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 BEGIN TEXT:

JOINT STATEMENT ON THE MEETING
 BETWEEN SECRETARY KISSINGER AND FOREIGN MINISTER GROMYKO

IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN EARLIER AGREEMENT, A MEETING WAS HELD
 ON MAY 10-20, 1975, IN VIENNA BETWEEN THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF
 THE UNITED STATES AND ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR NATIONAL
 SECURITY AFFAIRS, HENRY A. KISSINGER, AND MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL
 BUREAU OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE CPSU, MINISTER OF FOREIGN
 AFFAIRS OF THE USSR, A.A. GROMYKO.

THE TWO SIDES WERE UNANIMOUS IN EMPHASIZING THEIR DETERMIN-
 ATION TO CONTINUE TO ADHERE FIRMLY TO THE COURSE OF FURTHER IM-
 PROVING AND DEVELOPING US-SOVIET RELATIONS IN THE INTERESTS OF
 THE PEOPLES OF BOTH COUNTRIES AND OF STRENGTHENING PEACE.

AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS TOOK PLACE ON BILATERAL RELATIONS IN-
 CLUDING THOSE PERTAINING TO A FURTHER LIMITATION OF STRATEGIC
 OFFENSIVE ARMS. ALSO DISCUSSED WERE A NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL
 PROBLEMS OF MUTUAL INTEREST - THE PROGRESS OF THE CONFERENCE ON
 SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE AND ITS SPEEDY CONCLUSION, THE
 SITUATION WITH REGARD TO A JUST AND LASTING PEACE SETTLEMENT
 IN THE MIDDLE EAST, INCLUDING THE QUESTION OF RESUMING THE GENEVA
 PEACE CONFERENCE, AND OTHER MATTERS. IN THESE DISCUSSIONS BOTH
 SIDES PROCEEDED FROM THE AGREEMENTS AND UNDERSTANDINGS REACHED
 AS A RESULT OF THE US-SOVIET SUMMIT MEETINGS HELD IN MOSCOW,
 WASHINGTON AND VLADIVOSTOK.

THE CONVERSATIONS WHICH PROCEEDED IN A CONSTRUCTIVE

*****WHSR COMMENT*****

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SPIRIT WERE, IN THE OPINION OF BOTH SIDES, USEFUL.
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