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Attached for DCI signature is a response to the Vice President's memo of 7 January which sets forth Dr. Bernard Taurer's observations on the Soviet leadership.

Study of the Vice President's memo and the proposed response were undertaken by [redacted] who is in charge of the OCI component charged with analysis of Soviet affairs. The DD/I has seen and approves the proposed response.

[redacted] suggestion is that the Vice President will find interesting the attached book by Nicolaevsky. An introduction by George Kennan in particular is viewed as providing useful background.

Recommend signature.

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