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1. EXCEPT FOR HAMBURG ECHO AND SPIEGEL, PRESS IN HAMB AREA CONTINUES ~~XXX~~ IGNORE MERTEN ALLEGATIONS NOR ARE ANY INDICATIONS THAT SPD LEADERSHIP INTENDS CONCERN ITSELF WITH ISSUES. CONSEQUENTLY, IT WOULD BE ADVISABLE FOR ASSETS LIMIT THEIR CRITICISM TO NEUTRALIST ELEMENTS GERMAN OPPOSITION WHICH ACTING INDEPENDENTLY FOR OWN PURPOSES AND NOT IN CONCERT RESPONSIBLE SPD LEADERSHIP.

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2. IN ABOVE LIGHT, VIEWS WITH SOME CONCERN THE ARRIVAL IN GERMANY OF ATHNINAIKI DIRECTOR EMMANUIL BAKLATZIS WHO, WHILE IN PROCESS BRINGING LIBEL SUIT AGAINST MERTEN, MAY INVOLVE SPD. GREEK GOVERNMENT HAS ADVISED NOT GIVE PRESS COVERAGE BAKLATZIS MOVES. ARE WE CONTROLLING THROUGH ADVISE IN BONN.

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