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FM AMBASSADOR STDESSEL, MOSCOW 019
TO: GENERAL SCOWCROFT, WHITE HOUSE - EYES ONLY

1. I WILL MUCH APPRECIATE ANY HELP YOU CAN GIVE IN KEEPING US ADVISED ON TIMELY BASIS CONCERNING MATTERS OF INTEREST CONCERNING PRESIDENT'S VISIT. WE HAD NO ADVANCE WORD, FOR EXAMPLE, ON CHANGED DATE FOR VISIT OR ON PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISIT. SOVIETS HERE, HOWEVER, WERE WELL-INFORMED AND I WAS IN AWKWARD POSITION WITH KORNIYENKO AT ONE POINT BECAUSE OF THIS.

2. I KNOW THE PROBLEMS AND LIMITATIONS IN THIS AREA, BUT HOPE IT IS NOT AMISS TO REITERATE MY INTEREST. OUR CREDIBILITY - AS WELL AS USEFULNESS - CAN BE ENHANCED IF WE CAN KEEP ABREAST OF SOVIETS HERE ON INFORMATION CONCERNING U.S. ACTIONS.

3. ON ANOTHER SUBJECT, I HOPE I CAN RECEIVE AUTHORIZATION SOONEST TO DEPART MOSCOW AT MY DISCRETION. SPECIAL U.S. AIR FORCE PLANE IS NOW ON GROUND IN MOSCOW. WE WILL ARRANGE FOR IT TO DEPART FRIDAY, JUNE 7 WITHOUT ME ON BOARD. I AM TENTATIVELY PLANNING TO DEPART COMMERCIALY EVENING JUNE 8, ASSUMING AUTHORIZATION RECEIVED. SOVIET SIDE IN TEST BAN TALKS IS PRESSING FOR BREAK ON WEEKEND (MOROKHOV INTENDS TO GO TO VIENNA FOR IAEA MEETING) AND I TRUST OUR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BREAK WILL BE APPROVED.

4. PERHAPS YOU COULD SAY WORD TO ART IF HE HAS NOT ALREADY SENT SOMETHING ON THIS. THANKS AND REGARDS.

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