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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

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SUBJECT: INFORMATION ITEMS

NSA review(s)
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PRESIDENT VELASCO OVERTHROWN: MILITARY FORCES REPORTEDLY
HAVE TAKEN OVER THE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE IN LIMA AND ISSUED A
COMMUNIQUE DECLARING PRIME MINISTER MORALES BERMUDEZ THE
NEW HEAD OF GOVERNMENT. THE COMMUNIQUE REPORTEDLY HAS BEEN
SIGNED BY COMMANDERS OF ALL FIVE REGIONAL COMMANDS AND THE
HEAD OF THE NATIONAL POLICE. THE COUP APPARENTLY WAS DE-
SIGNED TO COINCIDE WITH THE NONALIGNED FOREIGN MINISTERS'
MEETING NOW BEING HELD IN LIMA. WE ARE NOT CERTAIN AS TO
THE WHEREABOUTS OF MORALES BERMUDEZ BUT HE HAS BEEN VISITING
TROOP UNITS IN THE SOUTH. VELASCO APPARENTLY HAS BEEN
PLACED IN CUSTODY AT HIS HOME IN CHACHLAYO A SHORT DISTANCE
EAST OF LIMA. MORALES BERMUDEZ HAS WIDESPREAD SUPPORT
AMONG ALL THREE SERVICES AND IS EXPECTED TO FOLLOW SOMEWHAT
MORE MODERATE POLICIES THAN VELASCO.

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THE WASHINGTON STAR NEWS

STEPHEN AUG REPORTS THAT TWO NATIONAL JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS HAVE ACCUSED SECRETARY OF COMMERCE ROGERS C.B. MORTON OF PROTECTING DOMESTIC CORPORATIONS THAT VIOLATE U.S. POLICY AGAINST COOPERATING WITH FOREIGN BOYCOTTS OF NATIONS FRIENDLY TO THE U.S. ONE OF THE TWO GROUPS -- THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS -- IS EXPECTED TO SUE MORTON UNDER THE FEDERAL FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT TO FORCE HIM TO MAKE THE NAMES OF THE FIRMS PUBLIC. IN A RELATED DEVELOPMENT, THE ARABS' BOYCOTT COMMISSIONER GENERAL YESTERDAY ADDED THREE MAJOR U.S. COMPANIES TO A BLACKLIST -- BARRING THEM FROM DOING BUSINESS WITH ARAB COUNTRIES -- BECAUSE THEY DEALT WITH ISRAEL.

CHRISTOPHER S. WREN WRITES FROM MOSCOW THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS BEGUN CITING THE SUCCESS OF THE RECENT EUROPEAN SECURITY CONFERENCE TO GIVE NEW MOMENTUM TO ITS LONG-STANDING PROPOSAL FOR A SOVIET-BACKED COLLECTIVE SECURITY SYSTEM IN ASIA. A LENGTHY ANALYSIS IN THE GOVERNMENT NEWSPAPER IZVESTIA YESTERDAY ASSERTED THAT THE ASIAN CONTINENT WOULD PARTICULARLY BENEFIT FROM THE ADOPTION OF THE PRINCIPLES AGREED UPON BY 35 STATES AT HELSINKI. IZVESTIA WENT ON TO CONTEND THAT ASIA WAS NOW IN "EXTREMELY URGENT" NEED OF ITS OWN SYSTEM OF COLLECTIVE SECURITY.

NEW YORK NEWS SERVICE OUT OF LIMA REPORTS THAT THE ARAB DELEGATES PARTICIPATING IN THE CONFERENCE OF NONALIGNED

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COUNTRIES THERE HAVE AGREED NOT TO PRESS DEMANDS FOR THE EXPULSION OF ISRAEL FROM THE UN. THE DECISION WAS REACHED IN A CAUCUS YESTERDAY. THE MILITANTS AMONG THE ARABS RELUCTANTLY ACQUIESCED TO THE COMPARATIVELY MODERATE EGYPTIAN LINE AFTER SEVERAL BLACK AFRICAN AND LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES, JOINED BY YUGOSLAVIA, HAD INDICATED THEY WOULD NOT ENDORSE ANOTHER CALL FOR THE IMMEDIATE OUSTER OF ISRAEL FROM THE UN.

A FULL-PAGE SPREAD SPONSORED BY THE KOREAN INFORMATION OFFICE IN STOCKHOLM CARRIES A QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION BETWEEN KIM IL SUNG AND AN AFP CORRESPONDENT CONCERNING REUNIFICATION. HE STATES THAT NORTH KOREA PROPOSED TO THE U.S. TO REPLACE THE ARMISTICE AGREEMENT WITH A PEACE AGREEMENT. IN THIS CONNECTION, THE SUPREME PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY OF THE DPRK ADDRESSED A LETTER TO U.S. CONGRESS. THE U.S. HAS NOT GIVEN ANY REPLY. NORTH KOREA ALSO HOLDS THAT A UNIFIED GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED THROUGH THE INSTITUTION OF A NORTH-SOUTH CONFEDERATION, DESPITE THE DIFFERENCE OF SYSTEMS AND BELIEFS BETWEEN THE NORTH AND SOUTH, WHEN THE MOVEMENT FOR DEMOCRACY TRIUMPHS AND A DEMOCRATIC FIGURE COMES TO POWER IN SOUTH KOREA. THIS IS PART OF OUR FIVE-POINT POLICY.

JEREMIAH O'LEARY REPORTS THAT THE U.S. HAS MOVED SWIFTLY TO FORM AN EMERGENCY TASK FORCE AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO DIRECT THE EVACUATION OF UP TO 300,000 WHITE REFUGEES FROM THE WAR-TORN PORTUGUESE AFRICAN COLONY OF ANGOLA. O'LEARY SAYS THE U.S. INTEREST IN THE FATE OF THE ANGOLAN REFUGEES IS PRIMARILY HUMANITARIAN BUT THERE IS NO DENYING THAT WASHINGTON SEES POLITICAL ADVANTAGE IN EXPEDITING THE RETURN TO PORTUGAL OF THE WHITE REFUGEES.

WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY JR. WRITES THAT MEXICANS QUITE NATURALLY RESENT THE U.S., FOR REASONS GOOD AND BAD. WE HAVE FOR MANY YEARS HUNG Ponderously OVER THE HEMISPHERE AS THE COLOSSUS OF THE NORTH. ACTUALLY IT GOT WORSE. SUDDENLY MEXICO DISCOVERED THAT SOUTH OF HER BORDER -- ABOUT WHICH LESS HAS BEEN SAID IN SONG, VERSE AND BATTLE-CRY THAN ABOUT THE SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF THE U.S. STRETCHING ACROSS TEXAS, NEW MEXICO, ARIZONA AND CALIFORNIA AND IMPOSED BY OUR JINGOIST GREAT-GRANDPARENTS -- HUMBLE GUATEMALANS, WHEN THEY SPEAK ABOUT THE COLOSSUS OF THE NORTH ARE REFERRING TO MEXICO. THAT, FOR MEXICAN OFFICIALS, IS BOTH FLATTERING -- AND CRUEL. THE UNITED STATES IS SINGULARLY FORTUNATE -- THIS IS THE UNIVERSAL READING FROM A BRIEF TRIP -- TO HAVE AS ITS AMBASSADOR A CAREER OFFICIAL, JOHN JOSEPH JOVA, BILINGUAL IN SPANISH, WHO IS EFFECTIVE FOR JUST THE RIGHT REASONS. HE UNDERSTANDS AND RESPECTS THE MEXICAN PEOPLE, BUT, WITH ELOQUENCE AND GREAT RESOURCEFULNESS, HE MANAGES TO REMIND HIS HOSTS THAT HIS OWN COUNTRY HAS ITS OWN PROB-

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LEMS.

CHARLES BARTLETT WRITES CONCERNING THE PANAMA CANAL. HE STATES THAT THERE IS ENOUGH LEFTIST, NATIONALIST SENTIMENT AROUND TO MAKE IT CERTAIN THAT INDIGNATION OVER THE CANAL WILL BECOME GENUINE AND WIDESPREAD IF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT FOLLOWS CONGRESS' INCLINATION TO REFUSE TO MAKE ANY CONCESSIONS TO PANAMANIAN NATIONALISM, BUT PANAMA IS NOT VIETNAM, AND LATIN COUNTRIES WILL NOT SEND TROOPS AND ARMS TO ASSIST IN GUSTING THE AMERICANS. SO LONG AS THE U.S. MAKES CONSTRUCTIVE EFFORTS TO NEGOTIATE, SELF-INTEREST WILL CAUSE MOST OF THOSE COUNTRIES TO GIVE QUIET BACKING TO WASHINGTON'S INSISTENCE ON PRESERVING THE CANAL'S PHYSICAL SECURITY AND EQUITABLE TOLLS.

DAVID ISRAELI REPORTS THAT THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA IS BUILDING A MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL STADIUM THERE. CHINA'S INTEREST IN BASEBALL WILL BE WONDERFUL FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. IT GIVES A WHOLE NEW DIMENSION TO THE ERA OF DETENTE. INSTEAD OF GRAIN DEALS, WE CAN HAVE ASTROTURF DEALS WITH CHINA. EARL BUTZ FINDS THIS POSSIBILITY VERY EXCITING. CAN'T YOU HEAR NESTOR CHYLAK OR BILL HALLER IN PEKING EXPLAINING THE INFIELD FLY RULE? OR YOU, WHO ATTENDED THE ALL-STAR GAME AND WANTS TO ATTEND THE WORLD SERIES, EXPLAINING PERHAPS THE ORIGIN OF THE 'CHINESE' HOME RUN? YOU MIGHT ALSO BE ABLE TO EXPLAIN WHY WE HAVE A BIG LEAGUE CLUB CALLED THE REDS. THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS TAKEN A KEEN INTEREST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF BASEBALL IN THE PRC. YOU WANT TO MAKE ABSOLUTELY SURE THAT THE CHINESE DEVELOP NO THREATS TO YOUR BELOVED YANKEES.

A NEW YORK PRESS ITEM STATES THAT JOHN SCALI, 28 YEARS A NEWSMAN AND TWO AND A HALF YEARS U.S. AMBASSADOR TO THE UN, IS HAPPY TO BE BACK ON THE NEWS BEAT. HE REJOINS ABC NEWS MONDAY. HE COMMENTS THAT HE IS MORE COMFORTABLE WITH HIS NEWS COLLEAGUES THAN AMONG THE DIPLOMATS.

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