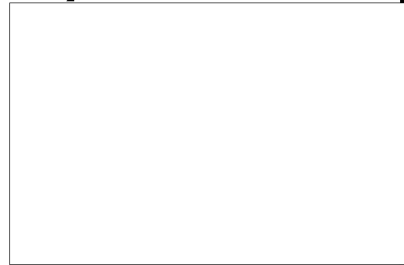




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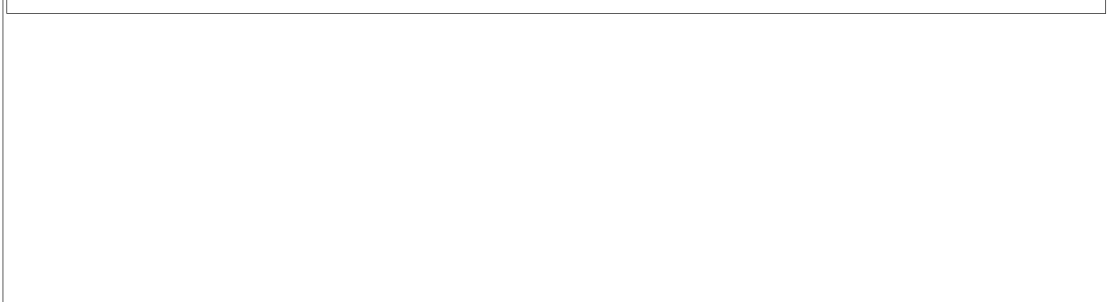
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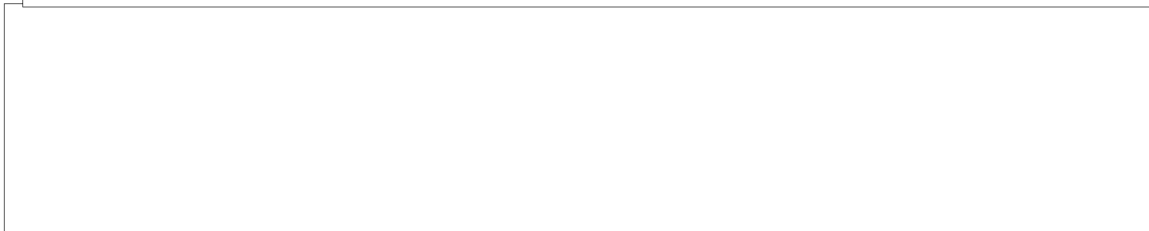
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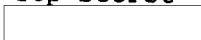


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⑩ SUDAN: Opposition Leader Returns

The head of the opposition Ansar Muslim sect, Sadiq al-Mahdi, returned to Khartoum recently after a stay abroad of over a year. He led an unsuccessful, Libyan-backed coup attempt against President Nimeiri in 1976

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Sadiq's aides have told US diplomats that he will not try to seize power, but they speculate that the currency devaluation being sought by the IMF could provoke a public "reaction."

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Comment: Although Nimeiri has expressed concern that Sadiq could rally the regime's opponents, Sadiq will try to avoid giving the President an excuse to jail or deport him.

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⑪ INTERNATIONAL: The EC And Global Negotiations

Some EC nations probably will urge the US to make concessions to the Third World in order to launch Global Negotiations on economic relations between industrialized and developing countries. The major industrial nations agreed at the summit in Versailles in June to encourage UN General Assembly recommendations to the IMF, the World Bank, and the GATT and other UN specialized agencies in order to begin Global Negotiations.

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Comment:

The EC believes the Versailles text permits the creation of a number of temporary forums. Some OPEC nations fear the US wants Global Negotiations to focus only on energy, and the West Europeans see no danger in mollifying OPEC concerns by agreeing to consider more subjects.

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