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National Intelligence Council

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Director of Central Intelligence
 THROUGH : National Intelligence Officer for Warning
 FROM : Harold P. Ford
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 SUBJECT : East Asia Warning Assessment

The following items were discussed by the Community Representatives at the 22 September warning meeting.

I. Warning -- There were no warning items this time in the East Asia area.

II. Procedural Alert -- The Upcoming North Korean Winter Training Cycle: There is need for especially thorough intelligence coverage and analysis of these upcoming exercises, particularly in view of the very wide differences of interpretation which still exist as to just what form these exercises will take, and whether they will cloak actual aggressive intent.

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III. Regional Developments

A. Sino-Soviet Developments -- Low level contacts will continue to increase, and the temper of rhetoric will probably decline somewhat -- but with neither side backing away from its major positions in the near future.

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B. Kampuchea -- The prospects for Sihanouk and his movement are not bright, militarily or politically. One of the chief problems is a lack of food for his troops; this has been a major impediment to recruiting.

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C. Spratly Islands -- This quiet scene could change radically if and when oil deposits are found in the area.

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D. President Soeharto's Visit. No significant controversial issues are expected [Redacted]

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