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SUBJECT: GERMAN MEDIA REACTION REPORT, 9:00 A.M.

FOLLOWING IS REVIEW OF GERMAN NEWSPAPERS OF
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A. SUMMARY

ABOUT HALF OF THE PAPERS ON SATURDAY LED WITH
REPORTS ON THE CONTROVERSY AMONG THE BONN POLITICAL
PARTIES OVER ACTION TAKEN AT THE CELLE PRISON IN LOWER
SAXONY BY WEST GERMAN SECURITY AGENCIES EIGHT YEARS AGO
IN TRYING TO INFILTRATE THE WEST GERMAN TERRORIST
SCENE. OTHER MAJOR TOPICS TODAY AND OVER THE WEEKEND
INCLUDED THE DECISION BY THE EC AGRICULTURAL MINISTERS
ON LOWERING FARM PRICES, CHANCELLOR KOHL'S STATEMENT IN
SUPPORT OF **KURT WALDHEIM**, AND PREVIEWS OF THE TOKYO
ECONOMIC SUMMIT.

B. LEAD STORIES

A. CELLE PRISON

MANY SATURDAY PAPERS LED WITH REPORTS ON THE
CONTROVERSY AMONG THE BONN POLITICAL PARTIES OVER THE
BOMB EXPLOSION ORCHESTRATED BY WEST GERMAN SECURITY
AGENCIES AT THE CELLE PRISON EIGHT YEARS AGO IN AN
ATTEMPT TO INFILTRATE THE WEST GERMAN TERRORIST SCENE.
WHILE LOWER SAXONY STATE PREMIER ERNST ALBRECHT (CDU)
DEFENDED THE ACTION, LEADERS OF SOME OTHER PARTIES

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STRONGLY CRITICIZED IT.

B. EC FARM PRICES

THE DECISION BY THE EC AGRICULTURAL MINISTERS TO UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 03 BONN 13341

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FREEZE PRICES FOR SOME AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND TO LOWER PRICES FOR SOME OTHERS WAS THE NUMBER-TWO NEWS TOPIC ON SATURDAY. SEVERAL PAPERS STRESSED THAT FRG AGRICULTURAL MINISTER IGNAZ KIECHLE (CSU) TRIED HARD TO PREVENT THE DECISION BUT REFRAINED FROM RESORTING TO HIS VETO POWER.

C. KURT WALDHEIM

TWO PAPERS LED WITH REPORTS ON CHANCELLOR KOHL'S REMARKS IN SUPPORT OF AUSTRIAN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE **KURT WALDHEIM**. KOHL'S REMARKS WERE SAID TO HAVE GIVEN RISE TO HEAVY CRITICISM IN ISRAEL AND IN THE AUSTRIAN SOCIALIST PARTY.

MANY SATURDAY PAPERS REFERRED TO A SUGGESTION BY THE U.S. JUSTICE DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATION THAT WALDHEIM BE BARRED FROM THE U.S. BECAUSE OF CHARGES THAT HE WAS INVOLVED IN WORLD WAR II ATROCITIES.

D. ECONOMIC SUMMIT

THE PRO-SPD NEUE RUHR ZEITUNG OF ESSEN LED WITH A REPORT ON STATEMENTS BY PRESIDENT REAGAN AND OTHER POLITICAL LEADERS ON THE UPCOMING ECONOMIC SUMMIT. OTHER PAPERS COVERED CARRIED REPORTS ON THIS SUBJECT ON FRONT OR INSIDE PAGES.

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E. HERMES PROJECT

THE INDEPENDENT/LIBERAL SUEDEDEUTSCHE ZEITUNG OF MUNICH LED WITH A REPORT ON STATEMENTS BY FRG RESEARCH MINISTER HEINZ RIESENHUBER (CDU) THAT HE EXPECTS THE BONN GOVERNMENT TO TAKE A POSITIVE DECISION ON THE FRENCH-INITIATED "HERMES" SPACE SHUTTLE PROJECT LATER THIS YEAR. RIESENHUBER "CONFIRMED THE EXISTENCE OF DIFFICULTIES IN THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH NASA AND THE EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY (ESA) OVER PROBLEMS OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER IN CONNECTION WITH THE AMERICAN 'COLUMBUS' SPACE STATION PROJECT, THE PAPER SAID

C. OTHER TOPICS

A. AMBASSADOR BURT

THE LEFT-OF-CENTER NEWS MAGAZINE DER SPIEGEL OF HAMBURG CARRIED A REPORT BY VALESKA VON ROQUES ON HER INTERVIEW WITH AMBASSADOR RICHARD BURT. ASKED WHY THE GREAT, POWERFUL AMERICA HAD CHOSEN FOR ITS MILITARY ACTIONS SUCH SMALL COUNTRIES AS GRENADA AND LIBYA, THE AMBASSADOR WAS QUOTED AS ASKING IN RETURN WHETHER THE UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 03 BONN 13341

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U.S. SHOULD HAVE ATTACKED THE SOVIET UNION. VALESKA VON ROQUE SAID THAT THE AMBASSADOR, DESPITE HIS "OFFENSIVE OF CHARM," DID NOT SUCCEED IN HIS FIRST MONTHS IN BONN TO ELIMINATE THE IMPRESSION OF ACTING AS AN "IMPERIAL PROCONSUL."

IN THEIR SATURDAY EDITIONS, THE INDEPENDENT/LIBERAL SUEDEDEUTSCHE ZEITUNG OF MUNICH AND SEVERAL OTHER PAPERS COVERED THE AMBASSADOR'S SPEECH AT THE AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN MUNICH. HEADLINES SAID THAT HE CALLED

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FOR A "POLICY OF SANCTIONS," THAT HE WARNED AGAINST OVERESTIMATING THE DIFFERENCES IN THE ALLIANCE, THAT HE URGED AMERICANS TO VISIT GERMANY, AND THAT HE PRAISED THE SECURITY MEASURES TAKEN BY THE FRG.

B. BONN COALITION

THE MASS-CIRCULATION CONSERVATIVE BILD ZEITUNG OF HAMBURG REPORTED SPECULATION ON ESTABLISHING A CDU/CSU-SPD "GRAND COALITION" IN BONN AFTER THE GENERAL ELECTIONS SCHEDULED FOR NEXT JANUARY. IN SUCH A "GRAND COALITION," THE PAPER SAID, HELMUT KOHL (CDU) WOULD BE CHANCELLOR AND JOHANNES RAU (SPD) VICE-CHANCELLOR AND FOREIGN MINISTER. CATHERMAN

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