELATIONSHIPS.

4. ENTWHISTLE'S AUDIENCE INCLUDED FOUR FIRMS DOING BUSINESS IN CANADA, THREE WHICH ARE NOT EXPLOITING EXPROPRIATED PROPERTIES PLUS REPRESENTATIVES OF SHERRITT INTERNATIONAL WHO PROVIDED A CHEERING SECTION FOR THE AMBASSADOR'S REMARKS. WHILE ENTWHISTLE'S DECLARATIONS ABOUT U.S. VIEWS OF COMMERCE WITH CUBA MIGHT BEST BE DESCRIBED AS "STRANGE," HIS REMARKS WERE GENERALLY LOW KEY AND UNEMOTIONAL.

5. BEGIN TEXT OF "CALGARY HERALD" EDITORIAL:

NO WONDER CANADA FEELS SUCH AN AFFINITY FOR CUBA - BOTH ARE BULLIED BY THE BIG GUY IN THE MIDDLE.

CANADA'S AMBASSADOR TO CUBA, MARK ENTWHISTLE, DID NOT USE SUCH AN UNDIPLOMATIC TURN OF PHRASE, BUT THE PICTURE OF CUBA THAT EMERGED FROM HIS INFORMAL ADDRESS TO THE CALGARY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MONDAY WAS OF A NATION THAT STRUGGLES TO RETAIL ITS SELF-DETERMINATION AGAINST THE OVERWHELMING INFLUENCE OF ITS NEIGHBOR ACROSS THE FLORIDA STRAITS.

"CUBANS AND CANADIANS ARE SIMILAR," SAID ENTWHISTLE.

BOTH COUNTRIES DEFINE THEIR NATIONAL IDENTITY, IN PART, IN TERMS OF PRIDE IN THEIR UNIVERSAL PUBLIC HEALTH CARE AND EDUCATION SYSTEMS. FURTHER, WE BOTH DEFINE OURSELVES IN CONTRAST TO THE UNITED STATES.

WITH THE COLLAPSE OF THE SOVIET UNION AND THE BREAKDOWN OF WHAT ENTWHISTLE CALLED A "30-YEAR MARRIAGE OF CONVENIENCE," CANADA HAS BECOME CUBA'S LARGEST TRADING PARTNER AND NOW THE ISLAND 90 MILES SOUTH OF FLORIDA IS EVEN CLOSER TO RETURNING TO ITS RIGHTFUL PLACE AS A NATION OF THE AMERICAS.

IT IS "OPEN FOR BUSINESS," SAID THE AMBASSADOR.

WHAT THE AMBASSADOR DOESN'T SAY IS THAT THE U.S. HELMS-BURTON LAW, WHICH SEEKS TO INVOKE AMERICAN LAW EXTRA-TERRITORIALY, IS A FORM OF HARASSMENT BLOCKING THAT PATH. WHILE CANADIANS ARE OFFENDED BY ARTICLES OF THE ACT THAT ATTEMPT TO TELL CANADIAN BUSINESSES HOW AND WITH WHOM THEY MAY DEAL; CUBANS SEE OTHER ARTICLES THAT ACT AS AN ATTEMPT TO PRE-DETERMINE CUBA'S FUTURE, TO TELL CUBA WHAT KIND OF COUNTRY WILL BE ACCEPTABLE TO THE U.S.

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SURELY WHAT CANADIANS AND CUBANS RECOGNIZE IN COMMON,
IS THAT THE AMERICANS WOULD LIKE US BETTER IF WE WERE
PUPPIES.

IN OUR CASE, IF CANADA LAY ON ITS BACK WITH ITS PAWS
IN THE AIR AND WHINED TO HAVE ITS STOMACH SCRATCHED,
WE'D FIND THE UNITED STATES AND ITS GOVERNMENT'S
ARROGANT MEDDLING A LOT EASIER TO DEAL WITH.

OF COURSE, WE'D HAVE NO RESPECT FOR OURSELVES AND
NEITHER WOULD ANYONE ELSE, BUT GEE, THEY'D LIKE US.
THAT, IN A NUTSHELL, IS THE SORT OF CANADA THAT THE
APOLOGISTS WOULD HAVE US EMBRACE. THOSE ARE THE
PEOPLE WHO WOULD HAVE CANADA ADOPT THE POLITICS AND
POLICES OF OUR BEST FRIENDS, AT THE EXPENSE OF OUR OWN
SENSE OF JUSTICE, PRIDE AND HONOR.

MUCH HAS BEEN SAID ABOUT CUBA. A LOT OF IT HAS BEEN
INSPIRED BY SOME STRANGE NOTION THAT IF THE UNITED
STATES SAYS IT'S SO, IT IS. WHEN EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
MINISTER LLOYD AXWORTHY MADE A TWO-DAY TRIP TO CUBA,
THE U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT THREW A HISSY FIT OVER WHAT
IT CALLED REWARDING A DICTATOR. "YOU REWARD HIM BY
SENDING YOUR FOREIGN MINISTER DOWN TO VISIT, BY HAVING
BUSINESS AS USUAL...AND WE THINK THAT'S WRONG," SAID A
SPOKESMAN. SENATOR JESSE HELMS WAS BLUNTER. HE
CALLED AXWORTHY'S VISIT "SHAMEFUL."

FAR TOO MANY CANADIANS AGREED. THEY CONTINUE TO
BELIEVE THAT CANADA SHOULD BE JUST ANOTHER MEMBER
STATE OF THE GREAT AMERICAN REPUBLIC.

WHAT COMMENTATORS WHO STILL SEE THE WORLD IN TERMS OF
IDEOLOGY CAN'T FAIL TO APPRECIATE IS THAT THE VERY
POLICIES THAT GET UNDER THE SKIN OF AMERICANS SERVE TO
CARVE OUT A VALUABLE ROLE IN THE WORLD FOR CANADA. AT
WORST, WE ARE A MIDDLE POWER WITHOUT MUCH CLOUT. WE
ARE NEVER GOING TO ANNEX ALASKA, OR DEMAND THAT THE
EFFRONTERY KNOWN AS THE ALASKAN PANHANDLE BE RETURNED
TO ITS GEOGRAPHICALLY PROPER HOME.

AT BEST, WE ARE A RARITY IN A WORLD BESET BY ETHNIC
STRIFE, SECTARIAN WAR AND CIVIL UNREST: FRIENDS TO ALL
AND ENEMIES OF NONE.

WE ARE NOT NEUTRAL - OUR SYMPATHIES ARE OBVIOUS - BUT
CANADA'S FOREIGN POLICY AND STATUS AS A NON-AGGRESSOR
IN THE WORLD COMMUNITY GIVE US A UNIQUE CHANCE TO

CONTRIBUTE.

LOOK NO FARTHER THAN THE QUIET BROKERING DONE IN TORONTO LAST WEEKEND BETWEEN JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER RYUTARO HASHIMOTO AND PERUVIAN PRESIDENT ALBERTO FUJIMORI OVER THE HOSTAGE CRISIS IN PERU.

WHEN TWO SIDES IN A DISPUTE WANT TO FIND NEUTRAL TERRITORY OR AN HONEST BROKER, CANADA IS THE COUNTRY OF CHOICE.

THE ABILITY TO MAKE SUCH A CONTRIBUTION ARRIVES IN PART BECAUSE WE ARE NOT IN LOCK-STEP WITH THE NEIGHBORS.

AMERICANS SEE OUR TRADE WITH CUBA AS SUBVERSIVE; WE SEE IT AS GOOD BUSINESS AND BETTER POLITICS.

TIME WILL PROVE CANADA RIGHT.

END TEXT OF EDITORIAL.

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6. COMMENT: FORD IS A NATIONALLY SYNDICATED COLUMNIST BASED IN CALGARY AND FREQUENTLY VOICES STRONG, BUT ON THE WHOLE, REASONABLE OPINIONS. IN THIS CASE, SHE SEEMS TO BE DIRECTING BUILT-UP RESENTMENTS AGAINST THE U.S. INTO ONE ARTICLE AND EQUATING POLICY ON CUBA WITH THE ENTIRE U.S.-CANADA RELATIONSHIP. CONSUL GENERAL REPLIED TO THE EDITORIAL WITH A LETTER TO "CALGARY HERALD" EDITOR PETER MENZIES (CLEARED PER REFTELCON), EMPHASIZING THAT POINT AND QUESTIONING FORD'S LUDICROUS ATTEMPT TO EQUATE CANADIAN VALUES AND SOCIETY WITH THOSE OF CUBA.

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2. THE FOLLOWING PRESS GUIDANCE WAS PREPARED ON 2/4/97.
 SPOKESMAN NICHOLAS BURNS DREW FROM THIS GUIDANCE TO
 RESPOND TO QUESTIONS AT THAT DAY'S PRESS BRIEFING. (SEE
 TRANSCRIPT SENT SEPTTEL.) POSTS MAY DRAW FROM THIS
 GUIDANCE ON AN IF ASKED BASIS.

3. ARMS CONTROL: CWC VERSUS HELMS PRIORITIES

Q. WHAT IS YOUR REACTION TO JESSE HELMS PUTTING CWC
 RATIFICATION ON HOLD UNTIL U.N. REFORM AND STATE
 DEPARTMENT REORGANIZATION ARE PASSED?

A. THE SECRETARY UNDERSTANDS SENATOR HELMS' VIEWS
 CONCERNING REORGANIZATION OF THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS
 AGENCIES AND U.N. REFORM. SHE SHARES THE VIEW
 THAT BOTH ARE IMPORTANT ISSUES AND STRONGLY
 DESIRES TO PURSUE A BIPARTISAN APPROACH IN
 ADDRESSING EACH.

-- AS SECRETARY ALBRIGHT WROTE LAST WEEK IN HER
 OP-ED, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE DESERVE A HEALTHY
 DEBATE ON THE CWC IN WHICH AMERICAN INTERESTS ARE
 WEIGHED AND A FINAL VOTE IS TAKEN.

-- THAT SAID, SHE STRONGLY DISAGREES THAT THESE
 ISSUES SHOULD BE LINKED TO SENATE ADVICE AND
 CONSENT TO RATIFICATION OF THE CWC. EACH IS AN
 IMPORTANT ISSUE THAT SHOULD BE ADDRESSED ON ITS
 OWN MERITS.

-- THIS TREATY HAS ENJOYED STRONG BIPARTISAN SUPPORT,
 HAVING BEEN NEGOTIATED UNDER THE PREVIOUS TWO
 ADMINISTRATIONS AND SIGNED UNDER PRESIDENT BUSH.
 THE UNITED STATES NEGOTIATED THIS AGREEMENT WITH
 FULL PARTICIPATION OF THE U.S. CHEMICAL INDUSTRY,
 AND THEY HAVE SUPPORTED U.S. RATIFICATION OF IT.
 THE TREATY IS ALSO SUPPORTED BY THE JOINT CHIEFS
 OF STAFF, AND ALL ELEMENTS OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH.

-- I THINK GENERAL NORMAN SCHWARTZKOPF EXPRESSED THE

VIEW WELL LAST WEEK IN HIS TESTIMONY BEFORE THE
SENATE VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

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"WE DON'T NEED CHEMICAL WEAPONS TO FIGHT OUR
FUTURE WARS. AND FRANKLY, BY NOT RATIFYING
THAT TREATY, WE ALIGN OURSELVES WITH NATIONS
LIKE LIBYA AND NORTH KOREA, AND I'D JUST AS
SOON NOT BE ASSOCIATED WITH THOSE THUGS ON
THIS PARTICULAR MATTER."

-- IF THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT RATIFY THE CHEMICAL
WEAPONS CONVENTION BEFORE APRIL 29, CRITICAL
DECISIONS ABOUT TREATY IMPLEMENTATION, INCLUDING
MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE TREATY'S
OBLIGATIONS, WILL BE MADE WITHOUT US.

-- SENATE DELAY ON A KEY ARMS
CONTROL/NONPROLIFERATION TREATY THAT THE UNITED
STATES -- UNDER TWO REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTS --
PLAYED A LEAD ROLE IN PRODUCING WOULD UNDERMINE
THE LARGER FIGHT AGAINST THE PROLIFERATION OF
CHEMICAL WEAPONS AND OTHER WEAPONS OF MASS
DESTRUCTION, AND U.S. CREDIBILITY AND LEADERSHIP
ON THE FULL RANGE OF NONPROLIFERATION ISSUES.

-- FURTHERMORE, THE U.S. LIKE ALL OTHER NATIONS WHICH
DO NOT JOIN THE TREATY, WILL BECOME SUBJECT TO
TRADE RESTRICTIONS THAT COULD COST U.S. CHEMICAL
COMPANIES SIGNIFICANT LOSSES IN SALES AND JOBS.

Q. WHAT IS YOUR VIEW ON REORGANIZING STATE, OR THE
FOREIGN AFFAIRS AGENCIES?

A. AS THE SECRETARY RECENTLY RESPONDED TO A QUESTION
FROM SENATOR ASHCROFT:

"I BELIEVE THAT THE DETERMINING FACTORS IN
FOREIGN AFFAIRS ORGANIZATIONAL DECISIONS MUST
BE THOSE OF POLICY AND THE INSTITUTIONAL
CAPACITY TO CARRY OUT ALL OF OUR FOREIGN
POLICY GOALS. I REMAIN OPEN TO WORKING WITH
THE COMMITTEE TO EXPLORE WAYS TO ACCOMPLISH
THAT GOAL."

Q. WHAT IS YOUR VIEW ON REFORMING THE UNITED NATIONS?

A. THE U.S. IS AT THE FOREFRONT OF EFFORTS TO MAKE
THE U.N. MORE EFFICIENT, BETTER FOCUSED ON KEY
PRIORITIES, AND MORE ACCOUNTABLE TO ITS MEMBERS.
IN RECENT YEARS WE HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS

IN THIS DIRECTION:

- FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ITS HISTORY THE UN IS OPERATING UNDER A NO-GROWTH BUDGET. EXTERNAL HIRING HAS BEEN FROZEN AND NUMEROUS STAFF POSITIONS ARE BEING CUT;
 - IMPROVEMENTS IN THE SECRETARIAT'S PERSONNEL, PROCUREMENT, AND PLANNING SYSTEMS ARE BEING MADE;
 - AN INDEPENDENT INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE IS REDUCING WASTE, FRAUD, AND ABUSE IN THE U.N. BUREAUCRACY;
 - THE U.N.'S APPROACH TO PEACEKEEPING, IN TERMS OF THE QUALITY OF ITS STAFF AND ADMINISTRATIVE CAPABILITIES, HAS BEEN STRENGTHENED.
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- THE U.S. HAS SUBMITTED A DETAILED SET OF PROPOSALS FOR REFORM OF THE U.N.'S ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, AND ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS TO A U.N. REFORM WORKING GROUP, AND WE ARE WORKING TO BUILD SUPPORT AMONG OTHER U.N. MEMBER STATES FOR SUCH REFORMS.

Q. WHAT ABOUT SENATOR HELMS' REQUEST THAT THE ABM AND CFE TREATY MODIFICATIONS BE SUBMITTED TO THE SENATE FOR ADVICE AND CONSENT?

- A. WITH RESPECT TO THE CFE FLANK AGREEMENT, THE 30 PARTIES HAVE AGREED TO EXTEND THE TIME PERIOD FOR APPROVAL UNTIL MAY 15, 1997. THE NEW NATIONAL SECURITY TEAM WILL REEXAMINE ON A PRIORITY BASIS THE QUESTION OF HOW TO SECURE CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF THE FLANK AGREEMENT AND WILL CONSULT FURTHER WITH THE CONGRESS.
- WITH RESPECT TO THE ABM TREATY, THE ADMINISTRATION UNDERSTANDS THAT CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL IS NECESSARY FOR ANY SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE TO RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE TREATY AND WILL SEEK SUCH APPROVAL AS APPROPRIATE.

IF ASKED:

- THE ADMINISTRATION BELIEVES THAT THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON ABM TREATY SUCCESSION DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE BUT ADDRESSES IMPLEMENTATION OF AN EXISTING TREATY, AND THUS DOES NOT REQUIRE SENATE APPROVAL.
- THE ADMINISTRATION HAS CONCLUDED THAT THE AGREED

STATEMENT ON DEMARCATION (BETWEEN STRATEGIC MISSILE DEFENSES THAT ARE CONSTRAINED BY THE ABM TREATY AND THEATER MISSILE DEFENSES THAT ARE NOT COVERED BY THE TREATY) WOULD BE A SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE TO THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE TREATY. ONCE THE AGREEMENT IS COMPLETED WE WILL CONSULT CLOSELY WITH CONGRESS BEFORE MAKING A DECISION ON HOW TO PROCEED.

4. THE FOLLOWING PRESS GUIDANCES, ALSO PREPARED ON 2/4/97, WERE NOT USED AT THE BRIEFING. POSTS MAY DRAW FROM THEM ON AN IF ASKED BASIS.

5. ARMS CONTROL: CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION AND RUSSIA

Q. WHAT ABOUT RUSSIA? ARE THEY DEVELOPING NEW CHEMICAL WEAPONS IN CIRCUMVENTION OF INTERNATIONAL RULES. DOES THE CWC COVER BIOLOGICAL AS WELL AS CHEMICAL ARMS?

A. THE CWC COVERS CHEMICAL AGENTS REGARDLESS OF HOW THEY ARE MANUFACTURED, INCLUDING TOXINS MADE BY BIOLOGICAL PROCESSES. FOR THIS REASON, THE CWC REINFORCES THE PROHIBITION OF THE BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION AGAINST PRODUCING BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS.

-- RUSSIA HAS SIGNED THE CWC AND HAS COMMITTED TO RATIFY IT BY APRIL 29. AS A CWC PARTY, RUSSIA WILL BE OBLIGATED TO DECLARE AND DESTROY ALL EXISTING CW, AND TO HALT ALL CW PRODUCTION. THESE UNCLAS SECTION 04 OF 06 STATE 021075

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REQUIREMENTS APPLY TO ALL TOXIC CHEMICALS USED AS CW, WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE LISTED IN THE CWC'S SCHEDULES OF CHEMICALS.

Q. THE HORROR OF CONGSHAN: CAN YOU COMMENT ON JAPAN'S AGREEMENT TO CLEAN UP THE CW SITES IN CHINA?

A. THE HORROR OF CONGSHAN SHOWS THE IMPORTANCE OF RIDDING THE WORLD OF THE LEGACY OF CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS PROGRAMS AND THE NEED TO OUTLAW THEM FOREVER.

-- THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION OBLIGATES ALL PARTIES TO ELIMINATE CHEMICAL WEAPONS WITHIN TEN YEARS, INCLUDING THOSE ABANDONED ON THE TERRITORY OF ANOTHER COUNTRY. TO MEET THIS OBLIGATION, JAPAN HAS PLEDGED TO DESTROY ALL CHEMICAL WEAPONS IT ABANDONED IN CHINA AND TO HAVE THIS PROCESS MONITORED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION THAT WILL ADMINISTER THE CWC.

-- JAPAN AND CHINA HAVE BEEN PLANNING FOR THIS
DESTRUCTION AND HAVE CONDUCTED JOINT
INVESTIGATIONS OF THE WEAPONS AND SITES.

6. ARMS CONTROL: CHEMICAL/BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS (CBW)
POSSESSORS

Q. HOW MANY COUNTRIES/AREAS STILL HAVE CBW PROGRAMS?
WHAT ABOUT CHINA AND TAIWAN -- THE VICTIMS OF THE WW II
ATTACK MENTIONED IN THE TIMES ARTICLE TODAY -- AND BW?

A. THE UNITED STATES AND RUSSIA ARE THE ONLY
ACKNOWLEDGED POSSESSORS OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS. BY
U.S. LAW THE UNITED STATES MUST DESTROY MOST OF
ITS STOCKS. WE BELIEVE THAT ABOUT 20 COUNTRIES
HAVE CW PROGRAMS.

-- WITH REGARD TO THE MENTION OF CHINA AND TAIWAN
BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS PROGRAMS, THE 1995 ACDA ANNUAL
REPORT FOUND THAT CHINA HAD AN OFFENSIVE BW
PROGRAM THROUGHOUT MOST OF THE 1980S AND THAT THE
EVIDENCE WAS INSUFFICIENT TO DETERMINE THAT TAIWAN
IS ENGAGED IN ACTIVITIES PROHIBITED BY THE
BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION.

7. REGIONAL SECURITY: U.S. TROOP LEVELS

Q. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, CINCPAC COMMANDER ADM.
PRUEHER SAID IN AN INTERVIEW THAT THE SIZE OF THE U.S.
DEPLOYMENT IN THE PACIFIC IS "ON THE TABLE" IN A REVIEW
OF AMERICAN MILITARY FORCES NOW UNDERWAY. DO YOU HAVE
ANY COMMENT?

A. THE UNITED STATES IS FULLY COMMITTED TO REMAINING
ENGAGED IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION POLITICALLY,
ECONOMICALLY, AND STRATEGICALLY. WE WILL MAINTAIN
A SIGNIFICANT FORCE STRUCTURE IN THE PACIFIC,
CONTINUE TO REVITALIZE OUR CORE ALLIANCES, AND
ACTIVELY SUPPORT ENHANCED REGIONAL SECURITY
DIALOGUES LIKE THE ASEAN REGIONAL FORUM (ARF).

-- ADMIRAL PRUEHER WAS REFERRING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
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PENTAGON'S REVIEW OF ALL ELEMENTS OF THE U.S.
DEFENSE STRATEGY AND PROGRAM, DURING WHICH
EVERYTHING IS "ON THE TABLE" FOR DISCUSSION.

-- THE REVIEW DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THAT TROOPS
WILL BE TRIMMED IN ASIA. IN FACT, WE EXPECT THAT

TROOP LEVELS IN EAST ASIA WILL REMAIN AT ABOUT 100,000. AS PRESIDENT CLINTON SAID IN A SPEECH IN AUSTRALIA IN NOVEMBER, "WE SHARE THE VIEW OF ALMOST EVERY NATION IN ASIA THAT A STRONG AMERICAN SECURITY PRESENCE IS THE BEDROCK FOR REGIONAL STABILITY."

8. NORTH KOREA: FOOD AID

Q. DID THE NORTH KOREANS ASK US TO FINANCE THE CARGILL GRAIN DEAL?

A. IN GENERAL, THE NORTH KOREANS ARE LOOKING FOR A MORE ACTIVE USG ROLE IN MEETING THEIR FOOD NEEDS. IT WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE TO DISCUSS THE DETAILS OF OUR DIPLOMATIC DISCUSSIONS. I CAN TELL YOU, AS I HAVE SAID BEFORE, THAT WE HAVE MADE IT CLEAR THAT WE DO NOT GET INVOLVED IN COMMERCIAL ARRANGEMENTS, OTHER THAN GRANTING THE LICENSES.

Q. DO WE HAVE ANY MORE TO SAY ABOUT THEIR APPEAL FOR FOOD AID?

A. NOT AT THIS TIME. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAM MAY MAKE A NEW APPEAL, AND WE ARE CONTINUING TO MONITOR THE FOOD SITUATION IN NORTH KOREA. AT THIS MOMENT, WE HAVE NO IMMEDIATE PLANS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FOOD ASSISTANCE.

9. BURMA: MASSACHUSETTS SANCTIONS

Q. WHAT IS THE STATE DEPARTMENT DOING ABOUT COMPLAINTS BY THE EUROPEAN UNION AND JAPAN ABOUT SANCTIONS IMPOSED BY THE STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS AGAINST U.S. AND FOREIGN COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS IN BURMA?

A. WE ARE AWARE OF THE CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY THE EUROPEAN UNION AND JAPAN OVER THE MASSACHUSETTS SANCTIONS. WE'VE INDICATED THAT WE TAKE THESE CONCERNS SERIOUSLY AND THAT WE ARE LOOKING CAREFULLY INTO THE SITUATION.

-- NEVERTHELESS, THE FACT IS THAT MANY AMERICANS ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE SITUATION IN BURMA.

-- WE VERY MUCH HOPE THAT OUR PARTNERS -- IN THE EU, JAPAN, AND IN ASEAN -- WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH US TO DEVELOP AN EFFECTIVE MULTILATERAL APPROACH TO BRING ABOUT DEMOCRATIC CHANGE IN BURMA.

NOTE TO BRIEFER: THE MASSACHUSETTS SANCTIONS PROVIDE A PRICE PREFERENCE IN STATE PROCUREMENT FOR COMPANIES THAT DO NOT DO BUSINESS IN BURMA. THIS PREFERENCE APPEARS TO VIOLATE OBLIGATIONS MASSACHUSETTS (AND THE U.S.) ENTERED INTO UNDER THE WTO GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT AGREEMENT.

10. PERU: FUJIMORI-CLINTON MEETING

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Q. WHAT CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT PRESIDENT FUJIMORI'S MEETING WITH PRESIDENT CLINTON YESTERDAY.

A. PRESIDENTS CLINTON AND FUJIMORI MET FOR APPROXIMATELY 20 MINUTES YESTERDAY AT THE WHITE HOUSE. SECRETARY ALBRIGHT WAS ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

-- PRESIDENT CLINTON EXPRESSED HIS ADMIRATION FOR THE WAY PRESIDENT FUJIMORI HAS HANDLED THE HOSTAGE CRISIS.

-- HE TOLD PRESIDENT FUJIMORI THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WAS SKILLFULLY WALKING A VERY FINE LINE BETWEEN RESOLVING THE CRISIS PEACEFULLY, WHILE NOT GIVING IN TO TERROR.

-- PRESIDENT CLINTON ALSO SAID HE THOUGHT THE JOINT STATEMENT MADE BY PRESIDENT FUJIMORI AND JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER HASHIMOTO LAST SATURDAY IN TORONTO (FEBRUARY 1) HAS SET EXACTLY THE RIGHT TONE.

-- PRESIDENT CLINTON ALSO SAID THAT HE AND GENERAL MCCAFFREY APPRECIATED THE WORK BEING DONE BY PERU TO ADVANCE OUR JOINT COUNTERNARCOTICS EFFORTS, AND PRESIDENT FUJIMORI'S EFFORTS TO CONTINUE TO PUSH FORWARD WITH EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THE PERU-ECUADOR BORDER DISPUTE.

Q. DID THE PRESIDENT RAISE THE SUBJECT OF LORI BERENSON?

A. NO. MS. BERENSON'S CASE WAS NOT DISCUSSED IN THIS MEETING.

-- HOWEVER, AS WE SAID YESTERDAY, THE SUBJECT OF MS. BERENSON WAS RAISED AND DISCUSSED IN DETAIL BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DAVIDOW AND PERU'S VICE FOREIGN MINISTER (FYI: FOREIGN MINISTER TUDELA IS A HOSTAGE).

-- THE POSITIONS OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS WERE RESTATED IN THIS CONVERSATION.

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SUBJECTS COVERED IN THIS REPORT:

1. UPCOMING CLINTON-NETANYAHU SUMMIT

KEY STORIES IN THE MEDIA:

ISRAELI JETFIGHTERS YESTERDAY HIT "TERRORIST"
TARGETS DEEP IN LEBANESE TERRITORY, NEAR BEIRUT AND
THE SYRIAN BORDER. MILITARY ANALYSTS AGREED THAT
THE RAIDS WERE A SIGNAL TO SYRIA TO RESTRAIN ANTI-
ISRAEL OPERATIONS. HA'ARETZ LED WITH REPORT THAT
PRIME MINISTER NETANYAHU IS GOING TO ASK PRESIDENT
CLINTON TO LEAN ON SYRIA TO STOP HELPING HIZBULLAH.
MAARIV ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT NETANYAHU IS GOING TO
TELL CLINTON: "WE KNOW THAT SOME TERRITORIAL
COMPROMISE ON THE GOLAN WILL HAVE TO BE MADE."

ISRAEL LAST NIGHT RELEASED ALL PALESTINIAN WOMEN
TERRORISTS, AS AGREED IN THE HEBRON DEAL.

THE PRESS HIGHLIGHTED A STATE DEPARTMENT REPORT TO
CONGRESS WHICH, ISRAEL RADIO SAID, INDIRECTLY
ADVISED AGAINST MOVING THE EMBASSY TO JERUSALEM
BECAUSE OF THE HIGH SENSITIVITY OF THE ISSUE.

SEVERAL OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S HARDLINE COALITION
MEMBERS HAVE BEEN MAKING PUBLIC THEIR FEELINGS OF
RESENTMENT OVER WHAT THEY FEEL IS THE PRIME
MINISTER'S DO-NOTHING APPROACH TO JEWISH
CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN JERUSALEM. CHANNEL 2-TV
REPORTED THAT NETANYAHU'S RIGHTWING CRITICS CHARGED
THAT THE PM IS PUTTING OFF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN
JERUSALEM BECAUSE HE FEARS WASHINGTON'S REACTION.
YEDIOT AND HA'ARETZ REPORTED THAT 15 RIGHTWING
COALITION MEMBERS HAVE THREATENED TO BRING DOWN THE
GOVERNMENT IF THE PM DOES NOT GIVE A GREEN LIGHT TO
THOSE PROJECTS.

HA'ARETZ FRONTPAGED A LIST COMPILED BY "SECURITY
OFFICIALS" OF 20 PA OFFICES WHICH CONTINUE TO
OPERATE IN EAST JERUSALEM IN VIOLATION OF
PALESTINIAN PLEDGES. THE PALESTINIAN DENIED THE

ALLEGATIONS, ADDED HA'ARETZ. ISRAEL RADIO REPORTED
THE PM NIXED RELEASE OF THE LIST.

YEDIOT WROTE THAT ISRAEL, THE U.S. AND JORDAN HAVE
BEEN ENGAGED IN SECRET NEGOTIATIONS TO HAVE HAMAS
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LEADER ABU MARZUK DEPORTED NOT TO ISRAEL BUT TO
JORDAN.

THE PRESS FEATURED SECRETARY ALBRIGHT'S
CONGRESSIONAL COMMENTS ON THE MIDDLE EAST YESTERDAY.
YEDIOT CAPTIONED ITS REPORT: "ALBRIGHT'S THINKING
OF THE MIDDLE EAST OFFERS NETANYAHU HELPFUL HINTS."

THE JERUSALEM POST REPORTED THAT ISRAEL AND THE U.S.
ARE PLANNING A NEW ANTI-MISSILE PROGRAM CALLED
BOOST-PHASED INTERCEPT, AIMED AT DESTROYING ENEMY
BALLISTIC MISSILES IN THE ASCENT PHASE OF THEIR
LAUNCH.

HATZOFE (RELIGIOUS) REPORTED THAT A GROUP OF U.S.
CONGRESSMEN ARE JOINING FORCES "TO FIGHT THE
ABORTION EPIDEMIC IN ISRAEL." ACCOMPANIED BY
AMERICAN JE
WISH ACTIVISTS, EX-CONGRESSMAN BOB DORNAN
FROM CALIFORNIA RECENTLY VISITED ISRAEL AND MET WITH
SENIOR RELIGIOUS LEADERS. DORNAN IS SAID TO HAVE
INDICATED THAT SENAQOR JESSE HELMS IS SUPPORTING THE
DRIVE, THAT THE MATTER WILL BE BROUGHT UP WITH
NETANYAHU IN WASHINGTON, AND THAT IF ISRAEL DOES NOT
COMPLY, U.S. ASSISTANCE TO ISRAEL MAY BE AFFECTED.

1. UPCOMING CLINTON-NETANYAHU SUMMIT:

SUMMARY:

MILITARY CORRESPONDENT EITAN RABIN REPORTED IN THE
LEAD STORY OF INDEPENDENT HA'ARETZ: "THE IDF EXPECTS
THE PRIME MINISTER TO OFFER CLINTON DAMNING DATA
ABOUT SYRIAN ACTIVITY IN LEBANON AND DEMAND THAT HE
USE THE WEIGHT OF HIS OFFICE TO MAKE DAMASCUS STOP
SUPPORTING HIZBULLAH."

DIPLOMATIC ANALYST HEMMI SHALEV OBSERVED IN POPULAR,
PLURALIST MAARIV: "THIS IS PRIME MINISTER
NETANYAHU'S FOURTH VISIT TO WASHINGTON AND IT IS
GOING TO BE THE BRIGHTEST. FOR THE FIRST TIME THE
NEW ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER IS MEETING PRESIDENT
CLINTON WITH NO PENDING IOUS TO HIS DEBIT."

MASS-CIRCULATION, PLURALIST YEDIOT EDITORIALIZED,
"THE AMERICANS ARE NOT LIKELY TO USE PRESSURE ON THE
VISITING ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER."

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INDEPENDENT JERUSALEM POST EDITORIALIZED, "PRIME
MINISTER NETANYAHU WILL VISIT THE WHITE HOUSE
TOMORROW AS IF HE WERE A GAME SHOW CONTESTANT COMING
TO COLLECT HIS PRIZES NETANYAHU EXPECTS TO REAP
THE BENEFITS FROM THE HEBRON REDEPLOYMENT
AGREEMENT."

BLOCK QUOTES:

I. "NETANYAHU TO CLINTON: TELL SYRIA TO STOP
SUPPORTING HIZBULLAH"

MILITARY CORRESPONDENT EITAN RABIN REPORTED IN THE

LEAD STORY OF INDEPENDENT HA'ARETZ (2/12): "PRIME MINISTER NETANYAHU IS EXPECTED TO DISCUSS WITH PRESIDENT CLINTON THE SYRIAN AND LEBANON ESCALATION ISSUES. SENIOR MILITARY SOURCES SAID THAT THE PARTICIPATION OF SENIOR IDF INTELLIGENCE AND PLANNING OFFICERS IN THE TALKS ILLUSTRATES THE IMPORTANCE NETANYAHU ATTACHES TO THE RESOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM. THE IDF EXPECTS THE PRIME MINISTER TO OFFER CLINTON DAMNING DATA ABOUT SYRIAN ACTIVITY IN LEBANON AND DEMAND THAT HE USE THE WEIGHT OF HIS OFFICE TO MAKE DAMASCUS STOP SUPPORTING HIZBULLAH."

II. "THE AMERICANS DON'T COMPLAIN"

DIPLOMATIC ANALYST HEMMI SHALEV OBSERVED IN POPULAR, PLURALIST MAARIV (2/12): "THIS IS PRIME MINISTER NETANYAHU'S FOURTH VISIT TO WASHINGTON AND IT IS GOING TO BE THE BRIGHTEST. FOR THE FIRST TIME THE NEW ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER IS MEETING PRESIDENT CLINTON WITH NO PENDING IOUS TO HIS DEBIT. RATHER, HE SHOWS UP AT THE WHITE HOUSE HAVING KEPT HIS OBLIGATIONS, SIGNED THE HEBRON AGREEMENT AND EVEN HAVING IMPLEMENTED IT ON TIME. THE AMERICANS HAVE NO COMPLAINTS FOR NOW THE AMERICANS SHARE ISRAEL'S DESIRE TO DEFUSE THE LEBANESE CRISIS THEY ALSO SEE EYE TO EYE ON THE IRANIAN THREAT. NETANYAHU IS GOING TO ONLY SOFTLY PROTEST U.S. PLANS TO SELL THE SAUDIS F-16 JETFIGHTERS AND WOULD SETTLE FOR ADEQUATE COMPENSATION THE WORD FROM WASHINGTON IS THAT NETANYAHU'S MAJOR DRAWBACK IS HIS IMAGE IN THE ARAB WORLD. ARAB LEADERS TOLD SENIOR U.S. ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS THAT THEY STILL SUSPECT NETANYAHU'S INTENTIONS AND RESENT HIS ARROGANT AND CONDESCENDING ATTITUDE. THE AMERICANS DID NOT EXACTLY GO OUT OF THEIR WAY TO DISPUTE THAT THESIS."

III. "IN WASHINGTON"

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MASS-CIRCULATION, PLURALIST YEDIOT EDITORIALIZED (2/12): "THE AMERICANS ARE NOT LIKELY TO USE PRESSURE ON THE VISITING ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER. AND IF THEY DO, SAY ON THE JERUSALEM CONSTRUCTION ISSUE, NETANYAHU MUST RESIST THOSE PRESSURES. AFTER ALL, HE HAS ENOUGH CREDITS IN HIS AMERICAN ACCOUNT TO BE ABLE TO STAND HIS GROUND."

IV. "REAPING THE BENEFITS"

INDEPENDENT JERUSALEM POST EDITORIALIZED (2/12): "PRIME MINISTER NETANYAHU WILL VISIT THE WHITE HOUSE TOMORROW AS IF HE WERE A GAME SHOW CONTESTANT COMING TO COLLECT HIS PRIZES NETANYAHU EXPECTS TO REAP HE BENEFITS FROM THE HEBRON REDEPLOYMENT AGREEMENT NETANYAHU'S FIRST JOB IS TO REACH AGREEMENT WITH THE AMERICANS ON A REASONABLE APPROACH TO THE CRUCIAL THIRD PULLBACK REQUIRED BY OSLO A CRISIS MIGHT BE AVOIDED IF THE U.S. STEADFASTLY MAINTAINS ITS POSITION THAT ISRAEL HAS THE RIGHT TO DEFINE THE EXTENT OF ITS WITHDRAWAL REGARDING SYRIA AND LEBANON, NETANYAHU SHOULD MAKE A MAJOR PUSH FOR THE U.S. TO RECONSIDER ITS POLICY OF REFUSING TO PRESSURE SYRIA WITH THE HEBRON AGREEMENT, THE NETANYAHU GOVERNMENT CROSSED A RUBICON. IN RECOGNITION OF THIS DRAMATIC VOYAGE, THE U.S. SHOULD LEND AN ENTHUSIASTIC HAND IN HELPING ISRAEL REAP THE BENEFITS OF PEACE IN THE REGION. ALREADY, U.S. AMBASSADOR MARTIN INDYK HAS CALLED ON NEIGHBORING ARAB STATES TO JOIN CHAIRMAN ARAFAT IN RECOGNIZING NETANYAHU AS THEIR LEGITIMATE PARTNER IN PEACE."

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[FBIS Summary] Dario Arizmendi, director of Caracol's 0600 to 0900 newscast, conducted at 0724 a 13-minute interview with Colombian ambassador to the United States, Juan Carlos Esguerra Portocarrero, who talks about the group of high-ranking Colombian

military officers, who are currently paying a visit to Washington in an attempt to prevent the country from being decertified once again this year.

Esguerra, in the company of General Harold Bedoya Pizarro, commander of the Military Forces, and National Police Director Gen. Rosso Jose Serrano, participated in important meetings yesterday, one of them with Republican Senator Jesse Helms, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the U.S. Senate.

Esguerra begins by describing the meetings as "very important, useful, appropriate, and timely." When asked about the possibility that Senator Helms' could be inadequately or improperly informed about the Colombian Government activities, Ambassador Esguerra said: "I believe he is quite well informed, but the truth is that we provided him with additional information. I would not say he is improperly informed. Perhaps, he just lacked some information and that is why it was important for us to have an exchange of ideas. He granted us a great deal of time, longer than we had expected. Toward the end of the meeting, he told us that he was so interested in what we had to tell him and in what we were telling him that he decided to extend the meeting, which he would have otherwise cut shortly after it had begun."

When asked about the meeting with U.S. Drug Czar Barry McCaffrey, Esguerra noted: "Basically, the general said specific results from the efforts being done in Colombia were not being perceived in the United States. He said the amount of drugs entering the United States has not decreased and that according to reports, the production and export of drugs from Colombia has not decreased either. He said it all boils down to the results that are attained and that the magnitude of the efforts is measured by the results and not by the efforts themselves. It was really quite a tough, sincere meeting, but I also believe it was an important meeting because we were able to learn about their opinions and positions and see what we can do to get their attitude to change once they realize the progress we have made."

Finally, when asked about a letter sent to President Clinton by five U.S. congressmen saying that if Colombia were to be decertified, that no economic sanctions be imposed because the flower industry would be hurt, Ambassador Esguerra said: "All actions of this type do help us and they help us even more if Americans themselves speak out, especially if they are U.S. congressmen. As in every country, there are some congressmen whose opinions have greater weight than others. We are working with those with a greater weight to get them to recognize what we have done and to get them to understand that we can work better, in a more coordinated manner, if we have the recognition of a certification than if we are decertified."

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[FBIS Transcribed Excerpt] The European Commission's Vice
President, Sir Leon Brittan, has said America is inflicting

substantial economic damage on Europe through its trade ban on Cuba. He said the sanctions were ridiculous and unjustified.

The European Commission has now referred the dispute to the World Trade Organization, contesting the law's legitimacy.

Today, America's new Secretary of State, Madeleine Albright, was in Brussels to discuss the row. From there, our Europe correspondent James Robbins reports:

[Robbins, over video of schoolchildren] Cheerleaders for the trans-Atlantic relationship at Brussels International School. European Union-United States links are big and getting bigger as more and more American executives and their families settle at the heart of Europe. What both sides share is an interest in building trade and security.

Hoping to build that partnership, today, the Albright express hit town. The new Secretary of State swung through Brussels, but Madeleine Albright's first handshake with Jacques Santer was overshadowed by a might trans-Atlantic trade dispute.

At issue, Cuba, the communist thorn in America's side. Mrs. Albright has to defend the law created by right-wing Senator Jesse Helms. He is demonized by Castro's followers for a law which punishes trade with Cuba and anyone, anywhere who holds property there.

Britain and the rest of Europe support pressure for democracy in Cuba but totally reject America's right to lay down the law worldwide.

[Begin Brittan recording -- identified by screen caption] For the United States to attack European companies is just making Castro laugh all the way to the bank. It is absolutely ridiculous. But the fact is that the United States has passed legislation, and is applying legislation which is doing economic -- substantial economic damage -- to the European Union and it's companies, and we think that that is unlawful and is unjustified. It is unfriendly. It is unnecessary, and it is unproductive. [end recording] [passage omitted]

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A. LEAD STORIES SUMMARY

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1997

HEADLINES

"MOSCOW ADAPTING TO
NEGOTIATIONS ABOUT NATO-RUSSIA-DOCUMENT'" (FRANKFURTER
ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG)

"EU PARLIAMENT SETS ULTIMATUM TO EU COMMISSION"
(SUEDEDEUTSCHE ZEITUNG)

"TOUGHER SENTENCES FOR CHILD ABUSE" (DIE WELT)

"EUROFIGHTER' FALLS INTO FINANCIAL GAP" (FRANKFURTER
RUNDSCHAU)

"SCHUERMANN BUILDING WILL BE RESTRUCTURED AS OF APRIL 1"
(GENERAL-ANZEIGER)

EDITORIALS ARE CONCENTRATED ON THE CONTROVERSY ABOUT
NATO'S ENLARGEMENT TO THE EAST, STRICTER SENTENCES
AGAINST CHILD PORNOGRAPHY, AND THE DISCUSSION ABOUT
TRANSITION FUNDS FOR POLITICIANS WHO LEAVE THEIR
POSITIONS. ZDF-TV'S EARLY EVENING NEWSCAST HEUTE OPENED
WITH A FIRE AT FRANKFURT'S CENTRAL TRAIN STATION, WHILE
ARD-TV'S EARLY EVENING NEWSCAST TAGESSCHAU FOCUSED ON THE
DEATH OF DENG XIAOPING.

B. (NATO) ENLARGEMENT

1. HANS-JUERGEN DOESCHNER SAID IN A COMMENTARY ON
REGIONAL RADIO STATION HESSISCHER RUNDFUNK OF FRANKFURT
(02/19):

"WITH ITS PLANS TO ENLARGE ITS TERRITORY OF
INFLUENCE ONTO PARTS OF THE FORMER WARSAW PACT, WITH ITS
PLAN TO MOVE CLOSER TO THE RUSSIAN BORDERS, NATO IS
DELIVERING THE HAWKS IN THE KREMLIN...THE ARGUMENTS.
PEOPLE IN RUSSIA HOPED FOR DISARMAMENT AND FOR AN
IMPROVEMENT OF THE ECONOMIC SITUATION BY A STRONGER
INTEGRATION INTO EUROPE'S POLITICAL STRUCTURES. BUT NOW,
THEY FEEL NOT ONLY EXCLUDED BUT ALSO THREATENED. THE
WEST MAY MAKE AS MANY CONTRARY PROMISES AS POSSIBLE, THE
REAL DANGER THAT EMANATES FROM THIS TACTIC LIES IN AN
ALMOST PSYCHOLOGICAL LEVEL OF POLITICS. THE PEOPLE IN
RUSSIA HAVE NO...SAY IN NATO OR AT ANY SPECIAL SUMMITS

ANYWAY. IF THEIR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC SITUATION DOES NOT SOON IMPROVE, IF THEY DO NOT FEEL ANY SUPPORT FROM THE UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 06 BONN 002009

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WEST IN THIS RESPECT, THEN THEIR ANGER WILL BE DIRECTED NOT ONLY AGAINST THE WESTERN ECONOMIC SYSTEM BUT AGAINST ANYTHING ELSE THAT COMES FROM THIS DIRECTION."

2. JOSEF JOFFE NOTES IN AN EDITORIAL IN CENTRIST SUEDEDEUTSCHE ZEITUNG OF MUNICH (02/20) UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"THE IRON ALBRIGHT ON THE OFFENSIVE."

"IF GREAT POLITICS IS AT ISSUE, THE UNITED STATES CONTINUES TO SET THE TONE. WHILE OUR FOREIGN MINISTER KINKEL HAS IN MOSCOW TO OFFER NICETIES TO BREAK RUSSIAN RESISTANCE, HIS COLLEAGUE MADELEINE ALBRIGHT INCREASED PACE IN BRUSSELS - AS IF COMING FROM THE BEST BOOK OF CLASSICAL DIPLOMACY. ON THE ONE HAND, SHE SIGNED THE STUBBORN MOSCOVITES DETERMINATION, AND, ON THE OTHER HAND, A PIECE OF SUGAR MEANT TO INCREASE THE APPETITE FOR THIS OFFER....

"IN NORMAL LANGUAGE, THIS MEANS: DEAR RUSSIANS, UNFORTUNATELY, YOU HAVE TO WAIT IN FRONT OF NATO'S GATES, IRRESPECTIVE WHETHER YOU WANT TO COME IN, BUT WE OFFER YOU A HIGHER CHAIR WHEN IT COMES TO A REAL PRESERVATION OF PEACE. IT IS TOO BAD THAT THE BONN GOVERNMENT APPARENTLY DID NOT KNOW OF THIS INITIATIVE.... EVEN FOR IRON MADELEINE ALBRIGHT ONE RULE REMAINS VALID: THE ENLARGEMENT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED ONLY TOGETHER BY THE GOVERNMENTS IN BONN AND WASHINGTON."

3. CENTRIST MANNHEIMER MORGEN (02/20) HAS THIS TO SAY:

"THE INTERNAL CONTRADICTION OF NATO'S ENLARGEMENT IS INCREASINGLY COMING TO THE FORE. IT CONSISTS OF OFFERING THE FORMER SATELLITE STATES OF THE SOVIET EMPIRE A REFUGE

AND, AT THE SAME TIME, WINNING MOSCOW'S SUPPORT AS PARTNER FOR A NEW SECURITY SYSTEM. IN A NAIVE MANNER, THIS IS MEANT HONESTLY, BUT LACKS ANY UNDERSTANDING FOR THE PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECTS ON A MAJOR POWER, WHICH MUST INEVITABLY FEEL HUMILIATED. MOSCOW IS NOT INTERESTED IN ALL THE COMPENSATION OFFERS THAT ARE NOW BEING PRESENTED. IT IS NOT DIFFICULT TO FORECAST THAT THE FOREIGN POLICY OF THE KREMLIN WILL TAKE AGAIN AN ANTI-WESTERN COURSE IF (NATO) EMBARKS ON THE WRONG TRACK AND ENLARGES ITSELF."

4. CENTRIST DER TAGESSPIEGEL OF BERLIN (02/20)
CARRIES AN EDITORIAL UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"SPLEEN OR TRICK?"

"RUSSIA'S CURIOSITY ABOUT AMERICA'S CURIOUS IDEA (OF A JOINT NATO-RUSSIAN BRIGADE) CANNOT SURPRISE ANYBODY,
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SINCE IT IS NOW UP TO WASHINGTON AND NATO TO MAKE THE NEXT MOVE. THIS IDEA MUST BE FOLLOWED BY PRESENTING A REASONABLE COURSE OF ACTION, AND THIS CANNOT BE ACHIEVED THAT EASILY. THE BOSNIA MODEL DOES NOT OFFER ANY EXAMPLE, BECAUSE THE RUSSIAN BRIGADE IS PART OF A U.S.-LED DIVISION. WE MAY ALSO WONDER WHAT ARGUMENTS MAY BE USED TO EXPLAIN TO RUSSIA THAT A MILITARY INTEGRATION IS POSSIBLE WITH RUSSIA, BUT A COMMON POLITICAL NATO ALLIANCE IS RULED OUT. THIS MEANS THAT (MRS. ALBRIGHT'S PROPOSAL) IS A SMART IDEA BUT POLITICALLY A TWO-EDGED SWORD. OR IS IT A TRICK WITH WHICH MRS. ALBRIGHT WANTS TO RECALL THAT WASHINGTON HAS NOT RULED OUT RUSSIA'S MEMBERSHIP IN NATO."

5. RIGHT-OF-CENTER SAECHSISCHE ZEITUNG OF DRESDEN
(02/20) OPINES:

"THE VIEW OF THE KREMLIN REGARDING NATO'S PLANNED ENLARGEMENT REMAINS SKEPTICAL. EVEN CHANCELLOR KOHL HAD TO FEEL THIS DURING HIS LATEST VISIT TO MOSCOW. WHAT SHOULD FOREIGN MINISTER KINKEL ACCOMPLISH IN VIEW OF THIS SITUATION? OBSERVERS IN MOSCOW SAID THAT HE HAS SUPPOSED

TO PAVE THE WAY FOR FURTHER PERSUASIVE ATTEMPTS OF WESTERN POLITICIANS. BUT TO ACHIEVE THIS GOAL, KINKEL DID NOT BRING ALONG THE APPROPRIATE LUGGAGE. WHAT IS THEN THE OUTCOME OF HIS VISIT? TWO DAYS WITH NICE CHATS AND THE CERTAINTY THAT RUSSIA IS NOT WILLING TO BUY ALL THE CONCESSIONS THE WEST MAKES."

6. RIGHT-OF-CENTER MAERKISCHE ODERZEITUNG OF FRANKFURT ON THE ODER (02/20) UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"THE WEST HAS NO (COMMON) POLICY."

"IT IS STRANGE: IMMEDIATELY AFTER HER VISIT TO GERMANY, U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE, MADELEINE ALBRIGHT, MADE A PROPOSAL IN BRUSSELS TO FORM A NATO-RUSSIAN BRIGADE. AT THE SAME TIME, THE GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTER IS IN MOSCOW AND OBVIOUSLY KNOWS NOTHING OF IT. THE LEADERSHIP IN THE KREMLIN WILL LAUGH AT THESE DILETTANTISH MOVES. PRESIDENT YELTSIN IS CERTAINLY NOT A SICK MAN, AND PREMIER CHERNOMYRDIN AND FOREIGN MINISTER PRIMAKOV ARE CONSIDERED POLITICAL STRATEGISTS AND HAVE CERTAINLY REALIZED: THE MORE THE WESTERN COUNTRIES ARE AT ODDS WITH EACH OTHER, THE GREATER ARE MOSCOW'S CHANCES TO COUNTERACT.... IN ORDER TO LURE RUSSIA, THE WEST MUST PRESENT MORE THAN AN UNCOORDINATED U.S. OFFER TO FORM A JOINT BRIGADE...."

C. (CHINA) DENG IS DEAD

1. JOACHIM HOLTZ SAID IN A COMMENTARY ON ZDF-TV'S (NATIONAL CHANNEL TWO) LATE EVENING NEWSCAST HEUTE JOURNAL (02/19):

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"NOW THE LEADERSHIP IN BEIJING WILL ACT MORE NERVO

USLY DOMESTICALLY, BUT IT WILL ACT IN A RESOLUTE AND UNCOMPROMISING MANNER AT THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL. IT WILL NOW REACT HIGHLY SENSITIVELY AND WITH BRUTE FORCE AGAINST ANY KIND OF MOVE THAT IS TO TOUCH THE UNITY OF THE STATE, AND IN A COLD AND INTRANSIGENT MANNER TO

FOREIGN INTERFERENCES. THE SO-CALLED SOCIALIST MARKET ECONOMY SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE VALID, SINCE CHINA HAS A CHANCE ONLY WITH AN OPEN AND INTERNATIONALLY ORIENTED ECONOMY.... FOR THE TIME BEING, CHINA WILL FOCUS ON ITSELF, SINCE THE RED EMPEROR HAS DIED."

2. ARD-TV'S (NATIONAL CHANNEL ONE) LATE EVENING NEWSCAST TAGESTHEMEN (02/19) BROADCAST THE FOLLOWING COMMENTARY BY JUERGEN BERTRAM:

"WITH THE CLEAR VIEW OF A PRAGMATIST, DENG REALIZED THAT PEOPLE, AND THE CHINESE IN PARTICULAR, ARE BASICALLY ENTREPRENEURS. AND BY REMOVING THE FETTERS OF THE COLLECTIVE FROM THE FARMERS OF HIS COUNTRY, DENG SAW TO IT AT THE BEGINNING OF THE 80S THAT CHINA HAS FREED FROM HUNGER.... BUT IT HAS ALSO PART OF DENG'S LIFE THAT HE USED BRUTE FORCE TO CRUSH EVERY KIND OF DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT.... HE HAS A FULL-BLOODED POLITICIAN, A STRATEGIST, A TACTICIAN BUT NO INTELLECTUAL. WHAT REMAINS IS THE - WEAK - HOPE THAT HIS SUCCESSORS WILL REALIZE THAT A SOCIETY IS LOST THAT MARGINALIZES ITS CRITICAL INTELLIGENTSIA, AND THAT, IN THE END, PROGRESS IS NOT POSSIBLE WITHOUT DEMOCRACY."

3. WOLF BELL WRITES IN AN EDITORIAL IN CENTRIST GENERAL-ANZEIGER OF BONN (02/20) UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"DEATH OF AN OLD MAN."

"IF THE CHINESE LEADERSHIP IS ABLE TO STAY THE COURSE AND THE ECONOMY KEEPS EXPANDING, COUNTER CURRENTS - FROM THE CAMP OF LIBERAL AND PROGRESSIVE FORCES, THE NEO-CONSERVATIVES, COMMUNISTS AND NATIONALISTS - HAVE LITTLE CHANCE TO DEVELOP. THEN THE WORLD MUST CONTINUE TO LIVE WITH CHINA'S RISE TO A SUPERPOWER, WHICH DENG - IRRESPECTIVE OF ALL CONTRADICTIONS - HAS INITIATED WITH HIS UNBENDING POLICY."

4. RIGHT-OF-CENTER RHEIN-NECKAR-ZEITUNG OF HEIDELBERG (02/20) JUDGES:

"DENG XIAOPING'S GOVERNING TIME WAS DETERMINED AND CHINA'S POLICY IS STILL DETERMINED BY THE SLOGAN: PRAGMATIC AS FAR AS THE ECONOMY IS CONCERNED AND ADAMANCY AS FAR AS IDEOLOGY IS CONCERNED. SUCCESS CONFIRMED HIS SLOGAN. THE ECONOMY IS BOOMING - WITH ALL SOCIAL CONSEQUENCES - AND COUNTRIES ABROAD ARE TRYING TO GAIN A UNCLAS SECTION 05 OF 06 BONN 002009

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FOOTHOLD IN THE CHINESE MARKET OF BILLIONS WITHOUT SHOWING ANY SCRUPLES. MONEY DOES NOT STINK, BUT IT SEEMS TO COVER THE SMELL OF BLOOD.... DENG'S DEATH WILL HARDLY CHANGE CHINA'S COURSE. HIS SUCCESSORS ARE DESIGNATED, BUT A POWER STRUGGLE CANNOT BE RULED OUT. HOWEVER, THIS STRUGGLE WILL HARDLY RESULT IN A CHANGE OF COURSE, OR IT WOULD JEOPARDIZE THE OMNIPOTENCE OF THE RULING CLIQUE."

D. (U.S.) U.S. MEDIA ON CUBA

1. FRITZ WIRTH NOTES IN AN EDITORIAL IN RIGHT-OF-CENTER DIE WELT OF BERLIN (02/20 UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"QUESTIONABLE HOPE."

"SINCE THE FATAL ATTEMPT TO TOPPLE FIDEL CASTRO WITH THE OPERATION BAY OF PIGS', 'ALL OTHER U.S. ENTERPRISES REGARDING THE TREATMENT OF THE DICTATOR CAN BE DESCRIBED ONLY BY THE TERM INCOMPREHENSIBLE.' CUBA HAS BECOME A SYMBOL OF A POLICY THAT IS FULL OF NAIVETE, CONTRADICTIONS AND ABSURDITIES. THIS IS WHY IT IS NOT SURPRISING THAT, ONLY ONE YEAR AFTER THE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION ANTAGONIZED ITS CLOSEST POLITICAL ALLIES WITH THE RIGOROUS EMBARGO POLICY OF THE HELMS-BURTON ACT, THE U.S. IS NOW PLANNING TO OPEN NEW DOORS TO CUBA.

"THE U.S. WANTS TO GET THE APPROVAL FOR THE OPENING OF TEN U.S. MEDIA COMPANIES TO SET UP CORRESPONDENCE OFFICES IN CUBA TO HELP REVEAL THE FULL TRUTH OF CASTRO'S CUBA. BUT THE SNAG IS THAT THE OUTSIDE WORLD NO LONGER NEEDS THIS INFORMATION. A REAL NEED FOR THE FULL TRUTH ONLY EXISTS AMONG THE CUBANS THEMSELVES. BUT VIA ITS RADIO AND TV BROADCASTS OF RADIO MARTI, THE UNITED STATES HAS TRIED IN VAIN FOR YEARS TO REACH THE CUBANS. CASTRO JAMMED THESE BROADCAST, THUS DEMONSTRATING WHAT HE THINKS OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION.

"INDEPENDENT JOURNALISM IS A SYNONYM FOR POLITICAL DISSENT IN CUBA. RAFAEL SOLANA, ONE OF THE FEW INDEPENDENT-MINDED JOURNALISTS WHO LANDED IN PRISON IN 1996...CAN CONFIRM THIS. HIS FATE DOES DESERVE U.S. ATTENTION MORE SO THAN ANY CONCERN THAT U.S. JOURNALISTS WILL BE ABLE TO WORK IN CUBA. THEIR STORIES WILL REMAIN BEYOND THE REACH OF CUBANS ANYWAY. AND IT IS HIGHLY QUESTIONABLE WHETHER PRESSURE CAN BE EXERTED ON CASTRO THROUGH INDEPENDENT JOURNALISTIC OBSERVERS. CASTRO SURVIVED EIGHT U.S. PRESIDENTS. THE LATEST STRANGE U.S. INITIATIVE REVEALS NOTHING BUT BASIC EVIL OF U.S. POLICY

TOWARD CUBA: THE LACK OF ANY KIND OF COHERENT STRATEGY
IN THE TREATMENT OF THE DICTATOR."

2. CENTRIST STUTTGARTER ZEITUNG CARRIES AN
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ALSO FOR USDELMC; USCINCEUR VAIHINGEN ALSO FOR
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EDITORIAL UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"CUBA WHOLLY FREE."

"THE ARCH-CONSERVATIVE SENATOR JESSE HELMS, WHO IS
PLAGUED BY A PATHOLOGICAL HATE OF CUBA SAID THAT, CUBA'S
MAXIMO LIDER AS NOW ACCEPTED THE NOOSE TO HANG HIMSELF'
WITH HIS INVITATION TO CNN TO SET UP AN OFFICE IN CUBA.
HOWEVER, IN REAL LIFE, THERE IS ONLY A MINUTE CHANCE THAT
CASTRO WILL BE HANGED IN THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE, SINCE
CNN HAS PRESENT ON THE ISLAND BEFORE BUT NOT ON A
PERMANENT BASIS AND WITH A PERMANENT OFFICE....

"THE ENTHUSIASM OF MR. HELMS AND HIS SUPPORTERS IS
NOT REALLY COMPREHENSIBLE BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT CNN
AND OTHER U.S. STATIONS CANNOT BE WATCHED BY NORMAL'
CUBANS. THEY CAN BE WATCHED ONLY BY GUESTS OF
INTERNATIONAL HOTELS AND A FEW PRIVILEGED PEOPLE ON
CUBA...WHO ARE, ACCORDING TO ALL EXPERIENCE, NO BORN
REVOLUTIONARIES. AND THERE IS ALSO THE DANGER OF
REPORTS ON CUBA TURNING INTO A BURDEN FOR THE TV STATIONS
AND THEIR VIEWERS BECAUSE CASTRO LIKES TO DELIVER
SPEECHES THAT LAST THREE TO FIVE HOURS IN A ROW WITHOUT
ANY BREAK FOR COMMERCIALS."
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