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TEXT

SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION/PRESS REVIEW, FEB. 11, 1988

STORIES COVERED IN REPORT:

1. SUMMING UP MURPHY'S MISSION.
2. KURT WALDHEIM'S WWII RECORD.

MAJOR STORIES IN THE MEDIA:

-- ALL MEDIA REPORTED THAT THE TERRITORIES
YESTERDAY WENT THROUGH ONE OF THEIR QUIETEST DAYS IN
TWO MONTHS.

-- DEFENSE MINISTER RABIN IS SAID TO HAVE ENDORSED
THE SUPREME COURT OF JUSTICE'S RECOMMENDATION TO SET
UP A COURT OF APPEALS TO OVERSEE MILITARY COURTS IN
THE TERRITORIES. DAVAR AND HA'ARETZ EDITORIALS
APPLAUDED RABIN'S DECISION.

-- ISRAEL RADIO AND PRESS FEATURED CRITICISM OF
ISRAEL'S POLICY IN THE TERRITORIES CONTAINED IN THE
STATE DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT. ALSO
REPORTED WERE THE STATE DEPARTMENT RICHARD SHIFTER'S
PRESS CONFERENCE REMARKS, WHICH DAVAR CALLED "MILD
AND COURAGEOUS."

-- HA'ARETZ WEEKEND SUPPLEMENT EXPLAINED WHY ISRAEL
TV DOES NOT ADEQUATELY COVER THE RIOTS IN THE
TERRITORIES: "BAD LUCK, MISMANAGEMENT, LACK OF
DRIVE, PROBLEMS OF PERSONAL SAFETY, POOR PAY, RED
TAPE AND PLAIN LEFTHANDEDNESS BY FAR ECLIPSE ANY
POLITICAL CENSORSHIP."

-- THE JERUSALEM POST REPORTED: "ISRAEL AND THE USG
WILL TODAY ISSUE A TENDER, OPEN ONLY TO ISRAELI AND
AMERICAN PLANNING EXPERTS," FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF
THE VOA ARAVA STATION (SEPTEL).

- 1. SUMMING UP MURPHY'S MISSION:

-- SUMMARY:

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-- THE PRESS REPORTED THAT SECRETARY OF STATE
SHULTZ IS DUE IN ISRAEL SHORTLY TO, AS HA'ARETZ AND

ADMIN
END OF MESSAGE

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