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PARIS - MONDAY JUNE 9

LEAD STORIES:

1. **KURT WALDHEIM'S** ELECTION
2. EXPULSION OF MASSOUD RAJAVI FROM FRANCE AND VISIT TO PARIS TODAY OF IRAKI FOREIGN MINISTER TAREK AZIZ

OTHER STORIES COVERED IN REPORT:

3. SALT II
4. SAUDI ARMS SALE
5. REPORT ON NASA AND CHALLENGER
6. CONTADORA NEGOTIATIONS

(B) SUMMARY OF TYPE OF COVERAGE:

1. **KURT WALDHEIM'S** ELECTION IS FRONT-PAGE AND EDITORIAL TOPIC. RADIO NEWS CITES REACTION FROM WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS AND 'EMBARASSMENT' IN WASHINGTON.

2. DEPARTURE FROM PARIS FOR BAGHDAD OF MUJAHIDIN LEADER MASSOUD RADJAVI, IS MAIN STORY TODAY. FRENCH PRESS DESCRIBES DEPARTURE AS 'OUSTER' OR 'EXPULSION IN DISGUISE' OR 'VOLUNTARY DEPARTURE.' REPORTS SAY DEPARTURE IS A GESTURE TO IRAN TO OBTAIN RELEASE OF FRENCH HOSTAGES IN LEBANON. IRAQI FOREIGN MINISTER'S VISIT TO PARIS TODAY IS ALSO HEADLINED.

3. LIBERATION SAYS CONTROVERSY OVER SALT II IN WASHINGTON HAS BECOME A REAL BATTLE.

4. SENATE VOTE ON SALE OF MISSILES TO SAUDI ARABIA GOT SIGNIFICANT INSIDE-PAGE COVERAGE IN WEEKEND PAPERS WHICH DESCRIBED VOTE AS A HARD-WON VICTORY FOR PRESIDENT REAGAN.

MONDAY RADIO PROGRAMS AND MAIN NEWSPAPERS REPORT ON SPACE COMMISSION REPORT SUBMITTED TO PRESIDENT REAGAN ON NASA AND CHALLENGER TRAGEDY.

6. LIBERATION REPORTS VISIT TO PARIS OF NICARAGUAN VICE PREMIER AND CARRIES BRIEF INTERVIEW IN WHICH HE EXPRESSES CONFIDENCE THAT CONTADORA GROUP WILL REACH ACCORD ACCEPTABLE FOR NICARAGUA.

(C) HEADLINES:

1. **KURT WALDHEIM** ELECTION:

"CLEAR VICTORY" "ELECTED IN SPITE OF EVERYTHING"
(QUOTIDIEN)

"AUSTRIA BURIES ITS MEMORY" "WALDHEIM'S ANSCHLUSS" (LE
MATIN)

"IN A DEMOCRATIC WAY" (LIBERATION)

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2. OUSTER OF LEADER OF IRAN'S MAIN OPPOSITION GROUP:

"NORMALIZATION" (LES ECHOS)
"FORCED DEPARTURE FOR RAJAVI" (PARISIEN)
"PARIS' TOKEN TO TEHRAN" "IRAQI FOREIGN MINISTER IN
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PARIS" (QUOTIDIEN)

"RAJAVI SACRIFICED FOR REASON OF STATE" (LE MATIN)
"FIRST INSTALLMENT FOR THE HOSTAGES" "ONE OF THE
IRANIAN CONDITIONS FOR THE RELEASE OF THE HOSTAGES IN
LEBANON" "FRANCE-IRAQ: FRIENDSHIP IS PRICELESS"
(LIBERATION)

3. SALT II:

"TOUGH BATTLE IN WASHINGTON OVER SALT II" (LIBERATION)

4. SAUDI ARMS SALE:

"REAGAN'S DIFFICULT VICTORY" (FIGARO)
"REAGAN HARD-WON VICTORY" (LE MATIN)
"CLOSE VICTORY FOR SAUDI ARABIA" (LIBERATION)

5. REPORT ON CHALLENGER:

"SPACE: AMERICA IS BIDDING ITS TIME" (FIGARO)
"NASA UNDER SURVEILLANCE: LESS POWER, LESS PRIDE" (LES
ECHOS)NASA:

6. CONTADORA NEGOTIATIONS AND VISIT TO PARIS OF
NICARAGUAN VICE-PRESIDENT:

"PEACE IN CENTRAL AMERICA MARKING TIME AGAIN"
(LIBERATION)
(D) SUPPORTING TEXT:

1. KURT WALDHEIM:

RIGHT-OF-CENTER QUOTIDIEN ON PAGE 25: "...RATHER THAN
HURTING HIM, THE ACCUSATIONS AGAINST HIS PAST

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CONTRIBUTED TO HIS ELECTION...THIS APPARENT MASOCHISM, WHICH THE ELECTORATE MIGHT REGRET WHEN SOME COUNTRIES REFUSE TO RECEIVE HIM, CANNOT BE EXPLAINED BY PURELY BY POLITICAL MOTIVES. INDEED THE POOR RESULTS ACHIEVED BY STEYRER CAN BE BLAMED ON A DESIRE TO PUNISH THE SOCIALISTS...BUT, AS A WHOLE, THE ELECTORATE REACTED BY CLOSING THE RANKS, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO WERE IN A SIMILAR SITUATION DURING THE WAR AND WHO SEEM TO REMEMBER ONLY THAT AUSTRIA WAS THE FIRST VICTIM OF NAZISM...."

PRO-SOCIALIST LE MATIN ON PAGE 10: "THUS AUSTRIA WILL BE RUN BY A MAN WHO HID HIS (NAZI) PAST AND WHO, ONCE UNMASKED, USED IT TO WIN WITH THE ELECTORATE...HE ATTACKED PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS AND THE U.S. MEDIA WHICH, HE SAID, ORCHESTRATED A CALOMNIOUS CAMPAIGN AGAINST HIM...THE DEBATE IS NOT INTERESTING. WE KNOW WHO HE WAS."

2. DEPARTURE OF MASSOUD RAJAVI AND VISIT OF IRAQ FOREIGN MINISTER TO PARIS:

ECONOMIC LES ECHOS EDITORIAL: RAJAVI'S 'VOLUNTARY' DEPARTURE CORRESPONDS WITH THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT'S CONCERN WITH IMPROVING ITS RELATIONS WITH UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 05 PARIS 26393

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IRAN...AYATOLLAH KHOMEINI MUST BE GIGGLING, HE WHO VIGOROUSLY ATTACKED THE SHAH DURING HIS STAY IN FRANCE AT NEAUPHLE-LE-CHATEAU...THERE REMAINS OUR POLICY WITH BAGHDAD...INSTEAD OF ARMS, WE ARE SENDING THEM THE AYATOLLAH'S MAIN OPPONENT...TALLEYRAND WAS RIGHT: DIPLOMACY IS NO BUSINESS FOR COMMON PEOPLE."

RIGHT-OF-CENTER QUOTIDIEN ON PAGE 26: "...PARIS IS MAKING AN IMPORTANT GESTURE TOWARD IRAN...."

RIGHT-OF-CENTER QUOTIDIEN ON PAGE 27: "THE VISIT OF THE IRAQI FOREIGN MINISTER TO PARIS TODAY SHOWS FRANCE'S CONCERN WITH MAINTAINING SPECIAL RELATIONS WITH BAGHDAD IN SPITE OF THE OVERTURES MADE TOWARD TEHRAN...FRENCH

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OFFICIALS CLEARLY EXPLAINED TO IRANIAN LEADERS THAT A COMPROMISE COULD BE FOUND TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM BETWEEN FRANCE AND IRAN BUT THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN FRANCE AND IRAQ COULD NOT BE CALLED INTO QUESTION...."

PRO-SOCIALIST LE MATIN ON PAGE 11 BY REPORTERS FRANK JOHANNES AND SOPHIE JACQUIN: "...HENCE RAJAVI IS PAYING FOR THE FRANCO-IRANIAN RAPPROCHEMENT. TEHRAN HAD SET THE PRICE FOR NORMALIZATION WITH FRANCE: REIMBURSEMENT OF THE EURODIF LOAN OF ONE BILLION DOLLARS, FRANCE'S NEUTRALITY IN THE IRAN-IRAQ CONFLICT, AND A REDUCTION OF ANTI-KHOMEINI ACTIVITIES IN FRANCE. THE FIRST CONDITION IS CURRENTLY BEING SETTLED. THE SECOND ONE IS MORE DELICATE AND PARIS AFFIRMS THAT IT WILL NOT CALL IN QUESTION ITS ALLIANCE WITH IRAQ. THE THIRD CONDITION WAS MET THIS WEEKEND...WILL PARIS' GESTURE ENCOURAGE TEHRAN TO USE ITS INFLUENCE WITH THE LEBANESE KIDNAPPERS?...ONE MORE STEP HAD BEEN TAKEN TOWARD NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS BETWEEN FRANCE AND IRAN. MOST IRANIAN DEMANDS WERE ANSWERED POSITIVELY OR ARE ABOUT TO BE. THERE REMAINS THE FRANCO-IRAQ ALLIANCE. CAN THE OBSTACLE BE OVERCOME?"

LEFT-OF-CENTER LIBERATION ON PAGE 5: "EVERYTHING HAS BEEN DONE TO HONOR IRAQI FOREIGN MINISTER TAREK AZIZ DURING HIS 48-HOUR VISIT TO PARIS...HOWEVER, THE EXERCISE IS NOT EASY. IRAQ IS GOING THROUGH A DIFFICULT ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL CRISIS...NEW CONTRACTS WITH IRAQ WILL CERTAINLY IRRITATE TEHRAN...WITH THEIR SPECTACULAR POLICE OPERATION AGAINST THE MUJAHIDINS IN FRANCE, PARIS OFFICIALS ARE TRYING TO MAINTAIN AN IMPOSSIBLE BALANCE BETWEEN THEIR POLITICAL ALLIANCE WITH IRAQ AND THEIR DETERMINATION TO RESTORE RELATIONS WITH TEHRAN. MASSOUD RAJAVI WAS THE FIRST ONE TO PAY THE PRICE."

LEFT-OF-CENTER LIBERATION EDITORIAL ON PAGE 3: "...FRANCE'S 'PRESENTS' TO IRAN CAN ONLY FACILITATE THE PATH TOWARD TAKING AWAY SOME OF THE KIDNAPPERS ARGUMENTS. BUT IT WOULD BE HAZARDOUS TO SAY THAT A HAPPY ENDING IS NEAR, ESPECIALLY BECAUSE THE FRENCH CONCESSIONS COULD BE A REASON FOR MORE DEMANDS...."

3. SALT II:

LEFT-OF-CENTER LIBERATION ON PAGE 35 BY FOREIGN EDITOR UNCLAS SECTION 04 OF 05 PARIS 26393

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CARLOS DE SA REGO: "RICHARD PERLE DID NOT MINCE HIS WORDS BEFORE THE HOUSE ARMED SERVICE SUBCOMMITTEE LAST THURSDAY. HE DID NOT HESITATE TO SAY: 'CONGRESS WILL EITHER STAND WITH THE ADMINISTRATION OR WITH THE SOVIETS.' A STATEMENT WHICH HAD THE RESULT OF INFURIATING CONGRESSMEN WHO SIMPLY HAVE DOUBTS ABOUT THE CORRECTNESS OF THE WHITE HOUSE DECISION TO NO LONGER RESPECT THE TERM OF SALT II TREATY. THE DECISION IS FAR FROM BEING UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED IN THE U.S....SETTLEMENTS OF ACCOUNTS WITHIN THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION ARE INCREASING THE CONFUSION PREVAILING IN U.S. ARMS POLICY...THE WHITE HOUSE DENOUNCES THE FORMAL COMPACT RULING COMPETITION BETWEEN THE TWO SUPERPOWERS BUT HAS NOTHING TO OFFER IN EXCHANGE. IT TAKES THE RISK OF RELAUNCHING THE ARMS RACE AT A TIME WHEN THERE IS NO CONSENSUS IN THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION ON A DEFENSE POLICY, AT A TIME WHEN EUROPEAN ALLIES ARE CLEARLY OPPOSING WASHINGTON IN THIS AREA, AND AFTER GORBACHEV HAS LAUNCHED ONE OF THE BIGGEST SOVIET POST-WAR 'PEACE OFFENSIVES'."

4. SAUDI ARMS SALE:

CONSERVATIVE (WEEKEND) FIGARO ON PAGE 2 : "THE ONE-VOTE VICTORY WAS BOTH A SUPPORT AND A WARNING...."

PRO-SOCIALIST (WEEKEND) LE MATIN ON PAGE 13: "THE VICTORY WON IN THE SENATE BY THE PRESIDENT ALLOWED THE ADMINISTRATION TO HAVE THE LAST WORD IN THE INTENSE DEBATE AGITATING WASHINGTON...THE OUTCOME OF THE VOTE WAS UNCERTAIN UNTIL THE END AND THE NARROW FINAL SCORE GIVES THIS VICTORY A BITTER TASTE OF DEFEAT."

LEFT-OF-CENTER (WEEKEND) LIBERATION ON PAGE 33: "THE SENATORS WERE UNABLE TO OPPOSE THE SALE OF MISSILES TO SAUDI ARABIA. CAUGHT BETWEEN REAGAN'S SUPPORT AND THE PRO-ISRAELI LOBBIES, CONGRESSMEN HAVE A HARD TIME MAKING UP THEIR MIND A FEW MONTHS BEFORE THE ELECTIONS...."

5. REPORT ON CHALLENGER:

CONSERVATIVE FIGARO ON PAGE 12 BY REPORTER JEAN-PAUL CROIZE: "THE CHALLENGER TRAGEDY CALLS U.S. SUPREMACY IN SPACE INTO QUESTION. THE SOVIETS AND CHINESE WILL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE U.S. AND EUROPEAN PROBLEMS IN SPACE...."

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ECONOMIC LES ECHOS ON PAGE 9 BY REPORTER DIDIER PAVY:
"...THE REPORT IS CRUSHING FOR NASA....WILLIAM LUCAS
ANNOUNCED HIS RETIREMENT....WILLIAM GRAHAM HAS BEEN
TRANSFERED....AFTER THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THESE DECISIONS
AIMED AT RESTORING THE CONFIDENCE OF THE U.S. PUBLIC IN
THE SPACE PROGRAM, WE NOTE TO WHAT EXTENT NASA IS MORE
THAN EVER IN THE HANDS OF A PRESIDENT WHO LISTENS TO
THE SIREN SONGS OF THE PENTAGON."

6. CONTADORA NEGOTIATIONS:
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LEFT-OF-CENTER LIBERATION ON CONTADORA NEGOTIATIONS
WITH INTERVIEW WITH NICARAGUAN VICE-PRESIDENT RAMIREZ
DURING HIS VISIT TO PARIS. INTERVIEW AND REPORT BY
CHRISTIAN MARTIN: "THE CONTADORA GROUP IS WORKING ON A
NEW PEACE TREATY. THE FORMER ONE WAS REJECTED, BY
MANAGUA, NOTABLY. THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF NICARAGUA
SEEMS MODERATELY OPTIMISTIC IN SPITE OF THE U.S.
REFUSAL TO 'SOFTEN' ITS POLICY. RAMIREZ WANTS TO
APPEAR AS A PEACE LEADER, AND AS A MAN OF GOOD WILL.
HE ALSO WANTS TO APPEAR AS A DEMOCRAT. HE WAS NOT
SHOCKED THAT AFTER BEING RECEIVED BY MITTERRAND HE WAS
NOT RECEIVED BY MR. CHIRAC ALTHOUGH HE HAD ASKED TO SEE
"M."

EXCERPTS OF INTERVIEW WITH RAMIREZ IN LIBERATION:

QUESTION: WIAT DO YOU MEAN BY 'THE END OF U.S.
AGGRESSION?

RAMIREZ: FIRST THE ESSENTIAL. THE U.S. MUST END THEIR
MILITARY AND LOGISTICAL SUPPORT TO
COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARIES. THEN THEY MUST ENGAGE IN
RESPECTING A PEACE ACCORD -- A LIMITATION OF THE
IMPORTANCE AND THE TYPE OF THEIR MILITARY PRESENCE IN
CENTRAL AMERICA.

QUESTION: DO YOU EXPECT THAT THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION
WOULD RESPECT SUCH A COMMITMENT?

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RAMIREZ: "NO. BUT WE WOULD HAVE CONFIDENCE IN AN ACCORD SIGNED BY FIVE CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES, SUPPORTED BY EIGHT LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES AND BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. IN ANY EVENT WE WILL SIGN THIS ACCORD. IF THE U.S. DO NOT RESPECT IT OR IF IT WANTS NO ACCORD, THIS PEACE ACT WILL NOT HAVE MUCH VALUE...."

INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE - MONDAY JUNE 9

FRONTPAGE REPORTS: WP FROM PARIS: "FOE OF IRAN REGIME LEAVES FRANCE, IS WELCOMED IN IRAQ;" NYT FROM WASHINGTON: "REAGAN TO ASSERT SOVIET SENDS ARMS TO MANAGUA;" WP FROM WARSAW: "CHERNOBYL CREATES A NEW TIGHTROPE."

EDITPAGE: WP: "THE TWO POLLARD CASES;" NYT: "HAMMERING CANADIANS;" WP: "A U.S. WAR ON SMOKING."

COLUMNS: RESTON: "RAGAN IS SAILING ALLIED LEADERS INTO POLITICAL STORMS;" ROSENFELD: "TAKING A SOFTHEADED STANCE ON SALT;" SAFIRE: "THE ISRAELIS MUST PUNISH, NOT REWARD, THEIR ROGUES;" STRAUSS: "AFTERWARD, IT WILL BE BUSINESS AS USUAL;" WANANDI: "INDONESIA MUST TAKE LEAD IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT." COURTNEY
END OF MESSAGE

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