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SHULTZ-SHEVARDNADZE TALKS

1. CITING THE STATEMENTS MADE BY U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE SHULTZ AND SOVIET FM SHEVARDNADZE YESTERDAY, AUSTRIAN PAPERS TODAY CALLED THE VIENNA MEETINGS "A FAILURE" THAT MIGHT FORESHADOW A TEMPORARY "GLACIAL PERIOD" IN RELATIONS BETWEEN THE SUPERPOWERS. (INDEPENDENT DIE PRESSE, INDEPENDENT KURIER, INDEPENDENT KRONENZEITUNG, NOVEMBER 7)

SHULTZ AND VRANITZKY AFFIRM THAT RELATIONS ARE EXCELLENT

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2. AT A BRIEF MEETING BETWEEN SHULTZ AND CHANCELLOR VRANITZKY YESTERDAY, BILATERAL RELATIONS WERE CALLED "EXCELLENT" BY BOTH SIDES. AFTER PRAISING AUSTRIA, SHULTZ EXPRESSED GREAT SATISFACTION WITH U.S.-AUSTRIAN AGREEMENTS REGARDING TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS, WITH AUSTRIA'S ANTI-TERRORIST MEASURES AND ITS COMMITMENT TO FIGHT FOR CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS. ASKED BY A JOURNALIST WHY HE HAD NOT PAID A CALL ON WALDHEIM, SHULTZ REPLIED HE WAS "SEEING THE BOSS" (VRANITZKY). (IN A BRIEF COMMENT ON SHULTZ' VIENNA SCHEDULE, THE DAILY "DIE PRESSE" CRITICIZED HIS FAILURE TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT KURT WALDHEIM). (INDEPENDENT DIE PRESSE, INDEPENDENT KRONENZEITUNG, SEMI-OFFICIAL WIENER ZEITUNG, NOVEMBER 7, ORF NEWS, NOVEMBER 6)

FM JANKOWITSCH ON AUSTRIA'S IMAGE IN THE U.S.

3. IN A TV INTERVIEW JANKOWITSCH REPORTED HE HAD ASKED THE U.S. TO ASSIST AUSTRIA TO IMPROVE ITS IMAGE IN THE UNITED STATES. HE HAD TOLD SHULTZ THAT "AUSTRIA IS BOTH DEEPLY CONCERNED AND HURT BY THE DISTORTED PICTURE" THAT HAS BEEN PRESENTED IN THE U.S. THE AUSTRIAN FM SAID HE WAS "OPTIMISTIC" THAT, AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVERSATION WITH SHULTZ, THE AMERICAN SIDE NOW WOULD APPROACH THE DECISON ON WALDHEIM (WHETHER TO PUT THE AUSTRIAN PRESIDENT ON THE "WATCH LIST") MORE SYMPATHETICALLY. (ORF NEWS, NOVEMBER 6, INDEPENDENT KRONENZEITUNG, NOVEMBER 7.

WALDHEIM INTERVIEW

4. THE RECENT "ABSURD ACCUSATIONS BY THE 'WASHINGTON POST' AND THE 'NEW YORK TIMES' HAVE TURNED OUT TO BE HIGHLY EMBARASSING FOR THOSE PAPERS", PRESIDENT WALDHEIM SAID IN AN INTERVIEW GIVEN TO THE AUSTRIAN WEEKLY "WOCHENPRESSE". ASKED ABOUT HIS WARTIME SERVICE IN YUGOSLAVIA, WALDHEIM STRESSED THAT HE HAD BEEN IN THE KOZARA REGION AS A SUPPLY OFFICER BUT HAD NEVER PARTICIPATED IN COMBAT ACTIONS THERE. WALDHEIM ALSO CATEGORICALLY DENIED RECENT REPORTS CLAIMING THAT HE WAS BEING INCREASINGLY SNUBBED ON THE INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC POLITICAL SCENE. WITH REGARD TO THE PENDING DECISION BY THE U.S. AS TO WHETHER TO PUT HIM ON THE "WATCH LIST", WALDHEIM SAID HE HOPED TO BENEFIT FROM THE "CALMER POLITICAL CLIMATE FOLLOWING THE CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS IN THE U.S." ASKED ABOUT SECRETARY SHULTZ' REPORTED RELUCTANCE TO MEET WITH HIM IN VIENNA, WALDHEIM SAID "SHULTZ MUST DECIDE FOR HIMSELF WHAT TO DO". AFTER ALL, HE (WALDHEIM) HAD ALREADY RECEIVED A NUMBER OF WESTERN FMS SO FAR, WALDHEIM ADDED. ON DOMESTIC POLITICS, WALDHEIM REMARKED THAT HE WAS

AGAINST A "MINORITY GOVERNMENT". (INDEPENDENT DIE WOCHENPRESSE, NOVEMBER 7)

MORE VISITORS FOR WALDHEIM

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5. SO FAR, FMS FROM THE SOVIET UNION, ITAL ?,
INLAND, TH SSR, CY
PRUS AND SWITZERLAN A CALLED
ON PRESIDENT WALD M THE4 ARGINS OF THE CSCE REVIEW
CONFERENCE. TODAY THE HUNGARIAN AND WEST GERMAN FMS WILL
MEET WITH THE AUSTRIAN PRESIDENT. YESTERDAY ALSO SAW A
MEETING BETWEEN WALDHEIM AND THE AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR TO
ISRAEL, PLEINERT, WHO HAD BEEN RECALLED BY AUSTRIA
AFTER THE RECENT DIPLOMATIC CONTROVERSY. (INDEPENDENT
DIE PRESSE, NOVEMBER 7)

AUSTRIAN AND ITALIAN FMS DISCUSS SOUTH TYROL

6. AT A MEETING BETWEEN AUSTRIAN FM PETER JANKOWITSCH AND ITALIAN FM GIULIO ANDREOTTI, JANKOWITSCH STRESSED THE GOA VIEW THAT ITALY MUST MOVE QUICKLY TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT SECURING THE RIGHTS OF THE GERMAN-SPEAKING MINORITY IN SOUTH TYROL. (MOST PAPERS, E.G. SEMI-OFFICIAL WIENER ZEITUNG, NOVEMBER 7)

CSCE PARALLEL EVENTS

7. ---ACCORDING TO A NEWS REPORT, SOVIET 1ST DEPUTY FM KOVALYOV HAS RECEIVED A LIST OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS HANDED TO HIM BY THE "INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS"

---THE U.S. GROUP "SEPARATED MARRIED COUPLES" WAS RECEIVED BY SOVIET OFFICIALS, A REPORT SAID.
--- (4 # PRE S CONFERENCE, THE U.S. HUMAN RIGHTS ORGANIZATION "FREEDOM HOUSE" DREW ATTENTION TO FATE OF SOVIET ARMY DESERTERS, WHO WERE FORCED TO LIVE AS TO FUGITIVES IN AFGHANISTAN BECAUSE WESTERN NATIONS WERE RELUCTANT TO ACCEPT THEM AS IMMIGRANTS.
---IN FRONT OF VIENNA'S ST. STEPHEN'S CATHEDRAL, A GROUP OF CATHOLIC ACTIVISTS HELD A "NIGHT WATCH" NO 4EMBER 6 TO PROTEST AGA NST "THE PERSECUTION OF CHRISTIANS IN WESTERN COUNTRIES.((RENDENT DIE PRESSE, SOCIALIST

AZ, NOVEMBER 7)

VRANITZKY AND MOCK DRAW TV DEBATE

8. ACCORDING TO POLITICAL OBSERVERS, BOTH CHANCELLOR VRANITZKY AND OVP LEADER MOCK CAME OUT EVEN IN LA T !R GHT'S E E Y -ANTICIPATE "SHOW-DOWN" DEBAPE.
TIME TV. THE DISCUSSION PRIMARILY FOCUSED ON ECONOMIC ISSUES AND DID NOT COVER "ANYTHING WE HAVE NOT HEARD BEFORE", COMMENTATORS NOTED. (ALL PAPERS, E.G. INDEPENDENT KURIER, NOVEMBER 7) LAUDER

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