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PARIS - TUESDAY APRIL 28

LEADS: ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER SHAMIR'S VISIT TO PARIS; U.S. DECISION CONCERNING AUSTRIAN PRESIDENT KURT WALDHEIM; GROWING UNEMPLOYMENT IN FRANCE; FRENCH INTERIOR MINISTER PASQUA'S CAMPAIGN AGAINST PORNOGRAPHY.

- (A) STORIES COVERED IN REPORT:
- 1. GENEVA TALKS
- 2. U.S. DOLLAR, NAKASONE VISIT TO WASHINGTON
- 3. ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO PARIS AND PROSPECTS FOR MIDEAST PEACE CONFERENCE
- 4. KURT WALDHEIM
- (B) SUMMARY OF TYPE OF COVERAGE:
- 1. ANNOUNCEMENT THAT MOSCOW PRESENTED DRAFT TREATY IN GENEVA IS HEADLINED. EUROPEAN DEBATE ON ELIMINATION OF NUCLEAR ARMS FROM EUROPE AND WEU MEETING IN LUXEMBOURG; RECOMMENDATIONS TO PRESIDENT REAGAN BY NIXON AND KISSINGER AND ANNOUNCEMENT THAT FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER RAIMOND WILL GO TO WASHINGTON NEXT THURSDAY FOR A MEETING WITH SECRETARY SHULTZ ARE MAIN TOPICS ON DISARMAMENT. LE MATIN BELIEVES EUROPE WILL PROVIDE ANSWER AT VENICE SUMMIT.
- 2. FINANCIAL PAPERS FRONTPAGE HEADLINES ON DECLINE OF THE DOLLAR REPORTED WHICH REPORTEDLY IS WEAKENING THE FRENCH FRANC. REPORTS NOTE FRENCH FINANCE MINISTER'S REMARKS HOPING THAT MONETARY DECISION WILL BE MADE IN VENICE. RADIO NEWS SAY DOLLAR IS STRENGTHENING FOLLOWING REMARKS MADE BY PRESIDENT REAGNAN. HIS CALL AGAINST PROTECTIONISM IS ALSO NOTED..
- 3. TELEVISION AND RADIO NEWS HEADLINE REMARKS BY SHAMIR AND CHIRAC OPPOSING A MIDEAST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE.
- 4. U.S. DECISION CONCERNING **KURT WALDHEIM** IS OPENING ON TELEVISION AND RADIO MORNING NEWS. FACTUAL REPORTS UNDERLINE THAT PRESIDENT REAGAN PERSONALLY ANNOUNCED DECISION TO AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR. REPORTS ALSO QUOTE UNHAPPY REMARKS BY AUSTRIAN OFFICIALS.
- (C) HEADLINES:
- 1. DISARMAMENT:
- "GORBACHEV PLAN: A TEST FOR EUROPE'S UNITY" "WEU: H TO ANSWER GORBACHEV" "SHORT-RANGE MISSILES: SOVIET DRAFT TREATY" (FIGARO)
- "A REALISTIC APPROACH" (LES ECHOS)
- "NIXON WARNS REAGAN" (PARISIEN)
- "NIXON, KISSINGER WARN REAGAN" "JEAN-BERNARD RAIMOND NEXT THURSDAY IN WASHINGTON" (QUOTIDIEN)
- "EUROPE PREPARING ANSWER" (LE MATIN)
- "WEU AT PEACE CROSSROAD" "NATO PRESSURE" (HUMANITE)

"EUROPEANS ARE EMBARRASSED" (LIBERATION)

2. U.S. DOLLAR - NAKASONE U.S. VISIT:

"DOLLAR WITHOUT PROTECTION" (LA TRIBUNE) UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 06 PARIS 21555

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"DOLLAR PLUNGE WEAKENS FRANC" (FRANCE-SOIR)
"PERSISTING WEAKNESS OF DOLLAR PUNISHES FRANC"
"DOLLAR'S DROP CONTINUES" (LES ECHOS)
"DOLLAR FREE FALL" (LE MATIN)

3. SHAMIR'S VISIT TO PARIS:

"DEBATE ON PEACE CONFERENCE" (FIGARO)
"PEACE" (LES ECHOS)
"SHAMIR IN PARIS: 'NO MIDEAST CONFERENCE'" (PARISIEN)"
"SHAMIR: 'CHIRAC DOES NOT FAVOR INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE'" (LE MATIN)

4. KURT WALDHEIM:

"WALDHEIM UNDESİRABLE" (FIGARO)
"U.S. BLACK LIST" (QUOTIDIEN)
"WALDHEIM BANNED IN AMERICA" (LIBERATION)

(D) SUPPORTING TEXT:

1. DISARMAMENT:

RADIO FRANCE-INTER AT 8 A.M.: "THE EUROPEANS ARE CLOSELY STUDYING THE PROPOSALS MADE BY GORBACHEV. THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT IN LUXEMBOURG WANTS EUROPE'S VOICE TO BE HEARD. ACCORDING TO A FRENCH DIPLOMAT, 'DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITIES HAVE NEVER BEEN SO INTENSE IN EUROPE.' HIS REMARK GIVES AN IDEA OF THE CLIMATE PREVAILING AT THE WEU MEETING IN LUXEMBOURG. BUT THE EUROPEANS WILL TAKE THEIR TIME AND THEY REFUSED TO BE RUSHED BY THE U.S. AND BY MOSCOW. THEY WORRY OVER A POSSIBLE DENUCLEARIZATION OF EUROPE AND THEY MIGHT

DECIDE IN FAVOR OF A MAINTAINING OF NUCLEAR ARMS IN EUROPE."

CONSERVATIVE FIGARO FRONT-PAGE AND PAGE 2 REPORT BY SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT IN LUXEMBOURG, HENRI DE KERGORLAY: "FOR THE WEU, THE EC MUST MAKE ITS VOICE HEARD....THE PRESIDENT OF THE WEU CALLED EUROPE TO HAVE THE COURAGE TO TAKE A CLEAR STAND ON SOVIET PROPOSALS."

CONSERVATIVE FIGARO BY GENEVA CORRESPONDENT LAURENT MOSSU: "THE U.S.S.R. PRESENTED A DRAFT OF TREATY TO THE U.S....THE MOVE IS IMPORTANT SINCE THE TWO SUPERPOWERS WILL NOW ENTER TOUGH STEP BY STEP NEGOTIATIONS ON THE BASIS OF SPECIFIC TEXTS."

ECONOMIC LES ECHOS: "LESS THAN TEN DAYS AFTER GORBACHEV'S LATEST PROPOSALS, THE WEST FINALLY SEEMS TO BE DEALING WITH THE PROBLEM IN A MORE REALISTIC WAY AFTER THE DOUBLE WARNING MADE BY U.S. AND EUROPEAN FIGURES. RICHARD NIXON AND HENRY KISSINGER WARNED THE WHITE HOUSE AGAINST REACHING A TOO QUICK AND INCOMPLETE ACCORD WITH THE U.S.S.R. ON THE EUROMISSILES....ALMOST SIMULTANEOUSLY IN LONDON, THATCHER AND CHIRAC UNDERLINED THAT 'CAUTION' SHOULD BE THE WORD. RECOMMENDATIONS WILL HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE DECISION MADE IN THE COMING WEEKS. THEY WILL GIVE THE FREE WORLD A BETTER APPROACH TO THE ISSUE. THE MOST INTERESTING THING IN THIS HISTORIC DEBATE IS LIKELY EUROPE'S AWARENESS OF THE NECESSITY TO BUILD ITS OWN UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 06 PARIS 21555

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DEFENSE. WILL THE FEAR TO SEE THE SUPERPOWERS REACH AN ACCORD ON THEIR BACK BE SUFFICIENT FOR EUROPE TO PRESENT A UNITED FRONT? THIS IS NOT CERTAIN GIVEN THE MANY DIFFERENT VIEWS IN THE EC."

POPULAR PARISIEN ON PAGE 3: "FOR THE EUROPEANS, THE MAIN CONCERN IS TO AVOID BEING IN A DEFENSELESS POSITION IN THE FACE OF WARSAW PACT FORCES....OUR FOREIGN MINISTER JEAN BERNARD RAIMOND WILL GO TO

WASHINGTON ON THURSDAY TO PRESENT THE FRENCH POSITION TO HIS COUNTERPART GEORGE SHULTZ."

RIGHT-OF-CENTER QUOTIDIEN: "WARNING ARE INCREASING IN THE U.S. AGAINST A TOO RAPID REACHING OF AN ACCORD ON THE EUROMISSILES AT A TIME WHEN WASHINGTON IS TRYING TO OVERCOME THE RETICENCES OF THE NATO ALLIES....NEXT THURSDAY, JEAN-BERNARD RAIMOND WILL UNDERLINE TO GEORGE SHULTZ THE NEED FOR A MAINTAINING OF A NUCLEAR DETERRENCE IN EUROPE. RAIMOND INDICATED THAT THE PURPOSE OF HIS QUICK VISIT TO WASHINGTON WAS TO PRESENT THE FRENCH POINT OF VIEW TO THE U.S. ON THE RECENT SOVIET PROPOSALS....HE ALSO SAID THAT HE WAS GOING TO WASHINGTON BECAUSE HE WAS UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING IN BUSSELS UPON SHULTZ RETURN FROM MOSCOW."

PRO-SOCIALIST LE MATIN BY REPORTER LAURENT MUNNICH: "THE BALL IS NOW IN THE WEST BUT THE EAST SPEAKS WITH ONE VOICE AND THERE ARE DIFFERENT VIEWS IN THE WEST....EUROPE CAN ACCEPT THE SOVIET OFFER TO THE LETTER AND THE U.S. CONGRESS WILL DECIDE WITHIN ONE YEAR THAT ALL INTERMEDIATE AND A LARGE NUMBER OF SHORT-RANGE MISSILES WILL BE REMOVED FROM EUROPE....THE EUROPEANS CAN SIMPLY REFUSE THE SOVIET OFFER BUT IT WOULD MEAN MISSING A HISTORIC OCCASION TO COME CLOSER TO THE U.S.S.R. AND IT WOULD FREEZE THE ENGAGED PROCESS. A THIRD POSSIBILITY WILL BE THE 'ZERO OPTION.' A EUROPEAN CONSENSUS ON THIS POINT IS THE LEAST ONE CAN EXPECT....SHULTZ FAVORS THE FIRST SOLUTION....IN LONDON, CHIRAC AND THATCHER NOTED THEIR SIMILARITY OF VIEWS. THEY LIKELY REPRESENT THE TOUGHEST LINE IN EUROPE....THE ELYSEE SEEMS MORE NUANCED. THE FRENCH PRESIDENT INSISTS ON THE INTERESTING CHARACTER OF THE SOVIET OFFER. HE SEEMS TO WANT TO TRUST GORBACHEV OR AT LEAST TO GIVE THE GO AHEAD TO THE DIPLOMATIC PROCESS....IN LUXEMBOURG, THE ISSUE IS AT THE CENTER OF THE DEBATE OF THE WEU. UNLIKELY THAT THE EUROPEAN MINISTERS WILL ADOPT A FINAL POSITION. THEY WILL PROBABLY PREPARE A COMMUNIQUE VAGUE ENOUGH NOT TO COMMIT THE ORGANIZATION. IT'S ON IN JUNE THAT A FINAL EUROPEAN DECISION WILL LIKELY BE PRESENTED IN GENEVA. MEANWHILE MANY MEETINGS OR SUMMIT WILL TAKE PLACE LIKE THE ONE BETWEEN JEAN-BERNARD RAIMOND AND GEORGE SHULTZ NEXT THURSDAY IN WASHINGTON."

LEFT-OF-CENTER LIBERATION ON PAGE 24 BY SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT IN LUXEMBOURG, CARLOS DE SA REGO: "YESTERDAY IN LUXEMBOURG, EVERYONE WAS LOOKING TOWARD BONN WHERE KOHL WILL HAVE TO MAKE A DECISION BETWEEN THE SUPPORTERS OF THE DOUBLE ZERO OPTION AND THOSE WHO FEAR THAT IT WILL LEAVE WEST GERMANY DEFENSELESS....WEST GERMANY IS THE KEY TO ANY EUROPEAN DECISION. IF THE EUROMISSILES AND THE SRINF ARE UNCLAS SECTION 04 OF 06 PARIS 21555

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ELIMINATED AND IF TACTICAL MISSILES ARE DEPLOYED, THEY MUST BE DEPLOYED ON WEST GERMAN TERRITORY. WITHOUT WEST GERMANY THERE CAN BE NO DEFINITION OF THE INTERESTS OF EUROPEAN SECURITY. YESTERDAY, KOHL DID NOT WANT TO MAKE A CLEAR DECISION....CONFUSION PREVAILING AT THE WEU DOES NOT ONLY CONCERN WEST BRITAIN IS SUSPICIOUS OF BIG EUROPEAN PROCLAMATIONS, MAINLY IN THE AREA OF SECURITY. KNOWS THAT THE WHITE HOUSE IS ALLERGIC TO THE WEU AND TO ANY EUOPEAN ATTEMPT TO OFFICIALIZE A DIALOGUE ON THIS ISSUE WITHOUT U.S. PARTICIPATION. IT'S NOT BY CHANCE IF THE BRITISH DEFENSE AND FOREIGN MINISTERS DID NOT COME TO LUXEMBOURG....FRANCE ADOPTS A LOW PROFILE. PARIS AGREES TO THE ELIMINATION OF THE EUROMISSILES IF MEASURES ARE MADE FOR RIGOROUS VERIFICATIONS. AS TO THE SRINF, IN SPITE OF STRONG RETICENCES, FRANCE 'WILL NOT COMPLICATE THE SITUATION, ' BUT IT IS ASKING WASHINGTON NOT TO GO FURTHER IN THE PROCESS OF A DENUCLEARIZATION OF EUROPE. THE FRENCH DO NOT HAVE TOO MANY ILLUSIONS ON THE OUTCOME OF THE DISCUSSIONS IN LUXEMBOURG. A JOINT EUROPEAN ANSWER ON THIS ISSUE IS HARDLY PSSIBLE NOW. FRENCH MINISTERS GIRAUD AND RAIMOND WILL INSIST ON THE PROJECT OF 'SECURITY CHARTER, ' PROPOSED BY FRANCE....IT IS HOWEVER UNLIKELY THAT THEY WILL SUCCEED. SEVERAL COUNTRIES, ITALY FIRST, REFUSES TO OFFICIALIZE SUCH A POSITION. WILL FEEL SATISFIED IF THERE IS AN AGREEMENT ON CONTINUING THE DISCUSSIONS AND IF THE PLAN IS NOT REJECTED AT THE OUTSET. IN ANY EVENT, THE MEETING AT LUXEMBOURG IS PERHAPS A LAST CHANCE FOR EUROPE TO PRESENT A UNITED FRONT IN THE FACE OF THE U.S. IN NATO. IN ANY EVENT, WASHINGTON WILL NOT WAIT VERY LONG."

2. U.S. DOLLAR - NAKASONE'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON:

FINANCIAL LA TRIBUNE FRONT-PAGE REPORT: "THIS TIME THE MARKETS HAVE LOST FAITH IN THE PROMISES MADE BY OFFICIALS IN THE MAIN INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES. HOW

COULD THEY BELIEVE IN A DETERMINATION TO STABILIZE THE RATES WHEN THEY ARE FIGHTING EACH OTHER AND BRANDISHING VIOLENT PROTECTIONIST MEASURES?....THE SITUATION IS BECOMING DANGEROUS IN THE U.S....TWO CURRENCIES BENEFITED FROM THE WEAKENING OF THE DOLLAR: THE POUND AND THE DEUTSCHE MARK....ON THE OTHER HAND, THE FRENCH FRANC IS BADLY HURT BY THE FALL OF THE DOLLAR."

POPULAR FRANCE-SOIR ON PAGE 6: "NEW PLUNGE OF THE DOLLAR...THE DECLINE IS ESPECIALLY WORRYING BECAUSE IT SEEMS THAT INTERVENTIONS BY CENTRAL BANKS ARE NOT MELPING...DOUBT PREVAILS AND FINANCIAL CIRCLES FEAR THAT THE CONTINUING FALL OF THE DOLLAR COULD PROVOKE A COLLAPSE OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY SYSTEM. IT IS BECOMING CLEAR THAT THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CUT THE HUGE BUDGET DEFICIT BEFORE THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS. UNDER THESE CONDITIONS, WE ARE WITNESSING A SITUATION OF 'EACH ONE FOR ONESELF' IN THE FACE OF THE DOLLAR. ONE CONSEQUENCE IS THE CURRENT DECLINE OF THE FRENCH MARKET."

ECONOMIC LES ECHOS FRONT-PAGE REPORT: "FRENCH FINANCE MINISTER BALLADUR ASKED FINANCIAL CIRCLES TO KEEP THEIR UNCLAS SECTION 05 OF 06 PARIS 21555

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COOL...BUT HIS DECLARATIONS HAD LESS EFFECT ON THE MARKETS THAN THE RECENT RESULTS OF THE U.S. ECONOMY WHICH ARE PUSHING THE DOLLAR DOWN...THE NEW WEAKNESS OF THE DOLLAR IS THE RESULT OF CURRENT TRADE TENSIONS ON THE EVE OF THE NAKASONE-REAGAN MEETING AND BECAUSE OF SUSPICION OF MARKET PEOPLE VIS-A-VIS THE U.S. ECONOMY....BALLADUR SAID HE HOPES THAT THE COMING SUMMIT IN VENICE WILL PERMIT TO STRENGTHEN THE PROCESS OF JOINT SURVEILLANCE OF THE MAIN COUNTRIES ECONOMIES."

PRO-SOCIALIST LE MATIN ON PAGE 21: "EVERYTHING DEPENDS ON WHAT WILL COME OUT OF THE VISIT MADE TO WASHINGTON BY THE JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER AT THE END OF THE WEEK. HE IS COMING WITH A PLAN OF RELAUCH OF 35 BILLION

DOLLARS AND REAGAN ANNOUNCED THAT HE MIGHT LIFT THE SANCTIONS JUST DECIDED BY THE U.S. AGAINST JAPANESE PRODUCTS. THE TWO PARTNERS COULD THEN REACH A COSMETIC ACCORD. A MONETARY EXPERT SAYS HE DOUBTS THAT THEY WILL BE ABLE TO REASSURE THE MARKETS."

3. SHAMIR'S VISIT TO PARIS:

TELEVISION ANTENNE-2 AT 8 A.M.: "CHIRAC ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE PROJECT FOR A MIDEAST PEACE CONFERENCE WAS MARKING TIME. SHAMIR SAID THAT IT'S UP TO THE COUNTRIES IN THE AREA TO DECIDE THEIR OWN FATE. FOR THE REST THE CLIMATE WAS EXCELLENT. FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER WILL VISIT ISRAEL ON MAY AND CHIRAC IN OCTOBER."

RADIO EUROPE ONE AT 8 A.M. AND PRO-SOCIALIST LE MATIN: "SHAMIR FEELS THAT CHIRAC DOES NOT BELIEVE IN A MIDEAST CONFERENCE ALSO HE ACCEPTS THE PRINCIPLE OF SUCH A CONFERENCE."

CONSERVATIVE FIGARO ON PAGE 4 BY CORRESPONDENT IN JERUSALEM, RENE BAUDUC: "SHAMIR IS MUCH LESS FLEXIBLE THAN HIS PREDECESSOR...BUT HIS LONG PRACTICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS HAS GIVEN HIM MORE FLEXIBILITY AND A MORE PRAGMATIC APPROACH THAN ONE COULD BELIEVE AT THE READING OF HIS OFFICIAL SPEECHES....THE DIFFERENCE WITH HIS FOREIGN MINISTER IS NOW THE TOPIC OF A BIG CONFLICT. ONE OF THE REASON IS THE CONVENING OF AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE SUPPORTED BY PERES....ISRAELI OPINION DISPLAYS INCREASING INDIFFERENCE WITH THE ENDLESS QUARRELS OF ITS LEADERS."

ECONOMIC LES ECHOS EDITORIAL: "PEACE DID NOT PROGRESS BUT 'PEACE OFFENSIVES' WILL INCREASE. WE CAN BET ON GORBACHEV'S IMAGINATION FOR THAT. AFTER LURING ISRAEL WITH PROSPECTS OF MASSIVE EMIGRATION VISAS FOR THE 'REFUZNIKS,' HE JUST TIED HIS POSITION TO ISRAEL'S POSITION VIS-A-VIS THE ARAB COUNTRIES AND WITH THJE PLO."

4. KURT WALDHEIM:

TELEVISION ANTENNE-2 AT 8 A.M.: "RONALD REAGAN HIMSELF INFORMED THE AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON. CONSTERNATION PREVAILS IN VIENNA." AFP CORRESPONDENT DIDIER FOUQUEUT IN VIENNA: "FOR THE AUSTRIANS, THE DECISION IS ESPECIALLY REGRETTABLE BECAUSE WALDHEIM WAS ELECTED IN A DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS AND BECAUSE THERE ARE NO SPECIFIC EVIDENCE OF THE CHARGES."

RADIO EUROPE ONE AT 8 A.M.: "U.S. OFFICIALS MADE THE UNCLAS SECTION 06 OF 06 PARIS 21555

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DECISION AFTER THEY HAD BEEN INFORMED OF THE CRUSHING DOSSIER ON CHARGES AGAINST KURT WALDHEIM. THE REPORT WAS GIVEN TO EDWIN MEESE WHO MADE THE DECISION. EVIDENCES SHOW THAT HE WITNESSED OR PARTICIPATED TO PERSECUTION OF PEOPLE BECAUSE OF THEIR RACE, RELIGION OR POLITICAL VIEWS. REAGAN INDICATED THAT THE MEASURE WAS DIRECTED AGAINST WALDHEIM AS PRIVATE CITIZEN NOT AS PRESIDENT OF AUSTRIA....IT'S THE FIRST TIME THAT A PRESIDENT IN OFFICE IS THE PURPOSE OF SUCH A MEASURE IN THE U.S."

FRANCE-INTER AT 8 A.M.: "REAGAN MADE THE ANNOUCEMENT HIMSELF....FIRST CONSEQUENCE, THE AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR WAS SUMMONED BACK TO VIENNA....THE AUSTRIANS ARE VERY UNHAPPY."

CONSERVATIVE FIGARO ON PAGE 2: 'AUTRIA SUMMONED ITS AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON. THE AUSTRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER EXPRESSED HIS 'DEEP CONSTERNATION'."

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FRONT-PAGE ARTICLES:: NYT FROM BONN: "KOHL FAIS TO FORGE A POSITION ON SHORT-RANGE MISSILE OFFER;" WP FROM WASHINGTON: 'TROUBLED DECADE FOR U.S. FOREIGN SERVICE;" NYT FROM NEW YORK: "U.S., JAPAN ON PATH TO ACCORD;" NYT FROM INDIA: "THE OTHER FACE OF INDIA: BIHAR IS POOR, LAWLESS, VIOLENT."

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COLUMNS: RESTON: "THE ARMS DEBATE: BET ON SHULTZ AND NITZE;" LES ASPIN: 'BUT BATTLEFIELD NUCLEAR WEAPONS SHOULD GO FIRST;" ROWEN: 'BAD HABITS TAKE TIME TO CHANGE;" FLORA LEWIS: 'PEOPLE TALK WISHFULLY OF EUROPE." COURTNEY

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