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Déane,

I am a little concerned that the paper spends proportionately too much time examining the problem and/or outlining the constraints the Soviets will face, rather than the trouble they could cause (the last 2 pages). I still feel that the international economic arena is one of the West's relatively unguarded fronts, mostly because it's been our preserve for so long, but also because the mechanisms are becoming increasingly free of national control (and therefore more vulnerable).

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