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OCTOBER 9, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER
FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM
SUBJECT: INFORMATION ITEMS

BRITISH ELECTION POLL: REUTER REPORTS THE BRITISH LABOR PARTY HAD A MASSIVE LEAD IN OPINION POLLS PUBLISHED TODAY AS THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN DREW TO A CLOSE. ANOTHER LATE POLL REINFORCED OTHERS EARLIER TODAY AND LAST WEEK WITH UNSHAKEN SIMILARITY -- GIVING LABOR A CLEAR TEN PERCENT LEAD OVER THE CONSERVATIVES AND A 23 PERCENT LEAD OVER THE LIBERALS.

GREECE LIFTS MARTIAL LAW: IT WAS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED IN ATHENS THAT THE GREEK GOVERNMENT TODAY LIFTED MARTIAL LAW THROUGHOUT GREECE EXCEPT IN AREAS BORDERING ON TURKEY. MARTIAL LAW WAS IMPLEMENTED IN NOVEMBER 1973 FOLLOWING RIOTS IN ATHENS.

SOVIET-U.S. SUMMIT?: PRESS REPORTS THAT DIPLOMATIC REPORTS FROM MOSCOW SAID TODAY THAT BREZHNEV IS ACTUALLY CONSIDERING INVITING PRESIDENT FORD TO A SUMMIT MEETING NEXT MONTH IN SIBERIA. THE REPORTS SUGGESTED THAT PREPARATIONS FOR A QUICK SUMMIT ARE UNDER WAY, ADDING THAT THE TWO LEADERS MIGHT MEET IN VLADIVOSTOK ON THE PRESIDENT'S RETURN FROM JAPAN NEXT MONTH. OFFICIAL SOVIET SOURCES DECLINED TO CONFIRM OR DENY THESE REPORTS.

VENEZUELAN OIL NATIONALIZATION: REUTER REPORTS THAT VENEZUELA'S COMMISSION ON OIL NATIONALIZATION ANNOUNCED TODAY IT WILL COMPLETE ITS WORK THIS WEEK AND GIVE PRESIDENT PEREZ 15 RECOMMENDATIONS. THE PARLIAMENTARY DEPUTY WHO MADE THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID HE EXPECTED NATIONALIZATION TO BE CARRIED OUT IN MID-1975.

FIDEL CASTRO TO PANAMA: CUBAN PREMIER CASTRO IS SCHEDULED TO TRAVEL TO PANAMA ON NOVEMBER 3 TO TAKE PART IN THAT COUNTRY'S INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] THIS FIRST MEETING BETWEEN CASTRO AND GENERAL TORRIJOS WOULD BE A LOGICAL OUTGROWTH OF THE INCREASINGLY CLOSE RELATIONS BETWEEN THEIR TWO GOVERNMENTS. IF HE GOES TO PANAMA, CASTRO MAY WELL URGE TORRIJOS TO RAISE THE ISSUE OF U.S. "INTERVENTION IN CHILE" AT THE OAS MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN ON NOVEMBER 8 IN QUITO, ECUADOR. ALTHOUGH THE PANAMANIAN DO NOT NOW SEEM TO BE PLANNING TO RAISE THE ISSUE, THEY COULD EASILY CHANGE THEIR MINDS

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BLACK SEA NAVAL REACTION CONTINUES: SILVER FOX OPERATIONS IN THE BLACK SEA ARE CONTINUING, AND SOVIET NAVAL REACTIONS ARE CONSIDERED NORMAL. A KOTLIN-CLASS GUIDED-MISSILE DESTROYER CONTINUES TO MONITOR THE TWO U.S. NAVAL UNITS THERE. ON OCTOBER 8, SONAR CONTACTS WERE ACQUIRED ON A DIESEL SUBMARINE BY BOTH SHIPS AND HELD FOR ABOUT THREE HOURS, INDICATING THAT SHE WAS PROBABLY INVOLVED IN THE SURVEILLANCE EFFORT. CONTINUING ANALYSIS OF THEIR AIR ACTIVITY FOR THE 6TH AND 7TH INDICATES BETWEEN THREE AND EIGHT AIRCRAFT RESPONDED TO THE OPERATION. ROUTINE LOW-ALTITUDE, SIMULATED STRIKE AND ECM OPERATIONS OVER THE BLACK SEA INVOLVING AT LEAST 19 SOVIET BOMBERS WERE APPARENTLY NOT AFFECTED BY THE PRESENCE OF THE U.S. SHIPS. AIR ACTIVITY ON THE 8TH IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF THE SHIPS INVOLVED A MINIMUM OF FIVE LONG RANGE AVIATION TU-22S. SURVEILLANCE IS EXPECTED TO CONTINUE UNTIL THE 1TH, WHEN THE OPERATIONS WILL TERMINATE.

CONGRESSIONAL ACTIVITY:

- TURKISH AID: DEFYING A VETO THREAT, THE SENATE TODAY PASSED A MONEY BILL WITH A 62-16 VOTE SUSPENDING MILITARY AID TO TURKEY.
- FLANIGAN: THE SFRC TODAY UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO POSTPONE ACTION ON THE CONTROVERSIAL NOMINATION OF PETER FLANIGAN TO BE AMBASSADOR TO SPAIN.
- CUBA: THE HOUSE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REJECTED 22 TO 4, AN AMENDMENT TO LIFT LEGISLATIVE BARRIERS TO A NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS WITH CUBA. THE COMMITTEE CONSENSUS WAS THAT IT WOULD BE PREMATURE TO ADOPT THE AMENDMENT IN LIGHT OF THE MEETING OF THE OAS FOREIGN MINISTERS NEXT MONTH IN ECUADOR.

THE WASHINGTON STAR-NEWS:

JOHN FIALKA REPORTS THAT CONFUSION OVER THE STATUS OF THE "RUSSIAN GRAIN DEAL" OF 1974 IS LIKELY TO PERSIST UNTIL SOVIET BUYING OFFICIALS AGREE TO REVEAL BEFOREHAND HOW MUCH GRAIN THEY INTEND TO BUY FROM THE U.S. ANDREW BOROWIC REPORTS THAT ARAB IRE AWAITS YOU ON YOUR LATEST MIDEAST TRIP. THEY FEEL YOUR PREVIOUSLY SUCCESSFUL PEACE MOVES HAVE LOST MOMENTUM. THE VIEW IN THE MIDEAST IS THAT YOU FACE A FORMIDABLE TWO-FOLD TASK ON THIS MISSION:

- SALVAGING EFFORTS TO RESUME THE GENEVA PEACE CONFERENCE.
- PRESERVING YOUR CREDIBILITY WITH THE ARABS AS A PEACEMAKER BEFORE THE ARAB SUMMIT MEETING IN MOROCCO THIS MONTH.

TAMMY ARBUCKLE QUOTING INFORMED OFFICIAL SOURCES IN HAY VINH STATES THAT ECONOMIC PROBLEMS ARE CAUSED BY SHORT-SIGHTED SOUTH VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT POLICY, NOT BY ANY DECLINE IN U.S. AID OR U.S. TROOP WITHDRAWALS.

JEREMIAH O'LEARY REPORTS A HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS SUBCOMMITTEE HAS BEEN TOLD THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT IS GIVING FULL MORAL

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TUGUESE-SPEAKING AFRICAN STATES AND IS PREPARED TO ASSIST
THE FORMER COLONIES IF THEY DESIRE IT.

A STAR EDITORIAL ON "CONSERVING OIL" TRUSTS THAT THE REMARKS
BY SHEIKH YAMANI AND AMBASSADOR ZAKEIDI THAT THEIR COUNTRIES
WOULD NOT CUT PRODUCTION TO DEFEAT CONSERVATION MEASURES RE-
FLECT ACCURATELY THE POLICIES OF TWO MAJOR OIL-PRODUCING
NATIONS. IF SO, VIGOROUS CONSERVATION EFFORTS MAY BE A MORE
FEASIBLE TECHNIQUE FOR ALLEVIATING SOME OF OUR OIL-IMPORT
PROBLEM THAN APPEARED TO BE THE CASE A FEW DAYS AGO.
SMITH HEMPSTONE STATES YOU MAY RECALL THAT DURING LAST YEAR'S
YOM KIPPUR WAR, ALL SAVE ONE OF OUR NATO ALLIES REFUSED TO
ALLOW AMERICAN PLANES BOUND FOR ISRAEL TO OVERFLY THEM OR
TO USE THEIR REFUELING FACILITIES. PORTUGAL, THEN RULED BY
A RIGHT-WING GOVERNMENT, PUT THE AZORES ISLANDS AT OUR DIS-
POSAL. HUMAN MEMORY IS SHORT AND PERHAPS THAT IS WHY NONE
OF OUR LEARNED PUNDITS HAS RECOGNIZED THAT THE RESIGNATION
LAST WEEK OF PRESIDENT SPINOLA MAY COST ISRAEL THE NEXT MIDDLE
EASTERN WAR.

LATE PRESS:

CUBA TO RELEASE AMERICAN PRISONERS: SENATOR PELL'S OFFICE
ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED
TO RELEASE FOUR AMERICANS JAILED ON THE ISLAND AS A GESTURE
OF GOOD WILL TOWARD THE TWO SENATORS WHO RECENTLY VISITED
CUBA, BUT NOT TOWARD THE GOVERNMENT OF THE U.S. A PELL AIDE
SAID THE MESSAGE WAS SENT BY THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT
THROUGH THE CZECHOSLOVAK EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON.

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