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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER
FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM
SUBJECT: NOON NOTES

FANFANI TO FORM NEW ITALIAN GOVERNMENT: PRESIDENT LEONE TODAY ASKED AMINTORE FANFANI TO FORM A NEW GOVERNMENT. THE OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT MADE NO REFERENCE TO THE RUMOR COALITION WHICH COLLAPSED ON OCTOBER 3. THE PRESS HAS SPECULATED THAT THIS MEANS FANFANI, "A STAUNCH ANTI-COMMUNIST" WAS GIVEN ROOM TO CHOOSE ALLIES FOR A RULING COALITION EITHER TO THE RIGHT OR THE LEFT OF THE CATHOLIC PARTY.

MIG AIRCRAFT DEPLOY FROM SOUTHERN PANHANDLE: ON OCTOBER 13, TWO MIG-17S AND THREE MIG-21 FIGHTER AIRCRAFT DEPARTED THE NORTH VIETNAM PANHANDLE FLYING NORTH. THE TWO MIG-17S FLEW FROM BONG HOI TO THEIR HOME BASE AT HAIPHONG/KIEN AN. THE THREE MIG-21S RETURNED TO THEIR HOME BASE OF PHUC YEN FROM VINH. AS A RESULT, NO MIG AIRCRAFT ARE KNOWN TO REMAIN IN THE SOUTHERN NORTH VIETNAM PANHANDLE. MIG SUPPORT PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT APPARENTLY REMAIN AT DONG HOI AND VINH. THE AIRCRAFT WERE PROBABLY MOVED FOR THE BETTER PROTECTION AVAILABLE AT THE NORTHERN MIG BASES TO AVOID TYPHOON BESS WHICH CHANGED COURSE ON OCTOBER 12 AND SHOULD HIT THE NORTH VIETNAM PANHANDLE TODAY. THE RETURN OF THE MIGS TO VINH AND DONG HOI IS ANTICIPATED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

ON-FILE NSC RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

BERLIN WALL INCIDENT: YESTERDAY EAST BERLIN GUARDS SHOT AND WOUNDED A YOUNG MAN ATTEMPTING TO CROSS THE WALL TO THE U.S. SECTOR. THE MAN WAS CARRIED OFF BY THE GUARDS. THE THREE WESTERN ALLIED COMMANDERS HAVE PROTESTED THE INCIDENT.

TOKYO BOMB BLAST: A BOMB EXPLODED TODAY AT THE HEAD OFFICE OF THE MITSUI COMPANY IN TOKYO INJURING ABOUT THIRTY PERSONS. AFTER THE EXPLOSION, THE AMERICAN EMBASSY AND ANOTHER JAPANESE FIRM RECEIVED BOMB THREATS OVER THE TELEPHONE.

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NO BOMBS WERE FOUND AT EITHER PLACE AND THE IDENTITY OF THE TERRORISTS IS NOT KNOWN AT THIS TIME.

THE WASHINGTON STAR NEWS
THIS PAPER HEADLINES THE SAUDI PLEDGE TO YOU ENCOURAGING LOWER OIL PRICES. THE ARTICLE CONTINUES WITH A DESCRIPTION OF YOUR MEETINGS WITH MIDDLE EAST LEADERS AND THE HOPE THAT YOU WILL HAVE NEW PEACE NEGOTIATIONS UNDER WAY BY THE END OF THE YEAR.

AN EDITORIAL SAYS SIMAS KUDIRKA WOULD HAVE FARED MUCH WORSE IF IT WERE NOT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF DETENTE. HE DESERVES A WARM WELCOME AND OUR APOLOGIES FOR THE DELAY WHEN HE ARRIVES. (A-10)

RICHARD WILSON DETAILS ADMIRAL RICKOVER'S CRITICISM OF THE U.S. NAVY TODAY. HE SAYS THE NAVY IS RAISING A GENERATION OF OFFICERS WHO BELIEVE THAT TECHNICAL TRAINING IS NOT ESSENTIAL AND THAT THEY CAN RELY ON MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES TO MAKE DECISIONS. WILSON BELIEVES THAT IF THE NAVY IS AS BAD AS THAT, THERE MAY BE SOMETHING TO THE SOVIET CLAIM THAT ITS SHIPS WILL RULE THE SEAS. (A-10)

MILTON VIOST DESCRIBES A POSITION PAPER BEING CIRCULATED BY THE ISRAELI EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON THAT SUGGESTS YOUR PROSPECTS FOR MAKING HEADWAY ON THE PALESTINIAN QUESTION ARE VIRTUALLY NIL. THE PAPER INSISTS ON SUPPORTING THE RULE OF OVER PALESTINIAN AREAS OF JORDAN, AND REJECTS HINTS THAT A COMPROMISE MIGHT BE POSSIBLE. THIS POSITION SUGGESTS THE ISRAELIS HAVE LEARNED LITTLE FROM THEIR OWN EXPERIENCE ABOUT THE NECESSITY FOR A COUNTRY. OF COURSE, THE ISRAELIS HAVE A RIGHT TO BE APPREHENSIVE ABOUT A PALESTINIAN STATE, BUT THE RISKS ARE WELL WORTH TAKING (A-11)

SUNDAY BALL SCORES:

REDSKINS 20-17 OVER THE MIAMI DOLPHINS; JURGENSEN AT THE HELM.
DODGERS 3-2 OVER THE A'S; WORLD SERIES TIED ONE GAME A PIECE.

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