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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

INFORMATION ITEMS

TERRORISTS CONTINUE TO HOLD JAPANESE EMBASSY: ARAB TERRORISTS ARE STILL HOLDING THE JAPANESE EMBASSY IN KUWAIT AS NEGOTIATIONS CONTINUE TO FIND A PLACE WHICH WILL ACCEPT THE TERRORISTS FROM SINGAPORE. A JAPANESE AIRPLANE HAS LANDED IN SINGAPORE TO PICK UP THE FOUR GUERRILLAS WHO ATTACKED THE SHELL DIL REFINERY THERE. KUWAIT DOES NOT WANT THE JAPANESE PLANE TO COME AND HAS REFUSED TO GIVE PERMISSION FOR THE PLANE TO LAND.

SITUATION IN INDOCHINA: COMBAT ACTIVITY IN CAMBODIA YESTERDAY WAS CONCENTRATED AT THE CENTER OF PHNOM PENH'S SOUTHERN DEFENSE LINE, WHERE KHMER COMMUNIST UNITS CONTINUED TO RESIST GOVERNMENT EFFORTS TO REGAIN GROUND ALONG THE PREK THNAOT RIVER. ON THE SOUTHERN FRONT, ELEMENTS OF THE 3RD DIVISION ON ROUTE 3 HAVE PULLED BACK NORTH OF THE PREK THNAOT. SOUTHEAST OF THE CAPITAL, GOVERNMENT TROOPS CONDUCTING CLEARING OPERATIONS ALONG THE EAST BANK OF THE BASSAC RIVER HAVE ENGAGED A SIZABLE INSURGENT FORCE WITHIN TWO MILES OF THE ROUTE 1 BRIDGE LEADING INTO SOUTHERN PHNOM PENH. COMMUNIST CREWS FARTHER SOUTH ON THE BASSAC FIRED FOUR ROCKETS INTO THE SUBURB OF TAKHMAU YESTERDAY. ONLY A FEW CASUALTIES RESULTED.

FIGHTING REMAINS LIGHT IN SOUTH VIETNAM. RECENT CLASHES IN QUANG DUC PROVINCE SUGGEST THE FIRST PHASE OF THE REPORTED COMMUNIST DIVERSIONARY EFFORT IS BEGINNING. MODERATE FIGHTING WAS REPORTED IN MILITARY REGION 3 IN BINH DUDNG PROVINCE, WHERE A GOVERNMENT

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SWEEP OPERATION IS UNDER WAY.

MIDDLE EAST SITUATION QUIET: NO MAJOR INCIDENTS WERE REPORTED ON EITHER THE SYRIAN OR EGYPTIAN FRONT YESTERDAY.

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EC COUNCIL POSITION FOR NEXT WEEK'S ENERGY CONFERENCE: THE EC COUNCIL ON FEBRUARY 5 APPROVED A POSITION PAPER DESIGNED TO PERMIT A COOPERATIVE STANCE BY THE COMMUNITY AT THE WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE NEXT WEEK, DESPITE BASIC RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE CONFERENCE AND DIFFERENCES AMONG THE EC MEMBERS. THE PRINCIPAL POINTS OF THE PAPER, WHICH WAS RELEASED TO THE PRESS IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN THE EC'S BARGAINING POSITION ARE:

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- -- THE NEED TO AVOID A CONFRONTATION BETWEEN OIL IMPORTING AND PRODUCING COUNTRIES;
- -- THE DESIRABILITY OF INCLUDING ALL DIL IMPORTING AND PRODUCING NATIONS IN FUTURE INTERNATIONAL DISCUSSIONS, WITH A VIEW TOWARD STARTING THOSE BROADER TALKS BEFORE APRIL 1;
- -- THE NECESSITY OF PREVENTING THE WASHINGTON CONFERENCE -- "ESPECIALLY IN ITS PRESENT COMPOSITION" -- FROM BEING TRANSFORMED INTO A PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.

RAUL CASTRO TO MOSCOW: RAUL CASTRO, FIDEL'S BROTHER AND CUBA'S FIRST DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER, HAS ARRIVED IN MOSCOW FOR AN UNDEFICIAL VISIT. TASS REPORTS HE WAS INVITED BY THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY. NO REASON FOR THE VISIT WAS GIVEN.

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DOUBER DECLARED WINNER: DANIEL ODUBER, CANDIDATE OF THE RULING NATIONAL LIBERATION PARTY, HAS BEEN DECLARED THE WINNER IN THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION HELD FEBRUARY 3 IN COSTA RICA. DOUBER CAPTURED MORE THAN THE REQUIRED 40 PERCENT OF THE POPULAR VOTE, THUS ELIMINATING THE NEED FOR A RUNOFF ELECTION. DESPITE ODUBER'S VICTORY, HIS PARTY APPARENTLY HAS LOST ITS TRADITIONAL MAJORITY IN THE LEGISLATURE. THAT WILL FORCE THE LEADING PARTY TO SEEK STRONGER COOPERATION FROM OPPOSITIONISTS.

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