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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL SCOWCROFT

FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ITEMS

CHINESE VIEWS ON ANGOLA: OUR MISSION AT THE UN REPORTS A CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE CHINESE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE, HUANG HUA, AND AMBASSADOR BENNETT ON ANGOLA. HE ACKNOWLEDGES THERE WERE RISKS IN THE CHINESE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT WHILE THEY HAD GIVEN MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO LIBERATION MOVEMENTS EARLIER, THEY HAD WITHDRAWN THIS ASSISTANCE FOLLOWING INDEPENDENCE OF ANGOLA. HE DESCRIBED THIS AS A PRINCIPLED CHINESE STAND BUT RECOGNIZED THAT IT RAN THE RISK THAT THE SOVIETS WOULD BE SUCCESSFUL IN THE SHORT RUN OF TAKING OVER ANGOLA THROUGH A VICTORY BY THE MPLA. HOWEVER, THE CHINESE LOOK AT THESE MATTERS IN LONGER TERMS AND SOVIET ASCENDANCY WOULD NOT ENDURE. HUANG HUA INDICATED EFFORTS SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE MADE TO KEEP THE SOVIETS FROM TAKING OVER ANGOLA. HE IMPLIED THAT AMERICANS SHOULD BE ACTIVE IN THE SITUATION BUT IT SEEMED EQUALLY CLEAR ACCORDING TO THE MISSION THAT HE WOULD NOT MIND SEEING BOTH SOVIETS AND AMERICANS CRITICIZED FOR INTERVENTION IN ANGOLA. HE ASSERTED THAT THE NIGERIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, WHO HAD BEEN TO THE UN ON A VISIT, HAD BEEN AS SURPRISED AS ANYONE AT THE NIGERIAN RECOGNITION OF THE MPLA. (HORAN)

CHILEAN INVITATION TO HOST OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY: CHILE'S INVITATION TO HOST THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY WON THE SUPPORT OF A MAJORITY OF OAS MEMBERS IN THE GENERAL COMMITTEE OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL THURSDAY. MEXICO AND JAMAICA VOTED AGAINST CHILE AS THE SITE. SEVEN COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE U.S., ABSTAINED. THE PERMANENT COUNCIL WILL NOW VOTE ON THE QUESTION NEXT WEEK, WITH APPROVAL BY THE SAME MARGIN ALMOST A CERTAINTY. NO DELEGATION HAS YET STATED FLATLY IT WOULD BOYCOTT A MEETING IN SANTIAGO. (BROWNELL)

PERON GOVERNMENT SUFFERS CONGRESSIONAL SETBACKS: MRS. PERON SUFFERED TWO SERIOUS DEFEATS IN THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES WEDNESDAY. WITH AN OPEN SPLIT IN HER PARTY BETWEEN THOSE SUPPORTING HER AND THOSE OPPOSING HER, PRESIDENT PERON LOST HER MAJORITY IN THE CHAMBER. ADDITIONALLY SHE FAILED IN HER CONCERTED EFFORT TO BLOCK LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS BY EXECUTIVE OFFICIALS (I.E., MRS. PERON HERSELF AND FORMER ADVISER LOPEZ REGA). THE SIZE OF THE VOTE ON THIS ISSUE SHOWS CLEARLY THE HIGH DEGREE OF DISENCHANTMENT WITH HER. (BROWNELL)

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