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 SUMMARY: WIRES BULLETIN PRES FORD WILL VISIT CHINA LATE  
 1975 COMMUNIQUE SAID. MEDIA SAYS HAK WRAPS UP PEKING TRIP  
 WITHOUT SEEING MAO, GOES SIGHTSEEING IN SOUZHOU, HAK ARRIVES  
 TOKYO.

TOKYO (AP) -- PRESIDENT FORD WILL VISIT CHINA LATE IN 1975  
 IN A MOVE TO ACCELERATE U.S. RELATIONS WITH THE MAINLAND  
 AND TO BALANCE SOVIET LEADER LEONID BREZHNEV'S TRIP TO  
 WASHINGTON NEXT JUNE, A COMMUNIQUE SAID TODAY.

SHANGHAI (UPI) -- HAK ENDED A FIVE-DAY TRIP TO CHINA TODAY,  
 VIEWING ANCIENT GARDENS, TOURING AN EMBROIDERY FACTORY AND  
 EATING AT EVERY STOP ALONG THE WAY... AMERICAN OFFICIALS  
 REFUSED TO COMMENT ON MUCH OF THE TALKS, BUT SAID CHINA AND  
 THE UNITED STATES AGREED TO SKIRT THE MAJOR ISSUE DIVIDING  
 THEM -- U.S. RECOGNITION OF THE TAIWAN GOVERNMENT.

NEWSMEN ASKED A U.S. OFFICIAL IF AMERICA'S TWO-CHINA POLICY  
 CAME UP DURING KISSINGER'S TALKS WITH PREMIER CHOU EN-LAI,  
 DEPUTY PREMIER TENG HSIAO-PING AND FOREIGN MINISTER CHOU

KUAN HUA.

"WE'RE NOT PUSHING THAT," THE OFFICIAL SAID.

IS PEKING, WHICH CITES U.S. RECOGNITION OF TAIWAN AS THE  
 BAR TOWARD FULL SINO-AMERICAN RELATIONS, PRESSING IT?

"THERE'S NO GREAT PRESSURE," SAID THE OFFICIAL...

THE SECRETARY SAID THE VISIT COMMITTED BOTH SIDES TO  
 SEEKING NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS AND STRENGTHENED  
 AMERICA'S NEW ERA OF FRIENDSHIP WITH CHINA.

HE SAID THE TRIP GAVE HIM A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF CHINA'S  
 POINT OF VIEW AND HE PROMISED TO TAKE PEKING'S IDEAS INTO  
 ACCOUNT IN FORMING U.S. POLICY.

CHIAO, IN RETURN, PRAISED THE TALKS FOR INCREASING MUTUAL  
 UNDERSTANDING AND IMPROVING SINO-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

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AP -- BARRY SCHWEID -- HAK, ON HIS WAY HOME FROM PEKING WITHOUT SEEING CHAIRMAN MAO, MADE NO MAJOR BREAKTHROUGH REGARDING TAIWAN DURING THIS TRIP TO THE CHINESE CAPITAL...

TOKYO (AP) -- HAK ARRIVED IN TOKYO ON HIS WAY HOME FROM CHINA TODAY. HE IS TO MEET WITH JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER TOSHIO KIMURA ON SATURDAY BEFORE FLYING TO WASHINGTON.

ON HIS LAST DAY IN CHINA, KISSINGER VISITED THE ANCIENT GARDEN CITY OF SOOCHOW. THE CHINESE NEWS AGENCY SAID HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY FOREIGN MINISTER CHIAO KUAN-HUA AND HIS DEPUTY WANG HAI-JUNG.

HSINHUA SAID KISSINGER LEFT CHINA FROM SHANGHAI AND WAS SEEN OFF BY CHIAO, WANG AND OTHER CHINESE OFFICIALS AND GEORGE BUSH, CHIEF OF THE U.S. LIAISON OFFICE IN PEKING.

BEFORE THEIR DEPARTURE FROM HOME, HSINHUA SAID, THE AMERICANS WERE HONORED AT AN AIRPORT DINNER BY THE SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE.

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RICHARD VALERIANI -- NBC-TV/TODAY: THIS HUGE COMPLEX IS THE SOVIET UNION'S DIPLOMATIC COMPOUND IN PEKING. IT WAS BUILT BACK IN THE FIFTIES BEFORE THE TWO GIANTS OF THE COMMUNIST WORLD CAME TO IDEOLOGICAL BLOWS. FOR

SEVERAL YEARS NOW, CHINA AND THE SOVIET UNION HAVE LOOKED AT EACH OTHER AS WORST ENEMIES AND DESPITE SOME RECENT SPECULATION IN THE WESTERN PRESS ABOUT A POSSIBLE RECONCILIATION, NON-COMMUNIST DIPLOMATS HERE DO NOT SEE IT HAPPENING ANYTIME SOON. IT IS TRUE THAT THE RUSSIANS AND THE CHINESE HAVE RECENTLY MODERATED THEIR MUTUAL PROPAGANDA TIRADES; BUT THEY STILL CRITICIZE EACH AND OTHER AND THEY ARE NOW TRYING TO OUT-PROPAGANDIZE EACH OTHER BY MAKING PROPOSALS THAT THEY KNOW THE OTHER SIDE WON'T ACCEPT, RATHER THAN JUST CALLING EACH OTHER NAMES. IT IS ALSO TRUE THAT THE CHINESE HAVE STOPPED PLAYING UP THE THREAT OF A RUSSIAN ATTACK, BUT WESTERN ANALYSTS BELIEVE THAT IS BECAUSE THEY WANT TO REDUCE PRESSURE FROM THE CHINESE MILITARY FOR A BIGGER CHUNK OF THE BUDGET WHICH SUCH A THREAT WOULD REQUIRE. SO WHILE THE DIPLOMATIC ATMOSPHERE BETWEEN PEKING AND MOSCOW MAY HAVE IMPROVED SOMEWHAT, THE BASIC CONFLICT BETWEEN THEM STILL SHOWS NO REAL SIGNS THAT IT WILL BE RESOLVED IN THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE.

2. MARVIN KALB -- CBS RADIO -- TOKYO: THE COMMUNIQUE IS FOUR SENTENCES AND ONLY ONE WORD IN THE SECOND AND ALL OF THE FOURTH ARE WORTH READING. THE WORD IS 'FRANK' SUGGESTING KISSINGER'S FOUR DAYS OF TALKS IN PEKING WENT TO THE POINT TO SAY THE LEAST AND THE SENTENCE WORTH READING IS THAT BOTH GOVERNMENTS HAVE AGREED THAT PRESIDENT FORD WILL VISIT CHINA IN 1975. ~~THE PRESIDENT VISITED RUSSIA LAST WEEKEND.~~ ONE SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICIAL TOLD REPORTERS ON THE FLIGHT INTO TOKYO FROM SHANGHAI TONIGHT THAT THE TRIP WOULD TAKE PLACE AFTER BREZHNEV VISITS THE U.S. NEXT JUNE; IN OTHER WORDS, IN THE SECOND HALF OF 1975. IT IS CLEAR FROM THIS EXTRAORDINARILY BRIEF COMMUNIQUE THAT BOTH SIDES, THE U.S. AND CHINA, COULD NOT

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REACH ANY BASIC AGREEMENT ON BI-LATERAL ISSUES BUT THAT THEY STILL WANTED TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR STRATEGIC INTEREST IN USING THEIR RELATIONSHIP AS LEVERAGE AGAINST RUSSIA, THAT IS WHY CHINA WANTS THE PRESIDENT TO VISIT AND WHY THE PRESIDENT WANTS TO GO.

3. KALB -- CBS RADIO: WHAT SEEMED TO BE A FACT YESTERDAY, IS TODAY. HAK CAME TO CHINA BUT HE DID NOT GET HIS MEETING WITH MAO. THE CHINESE LEADER WHO HAS BEEN UNUSUALLY AVAILABLE TO FOREIGN VISITORS IN RECENT MONTHS -- HE HAS SEEN EIGHT OF THEM -- DID NOT WANT TO SEE THE SECRETARY OF STATE, A SIGN OF CHINESE DISPLEASURE WITH THE PACE AND STYLE OF AMERICAN POLICY. IT MIGHT ALSO HAVE BEEN MAO'S WAY OF SAYING HE DID NOT LIKE THE IDEA OF A SOVIET-AMERICAN SUMMIT TAKING PLACE AT THE DOORSTEP OF CHINA TAKING PLACE LAST WEEK IN VLADIVOSTOK...

#### NEWSPAPERS

1. WASHPOST -- OBERDORFER -- PAGE 20, PHOTO HAK TOASTING CHIAO: THREE DAYS OF TALKS BETWEEN KISSINGER AND CHINESE OFFICIALS APPEAR TO HAVE BROUGHT NO PROGRESS TOWARD AGREEMENT ON THE STICKY QUESTION OF TAIWAN AND NO MAJOR BREAKTHROUGH IN OTHER ASPECTS OF SINO-AMERICAN RELATIONS

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PRESENT INDICATIONS ARE THAT KISSINGER WILL NOT BE GIVEN AN AUDIENCE WITH COMMUNIST PARTY CHAIRMAN MAO TSE-TUNG.

WHILE THE ENTHUSIASM QUOTIENT DISPLAYED BY CHINESE LEADERS IN THE PRESENCE OF WESTERN JOURNALISTS WAS NOT VERY HIGH, NEITHER WAS THERE ANY OPEN SIGN OF CRITICISM OF KISSINGER OR HIS MISSION.

AS LONG AS THE SOVIETS REMAIN A POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS ADVERSARY ALONG THE VAST NORTHERN BORDER, CHINA APPEARS DETERMINED TO MAINTAIN ITS THREE-YEAR-OLD RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UNITED STATES.

A SENIOR AMERICAN MAINTAINED TONIGHT THAT THERE IS NO GREAT PRESSURE FROM THE CHINESE SIDE WITH RESPECT TO THE TAIWAN QUESTION, WHICH IS THE PRINCIPAL BARRIER TO THE FULL NORMALIZATION OF SINO-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

IN THIS SITUATION THE UNITED STATES SEES NO REASON TO PUSH FOR CHANGES REGARDING TAIWAN, THE OFFICIAL ADDED...

2. NYTIMES -- LELYVELD -- PAGE ONE: KISSINGER TOLD HIS CHINESE HOSTS TONIGHT THAT HE HAD ACHIEVED "A BETTER UNDERSTANDING" OF THEIR VIEWPOINT ON HIS VISIT HERE AND WOULD TAKE IT "SERIOUSLY INTO ACCOUNT IN CONDUCTING OUR FOREIGN POLICY."

UNLESS THERE IS A LAST-MINUTE CHANGE IN HIS SCHEDULE, HE WILL LEAVE CHINA WITHOUT HAVING BEEN GRANTED AN INTERVIEW WITH MAO TSE-TUNG, CHAIRMAN OF THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY.

AMERICAN OFFICIALS ARE POINTING OUT THAT A MEETING WITH CHAIRMAN MAO IS NOT AUTOMATIC SINCE MR. KISSINGER IS NOT A HEAD OF GOVERNMENT.

CHAIRMAN MAO HAS APPARENTLY NOT BEEN IN PEKING FOR FIVE MONTHS. HE IS NOT BELIEVED TO BE SOMEWHERE IN CENTRAL CHINA, POSSIBLY IN HIS NATIVE HUNAN PROVINCE.

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CHINESE OFFICIALS HAVE GONE TO GREAT LENGTHS TO KEEP HIS PRECISE WHEREABOUTS SECRET, BUT HE CONTINUES TO RECEIVE FOREIGN LEADERS.

INEVITABLY, IF MR. KISSINGER DOES NOT GET TO SEE MR. MAO TOMORROW, DIPLOMATIC SPECULATION ABOUT CHINESE DISPLEASURE WITH WASHINGTON WILL INTENSIFY.

IN HIS TOAST TONIGHT, MR. KISSINGER DECLARED THAT PROGRESS HAD BEEN ACHIEVED DURING EACH OF HIS SEVEN VISITS HERE. LATER, AN AMERICAN OFFICIAL INSISTED THAT THERE HAD BEEN NO GREAT PRESSURE FROM THE CHINESE SIDE ON THE TAIWAN ISSUE.

THE OFFICIAL SAID THE UNITED STATES WAS NOT PRESSING FOR NORMALIZATION AND ASKED WHETHER THERE WAS ANY REASON WHY IT SHOULD.

THE CHINESE TOAST AT THE BANQUET, GIVEN BY THE NEW FOREIGN MINISTER, CHIAO KUAN-HUA, SEEMED UNUSUALLY TERSE AND UNDERSTATED. UNLIKE MR. KISSINGER'S IT MADE NO MENTION OF ANY PROGRESS.

A JOINT COMMUNIQUE WILL NOT BE MADE PUBLIC UNTIL THE DEPARTURE OF MR. KISSINGER. BUT IT ALREADY SEEMS CLEAR THAT NO AGREEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED ON THE LONG-STANDING QUESTIONS OF CHINESE ASSETS FROZEN IN THE UNITED STATES AND AMERICAN CLAIMS AGAINST THE CHINESE FOR PROPERTY SEIZED AFTER THE COMMUNISTS CAME TO POWER IN 1949.

3. BALTSUN -- TREWHITT -- PAGE ONE, PHOTO HAK AND FM CHIAO AT TEMPLE OF HEAVEN: KISSINGER, THE SECRETARY OF STATE, CLOSED FORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH CHINESE LEADERS YESTERDAY WITHOUT MAKING VISIBLE PROGRESS TOWARD CLOSER TIES BETWEEN THEIR TWO COUNTRIES...

THEY AGREED TO ISSUE A COMMUNIQUE SUMMING UP THEIR CONVERSATIONS...IT APPEARED UNLIKELY THAT IT WOULD CONTAIN ANY SURPRISES.

THE ABSENCE OF ANNOUNCED AGREEMENTS DID NOT MEAN THE ABSENCE OF SUBSTANCE IN THE DISCUSSIONS, HOWEVER, UNITED STATES OFFICIALS INDICATED THE TWO GOVERNMENTS WERE NEAR AGREEMENT ON THE RELEASE OF COUNTERPART ASSETS HELD BY EACH -- \$80 MILLION BY THE U.S. AND \$200 MILLION BY CHINA. "THAT'S MORE A LEGAL AND TECHNICAL PROBLEM FOR THE UNITED STATES NOW," ONE SOURCE SAID.

THEIR REVIEW OF BILATERAL AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AT TIMES WAS BRISK AND BLUNT.

MR. CHIAO SIGNALLED THE NATURE OF THOSE EXCHANGES BY SAYING THEY WERE CARRIED OUT IN A "CANDID SPIRIT," A CODE PHRASE USUALLY MEANING DISAGREEMENT.

ONE CHINESE OFFICIAL WARNED PRIVATELY OF SOVIET BAD FAITH IN THE PROJECTED STRATEGIC ARMS AGREEMENT ANNOUNCED LAST WEEK.

A SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICIAL DISCOUNTED THE TAIWAN ISSUE. "THERE'S NO GREAT PRESSURE FROM THE CHINESE SIDE ON THAT," HE SAID, "AND WE'RE NOT PUSHING IT. WHY SHOULD WE?"

THE UPSHOT WAS THAT THE CHINESE SEEMED LESS PLEASED WITH THE COURSE OF THE MEETINGS THAN MR. KISSINGER. THE DIMMING OUTLOOK FOR A MEETING BETWEEN MR. KISSINGER AND

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CHAIRMAN MAO TSE-TUNG, THE CHINESE PATRIARCH, WAS SEEN BY SOME OUTSIDERS AS ONE FRAGMENT OF EVIDENCE ON THAT SCORE SINCE THE SECRETARY DID MEET CHAIRMAN MAO WHEN HE WAS HERE A YEAR AGO.

HOWEVER, CHAIRMAN MAO IS ILL, AND IT WAS NOT CERTAIN WHETHER HIS HEALTH PERMITTED SUCH MEETINGS...

4. WASHSTAR -- OSWALD JOHNSTON, P. 3: KISSINGER'S SCHEDULED FORMAL TALKS WITH CHINESE LEADERS ENDED ON THE SAME NOTE ON WHICH THEY BEGAN: CORRECT, SUBDUED AND BY ALL OUTWARD SIGNS, INCONCLUSIVE.

KISSINGER CONTINUES TO MAKE IT KNOWN THROUGH AIDES THAT HE IS SATISFIED WITH THE U.S.-CHINESE RELATIONSHIP.

BUT ALL THE OBJECTIVE SIGNPOSTS THAT MARKED EARLIER KISSINGER VISITS -- CLEAR DIPLOMATIC SUCCESSES -- HAVE UP TO NOW BEEN ABSENT ON THIS, HIS SEVENTH VISIT.

THERE HAS BEEN, FOR EXAMPLE, NO VISIT TO CHAIRMAN MAO TSE-TUNG. AND NO DECISIVE MOVE TOWARD "NORMALIZATION" HAS EMERGED FROM THE TALKS, INSOFAR AS THEIR SUBSTANCE IS KNOWN, EVEN THOUGH THE CHINESE ARE WIDELY REPORTED IN DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES HERE TO BE IMPATIENT FOR SUCH A MOVE.

KISSINGER CONTINUES TO INSIST THAT THE CHINESE HAVE NOT AND ARE NOT PRESSING HIM FOR ANY COMMITMENT TO REMOVE THE MAIN ROADBLOCK TO FULL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS: THE CONTINUING U.S. POLITICAL AND SECURITY RELATIONSHIP

WITH THE CHINESE NATIONALIST GOVERNMENT ON TAIWAN.

YET DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES HERE ARE CONFIDENT SUCH PRESSURES ARE BEING EXERTED OBLIQUELY, THROUGH COMPLAINTS TO THIRD PARTY DELEGATIONS TO PEKING OR EVEN TO PRIVATE AMERICAN CITIZENS WHO COULD BE EXPECTED TO PASS THE MESSAGE OF DISSATISFACTION ON TO WASHINGTON.

KISSINGER HIMSELF HAS BECOME UNCHARACTERISTICALLY IRRITATED WITH PRESS ACCOUNTS OF THESE REPORTED CHINESE PRESSURES, ACCUSING REPORTERS OF TRAVELING WITH HIM OF FABRICATING A "CONFRONTATION" BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA.

LAST NIGHT, HE EXPLAINED IN HIS FORMAL TOAST, HIS REMARKS WOULD BE BRIEF SO AS "TO SPARE THE MENTAL AGILITY" OF THE PRESS CORPS...

KISSINGER AIDES ARE ALSO DEFENSIVE ABOUT THE LACK OF A VISIT TO MAO. THE CHAIRMAN, IT IS POINTED OUT, IS ABSENT FROM PEKING ON A WORKING VISIT TO A STILL-UNKNOWN REGION OF CENTRAL CHINA.

YET SEVERAL FOREIGN VISITORS HAVE SEEN HIM RECENTLY. THE MOST RECENT WAS SALEM ROBAYA ALI, PRESIDENT OF SOUTH YEMEN, WHO SAW MAO ON NOV. 12, JUST OVER TWO WEEKS AGO.

IT IS ALSO POINTED OUT THAT KISSINGER, UNLIKE SOME OF THE OTHER VISITORS SUCH AS SOUTH YEMEN'S PRESIDENT, IS NOT A HEAD OF STATE. BUT KISSINGER WAS NOT A HEAD OF STATE WHEN HE SAW MAO A YEAR AGO...

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