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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

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THIRD SOVIET KIEV-CLASS CARRIER: [REDACTED]

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THIRD KIEV-CLASS CARRIER WILL PROBABLY BE LAID DOWN ON THE BUILDING WAYS AT NIKOLAYEV SHIPYARD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE LAUNCH OF THE SECOND KIEV-CLASS CARRIER, THE MINSK. ATTACHE REPORTING PREVIOUSLY INDICATED CONSTRUCTION OF A THIRD CARRIER, AND SUGGESTED THE NAME KHARKOV FOR THIS UNIT. THE LAUNCH FOR THIS THIRD UNIT CAN BE EXPECTED BY MID-1976 WITH SEA TRIALS TO BEGIN IN LATE 1980.

RHODESIAN PRIME MINISTER TO PRETORIA FOR TALKS: RHODESIAN PRIME MINISTER SMITH IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN PRETORIA TODAY FOR TALKS WITH SOUTH AFRICAN OFFICIALS. SMITH'S VISIT SUGGESTS THAT SOUTH AFRICAN PRIME MINISTER VORSTER IS MAKING A NEW EFFORT TO PERSUADE SMITH TO RESUME TALKS WITH RHODESIA'S BLACK NATIONALISTS. KAUNDA HAS BEEN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH THE SOUTH AFRICANS SINCE THE MEETING AT VICTORIA FALLS. HE HAS MADE HIS CONCERNS KNOWN TO VORSTER, WHO ALMOST CERTAINLY WILL PASS THEM ON TO SMITH. MEANWHILE, MILITANT NATIONALISTS, LED BY FORMER COUNCIL HEAD MUZOREWA AND NOABANINGI SITHOLE, ARE PREPARING TO RESUME GUERRILLA OPERATIONS. [REDACTED]

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THE MILITANTS HOPE TO BEGIN OPERATIONS BY THE END OF THE MONTH OR EARLY IN NOVEMBER IN ORDER TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE RAINY SEASON.

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