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- 1. The East German government is taking steps to improve the precarious situation of its industrial diamond supply. \$100,000 (U.S.) in cash is to be allocated r this and \$1,900,00(U.S.)(sic) in barter goods. The government, however, still owes payment for previous foreign purchases of industrial diamonds and cannot guarantee delivery at desired terms. Suppliers, therefore, refuse to enter into sales contract with the East German government.
- 2. It has been suggested to East German diamond purchasing agents that they contact former suppliers living in West Berlin. The results of such contacts have been fruitless, since these suppliers have only negligible stocks on hand and demand cash payments.

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