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-- kozyrev advocates 'partnership' with nato

SOURCE: Bucharest ADEVARUL in Romanian 10 Jan 94 pp 1, 2

TEXT:

//((Editorial by Dumitru Tinu: "A Chance Missed Before
Brussels"))

((Text)) For four years, the West has been tormenting itself
over trying to find solutions to the situation created after the
fall of communism. An immense region of Central and Eastern Europe,
severed from the claws of totalitarianism imposed by Moscow, is
awaiting the protection of the North Atlantic Alliance. No greater
misfortune could have fallen on the peace and tranquility of the
free world. What should they do with us now? Offer us guarantees

for security -- we all chant together, that is, Romanians, Czechs, Slovaks, Poles, Hungarians, and Bulgarians. And the most serious guarantee is to be accepted into NATO. However, for the United States and its West European allies, any move toward the East can be conceived only by taking into account Russia's reaction, while Russia, suspicious of any European project in which it is not included, openly opposes the acceptance of East European countries into NATO (see article written by Russian Foreign Minister Andrey Kozyrev) ((filed as referent item)).

Aware of the seriousness of the dilemma that it has to face, the United States is trying to hold the hare and run with the hounds and, thus, invent the idea of "Partnership for Peace," through which East European countries are offered assistance in the area of military training, including participating in joint maneuvers. However, they are not allowed to join NATO. This will also be the major decision that is going to be adopted at the summit meeting of the North Atlantic Alliance on 10 January in Brussels.

The reactions of East Europe differ from one country to another. Initially, the countries that belong to the so-called Visegrad group -- Czechia, Slovakia, Poland, and Hungary -- were struggling to achieve preferential treatment, believing that they can persuade the North Atlantic Alliance to accept their admission relying on the fact that their dexterity and Russia's unawareness will create a fait accompli. However, the Visegrad cart seems to have broken down on the way to Brussels. Czechia, the favorite child of the West, has understood that the best thing to do would be to act on its own and publicly declare that it is not connected to the other three countries and try to obtain access to NATO by itself. The Americans did not let themselves be persuaded by the mermaid song of Vaclav Havel or by the vehement criticism of Polish President Lech Walesa, who remarked with great sarcasm that "Russia sets conditions to NATO" and that the request of association should be addressed to Yeltsin, because he is the one who is really bringing NATO and the West together.

Romania certainly cannot allow itself to use such a tone of voice. Accidentally, General John Shalikashvili, chief of staff of the American Army, was not born in Bucharest but in Warsaw, and Ambassador Madeleine Albright, President Clinton's special envoy for East Europe, also accidentally, was not born on Romanian land but in Prague. This does not stop us from asking the question: But what about us? What are we going to do? Will we continue to accept the role of good child who deserves candy for the seriousness with which he believes in the story of the red rooster? I have also said it before: The Romanian diplomacy has missed a great chance, the one to cleverly use its unique position that Romania gained through its attitude of independence from the former Warsaw Pact. In fact, why would other countries be more prepared to be accepted to NATO than Romania, which, contrary to its former partners in the Warsaw Pact, which, to the very last moment, stayed integrated in the Warsaw Pact structures, has oriented itself as early as 1968 toward a close cooperation with West European countries? Why would the Visegrad countries be technologically and logistically more prepared than Romania, which cooperated with the countries of the North Atlantic Alliance to get its supply of combat technology? No matter what explanations Foreign Minister Melescanu provides for this unjust attitude of the West toward Romanians, no one and nothing can absolve him or his predecessor, Mr. Adrian Nastase, from the responsibility that rests with them for our country being treated as

the most disfavored nation in East Europe.

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TEXT:
((Text)) Representatives of the Slovak delegation to the Prague summit gave a news conference in the Hotel Praha at 1600 hours. Jarmila Tosecka, our reporter, was there and she compiled the following report.
((Begin recording)) ((Tosecka)) Questions put by many

journalists, including foreign ones, were answered by President Michal Kovac, Prime Minister Vladimir Meciar, Foreign Minister Jozef Moravcik, and Defense Minister Imrich Andrejcek.

These questions could be summed up in the following basic areas: prospects for the future cooperation among the Visegrad four countries, the importance of the Partnership for Peace project for the countries involved and specifically for the Slovak Republic, Slovakia's relations with Hungary, the problem of the Hungarian minority as well as Slovak relations with Russia, and future contacts between Slovakia and the Czech Republic.

In reply, Prime Minister Meciar again confirmed closeness of views whether on the project "Partnership for Peace" where, as the Czech side, Slovakia regarded individual approach as being realistic. He also assessed positively other areas of mutual relations. According to Meciar, Slovakia was interested in good and useful cooperation among the Visegrad four countries, but the existing course and results were not as we have expected. It is necessary to intensify cooperation, otherwise this group would disintegrate only to be replaced by bilateral relations.

Asked whether a visit to Bratislava by President Clinton was discussed, President Michal Kovac replied: Yes, we have repeated our invitation to the celebrations of the 50th anniversary of the Slovak national uprising. We have presented to the U.S. President an album containing documentary evidence. Bill Clinton promised that if he himself could not come he would certainly send his envoy to Bratislava.

Minister Jozef Moravcik confirmed, among other things, that the Slovak Republic was ready to sign immediately a framework agreement on Partnership for Peace. This was also confirmed by Defense Minister Imrich Andrejcek. Foreign Minister Moravcik also replied to questions concerning the minorities problem. After the news conference ended, I put to him the following question: Before the Prague summit, the Hungarian daily NEPSZABADSZAG said the meeting in Komarno of Hungarian minority representatives last Saturday was taking place in the shadow of the Prague summit. At the same time it cast a shadow on that summit. During your talks with your Hungarian partner, could you also detect this shadow?

((Moravcik)) In my view, one should not overestimate the importance of that event. In a democratic environment, it is on the whole usual that somewhat more extreme views are presented. We appreciate the way that event passed off, the fact no anti-constitutional step was taken, and that everything is a subject of discussion ((passage indistinct)).

((Tosecka)) How would you characterize your talks today with the Hungarian side?

((Moravcik)) The talks were of a general character, as we had little time. Problems raised were rather numerous. There was not enough time to enable us to devote ourselves to individual questions. Both sides, however, demonstrated strong political will to reach a consensus very quickly so that we would not have to spend too much energy on tackling certain problems and instead concentrate rather on issues tackled here.

((Tosecka)) As a government representative, how would you assess the conclusions of this Prague summit. What does it mean for Slovakia?

((Moravcik)) For Slovakia it means opportunity, and one has to make use of that opportunity. ((end recording))
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1. THIS MEDIA REACTION COVERS COMMENT AND REPORTING ON:
-- NATO SUMMIT --
-- CLINTON'S VISIT TO EUROPE --
LEAD STORIES: THE YOMIURI GAVE TOP COVERAGE THURSDAY
MORNING TO A REPORT SAYING PRIME MINISTER HOSOKAWA IS
LIKELY TO RESHUFFLE HIS CABINET AFTER THE EXPECTED
PASSAGE OF POLITICAL REFORM BILLS LATER THIS MONTH. THE
NIHON KEIZAI FRONT-PAGED A CORRESPONDENT REPORT FROM
WASHINGTON SAYING USTR KANTOR SUGGESTED THE REVIVAL OF
THE SUPER 301 CLAUSE AGAINST JAPAN.

-- NATO SUMMIT --

-- EDITORIALS --

2. THE ASAHI (JANUARY 13), WITH THE HEADLINE QUOTE NEW ROLE NEEDED FOR NATO UNQUOTE, SAID, "WHAT IS NATO'S ROLE IN THE POST-COLD WAR WORLD? NO CLEAR ANSWER WAS FOUND AT THE LAST NATO SUMMIT TO THIS BASIC QUESTION. ALTHOUGH FIVE EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, INCLUDING POLAND AND HUNGARY, SOUGHT IMMEDIATE MEMBERSHIP IN NATO, THE ALLIANCE DEFERRED A DECISION INTO THE FUTURE BY SAYING IT WILL EVENTUALLY EXTEND MEMBERSHIP TO THEM.

"ONE POSITIVE RESULT OF THE SUMMIT, HOWEVER, WAS THE ADOPTION OF THE U.S.-CONCEIVED 'PARTNERSHIP FOR PEACE' PROPOSAL THAT EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES AND RUSSIA BE TREATED AS NATO PARTNERS, AND EAST AND WEST COOPERATE IN BUILDING A FRAMEWORK FOR PEACE AND SECURITY IN EUROPE.

"IF WE REMEMBER THE COLD WAR DAYS, THAT IS A GREAT ADVANCE. OLD ENEMIES, WHO CONFRONTED EACH OTHER WITH NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND TANKS, WILL TAKE PART IN JOINT MILITARY TRAINING AND EXERCISES. IF THOSE ARRANGEMENTS PROVE SUCCESSFUL, THEY WILL CONTRIBUTE GREATLY TO BUILDING MUTUAL CONFIDENCE.

"AS LONG AS NATO REMAINS A CLUB OF 'SPECIAL MEMBERS' FROM THE WEST, AS IT WAS DURING THE COLD WAR PERIOD, IT WILL NOT ACT ON THE PRINCIPLES COMMON TO THE ENTIRE EUROPEAN CONTINENT. ISN'T IT TIME FOR WEST EUROPEANS TO TAKE THE BOLD STEP OF DISSOLVING SUCH A CLUB? NATO WILL FIND A NEW ROLE FOR ITSELF BY CEASING TO BE WHAT IT WAS IN THE PAST."

3. THE SANKEI (JANUARY 13), UNDER THE HEADLINE QUOTE RUSSIA SHOULD ALSO BE INCLUDED IN NATO UNQUOTE, SAID, "ONE OF THE MOST URGENT SUBJECTS AT THE NATO SUMMIT WAS HOW TO COPE WITH THE CONTINUING ETHNIC CIVIL WAR IN THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA AND THE RISE OF ULTRANATIONALISTS IN RUSSIA.

"THE SUMMIT FAILED TO COME UP WITH ANY EFFECTIVE WAY TO BRING AN END TO THE TRAGIC WAR. THE SUMMIT LEADERS ENDORSED THE CREATION OF COMBINED JOINT TASK FORCES BUT DETAILS OF THE FORCES REMAIN UNDETERMINED.

"WE SHOULD WELCOME THE U.S.-PROPOSED 'PARTNERSHIP FOR UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 02 TOKYO 00591

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PEACE' INITIATIVE AS A STOPGAP MEASURE TO ENSURE PEACE AND SECURITY IN EUROPE. IN THE NEAR FUTURE, HOWEVER, RUSSIA SHOULD ALSO BE INCLUDED IN THE ALLIANCE. WE ARE CONCERNED THAT RUSSIA IS BEGINNING TO FEEL A SENSE OF ALIENATION BY ENCIRCLEMENT THROUGH NATO'S ENLARGEMENT. NEGATIVE RUSSIAN REACTION WILL POSE A SERIOUS THREAT TO WORLD PEACE AND SECURITY."

-- CLINTON'S VISIT TO EUROPE --

-- PRESS REPORT --

4. ASAHI'S CORRESPONDENTS TAKAGI AND SAKAGUCHI (IN PRAGUE) AND TOMINAGA (BRUSSELS) FILED A COMBINED REPORT (JANUARY 13), ENTITLED QUOTE CLINTON'S FIRST PRESIDENTIAL VISIT TO EUROPE DESIGNED TO MEND FENCES WITH EUROPE UNQUOTE, SAYING, "ALTHOUGH REACTION FROM EAST AND WEST EUROPEANS TO PRESIDENT CLINTON'S FIRST VISIT TO EUROPE SINCE TAKING OFFICE WAS EMOTIONALLY MIXED, HIS 'FENCE-MENDING' EFFORTS SEEM TO BE GRADUALLY BEARING FRUIT. "ALTHOUGH WHITE HOUSE AIDES HAD PUBLICIZED THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH AT THE NATO SUMMIT AS A MAJOR ONE OUTLINING A NEW U.S.-EUROPE RELATIONSHIP IN THE POST-COLD WAR ERA, PUBLIC REACTION WAS ACTUALLY LOW-KEY. AT THE SUMMIT, DISCORD BETWEEN THE U.S. AND BRITAIN AND FRANCE OVER BOSNIA ALSO BECAME PRONOUNCED. "HOWEVER, THE PRESIDENT TURNED THE LACKLUSTER TIDE OF THE EUROPEAN REACTION BY ANNOUNCING THE NATO ENDORSEMENT OF THE U.S.-PROPOSED 'PARTNERSHIP FOR PEACE' INITIATIVE AND UKRAINE'S ACCEPTANCE OF AN ACCORD ON THE REMOVAL OF ITS NUCLEAR WEAPONS. "MOST EAST EUROPEAN LEADERS RELUCTANTLY ACCEPTED THE PARTNERSHIP PLAN. ALTHOUGH CZECH PRESIDENT HAVEL EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH THE PLAN, POLISH PRESIDENT WALESZA CALLED THE NATO ENDORSEMENT OF THE U.S. PEACE PLAN A COMPLETE FAILURE."

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PARIS -- THURSDAY JANUARY 13, 1994

(A) SUMMARY OF TYPE OF COVERAGE:

THE NORMALIZATION OF FRANCO-CHINESE RELATIONS, WHICH AN OFFICIAL FRENCH SOURCE CALLS "MAJOR RECONCILIATION", IS THE LEAD STORY THIS MORNING.

PRESIDENT CLINTON'S VISIT TO MOSCOW IS ALSO AN IMPORTANT STORY. FOCUS IS ON HIS SIGNING, TOMORROW, OF A

DENUCLEARIZATION AGREEMENT WITH THE RUSSIAN AND UKRAINIAN PRESIDENTS. HOWEVER, ALL COMMENTATORS REPORT THAT UKRAINIAN OPPOSITION MAY REJECT THIS ACCORD, JEOPARDIZING ITS SIGNING.

FINANCIAL LA TRIBUNE NOTES THAT BILL CLINTON IS ARRIVING TO MOSCOW AT A TIME OF "POLITICAL CONFUSION", WITH SIGNIFICANT DIVISIONS BLOCKING THE TALKS IN THE DUMA. NEWSPAPERS COVER THIS MORNING BILL CLINTON'S STOP IN PRAGUE. THEY-REPORT THAT THE VISEGRAD COUNTRIES AGREED TO THE PARTNERSHIP FOR PEACE INITIATIVE. LES ECHOS SPEAKS OF "A TIMID YES", LE FIGARO SPEAKS OF "LITTLE ENTHUSIASM".

PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE PRESIDENT PLAYING SAXOPHONE IN A JAZZ CLUB ARE PUBLISHED IN MANY PAPERS, INCLUDING ON FRANCE SOIR'S FRONT PAGE.

INTERVIEWED ON RADIO RTL YESTERDAY, FOREIGN MINISTER ALAIN JUPPE SAID HE WAS HAPPY WITH PRESIDENT CLINTON'S REAFFIRMING THAT 100,000 U.S. SOLDIERS WOULD REMAIN IN EUROPE: "THIS IS A GOOD THING, WHEN YOU SEE WHAT IS HAPPENING HERE, IN RUSSIA OR ELSEWHERE." JUPPE SAID THAT THE WEST MUST "ENCOURAGE RUSSIA TO PERSEVERE ON THE WAY TO REFORM", BUT "WITHOUT CLOSING ITS EYES TO WHAT IS TAKING PLACE THERE". HE ADDED: "WHEN I HEAR ANTI-SEMITIC, XENOPHOBIC OR WARMONGERING SPEECHES FROM SOME LEADERS WHO ARE PRESENTED AS THE WINNERS OF THE ELECTIONS, I AM WORRIED." (AFP QUOTES).

AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE REPORTS THAT USTR MICKEY KANTOR THREATENED TO USE TRADE SANCTIONS IN ORDER TO GET GREATER ACCESS FOR U.S. PRODUCTIONS TO THE EUROPEAN AUDIO-VISUAL MARKET. KANTOR IS QUOTED AS SAYING HE IS "DEEPLY WORRIED" AND "VERY PESSIMISTIC" ABOUT HOW THE EUROPEAN DIRECTIVE ON AUDIOVISUAL WILL BE IMPLEMENTED. LE FIG-ECO, LIBERATION AND LE QUOTIDIEN REPORT THAT VICE PRESIDENT AL GORE PRESENTED HIS "INFORMATION SUPERHIGHWAY" PLAN. QUOTIDIEN SAYS: "INFORMATION (SUPER)HIGHWAY IS INEVITABLE, BECAUSE OF THE EVOLUTION OF TECHNOLOGY." BUT QUOTIDIEN WAS HIGHLY CRITICAL OF AND PESSIMISTIC ABOUT THE FRENCH AND EUROPEAN EFFORT TO GET ON THE "INFORMATION HIGHWAY". LIBERATION'S FREDERIC FILLOUX HAS NOTED THAT THE VICE PRESIDENT "REMAINED VAGUE" ABOUT HOW THE ADMINISTRATION WILL LEGISLATE TO PREVENT THE EMERGENCE OF GIGANTIC MONOPOLIES RESULTING FROM ALLIANCES BETWEEN CABLE, TELEPHONE AND CINEMA STUDIOS.

INFLUENTIAL LE MONDE PUBLISHES ON ITS FRONT PAGE AN ARTICLE BY ONE OF ITS CORRESPONDENT IN THE U.S., SYLVIE UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 04 PARIS 01189

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KAUFFMAN, ON DISCLOSURES THAT SOME AMERICANS SERVED IN NUCLEAR EXPERIMENTS DURING THE COLD WAR: "THE AMERICANS ARE DISCOVERING WITH INDIGNATION THAT, DURING THE COLD WAR, AT LEAST-800 OF THEM SERVED AS GUINEAS-PIGS FOR NUCLEAR EXPERIMENTS."

ABOUT THE TWO SUSPECTED IRANIAN TERRORISTS EXPELLED BY FRANCE, WEEKLY SATIRICAL LE CANARD ENCHAINE REPORTS THAT "U.S. REPROACHES WERE FORMULATED WITH UNUSUAL VIOLENCE". LE CANARD ADDS THAT "THE U.S. CHARGE IN PARIS IMMEDIATELY MADE A DEMARCHE TO PROTEST AT THE QUAI D'ORSAY (FRENCH MFA)".

ALL MEDIA REPORTED THE FIFTY PERCENT DEVALUATION OF THE CFA FRANC, WITH STORIES OF UNREST ALREADY COMING FROM AFRICA. FRANCE ANNOUNCED THAT DOLLARS ONE BILLION WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO SOFTEN THE BLOW THIS YEAR, WHILE AWAITING IMF MEASURES AND DEBT RELIEF.

(B) STORIES COVERED IN REPORT:

1. BILL CLINTON IN PRAGUE
2. BILL CLINTON IN MOSCOW

(C) HEADLINES:

BILL CLINTON'S EUROPEAN TRIP:

"IN PRAGUE, CLINTON LAUDS THE 'PARTNERSHIP FOR PEACE'"
(LIBERATION-PAGE 19)

"PRAGUE: CLINTON HALF-OPENS NATO'S DOOR" (LE FIGARO-PAGE 3)

"BILL CLINTON WANTS TO COMFORT RUSSIAN REFORMERS" (LE MONDE-FRONT PAGE)

"NO ECONOMIC REFORM: NO DOLLARS" (LE QUOTIDIEN-PAGE 14)

(D) SUPPORTING TEXT:

1. BILL CLINTON IN PRAGUE:

STEPHANE MARCHAND REPORTS FROM PRAGUE IN CONSERVATIVE LE FIGARO: "'THE SECURITY OF YOUR COUNTRIES IS IMPORTANT FOR THAT OF THE UNITED STATES....' YESTERDAY IN PRAGUE, BILL CLINTON PRONOUNCED THE WORDS WHICH CENTRAL EUROPE WANTED TO HEAR.... (VISEGRAD COUNTRIES LEADERS) TREATED HIM WITH COURTEOUSNESS IN EXCHANGE: WITHOUT ENTHUSIASM, ALL RALLIED TO THE PARTNERSHIP FOR PEACE PLAN PROPOSED BY NATO.... VISEGRAD COUNTRIES FINALLY RESIGNED THEMSELVES, SIMPLY BECAUSE THEY HAD NO CHOICE-- PARTNERSHIP OR NOTHING. ALSO, THEY KNOW THAT THE NATO OFFER IS BETTER THAN FALSE PROMISES. IN 1938, AFTER THEY COMMITTED THEMSELVES TO DEFEND CZECHOSLAVAKIA, FRANCE AND BRITAIN SIGNED THE MUNICH ACCORDS ABANDONING THIS COUNTRY TO HITLER."

PIERRE PEYRICHOUT REPORTS FROM PRAGUE IN RIGHT-OF-CENTER LE QUOTIDIEN: "... (IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC) BILL CLINTON REGILDED HIS TARNISHED IMAGE ON THE INTERNATIONAL SCENE, AND PRAGUE SEIZED THE OPPORTUNITY TO STRENGTHEN ITS POSITION OF PRIVILEGED INTERLOCUTOR OF THE UNITED STATES IN CENTRAL EUROPE."

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PIERRE BRIANCON REPORTS FROM PRAGUE: "THERE IS A SAXOPHONE, AND A WOOLEN COAT DIPLOMACY. BILL CLINTON'S TRIP THROUGHOUT EUROPE...HAS BEEN MARKED BY SYMBOLIC GESTURES.... SINCE BRUSSELS AND THE BEGINNING OF HIS TRIP, THE AMERICAN PRESIDENT HAS BEEN AVID FOR CONTACTS WITH THE EUROPEAN POPULATION--AT LEAST ONE 'SPONTANEOUS' MEETING A DAY.... BUT THE CLINTONIAN MESSAGE IS ALSO ADDRESSED FOR A DOMESTIC U.S. USE. TUESDAY NIGHT, IN A TELEVISED BALLET ORCHESTRATED BOTH BY THE WHITE HOUSE AND THE BIG U.S. NETWORKS--ONE DOES NOT KNOW WHICH MANIPULATES THE OTHER--THE PRESIDENT, WEARING ONLY A SUIT COAT DESPITE THE COLD WEATHER,...GAVE INTERVIEWS FOR THE BIG (U.S.) EVENING NEWSCASTS.... SINCE HE ARRIVED IN EUROPE, CLINTON HAS SEEMED EAGER TO SHOW HIMSELF IN A JACKET AS OFTEN AS POSSIBLE, SINCE IT SEEMS TO BE BELIEVED THAT A U.S. PRESIDENT WEARING A HEAVY COAT PASSES FOR LESS ENERGETIC THAN ONE RISKING PNEUMONIA."

2. RUSSIA:

INFLUENTIAL LE MONDE'S WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT ALAIN FRACHON REPORTS ON "THE RUSSIAN BET OF THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION": "AMERICA HAS A VOCATION TO BE OPTIMISTIC.... FOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS, THERE IS NO RUSSIAN FATALITY THAT WOULD FORCE RUSSIA TO OPPRESS ITS NEIGHBORS IN ORDER TO BE FAITHFUL TO WHAT IT CONSIDERS IS ITS DESTINY.... IN THE ADMINISTRATION, THOSE WHO BELIEVE THAT REFORM WILL END UP BEING SUCCESSFUL IN MOSCOW HAVE WON. THESE ARE LED WITH THRUST, STRONG BELIEFS AND ANALYSIS BY FORMER JOURNALIST STROBE TALBOTT.... WHAT IS STRIKING IN WASHINGTON IS THE ADMINISTRATIONS STATED TOLERANCE FOR THE NEW (RUSSIAN MILITARY) DOCTRINE AND FOR THE REPEATED INTERVENTIONS OF THE RUSSIAN ARMY IN THE FORMER SOVIET CENTRAL ASIA. IS THIS A KIND OF TACIT ACCEPTANCE OF A RUSSIAN-STYLE MONROE DOCTRINE?.... UP TO WHICH POINT CAN THE U.S. CLOSE ITS EYES, BY FEAR OF EMBARRASING BORIS YELTSIN BY CRITICIZING THE RUSSIAN MILITARY'S NEO-INTERVENTIONISM? WHERE DOES THE (U.S.) DESIRE TO HELP REFORMERS STOP, WHERE DOES A POLICY OF 'APPEASEMENT' START, A POLICY WHICH ONE DAY MAY BE BITTERLY REPROACHED TO A DEMOCRATIC ADMINISTRATION?"

JEAN-MICHEL LAMY IN ECONOMIC LES ECHOS: "...UPS. AID TO RUSSIA...IS MOSTLY UNDER THE FORM OF A TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE THAT SEEMS BETTER ADAPTED TO MOSCOW'S NEEDS. HUMANITARIAN AID HAS THE LION'S SHARE, WITH \$778.2 MILLION SPENT OUT OF 924.5 PROMISED, LEADING BEFORE TRADE AND INVESTMENT AID--\$237.4 MILLION SPENT OUT OF 243 PROMISED.... ALL IN ALL, THE U.S. EFFORT LOOKS WEAK COMPARED TO THAT OF EUROPE AND MULTILATERAL ORGANIZATIONS. ANSWERING TO VICE PRESIDENT AL GORE'S CRITICISMS AGAINST THE SLOW PACE OF THE AID GRANTED BY THE IMP AND WORLD BANK, IMF DIRECTOR MICHEL CAMDESSUS (WHO WAS IN PARIS YESTERDAY) SAID THAT POLITICIANS SHOULD PREVENT USING MULTILATERAL ORGANIZATIONS AS

'SCAPEGOATS' BECAUSE THEY THEMSELVES ARE 'SAWING OFF THE
BRANCH ON WHICH THEY ARE SEATED'."

PIERRE CELERIER WRITES FROM MOSCOW IN LE QUOTIDIEN:

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LONG TIME SINCE THE RUSSIANS HAVE BEEN EXPECTING
ANYTHING FROM ANYONE, A FORTIORI FROM FOREIGN
COUNTRIES."

JULES CLAUWAERT IN REGIONAL NORD ECLAIR: "...ON THAT
POINT (SUPPORT FOR RUSSIAN.REFORM) THE AMERICANS ARE
EXPECTING BILL CLINTON ('S PERFORMANCE) IN HIS FIRST BIG
DIPLOMATIC TEST: WILL HE KNOW...HOW TO COMBINE
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1. CLINTON-ASSAD SUMMIT

KEY STORIES IN THE MEDIA:

THE DEATH OF OC CENTRAL COMMAND MAJ.-GEN. NEHEMIA TAMARI AND THREE OTHER OFFICERS IN A HELICOPTER CRASH YESTERDAY.

TABA TALKS: PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE ON THE TRANSFER OF CIVILIAN POWERS, BUT NOT ON SECURITY ISSUES.

HA'ARETZ: SOME JERUSALEM OFFICIALS BELIEVE THAT ARAFAT IS AWAITING THE OUTCOME OF THE CLINTON-ASSAD SUMMIT BEFORE DECIDING ON HIS NEXT MOVES.

ISRAEL RADIO THIS MORNING QUOTED AN UNIDENTIFIED ISRAELI SOURCE IN WASHINGTON AS SAYING THAT THE IMPENDING MEETING BETWEEN CLINTON AND JORDAN'S KING HUSSEIN IS NO LESS IMPORTANT THAN THE CLINTON-ASSAD SUMMIT IN GENEVA.

DAVAR: UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN ISRAEL YESTERDAY, NEW U.S. AMBASSADOR DJEREJIAN TRIED TO LOWER ISRAEL'S EXPECTATIONS FROM THE CLINTON-ASSAD SUMMIT. ACCORDING TO DJEREJIAN, CLINTON HAS ALREADY MET WITH ALL MIDDLE EAST LEADERS, AND IT'S TIME FOR HIM TO GET TO KNOW THE SYRIAN PRESIDENT.

AL HAMISHMAR: AMERICAN OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON AND TEL AVIV ARE SEEKING TO LOWER EXPECTATIONS FROM THE CLINTON-ASSAD MEETING. THEY FEAR THAT RABIN WOULD FIND IT DIFFICULT TO MAKE TERRITORIAL CONCESSIONS IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH SYRIA BEFORE THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE PALESTINIANS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED. THEY ALSO MAINTAIN THAT ASSAD DOES NOT PLAN TO MAKE ANY SUBSTANTIVE PROPOSALS IN GENEVA, BUT ONLY TO GET DIPLOMATIC AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE AND TO HAVE HIS COUNTRY TAKEN OFF THE LIST OF TERROR-SUPPORTING COUNTRIES.

THE PRESS CONTINUES TO FEATURE WIRE-SERVICE REPORTS ON CLINTON'S EUROPEAN TOUR, PLAYING UP HIS VISIT TO THE JEWISH CEMETERY IN PRAGUE. MOST DAILIES CARRY INSIDE-PAGE PHOTOS OF CLINTON AT THE CEMETERY. AMBASSADOR DJEREJIAN'S ARRIVAL IN ISRAEL AND HIS COMMENTS AT THE AIRPORT. ITV DESCRIBED HIM AS "A KEY FIGURE IN THE PEACE PROCESS."

 1. CLINTON-ASSAD SUMMIT:

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SUMMARY:

YEDIOT: "JERUSALEM IS NOT CONCERNED OVER THE AMERICANS' PARTIAL LEGITIMIZATION OF ASSAD, BECAUSE IT IS UP TO ISRAEL TO DECIDE WHICH SYRIAN MOVE IS SATISFACTORY ENOUGH TO JUSTIFY SERIOUS AND FAR-REACHING NEGOTIATIONS WITH SYRIA."
YEDIOT'S GAZIT COMMENTED, "WHAT IS CONSPICUOUSLY LACKING IN THE CLINTON-ASSAD FESTIVAL IS ADVANCE COORDINATION BETWEEN ISRAEL AND THE U.S. THIS IS PARTICULARLY STRIKING IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THIS EXTRAORDINARY SUMMIT WILL BEAR ON VITAL ISRAELI INTERESTS."

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"ISRAEL WILL NOT CONTENT ITSELF WITH A PUBLIC DECLARATION THAT ASSAD IS PREPARED FOR FULL PEACE" (YEDIOT)
"ASSAD HAS NO RABBITS IN HIS HAT" (YEDIOT COMMENTARY)

BLOCK QUOTES:

I. WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT HAIM SHIBI REPORTED IN YEDIOT (PLURALIST, INDEPENDENT): "AT HIS MEETING WITH ASSAD, CLINTON WILL RAISE THE ISSUE OF NAVIGATOR RON ARAD AND THE THREE ISRAELI SOLDIERS MISSING IN THE SULTAN YA'AQUB BATTLE ACCORDING TO AUTHORIZED ISRAELI SOURCES IN WASHINGTON, ISRAEL WILL NOT CONTENT ITSELF EVEN WITH A PUBLIC DECLARATION BY ASSAD THAT HE IS PREPARED FOR FULL PEACE. WHAT ISRAEL WANTS IS PEACE, SECURITY AND A DIPLOMATIC PROCESS THAT EXISTS INDEPENDENTLY OF OTHER PROCESSES. JERUSALEM IS NOT CONCERNED OVER THE AMERICANS' PARTIAL LEGITIMIZATION OF ASSAD, BECAUSE IT IS UP TO ISRAEL TO DECIDE WHICH SYRIAN MOVE IS SATISFACTORY ENOUGH TO JUSTIFY SERIOUS AND FAR-REACHING NEGOTIATIONS WITH SYRIA SOME U.S. ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS BELIEVE THAT A RABIN-ASSAD MEETING WILL BE THE NEXT LOGICAL STEP IF ASSAD PUBLICLY SAYS HE IS PREPARED TO MAKE PEACE. HOWEVER, ASSAD "IS NOT GOING TO DELIVER ANYTHING IF HE DOESN'T GET ANYTHING IN RETURN." IN TALKS WITH ISRAELIS AND WITH AMERICAN JEWS, THE AMERICANS EMPHASIZE THE FOLLOWING: 500 SYRIAN JEWS HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED EXIT VISAS, AND WASHINGTON EXPECTS THE REMAINING 300 JEWS TO GET THEIR VISAS BY SUNDAY. AT HIS MEETING WITH ASSAD, CLINTON WILL RAISE THE UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 03 TEL AVIV 000664

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ISSUE OF SYRIAN SUPPORT FOR TERRORISM AND THE ISSUE
OF ISRAELI MIAS, AND REQUEST FULL ANSWERS. SYRIA
WILL NOT BE LEGITIMIZED AS A STATE THAT HAS CEASED
SUPPORTING TERRORISM, UNLESS THE SYRIANS PROVE
THROUGH THEIR ACTIONS THAT THEY HAVE INDEED CHOSEN
THE PATH OF PEACE."

II. COLUMNIST SHLOMO GAZIT COMMENTED IN YEDIOT:
"THE MEDIA EXCEL IN BUILDING UP SUSPENSE EVEN IN THE
ABSENCE OF ANY CAUSE FOR SUSPENSE. THESE DAYS THE
PRESS IS BUSY DRAMATIZING THE CLINTON-ASSAD MEETING,
AND EVERYBODY KEEPS GUESSING WHAT RABBIT ASSAD MAY
PULL OUT OF HIS HAT BUT WHY IS EVERYBODY
BEHAVING AS IF SYRIA'S POSITION WERE A MYSTERY, WHEN
THIS IS BY NO MEANS THE CASE? SYRIA IS PREPARED TO
MAKE FORMAL PEACE WITH ISRAEL ON THE MODEL OF THE
CONTRACTUAL PEACE BETWEEN ISRAEL AND EGYPT. AND
'FORMAL' IS THE KEY WORD. THE PRICE ISRAEL WILL
HAVE TO PAY IS ALSO NOT A SECRET: RECOGNITION OF
SYRIA'S SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE ENTIRE GOLAN, TOTAL
WITHDRAWAL FROM THE GOLAN, AND THE EVACUATION OF ALL
JEWISH SETTLEMENTS. IF THE GOVERNMENT REJECTS THESE
SYRIAN CONDITIONS, IT HAD BETTER SPARE ITSELF ALL
THIS UNNECESSARY SUSPENSE AND HASSLE. LET'S BE
FRANK ABOUT IT, IF ISRAEL IS NOT PREPARED TO ACCEPT
SYRIA'S CONDITIONS -- WHICH ARE KNOWN TO ONE AND ALL
-- THERE IS NO CHANCE OF REACHING A SETTLEMENT WITH
DAMASCUS WHAT IS CONSPICUOUSLY LACKING IN THE
CLINTON-ASSAD FESTIVAL IS ADVANCE COORDINATION
BETWEEN ISRAEL AND THE U.S. THIS IS
PARTICULARLY STRIKING IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THIS
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CLINTON MOSCOW VISIT

ON BBC TV'S BREAKFAST NEWS THIS MORNING, MOSCOW

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CLINTON MOSCOW VISIT
ON BBC TV'S BREAKFAST NEWS THIS MORNING, MOSCOW
CORRESPONDENT BEN BROWN SAID FROM THE CITY:
"THIS MORNING, MR CLINTON ARRIVES AT THE KREMLIN PALACE.
HE HAS NOT COME HERE WITH A FAT CHECK BOOK OR ANY
PROMISES OF NEW AID. BUT HE DOES RECOGNIZE THAT BORIS
YELTSIN MAY NOW NEED TO SOFTEN RUSSIA'S SHOCK THERAPY
REFORM PROGRAM. AMERICA'S VIEW IS THAT THE RECENT RISE
OF THE EXTREME RIGHT-WING IN RUSSIA WAS IN PART A PROTEST
AGAINST THE PAIN OF MR YELTSIN'S ECONOMIC CHANGES.
"MR CLINTON WILL OFFER TODAY WHAT HE CAN TO EASE RUSSIA'S
TRANSITION TO A MARKET ECONOMY, AND PERHAPS TO PERSUADE
THE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS THAT THEY SHOULD
RELAX THEIR TERMS FOR LENDING RUSSIA MONEY. ... THE
CENTERPIECE OF THE SUMMIT, THOUGH, WILL NOT BE ECONOMIC
BUT STRATEGIC -- THE AGREEMENT DUE TO BE SIGNED HERE ON
FRIDAY WITH THE UKRAINE ... (WHICH) BOTH AMERICA AND
RUSSIA BELIEVE WILL MAKE THE PLANET A SAFER PLACE."
WHITEWATER
ON THE SAME PROGRAM, WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT MARTIN
SIXSMITH SAID:
"AFTER STEADFASTLY REFUSING AN INVESTIGATION OF THE
WHITEWATER AFFAIR, THE WHITE HOUSE WAS MAKING CLEAR THAT
IT HAD CHANGED ITS MIND ONLY UNDER DURESS. ... ATTORNEY
GENERAL JANET RENO WILL NOW APPOINT AN INDEPENDENT LAWYER
TO LEAD THE INVESTIGATION. IT WILL TAKE PLACE LARGELY
BEHIND CLOSED DOORS, COULD LAST FOR MONTHS, AND WILL, THE
WHITE HOUSE HOPES, LARGELY TAKE THE HEAT OUT OF THE
CONTROVERSY THE AFFAIR HAS GENERATED."
A. TODAY'S MAJOR NEWS STORIES
1. CLINTON VISIT TO MOSCOW AND EASTERN EUROPE / BOSNIA
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2. U.S. POLITICS

B. SUMMARY

1. CLINTON VISIT TO MOSCOW AND EASTERN EUROPE / BOSNIA
COMMENTATORS CONTINUE TO DISAGREE ABOUT WHETHER NATO
SHOULD ADMIT FORMER SOVIET BLOC COUNTRIES. BUT THERE IS
INTEREST IN WHAT PRESIDENT CLINTON'S VISIT TO MOSCOW WILL
ACHIEVE. PAPERS TEND TO BE GENERALLY CRITICAL OF THE
WEST'S ATTITUDE TO RUSSIA. THE LIBERAL GUARDIAN'S MOSCOW
CORRESPONDENT JONATHAN STEELE WROTE:

"SIX MONTHS AFTER PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON AND THE G7
PROMISED WITH GREAT FANFARE TO OPEN A G7 OFFICE IN MOSCOW
TO CO-ORDINATE THE WEST'S AID TO RUSSIA, WASHINGTON HAS
STILL NOT NAMED THE PERSON TO RUN IT, AND THE OFFICE DOES
NOT EXIST. NOR HAS THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALLY
ACCEPTED THE \$75 MILLION LOAN APPROVED BY THE WORLD BANK
MORE THAN A YEAR AGO TO FINANCE ITS NEW EMPLOYMENT
SERVICE. THESE TWO CONSPICUOUS FAILURES ARE ONLY THE
LATEST SIGN THAT THE WEST'S PARTNERSHIP FOR REFORM IN
RUSSIA, DESPITE THE PUBLIC SMILES, IS A VERY ROCKY
MARRIAGE. KEY WESTERN ECONOMIC ADVISERS WHO HAVE LIVED
IN MOSCOW FOR A YEAR OR MORE EXPRESS GROWING DOUBTS ABOUT
THE VIABILITY OF THE G7 APPROACH."

2. U.S. POLITICS

MANY PAPERS REPORTED, SOME ON THEIR FRONT PAGES, THE
REQUESTED APPOINTMENT OF A COUNSEL TO INVESTIGATE THE
WHITEWATER DEAL. ON A MORE POSITIVE NOTE, THE
INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL TIMES CARRIED AN EDITORIAL PRAISING
VICE-PRESIDENT GORE'S PLANS FOR AN ADVANCED
COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE, WHICH CONCLUDED: "OVERALL,
MR GORE HAS SET OUT AN ATTRACTIVE PLATFORM WHICH SHOULD
PUT THE U.S. IN A GOOD POSITION TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE
OPPORTUNITIES OF A MULTI-MEDIA FUTURE. THE CHALLENGE FOR
THE REST OF THE WORLD IS TO RESPOND IN KIND." SEE TEXT
BELOW.

C. HEADLINES

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"RUSSIAN AID PARTNERSHIP MAKES A ROCKY MARRIAGE"
(GUARDIAN COMMENTARY)

"NATIONALIST SHADOW LOOMS OVER MOSCOW SUMMIT" (DAILY TELEGRAPH COMMENTARY)
"NATO TREADS RISKY MINEFIELD WITH LOSS OF OLD ENEMIES" (TIMES COMMENTARY)
""THIS AFFAIR WILL END IN TEARS" (INDEPENDENT COMMENTARY)
"WHY RUSSIA IS RESISTING NATO" (GUARDIAN COMMENTARY)
"CREDIBILITY GAP" (DAILY MAIL EDITORIAL)

2. U.S. POLITICS

"MR AL GORE'S BIG PICTURE" (F.T. EDITORIAL)
"WHITEWATER AFFAIR RIPPLES LAP CLOSER TO WHITE HOUSE" (TIMES REPORT)
"ARKANSAS SCANDALS REFUSE TO DISAPPEAR" (INDEPENDENT REPORT)

D. TEXT

1. CLINTON VISIT TO MOSCOW AND EASTERN EUROPE / BOSNIA
THE CONSERVATIVE DAILY TELEGRAPH COMMENTED:

"AS PRESIDENT CLINTON PREPARED FOR HIS SUMMIT WITH PRESIDENT YELTSIN LAST NIGHT, HE WAS BEING ADVISED TO MAKE SURE HE GAVE NO AMMUNITION TO NATIONALISTS SUCH AS MR VLADIMIR ZHIRINOVSKY.

"SINCE THEIR MEETINGS IN VANCOUVER LAST YEAR AND AT THE G7 SUMMIT IN TOKYO, PRO-AMERICAN RHETORIC HAS GONE OUT OF FASHION IN MOSCOW. ...

"NEITHER MR ZHIRINOVSKY NOR OTHER HARDLINERS WILL BE AT MR CLINTON'S MEETING TONIGHT WITH BUSINESS AND POLITICAL LEADERS AT THE U.S. AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE. BUT MR ZHIRINOVSKY'S PRESENCE WILL BE FELT EVERYWHERE.

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"PERHAPS THE MOST IMPORTANT ITEM IN MR CLINTON'S TWO DAY SCHEDULE WILL BE A TELEVISION ADDRESS TO THE RUSSIAN PEOPLE THAT WILL BE AN EXERCISE IN DAMAGE LIMITATION. IF HE STRIKES THE RIGHT NOTE, IF HE APPEALS TO RUSSIAN PRIDE AND PATRIOTISM AND REFRAINS FROM LECTURES ON FREE MARKETS AND DEMOCRACY, HE COULD ENHANCE THE RELATIONSHIP. BUT IF HE FAILS, HE WILL EXACERBATE A SKEPTICISM ABOUT THE AMERICAN DREAM THAT NOW EXISTS NOT JUST AMONG EXTREMISTS. MANY RUSSIANS BELIEVE THE WESTERN-PRESCRIBED SHOCK THERAPY OF THE PAST TWO YEARS HAS GONE TOO FAR. "

WRITING IN THE CONSERVATIVE TIMES, STRATEGIC EXPERT LAWRENCE FREEDMAN COMMENTED:

"MR CLINTON'S AIDES HAVE BEEN ARGUING AMONG THEMSELVES

OVER THE RIGHT POLICIES FOR RUSSIA, AS IF THE KEY DECISIONS ARE FOR THE AMERICANS TO MAKE. PRESIDENT YELTSIN IS CAUGHT BETWEEN THE ECONOMIC CATASTROPHE OF PARALYSIS AND THE POLITICAL CATASTROPHE OF MOVEMENT. WHATEVER HE DOES, RUSSIAN SOCIETY WILL BECOME EVEN MORE STRESSED, THE STATE EVEN WEAKER AND NERVES IN THE REGION EVEN MORE FRAYED. ...

"THE PAN EUROPEAN VISION SET OUT THIS WEEK BY MR CLINTON MAY REPRESENT THE MOST DESIRABLE FUTURE BUT IT IS NOT THE MOST LIKELY ONE. IF RUSSIAN AND UKRAINE, IN PARTICULAR, FAIL TO DEVELOP INNER SECURITY THEN THE RESULTANT CONVULSIONS WILL POSE DEMANDS ON WESTERN POLICY WHICH HAVE LITTLE TO DO WITH THE TRADITIONAL REQUIREMENTS OF ALLIANCE."

WRITING IN THE CENTRIST INDEPENDENT, DIRECTOR OF STUDIES AT THE ROYAL UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTE, LONDON, JONATHAN EYAL WAS CRITICAL OF THE WEST'S POLICY TOWARDS RUSSIA: "IN AN EFFORT TO DEFLECT ACCUSATIONS THAT HE IS OBSESSED WITH SUPPORTING YELTSIN ALONE, MR CLINTON IS MEETING MOST OF RUSSIA'S OTHER POLITICAL LEADERS IN MOSCOW, INCLUDING THE COMMUNISTS AND THE AGRARIAN PARTY, THEIR CLOSEST ALLIES. YET MR ZHIRINOVSKY, LEADER OF THE BIGGEST OPPOSITION PARTY IN THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT, IS NOT ON MR CLINTON'S GUEST LIST. THERE IS SOMETHING STRANGE ABOUT A 'CONSTITUTIONAL DEMOCRACY' IN WHICH ONE OF THE BIGGEST PLAYERS IS CONSIDERED INELIGIBLE FOR DIALOGUE WITH THE UNCLAS SECTION 05 OF 09 LONDON 00669

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"THE WEST DISMISSES MR ZHIRINOVSKY AS AN ACCIDENT RATHER THAN A PRODUCT OF RUSSIA'S DEMOCRACY. IN THE CLICHES SO DEAR TO THE PRESENT U.S. ADMINISTRATION, HE IS MERELY A 'WAKE-UP' CALL TO RUSSIA'S DEMOCRATS. FAR FROM IT : THE FEELING OF NATIONAL HUMILIATION ON WHICH MR ZHIRINOVSKY FEEDS IS UNLIKELY TO DISAPPEAR SOON, ALMOST REGARDLESS OF WHAT THE WEST DOES. THIS IS LARGELY BECAUSE THE SOVIET EMPIRE WAS NOT DEFEATED IN BATTLE; IT SIMPLY DISINTEGRATED, IN CIRCUMSTANCES THAT REMAIN INEXPLICABLE TO MOST ORDINARY RUSSIANS.

"TO ISOLATE MR ZHIRINOVSKY, MR YELTSIN MUST REDEFINE RUSSIAN NATIONALISM, WHILE STEERING CLEAR OF ITS MOST CHAUVINIST MANIFESTATIONS. THIS WAS NEVER GOING TO BE

EASY, BUT MR YELTSIN SHOWS NO INCLINATION EVEN TO UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEM, AND THE WEST HAS NO INTEREST IN HELPING EITHER. ...

"THE WEST IS KEEN TO HANDLE RUSSIA AS AN EQUAL PARTNER, A SURVIVING SUPERPOWER. BUT THE ONLY CLAIM RUSSIA HAS TO SUPERPOWER STATUS NOW IS ITS MILITARY MIGHT -- PRECISELY WHAT THE WEST WANTS TO SEE REDUCED. AND, FAR FROM TREATING MR YELTSIN AS A PARTNER, THE WEST HAS OFTEN SUBJECTED THE RUSSIAN LEADER TO PETTY PRESSURES WHEN ITS INTERESTS WERE PERCEIVED TO BE AT STAKE. ...

"THE WEST TENDS TO ASSUME THAT IF RUSSIA TURNS NASTY, IT WILL BE ABLE TO REVERSE POLICIES FORTHWITH AND INCLUDE EASTERN EUROPE IN ITS SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS. BUT IF THE ARGUMENT AGAINST THE EXPANSION OF NATO IS ITS POTENTIAL TO ANNOY RUSSIA, THIS SURELY WILL BE MORE COMPELLING IF MOSCOW BECOMES MORE ASSERTIVE. AND, GIVEN THAT THE WEST HAS IGNORED ALL THE CURRENT THREATS FROM MOSCOW -- THE REFUSAL TO WITHDRAW FROM OTHER REPUBLICS, THE UNILATERAL CANCELLATION OF PROPOSED MILITARY CUTS AND THE ADMONITIONS TO EASTERN EUROPE -- AT WHAT POINT DOES IT DECIDE THAT RUSSIA HAS TURNED 'NASTY' ENOUGH TO WARRANT A RESPONSE?

"A POLICY BASED ON THE BELIEF THAT NOTHING SHOULD BE DONE TO RATTLE RUSSIA CAN LEAD ONLY TO APPEASEMENT: IN POLITICAL TERMS, THE TIME TO CONFRONT AN AGGRESSIVE UNCLAS SECTION 06 OF 09 LONDON 00669

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RUSSIA WILL COME ONLY WHEN MORE OF THE INDEPENDENT COUNTRIES FALL INTO MOSCOW'S SPHERE OF INFLUENCE. BUT IT IS THE AWARENESS OF THIS THAT FUELS INSTABILITY IN EASTERN EUROPE. INSTEAD OF OFFERING THE MEDIA MORE PHOTO-OPPORTUNITIES IN MOSCOW, BILL CLINTON WOULD BE WELL ADVISED TO TAKE DOUGLAS HURD AND OTHER WESTERN MINISTERS ON A CRUISE DOWN THE VISTULA."

THE LIBERAL GUARDIAN'S MOSCOW CORRESPONDENT JONATHAN STEELE COMMENTED:

"IF RUSSIA'S MOST ARDENT 'WESTERNISERS' ARE BECOMING MORE CRITICAL OF THE WEST, IT IS A SIGNIFICANT SHIFT. ... GORBACHEV'S PERESTROIKA WAS FOUNDED ON THE NOTION THAT IF RUSSIA CHANGED ITS BEHAVIOR IN EASTERN EUROPE AND TOWARDS THE WEST, THE REST OF THE CONTINENT WOULD ADJUST ITS NEGATIVE IMAGE OF RUSSIA. AS THE SUCCESSORS TO

GORBACHEV, THE LEADERS OF THE NEW POST-SOVIET RUSSIA WENT FURTHER. THEY HOPED THEY WOULD BE WELCOMED INTO THE WESTERN CLUB WITH OPEN ARMS, WHILE ALSO BEING RECOGNIZED AS A COUNTRY WITH LEGITIMATE INTERESTS. IT DID NOT HAPPEN. ...

"A STRANGE DICHOTOMY EMERGED IN THE WEST. ALMOST ANYTHING PRESIDENT YELTSIN DID AT HOME WAS APPLAUDED BLINDLY. ALMOST ANYTHING HE DID OUTSIDE RUSSIA IN AREAS OF PREVIOUS SOVIET INFLUENCE WAS CONDEMNED AS THE STIRRINGS OF IMPERIALISM.

"IT IS NOT SURPRISING THAT EASTERN EUROPEANS SHOULD HARBOR ILL-WILL TOWARDS RUSSIA. ... PARTLY GENUINELY, BUT WITH A GOOD DEAL OF CALCULATION, THEY HAVE SEIZED ON THE ZHIRINOVSKY CARD TO TRY TO DRUM THEIR WAY INTO NATO. CLINTON HAS DONE WELL TO RESIST THEIR PRESSURE, SENSING THAT TO MOVE NATO'S FRONTIER EASTWARD WILL INCITE RUSSIAN ANXIETIES. ... BUT CLINTON IS ONLY PARTLY GUIDED BY GOOD REASONS. ... THE WEST IS STILL MESMERIZED BY NATO'S ALLEGED ACHIEVEMENTS. THE TAG LINE 'THE MOST SUCCESSFUL ALLIANCE IN HISTORY' DOES NOT SURVIVE CLOSE SCRUTINY. NOR DOES ITS SUB-THEME THAT NUCLEAR DETERRENCE WAS THE KEY INGREDIENT. ...

"THE SPEED WITH WHICH THE ZHIRINOVSKY FACTOR HAS BEEN USED IN THE WEST, AND NOT JUST IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE, TO WHIP UP OLD NIGHTMARES ABOUT THE RUSSIAN BEAR UNCLAS SECTION 07 OF 09 LONDON 00669

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HAS UPSET MANY PEOPLE IN MOSCOW. EASTERN EUROPE'S EMOTIONS ARE UNDERSTANDABLE, THOUGH THEIR RECOURSE TO OLD-FASHIONED REMEDIES WILL NOT HELP. WHAT MATTERS MORE TO RUSSIANS IS WHAT THE MAJOR WESTERN LEADERS FEEL.

"THIS IS THE UMPTEENTH U.S.-RUSSIAN SUMMIT SINCE THE COLD WAR WOUND DOWN, BUT IT IS THE FIRST TIME THAT MOSCOW'S DECISION-MAKERS HAVE NOT SEEN THEIR AMERICAN VISITOR AS A MAN WHO COULD HELP THEM. IN A FUNNY WAY, THE NEW ATTITUDE RESTORES SOME OF THE STATUS RUSSIA LOST WHEN IT CEASED TO BE A SUPERPOWER. THE RUSSIAN ELITE WILL BE HAPPY IF THEY CAN GIVE THIS NEW AND APPARENTLY MORE RECEPTIVE AMERICAN PRESIDENT SOMETHING THEMSELVES. IF CLINTON LEAVES HERE HAVING LEARNT SOMETHING ABOUT RUSSIAN COMPLEXITIES, AND WITH THE CONVICTION THAT NATO SHOULD NOT EXPAND GEOGRAPHICALLY BUT RE-THINK ITS ENTIRE

RATIONALE, RUSSIANS WILL TREAT HIS VISIT AS A SUCCESS."
THE CONSERVATIVE TABLOID DAILY MAIL EDITORIALIZED:
"NATO MIGHT HAVE SET OUT A CLEAR LINE ON THE ISSUE OF ITS
RELATIONSHIP WITH THE FORMER SOVIET BLOC. ON THE OTHER
PRESSING ISSUE, HOWEVER -- THE WAR IN YUGOSLAVIA -- IT
WAS CONFUSION AS USUAL. ... IS IT ANY WONDER THAT THE
SERBS THUMB THEIR NOSES, EVEN IN THE FACE OF THREATS?
THOSE THREATS LACK ALL CREDIBILITY. AND YOU CAN SEE WHY.
"NO SOONER HAD THE NATO SUMMITEERS AGREED THAT THERE
SHOULD BE PLANS FOR AIR STRIKES AGAINST THE BOSNIAN SERBS
THAN VARIOUS GOVERNMENTS BEGAN DISTANCING THEMSELVES FROM
THAT AGREEMENT. THESE INCLUDED OUR OWN, EVEN THOUGH IT
HAD BEEN INSTRUMENTAL, WITH FRANCE, IN GETTING A THREAT
TO BOMB THE SERBS INTO THE SUMMIT COMMUNIQUE. ...
"YOU SIMPLY CANNOT SOUND CREDIBLE IF YOU WAX TOUGH ONE
DAY AND CAUTIOUS THE NEXT, AS PRESIDENT CLINTON -- WHO
KNOWS SOMETHING ABOUT LOST CREDIBILITY -- WARNED. NATO
AND THE UN HAVE BEEN THREATENING THE SERBS WITH DIRECT
ACTION SINCE LAST APRIL, AND NOT A SINGLE BOMB HAS BEEN
DROPPED IN ANGER. THE SERBS CAN TAKE EMPTY THREATS UNTIL
THE COWS COME HOME. IF WE ARE REALLY NOT GOING TO DO IT,
WE SHOULD STOP PRETENDING OTHERWISE."

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THE INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL TIMES EDITORIALIZED:

"A GOOD POLITICIAN MUST BE ABLE TO GAZE AT THE STARS BUT
KEEP HIS FEET PLANTED FIRMLY ON THE GROUND. U.S. VICE-
PRESIDENT AL GORE HAS MANAGED TO ACHIEVE THIS DIFFICULT
DOUBLE TRICK IN HIS PLANS FOR DEVELOPING AN ADVANCED
COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE, WHICH HE OUTLINED THIS
WEEK.

"MR GORE'S STAR-GAZING INVOLVED EXPANDING ON HIS VISION
OF A SOCIETY WHERE ALL HOMES, OFFICES, SCHOOLS AND OTHER
COMMUNITY BODIES WOULD BE CONNECTED TO ELECTRONIC 'SUPER-
HIGHWAYS'. ...

"BUT THE VICE PRESIDENT ALSO KEPT HIS FEET ON THE GROUND
BY MAKING CLEAR THAT THE BULK OF THE INVESTMENT IN
NETWORKS, SERVICES AND PRODUCTS WOULD BE UNDERTAKEN BY
PRIVATE ENTERPRISE. HE HAS LARGELY ABANDONED EARLIER
SUGGESTIONS THAT THE STATE MIGHT BE INVOLVED IN
CONSTRUCTING SUCH NETWORKS.

"THE EMPHASIS ON COMPETITIVE PRIVATE ENTERPRISE IS IMPORTANT. IT PROVIDES THE BEST CHANCE THAT THE VISION WILL BE REALIZED, AS THERE IS NO PROSPECT OF FINDING TENS OF BILLIONS OF DOLLARS FROM STATE COFFERS. IT ALSO MEANS THAT INVESTMENT IS LIKELY TO BE FOCUSED ON PRODUCTS AND SERVICES THAT MEET GENUINE CUSTOMER NEEDS. A GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED PROGRAM COULD EASILY HAVE BEEN WASTEFUL, RESULTING IN THE PROVISION OF SERVICES THAT NOBODY WANTED. ...

"OVERALL, MR GORE HAS SET OUT AN ATTRACTIVE PLATFORM WHICH SHOULD PUT THE U.S. IN A GOOD POSITION TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPORTUNITIES OF A MULTI-MEDIA FUTURE. THE CHALLENGE FOR THE REST OF THE WORLD IS TO RESPOND IN KIND. OTHERWISE, IT WILL FIND ITSELF FALLING FURTHER AND FURTHER BEHIND."

ON "WHITewaterGATE", THE CONSERVATIVE TIMES COMMENTED: "GROWING CONTROVERSY OVER THE ARKANSAS PROPERTY AND FINANCIAL DEALINGS OF PRESIDENT CLINTON AND HIS WIFE HILLARY MAY NOT YET HAVE REACHED WATERGATE PROPORTIONS, BUT THE AFFAIR HAS DEVELOPED MANY OF THE FEATURES OF THE UNCLAS SECTION 09 OF 09 LONDON 00669

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SCANDAL THAT FORCED RICHARD NIXON OUT OF THE PRESIDENCY 20 YEARS AGO. ... THE NIXON DOWNFALL WAS CAUSED NOT SO MUCH BY THE BREAK-IN, BUT BY THE SUBSEQUENT ILLEGAL EFFORTS BY NIXON AIDES TO COVER UP THE EXTENT OF WHITE HOUSE INVOLVEMENT. HISTORY SEEMS TO HAVE TAUGHT THE CLINTONS NOTHING."

AND THE CENTRIST INDEPENDENT MADE THE SAME POINT:

"AS WITH PREVIOUS PRESIDENTS, THE CLINTONS ARE FINDING THAT A BOTCHED COVER-UP CAN BE MORE DAMAGING THAN THE ORIGINAL ALLEGATION. ... THE SCANDAL SURROUNDING MADISON AND WHITEWATER WILL PROBABLY DOG MR CLINTON UP TO THE NEXT ELECTION IN 1996. THERE ARE ENOUGH LOOSE ENDS AND DISAPPEARING DOCUMENTS -- RELEVANT MICROFILMS MELTED WHEN STORED IN AN OVER-HEATED ROOM -- TOP PREVENT THE AFFAIR EVER BEING LAID TO REST. BUT JUST AS HE WAS A BAD ENOUGH BUSINESSMAN TO GET INVOLVED WITH WHITEWATER, MR CLINTON WAS PROBABLY ALWAYS A GOOD ENOUGH POLITICIAN TO ENSURE THAT THE EXACT NATURE OF FAVORS HE DID FOR MR MCDOUGAL WILL NEVER BE KNOWN." O'BRIEN

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RECEPTION IN BERLIN, AND THE TRIAL AGAINST A GYNECOLOGIST
WHO WAS ACCUSED OF HAVING CARRIED OUT ABORTIONS.
B. U.S.-EUROPE: CLINTON TOUR

1. ZDF TV, NATIONAL CHANNEL TWO, IN ITS EARLY
EVENING NEWSCAST HEUTE, FEATURED THE FOLLOWING COMMENT BY
GERD HELBIG ON CLINTON'S VISIT TO PRAGUE:

"IT WAS NOT EASY FOR CLINTON TO SELL THE DECISIONS
REACHED BY NATO IN BRUSSELS AS A SATISFACTORY SOLUTION.
THE COUNTRIES OF CENTRAL EUROPE FEEL THREATENED BY
RUSSIA. IN THIS SITUATION THE PARTNERSHIP FOR PEACE IS
NOT MUCH HELP AS LONG AS IT DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY CONCRETE
SECURITY PROVISIONS. EVEN IF THEY FALL VICTIM TO THE
INTERESTS OF THE SUPERPOWERS IN WASHINGTON AND MOSCOW,
THEY HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO GRIT THEIR TEETH AND
ACCEPT THE OFFER. ONLY FULL MEMBERSHIP OF NATO WILL
SATISFY THEM, BUT THIS IS STILL UNCERTAIN AFTER THE
MEETING IN PRAGUE."

2. ZDF'S LATE EVENING NEWSCAST HEUTE JOURNAL
FEATURED COMMENTS FROM DIRK SAGER IN MOSCOW:

"CLINTON IS GOING TO HAVE TO DEMONSTRATE TRUST IN PEOPLE WHOM MANY RUSSIANS NO LONGER TRUST. MOST PEOPLE IN RUSSIA HAVE SIMPLY GIVEN UP HOPE. WHEN THE COMMUNISTS WENT, THEY THOUGHT: NOW THE WEST WILL COME. BUT ONLY THE UGLY SIDE OF THE WEST HAS COME - OR THIS IS THE WAY MOST PEOPLE SEE THINGS.... CIRCUMSPECT POLITICIANS REFER TO THIS DISILLUSIONMENT AS A PROCESS OF NORMALIZATION, BUT FOR MANY PEOPLE IT IS SIMPLY A HEAP OF ABANDONED HOPES."

3. LEFT-OF-CENTER WEEKLY DIE ZEIT OF HAMBURG FRONT PAGES THE FOLLOWING EDITORIAL BY DIETER BUHL UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"THE CENTERPIECE."

"THE OLD WORLD CAN BREATHE A SIGH OF RELIEF. AFTER A YEAR OF NEGLECT, THE AMERICAN PRESIDENT IS NOW PAYING EUROPE HIS RESPECTS. ALTHOUGH BILL CLINTON'S TOUR DE FORCE RESEMBLES THE PACKAGE TOURS HIS COMPATRIOTS GO ON - IF IT'S TUESDAY IT MUST BE PRAGUE - IT FULFILLS AN IMPORTANT PURPOSE. A CRESTFALLEN CONTINENT IS BEING CONSOLED AND - EVEN MORE IMPORTANT - SEEING SIGNS OF POLITICAL RESOLVE. FOR THE TIME BEING, THIS SHOULD DISPEL ANY DOUBTS ABOUT THE TRANSATLANTIC LINK AND THIS PRESIDENT'S FOREIGN POLICY PRIORITIES. SO IS AMERICA NO LONGER PINNING ITS HOPES ON THE 'PACIFIC FUTURE?' IS UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 09 BONN GE 00956

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AMERICAN POLICY ALREADY RETURNING TO THE 'EURO-CENTRISM' WHICH SECRETARY OF STATE CHRISTOPHER WARNED AGAINST AS RECENTLY AS NOVEMBER? ALL CLINTON'S COMPLIMENTS AND VOWS OF LOYALTY CANNOT HIDE THE FACT THAT HE SEES HIS MAIN TASKS AT HOME - IN THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC RENEWAL OF HIS COUNTRY. IN ADDITION, ASIA WITH ITS DYNAMIC ECONOMIES AND GIGANTIC MARKETS REMAINS AN OBJECT OF AMERICAN HOPE. EUROPE, ON THE OTHER HAND, AWAKENS AMERICAN INTEREST CHIEFLY AS A NUISANCE FACTOR.

"THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP WAS NOT PROMPTED BY SYMPATHY OR NOSTALGIA BUT BY VESTED INTEREST. THIS IS BACKED UP BY THE MOST IMPORTANT SENTENCE HE HAS SPOKEN ON THE TOUR: 'EUROPE REMAINS THE CENTERPIECE OF OUR SECURITY.' THIS MEANS THAT AMERICA'S FATE REMAINS LINKED TO EUROPE'S. FACED WITH THE BARBARITY IN THE BALKANS, ECONOMIC DECLINE AND RAMPANT NATIONALISM, THE PRESIDENT HAS REASON ENOUGH TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE STABILIZATION OF THE CONTINENT. HE IS ATTEMPTING TO DO THIS IN THREE WAYS.

"FIRST: BY APPEALING TO THE 'COLLECTIVE SPIRIT' OF THE WEST EUROPEANS. CLINTON WANTS THE EUROPEAN UNION TO

SUCCEED. HE IS NOT EVEN AFRAID OF THE EUROPEANS DEVELOPING THEIR OWN SECURITY STRUCTURES. THE ADVANTAGES OF A FUNCTIONAL UNION COUNT MORE FOR HIM THAN THE TRADITIONAL MISGIVINGS. (THE EU) COULD ASSUME MORE RESPONSIBILITY ON THE WORLD STAGE AND HAVE A STABILIZING EFFECT ON EUROPE AS A WHOLE. IF MANY EUROPEANS ARE CURRENTLY OVERLOOKING THIS FUNCTION OF THE EU, THEY SHOULD BE REMINDED OF IT BY THE U.S. PRESIDENT.

"SECOND: BY PATTING THE EASTERN EUROPEANS ENCOURAGINGLY ON THE SHOULDER. THE MIXED REACTIONS FROM CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPEAN CAPITALS MAY HAVE BROUGHT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE 'PARTNERSHIP FOR PEACE' INTO PERSPECTIVE, BUT UNDER AMERICAN DIRECTION NATO HAS AT LEAST BEGUN TO ESTABLISH A PAN-EUROPEAN SECURITY NETWORK WHICH IS STILL VERY CRUDE. IF IT IS SUPPLEMENTED BY INCREASINGLY BROAD ECONOMIC CURRENTS BETWEEN EAST AND WEST, IT COULD PROMOTE FREEDOM FAR BETTER THAN MILITARY COOPERATION. CLINTON'S MOTTO - 'TRADE IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN AID' - IS PERSUASIVE, PARTICULARLY IF AMERICAN ITSELF OPENS ITS DOORS EVEN FURTHER TO GOODS FROM THE EAST.

"THIRD: BY SUPPORTING THE REFORMERS. UNLIKE HIS PREDECESSOR BUSH, CLINTON DEVOTED A GREAT DEAL OF ATTENTION TO RUSSIA RIGHT FROM THE START. THE VISION OF A DISINTEGRATING RUSSIAN NUCLEAR EMPIRE CONCENTRATES THE MIND WONDERFULLY. THE KREMLIN COULD NOT, HOWEVER, EXPECT ANY CASH TO ACCOMPANY THE PRESIDENT ON HIS TRIP.

INSTEAD, CLINTON OFFERED ADVICE, RESPECT AND A UNCLAS SECTION 04 OF 09 BONN GE 00956

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WILLINGNESS TO DEEPEN THE RUSSIAN-AMERICAN DIALOG. ONE RESULT OF THE CONFIDENCE-BUILDING DIALOG IS UKRAINE'S ANNOUNCEMENT THAT IT INTENDS TO SCRAP ITS NUCLEAR WEAPONS. MOSCOW AND WASHINGTON MANAGED TO PERSUADE THE UKRAINIAN PRESIDENT TO DO THIS....

"WHAT IMPRESSIONS WILL CLINTON TAKE HOME WITH HIM ON SUNDAY? IN SPITE OF HIS SUCCESSES, HE IS NOT LIKELY TO FEEL FREE OF THOMAS JEFFERSON'S 'ALL-ENCOMPASSING HORROR AT EVERYTHING WHICH LINKS US WITH EUROPEAN POLITICS.' THE PRESIDENT WILL HAVE TO FACE THIS TASK AGAIN IN FUTURE. AMERICA'S SECURITY LEAVES HIM NO OPTION."

4. LEFT-OF-CENTER WEEKLY DIE ZEIT OF HAMBURG CARRIES AN EDITORIAL BY CHRISTOPH BERTRAM UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"NATO SUMMIT IN BRUSSELS: WILL BOSNIA BECOME THE LITMUS TEST? - WIDE GAP."

"IN FACT, THE BRUSSELS SUMMIT SHOULD HAVE DEALT WITH

SUBSTANCE: WHAT SHOULD AND MUST BE THE FUTURE TASK OF THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE NOW THAT ITS FORMER MISSION - THE DETERRENCE OF SOVIET EXPANSIONISM - HAS BEEN FULFILLED? BUT BECAUSE NOBODY HAD A CONVINCING ANSWER READY FOR THIS QUESTION, THE 14 GENTLEMEN AND TWO LADIES...AT THE 11TH NATO SUMMIT...CONCENTRATED ON THE PACKAGING. AND, INDEED, THERE HAS NEVER BEEN A NICER, MORE MODERN ALLIANCE.

"NATO IS NO LONGER A CLOSED CIRCLE: NEW MEMBERS ARE TO BE ADMITTED IN PRINCIPLE, THOUGH NOT AT THIS TIME OR ANY TIME SOON.... THE OLD DISPUTE BETWEEN ATLANTICISTS AND EURO-VISIONARIES HAS FINALLY BEEN OVERCOME: THE U.S. UNDER BILL CLINTON NO LONGER OPPOSES GREATER EUROPEAN INDEPENDENCE EVEN IN THE MILITARY SECTOR. IT RATHER DECLARES THE SUCCESS OF THE EUROPEAN UNION TO BE THE CORE OF ITS FUTURE EUROPEAN POLICY. THE ALLIANCE TAKES ON NEW TASKS: WHILE THE COLLECTIVE DEFENSE OF ALL MEMBERS REMAINS NATO'S MAJOR TASK, OTHERS ARE TO BE ADDED: PEACE MISSIONS IN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE UN AND THE CSCE AND INDEPENDENT, THOUGH COORDINATED ACTIONS OF THE WEU. THE MILITARY ORGANIZATION WILL BECOME MORE FLEXIBLE. EFFECTIVE COMBINED JOINT TASK FORCES ARE TO BE SET UP AND DEPLOYED DURING CRISES TAKING PLACE ALSO OUTSIDE THE EXISTING ORGANIZATION AND COMMAND STRUCTURE, THUS ENABLING FRANCE TO PARTICIPATE MILITARILY AS IF ITS FORCES WERE INTEGRATED INTO NATO, WHILE STILL BEING ABLE TO CLAIM THAT THEY ARE NOT. THE U.S. ENGAGEMENT FOR EUROPE IS RECONFIRMED. BILL CLINTON WAS NOT SPARING WITH TRANSATLANTIC OATHS OF LOYALTY AND HIS COUNTERPARTS GRATEFULLY APPLAUDED. WHILE HIS PROMISE TO KEEP A CONTINGENT OF 100,000 U.S. TROOPS IN EUROPE DID NOT COME UNCLAS SECTION 05 OF 09 BONN GE 00956

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AS A SURPRISE, IT DREW MUCH PRAISE.

"IN ANY CASE, IT WAS A MEETING OF MUTUAL COMPLIMENTS. THE HARMONY, THE OPEN ATMOSPHERE, THE SKILL AND LEADERSHIP OF THE AMERICAN (PRESIDENT) WERE LAUDED...AND EVERYBODY WAS IN AGREEMENT THAT THE MEETING HAD BEEN A GREAT SUCCESS. BUT WORDS CANNOT BE TURNED INTO REALITY SO QUICKLY, NOR CAN THE BASIC PROBLEMS OF THE ALLIANCE BE RESOLVED JUST LIKE THAT.

"'PARTNERSHIP FOR PEACE,' THE SUBSTITUTE AND POSTPONEMENT PROGRAM FOR NATO'S EXPANSION TO THE EAST, INVITES ALL FORMER WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES, FORMER SOVIET REPUBLICS AND NEUTRAL EUROPEAN STATES TO JOINT MANEUVERS, EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION AND CONSULTATIONS IN CASE OF

CRISIS. BUT WHEN IT COMES TO THE CHALLENGE OF SHORING UP SECURITY IN THE UNSTABLE EASTERN EUROPE BY CLARIFYING THE SITUATION, THE WESTERN ALLIANCE HAS MERELY A PROGRAM OF DELIBERATE AMBIGUITY TO OFFER.

"GREATER EUROPEAN INDEPENDENCE? THIS IS CERTAINLY WELCOME. BUT IF THE ALLIANCE WERE TURNED INTO A SELF-SERVE CENTER AT THE DISPOSAL OF THE EU, THE WEU OR OTHER SUBGROUPS FOR ACTIONS OUTSIDE OF THE ALLIANCE, NATO'S LINKS WILL BEGIN TO LOOSEN. AMERICA'S WILLINGNESS TO TAKE EUROPEAN VISIONS OF INTEGRATION AS SECURITY POLICY REALITY COULD WELL BE AN EXPRESSION OF GROWING INDIFFERENCE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE ATLANTIC, ACCORDING TO THE MOTTO: JUST GO AHEAD....

"THE NEW TASKS? SO FAR, NEITHER THE UN NOR THE CSCE HAVE ASKED NATO FOR ANY TYPE OF ASSISTANCE DESPITE CALLS FROM THE OFFICIAL BRUSSELS TO DO SO. FOLLOWING THE EXPERIENCES IN SOMALIA AND BOSNIA, HOWEVER, IT IS BY ALL MEANS JUSTIFIED TO BELIEVE THAT THE WESTERN STATES ARE NOT PARTICULARLY KEEN ON MAKING TROOPS AVAILABLE FOR OUT-OF-AREA CRISES MISSIONS OR HUMANITARIAN ACTIONS.

"AND WHAT DOES THE RECONFIRMATION OF THE U.S. ENGAGEMENT MEAN FOR EUROPE? WHILE IT UNDOUBTEDLY DESIRABLE, IT DOES NOT YET LAY A FOUNDATION FOR FUTURE ATLANTIC RELATIONS. DUE TO THE DIMINISHED SECURITY RISK, THE FOUNDATION CAN NO LONGER BE BASED ON JOINT MILITARY INTERESTS BUT MUST CONSIST OF OTHER JOINT INTERESTS. THE GROUND IS SLIPPING OUT FROM UNDER NATO'S FEET, AND THIS CANNOT BE STOPPED WITH MERE ASSURANCES OF ATLANTIC LOYALTY.

"THERE WAS THUS 'NO HISTORIC BREAKTHROUGH.' IF AT ALL, A BREAKTHROUGH OCCURRED IN A DIFFERENT SENSE THAN MANFRED WOERNER HAD INTENDED - NAMELY IN NATO'S POLICY TOWARD BOSNIA. THIS WAS THE ACTUAL AND IN FACT SOLE UNCLAS SECTION 06 OF 09 BONN GE 00956

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SURPRISE OF THE BRUSSELS' MEETING. AFTER ALMOST THREE YEARS OF A WAR IN THE BALKANS, COUNTLESS THREATS AND HUMILIATIONS, AFTER A LONG LIST OF TRANSATLANTIC AND EUROPEAN ALLEGATIONS AND ACCUSATIONS, IT LOOKED AS IF THE ALLIANCE WAS REMEMBERING AFTER ALL THAT IT HAD A MILITARY OBLIGATION, IN ANY CASE THE RESPONSIBILITY NOT TO SQUANDER ALL OF ITS CREDIBILITY....

"HOWEVER, THERE IS A WIDE GAP BETWEEN THE BOSNIA DECLARATION OF THE BRUSSELS COMMUNIQUE AND ITS REALIZATION. THE ISSUE WAS NOT, SAID BRITISH FOREIGN MINISTER HURD, WHETHER SARAJEVO WAS BEING STRANGLED BUT

WHETHER AIR STRIKES COULD EFFECTIVELY PREVENT THIS. FURTHERMORE, THE ASSISTANCE OF UN TROOPS BY NATO FORCES WILL COME ABOUT ONLY IF THE UN SPECIFICALLY ASKS FOR THIS. NOTHING IS YET FINAL. MAYBE NATO WILL GET AROUND TO LETTING WORDS BE FOLLOWED BY DEEDS AFTER ALL. QUITE A FEW OF THOSE WHO COURAGEOUSLY SIGNED THE COMMUNIQUE IN BRUSSELS MAY HAVE FOUND THIS TO BE A CONSOLING THOUGHT ON THEIR WAY HOME.

"THE INSTRUMENT, AS MANFRED WOERNER LIKES TO PUT IT, IS THERE. NATO, THIS IS THE CONCLUSION AFTER THE BRUSSELS SUMMIT, LOOKS IN BETTER SHAPE THAN IT ACTUALLY IS. WHILE THIS IS NOT TO BE SNEEZED AT, IT DOES NOT SUFFICE TO SECURE THE FUTURE OF THE ALLIANCE."

6. JOACHIM SOBOTTA COMMENTS IN RIGHT-OF-CENTER RHEINISCHE POST OF DUESSELDORF UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"EDUCATIONAL AND HOLLOW."

"BILL CLINTON'S CURRENT EUROPEAN TOUR IS PROBABLY THE MOST EXITING BUT ALSO THE MOST POLITICALLY TRICKY VISIT WHICH AN AMERICAN PRESIDENT HAS EVER MADE TO THE OLD CONTINENT. FOR SOME OF THE HOSTS - PARTICULARLY IN THE EAST - GREAT EXPECTATIONS AND DEEP DISAPPOINTMENTS LIE CLOSE TOGETHER. WHEN CLINTON'S PREDECESSOR RONALD REAGAN STOOD ON THE WESTERN SIDE OF THE BERLIN WALL IN 1987 AND CALLED OUT 'OPEN THE GATE MR. GORBACHEV,' THE WORLD STILL SEEMED CLEAR AND COMPREHENSIBLE.... IN INTELLECTUAL TERMS, THE DRAMATIC CHANGES IN EUROPE IN 1989/90 REACHED AMERICA FAIRLY LATE BUT ALL THE MORE DRAMATICALLY. THIS IS PARTICULARLY TRUE OF THE UNITED STATES AS THE LEADING POWER IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC ALLIANCE."

SOBOTTA GOES ON TO RELATE THAT NATO WAS AIMED PURELY AT DEFENDING AGAINST COMMUNIST ATTACK FOR FORTY YEARS AND THAT MANY CENTRAL ANMNWIEVPEAN COUNTRIES NOW WANT THE NATO UMBRELLA TO BE EXTENDED TO COVER THEM. HE COMMENTS:

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"THIS IS AN UNDERSTANDABLE BUT - AT LEAST AT PRESENT - UNFULFILLABLE DESIRE. NATO IN GENERAL AND PRESIDENT CLINTON IN PARTICULAR MUST NOW AIM AT ACHIEVING A NEW BALANCE OF POWER IN EUROPE. AT ANY RATE, THE POLITICALLY UNSTABLE RUSSIA MUST NOT BE PUSHED INTO A SUBJECTIVE FEELING OF ENCIRCLEMENT OR ISOLATION. THE TERRIBLE WARS OF THE 20TH CENTURY, WHICH ORIGINATED IN EUROPE, PROVIDE ENOUGH EVIDENCE OF WHERE THIS CAN END. SO THE HAVELS AND WALESAS AND THE OTHER LEADERS OF THE CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPEAN REFORM STATES WILL HAVE TO ACCEPT FOR NOW THE

FACT THAT CLINTON IS FOBGING THEM OFF WITH THE OFFER OF 'PARTNERSHIP FOR PEACE.' ADMITTEDLY, IT IS EDUCATIONAL AND HOLLOW AT THE SAME TIME, BUT AT THE MOMENT IT IS THE ONLY FEASIBLE OPTION."

7. CENTRIST STUTTGARTER ZEITUNG CARRIES AN EDITORIAL UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"NEW PARTNERS."

"NOW THEY CAN GET DOWN TO WORK - THE CZECHS AND SLOVAKS, HUNGARIANS AND POLES AND THE REPRESENTATIVES OF NATO. DURING HIS STOPOVER IN PRAGUE, WHERE HE MET THE PRESIDENTS OF THESE FOUR COUNTRIES, U.S. PRESIDENT CLINTON GAINED THEIR AGREEMENT FOR THE CONCEPT OF A 'PARTNERSHIP FOR PEACE.' THE CZECHS AND SLOVAKS ARE PARTICULARLY KEEN TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE OFFER OF MILITARY COOPERATION....

"CLINTON CONFIRMED TO ALL THE PRESIDENTS THAT IT IS NO LONGER A QUESTION OF WHETHER THEY ARE ADMITTED AS MEMBERS OF THE ALLIANCE BUT OF WHEN AND HOW.... WASHINGTON IS STILL - JUSTIFIABLY - KEEPING ONE EYE ON MOSCOW WHEN THE ISSUE IS MILITARY SECURITY IN EUROPE. BUT SHORTLY BEFORE THE NATO SUMMIT, CLINTON'S TEAM PURSUED A CLEVER DIPLOMATIC LINE AND EXPLAINED THE NEW CONCEPT TO THEIR NEW PARTNERS IN DETAIL. NOW IT IS GETTING INTERESTING. NOW IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN WHAT FORMS OF COOPERATION THE NEW PARTNERS CHOOSE."

8. ULRICH GLAUBER COMMENTS IN LEFT-OF-CENTER FRANKFURTER RUNDSCHAU UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"HARMONY WITH SAXOPHONE AND MARACAS."

"PRESIDENT CLINTON - THINKING OF HIS IMAGE AS A FOREIGN POLICY MAKER - NATURALLY REFERRED TO THE TALKS IN PRAGUE AS A SUCCESS. THE IMPRESSION WHICH REMAINED WAS, HOWEVER, THAT NATO AND ITS LEADING POWER THE UNITED STATES CANNOT BE ENTIRELY ABSOLVED OF BLAME FOR THE COMPETITION BETWEEN THE FOUR VISEGRAD STATES. ASKED WHETHER ANY ONE OF THE FOUR COUNTRIES COULD BECOME A UNCLAS SECTION 08 OF 09 BONN GE 00956

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MEMBER OF NATO MORE QUICKLY THAN THE OTHERS, CLINTON REPLIED EVASIVELY: 'THAT HAS NOT YET BEEN DECIDED. IT IS THEORETICALLY POSSIBLE.'

"AMBASSADOR TO THE UN MADELEINE ALBRIGHT, WHO HAD PREPARED THE MEETING IN PRAGUE, BUDAPEST, WARSAW AND BRATISLAVA TOGETHER WITH NATO COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF SHALIKASHVILI, DID NOT MAKE THINGS ANY CLEARER EITHER. BEFORE CLINTON ARRIVED IN PRAGUE, THEY BOTH SAID THAT THEY EXPECTED THE VISEGRAD FOUR TO ISSUE A JOINT

STATEMENT ON THE 'PARTNERSHIP FOR PEACE.' AT THE SAME TIME, THE DAUGHTER OF A CZECH DIPLOMAT WHO EMIGRATED TO THE U.S. IN 1948 SPOKE ON TELEVISION IN FLUENT CZECH: 'SOMEONE HAS TO BE THE FIRST (TO JOIN NATO). IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THIS WILL BE THE CZECH REPUBLIC.' IN VIEW OF SUCH A DUPLICITOUS STRATEGY, IT IS NO WONDER THERE WAS NO JOINT STATEMENT MADE IN PRAGUE."

9. CENTRIST DER TAGESSPIEGEL OF BERLIN CARRIES AN EDITORIAL UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"NEW ERA, OLD HESITATION."

"WHAT CLINTON HAS OFFERED HIS COUNTERPARTS FROM THE CZECH REPUBLIC, POLAND, HUNGARY AND SLOVAKIA FALLS FAR SHORT OF WHAT THEY BELIEVE IS NECESSARY IN VIEW OF THE UNSTABLE SITUATION IN RUSSIA.... CLINTON'S OFFER IS NOT APPROPRIATE EITHER TO THE CHANGED TIMES OR THE NEW DANGERS."

10. CENTRIST MITTELDEUTSCHE ZEITUNG OF HALLE COMMENTS:

"PRESIDENT CLINTON REGARDS THE MATTER AS CLOSED: THE AGREEMENT ON REMOVAL OF UKRAINIAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS WILL NOT ONLY BE SIGNED BUT ALSO ADHERED TO. THIS IS WHAT HE SAID BEFORE MAKING THE TRIP TO KIEV....

"CLINTON'S DEMONSTRATIVE SELF-CONFIDENCE COULD EASILY PROVOKE A DEFIANT REACTION. INSTEAD, CLINTON AND YELTSIN SHOULD TRY TO TAKE MORE NOTICE OF THE FEARS AND EXPECTATIONS WHICH KIEV HAS. WASHINGTON HAS PROMISED MONEY. AN AMERICAN-RUSSIAN SECURITY GUARANTEE FOR UKRAINE AND A CONCRETE PLAN FOR INCLUDING THE REPUBLIC IN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION WOULD BE A WELCOME ADDITION."

C. NATO: AIR STRIKES IN BOSNIA

CENTRIST STUTTGARTER ZEITUNG CARRIES AN EDITORIAL UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"EMPTY THREATS."

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"WILL AIR STRIKES BE CARRIED OUT ON SERBIAN POSITIONS IN BOSNIA AFTER ALL? IT APPEARS SOMEWHAT STRANGE THAT AN ISSUE THAT HAS LONG BEEN PROCLAIMED DEAD, IS BEING REVIVED ON A REGULAR BASIS - EACH TIME WITH FATAL CONSEQUENCES. THE WEST HAS CONSISTENTLY REJECTED MILITARY INTERVENTION WITH ATTACKS FROM THE AIR IN BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA. EVERY TIME IT COMES TO CONCEALING ONE'S OWN HELPLESSNESS FROM THE PUBLIC, AIR STRIKES ARE BEING DEBATED OR OPENLY THREATENED. BUT WHEN THREATS ARE NOT CARRIED OUT, THE PERSON THREATENING DOES NOT PARTICULARLY GAIN CREDIBILITY. AND THOSE THREATENED CARE LESS AND LESS.

"THE EXPECTATIONS AND HOPES THAT ARE BEING RAISED AMONG THE PEOPLE IN THE BESIEGED CITIES AND REGIONS CAN ONCE AGAIN NOT BE FULFILLED. LIKE SO MANY TIMES BEFORE, THEY WILL ULTIMATELY BE DISAPPOINTED AGAIN BECAUSE TWO YEARS AFTER THE BEGINNING OF THIS WAR, NOBODY, NEITHER THE INDIVIDUAL NATO COUNTRIES NOR THE UN, CAN RISK SUCH AN ADVENTURE IF ONLY FOR THE REASON THAT IT NO LONGER PROMISES TO BE OF ANY USE BUT ENTAILS UNCALCULABLE RISKS.

"NEVERTHELESS, THE TALK ABOUT AIR STRIKES DOES NOT WANT TO DIE DOWN AFTER THE MOST RECENT NATO SUMMIT EITHER. NATO IS REPORTEDLY DEMANDING PLANS FROM THE UN. THE UN, IN TURN, IS LOOKING INTO THIS MATTER. IN FACT, THE ISSUE IS MERELY THE OPENING OF TUZLA AIRPORT, SOMETHING THAT IS BASED ON AN EXISTING SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION AND COULD HAVE LONG BEEN ENFORCED WITH MUCH ADO OR MILITARY INTERVENTION. FROM THE AIRPORT, HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE COULD BE SUPPLIED IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN BOSNIA. THE AIRPORT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE CONQUERED FIRST EITHER. IN ORDER TO OPEN IT, THE BLUE HELMETS MERELY NEED THE MORE OR LESS (PSYCHOLOGICAL) COVER FROM THE AIR - WHICH THEY ALREADY HAVE. THE NATO JETS THUNDERING THROUGH THE BOSNIAN SKIES EACH DAY ARE PROOF OF THAT."

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D. RUSSIA: FIRST SESSION OF PARLIAMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL

POLLUTION

1. THOMAS URBAN NOTES IN CENTRIST SUEDEDEUTSCHE ZEITUNG OF MUNICH UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"ZHIRINOVSKY AS BOGEYMAN."

"THE FIRST SESSION OF THE NEWLY ELECTED STATE DUMA BEGAN AS EXPECTED: THE ULTRANATIONALISTS AROUND ZHIRINOVSKY, TOGETHER WITH THE COMMUNISTS AND THE AGRARIAN PARTY, WHICH MAINLY CONSISTS OF OLD COMMUNISTS, SHOUTED DOWN THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE REFORMERS AND WERE ALSO SUCCESSFUL IN THE FIRST BRAWL.... THIS IS WHY THEY ALSO SUGGESTED ANATOLI LUKJANOV TO CHAIR THE SESSIONS OF PARLIAMENT. THIS WOULD MEAN THAT THE STATE DUMA WOULD ONLY BE ANOTHER REFORM-HOSTILE SUPREME SOVIET....

"THE GREAT POLITICAL DECISIONS, HOWEVER, ARE MADE IN THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE, NOT IN PARLIAMENT WHOSE UPPER CHAMBER, THE FEDERAL ASSEMBLY, CONSISTS MAINLY OF YELTSIN SUPPORTERS. THIS IS WHY THE FATE OF THE COUNTRY DEPENDS ALL THE MORE ON THE PRESIDENT. HOWEVER, BRAWLS AND ARGUMENTS IN THE DUMA ARE WELL SUITED TO TERRIFY RUSSIA'S NEIGHBORS ACCORDING TO THE MOTTO: IT IS BETTER TO DO VOLUNTARILY WHAT THE PRESIDENT ASKS YOU TO DO, SINCE, OTHERWISE, THE ZHIRINOVSKYS WILL COME TO YOU."

2. KARL GROBE WRITES IN LEFT-OF-CENTER FRANKFURTER RUNDSCHAU UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"THE 'NEARER'EAST."

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"THE BLUSTERING INVECTIVE OF THE WINNER OF THE ELECTIONS, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER IT WAS DIRECTED AGAINST THE BULGARIAN GOVERNMENT OR WHETHER THE THREATS WERE DIRECTED AGAINST THE WEST IN GENERAL, MAY NOT BE TAKEN AT FACE VALUE. BUT THIS IS NOT IMPORTANT. WHAT IS IMPORTANT IS THAT ZHIRINOVSKY ARTICULATES A RUSSIAN SUPERPOWER THINKING WHICH IS FILLING THE IDEOLOGICAL VACUUM THAT WAS LEFT BEHIND BY THE COLLAPSE OF SOVIET IDEOLOGY. CHAUVINISM, A REACTION TO AN ALLEGED OR REAL INSULT TO NATIONAL DIGNITY, IS SPREADING EVEN TO THE KREMLIN. THE HAPPY, OPTIMISTIC DREAM OF A DEMOCRATIC RUSSIA FOR ALL TIMES IS OVER.

"FOR HIS ADMIRERS, BORIS YELTSIN IS CONSIDERED A GUARANTOR (OF A DEMOCRATIC DEVELOPMENT). BUT FOR YELTSIN, THE DEMOCRATIZATION PROCESS ENDED WITH THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PRESIDENTIAL CONSTITUTION AND THE ELECTION OF A TWO-CHAMBER PARLIAMENT.... WE LIKE TO OVERLOOK WHAT YELTSIN HAS ALWAYS BEEN: A POPULIST RATHER

THAN A DEMOCRAT. BUT IN A SOCIETY WITHOUT DEMOCRATIC TRADITIONS HE CANNOT BE MORE THAN A POPULIST.

"BUT POPULISM INCLUDES THE ABILITY TO LISTEN TO MOODS AND CURRENTS AND USE THEM FOR ONE'S OWN PURPOSE. ZHIRINOVSKY, HOWEVER, WAS BETTER THAN YELTSIN AT USING THE CURRENTS FROM THE EXTREME RIGHT.... BUT THIS IS NOT ONLY A PHENOMENON OF RUSSIAN DOMESTIC POLICY....

"ZHIRINOVSKY DISPLAYED THE TORTURING INSTRUMENTS WHICH RUSSIAN CHAUVINISTS COULD BE ABLE TO USE AT THE LATEST AFTER YELTSIN. THIS IS THE REASON FOR THE UNREST IN THE 'NEAR ABROAD.'... BUT THIS 'NEAR ABROAD' IS NOT ONLY CLOSE TO RUSSIA, BUT IT IS ALSO SITUATED IN OUR PROXIMITY. THIS IS WHY WESTERN EUROPEAN INTEREST IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND SURVIVAL OF DEMOCRACY IN THE EASTERN PART OF THE CONTINENT IS NOT UNSELFISH. IT IS A QUESTION OF SURVIVAL ALSO FOR THE OLDER WESTERN DEMOCRACIES. AND IN THIS SITUATION, IT WOULD BE SHORTSIGHTED TO PIN ONE'S HOPES ONLY ON THE PRESIDENT'S GOOD WILL. IT IS ALSO NOT ENOUGH TO THINK ABOUT THE MERE MILITARY ASPECT OF 'SECURITY.'...

"WHAT IS IMPORTANT IS THE SECURITY OF DEMOCRACY. IT WILL NOT DEVELOP IF GOVERNMENTS, PARTIES, TRADE UNIONS, AND CHURCHES RESTRICT THEIR POLITICAL CONTACTS TO ESTABLISHED FORCES.... WE SHOULD ALSO BEWARE OF SEEING THE QUICK SPREAD OF THE MARKET ECONOMY TO BE THE PANACEA. THE CREDIBILITY OF WESTERN PROMISES, WHICH HAVE EXISTED FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS, WILL NOT INCREASE. IN ADDITION TO THIS, THE CONSEQUENCES ARE CLEARLY VISIBLE.... UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 07 BONN GE 00957

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"THOSE WHO RESTRICT THEMSELVES TO MERE DECLARATIONS OF INTENT WILL NOT DO JUSTICE TO THE DEVELOPMENT. BUT THOSE WHO SHOW FALSE CONSIDERATIONS ARE ACTING GROSSLY NEGLIGENT...AND ARE NOT DOING ONE THING: TO DESCRIBE CLEARLY THE INTEREST IN A DEMOCRATIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE EASTERN PART OF EUROPE.... THE LAST CHANCE (FOR A POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT) IN THE NEAR FUTURE IS BASED ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CIVIL SOCIETY WHICH IS ABLE TO MAKE ITSELF IMMUNE TO CHAUVINIST CLAIMS...."

3. WERNER ADAM COMMENTS ON THE FRONT PAGE OF RIGHT-OF-CENTER FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"COMPULSION."

"THE TENDENCY TO PLAY OUT ONE'S OWN FAILURE AS A TRUMP CARD HAS ALMOST DEVELOPED INTO A CUSTOM IN RUSSIA. THE FACT THAT THIS CUSTOM GETS THE CHARACTERISTICS OF COMPULSION HAS NOT DIMINISHED ITS EFFECTIVENESS, BUT EVEN

INCREASED IT PRIMARILY IN THE WEST. MIKHAIL GORBACHEV MET WITH AN OPEN EAR IN THE WEST WITH HIS REQUEST FOR SUPPORT BECAUSE THE SAME RUSSIAN OPPONENTS TO REFORMS, TO WHICH HE MADE AGAIN AND AGAIN CONCESSIONS, WERE, AT THE SAME TIME, DESCRIBED BY HIM AS A DANGER TO HIS COUNTRY AND THE REST OF THE WORLD.

"BORIS YELTSIN...IS ACTING SIMILARLY. AFTER THE...OUTCOME OF THE ELECTIONS FOR THE DUMA, HE IS USING THE STRONG SHOWING OF THE ULTRANATIONALISTS AROUND ZHIRINOVSKY AS A REASON TO WARN THE FORMER ALLIES IN EASTERN EUROPE WITH A STRONG GREATER RUSSIAN UNDERTONE AGAINST TOO STRONG A LEANING TO NATO, SINCE THE CHAUVINISTS WOULD OTHERWISE GET EVEN MORE SUPPORT. BUT NOW RUSSIAN ENVIRONMENT MINISTER DANILOV-DANILJAN HAS STOLEN THE SHOW. HE SAID THAT, IF JAPAN WANTS TO PREVENT RUSSIA FROM DUMPING NUCLEAR WASTE INTO THE JAPANESE SEA, TOKYO MUST PRESENT A REPROCESSING PLANT TO HIS COUNTRY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

"DESPITE ITS BLACKMAILING CHARACTER, THIS WARNING CANNOT BE IGNORED. THE CONTINUING ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION IN RUSSIA AND THE FORMER SOVIET REPUBLICS SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN LIGHTLY BY THE WEST, SINCE IT CARRIES TOO MANY RISKS THAT GO FAR BEYOND THE FORMER EMPIRE....

"THE FACT THAT (THE RUSSIANS) HAVE NOW ADMITTED TO HAVING KEPT SECRET OR HAVING DENIED ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGES FOR YEARS IS REASON TO HOPE FOR AN INCREASED AWARENESS OF (ENVIRONMENTAL) PROBLEMS, BUT WE CANNOT HOPE FOR A REMEDY SOON AS LONG AS THE PROBLEM IN THE MAJORITY OF FORMER SOVIET REPUBLICS IS NAKED SURVIVAL AND THE ECONOMY MUST CONSIDER ANY ENVIRONMENTAL LAW TO BE AN UNACCEPTABLE UNCLAS SECTION 04 OF 07 BONN GE 00957

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BURDEN. BUT SOMETHING WOULD BE WON IF RUSSIA'S POLITICIANS INCLUDED ECOLOGY IN THEIR REFORM EFFORTS INSTEAD OF CONTINUING TO DISTRACT ATTENTION FROM THEIR OWN FAILURE BY PRACTICING COERCION TOWARDS WESTERN INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS."

E. U.S.-GERMANY: ALBRIGHT IN BONN, TALBOTT PORTRAIT

1. DPA CARRIED THE FOLLOWING REPORT:

"GERMAN MEMBERSHIP OF THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL WAS THE FOCUS OF THE TALKS OF THE U.S. AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED NATIONS, MADELEINE ALBRIGHT, IN BONN. BEFORE THE PRESS, THE DIPLOMAT EMPHASIZED THE DIFFICULTIES OF REFORMING THE U.N. THIS WAS IN PARTICULAR TRUE OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL. SHE SAID: 'THE EXTENSION OF THIS RATHER EXCLUSIVE CLUB' WOULD BE A LONG-TERM PROCESS. BUT

SHE ADDED THAT GERMAN AS WELL AS JAPANESE MEMBERSHIP WOULD BE SUPPORTED BY THE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION. MS. ALBRIGHT, WHO WANTED TO MEET FOREIGN MINISTER KINKEL ONLY LATE LAST NIGHT, LEFT NO DOUBT ABOUT THE NEW MEMBERS BEING ABLE TO FULLY PARTICIPATE IN 'U.N. PEACE MISSIONS AS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT FUTURE TASKS.'

"MS. ALBRIGHT, A FORMER PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AT GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, ARRIVED FROM PRAGUE WHERE SHE TOOK PART IN PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON'S TALKS. SHE REPORTED THAT CLINTON'S CONFERENCE WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE REFORM STATES RESULTED IN 'ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORT' FOR THE NEW NATO CONCEPT OF 'PARTNERSHIP FOR PEACE.'..."

2. DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT THOMAS WITTKE REPORTS IN CENTRIST GENERAL-ANZEIGER OF BONN UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"SEAT ON U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL THIS CENTURY?"

"U.S. AMBASSADOR TO THE U.N., MADELEINE ALBRIGHT, MET LAST NIGHT WITH HIGH OFFICIALS OF THE CHANCELLERY AND LATE LAST NIGHT WITH FOREIGN MINISTER KINKEL. IN A NEWS CONFERENCE, THE DIPLOMAT, WHO IS CONSIDERED A CLOSE AIDE OF PRESIDENT CLINTON AND WHO PARTLY PREPARED THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP, SAID THAT GERMAN MEMBERSHIP OF THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL WOULD BE THE FOCUS OF HER TALKS. (SHE SAID THAT) THE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION AND THE U.N. ARE OF THE OPINION THAT THE SECURITY COUNCIL MUST BE QUICKLY EXTENDED TO REFLECT 'THE REAL POWER SITUATION AND THE ECONOMIC WEIGHTS AT THE END OF THE 20TH CENTURY.'

"BASICALLY, THE BONN GOVERNMENT SHARES THIS VIEW. BUT IT ALSO SEES THAT THE PROCESS OF INTEGRATION INTO THE SECURITY COUNCIL WILL BE MORE DIFFICULT THAN EXPECTED. UNCLAS SECTION 05 OF 07 BONN GE 00957

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THIS BEGINS WITH THE QUESTION OF A NON-PERMANENT SEAT ON THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON WHICH THE NEXT U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY MUST VOTE.... THERE ARE FIVE CANDIDATES FOR TWO SEATS. THE ELECTION OF SWEDEN AS NON EU MEMBER IS ALMOST CERTAIN.... THIS IS WHY THE WRANGLING ABOUT THE NON-PERMANENT EU SEAT IS ALL THE MORE DIFFICULT....

"ON THE GERMAN SIDE, NOBODY WANTS TO GUESS GERMANY'S CHANCES DURING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. ONE ADVANTAGE WOULD BE THAT THE U.N. CAN HAVE NO INTEREST IN BONN'S FORCED LOSS OF REPUTATION WHICH WOULD DEVELOP IF THE SECURITY COUNCIL REFUSED TO ACCEPT THE FUTURE PRESIDENCY OF THE EU. BUT SOURCES IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ALSO POINT OUT THAT ANOTHER COMPETITOR, ITALY, HAS TACTICAL ADVANTAGES BECAUSE OF ITS UNRESTRICTED POSSIBILITIES TO TAKE PART IN

PEACE-CREATING AND PEACE-PRESERVING U.N. MISSIONS.

"FOR GERMANY, THE VOTE AS A NON-PERMANENT MEMBER IS OF SPECIAL INTEREST, BECAUSE IT WOULD BE A MEMBER OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE U.N. CHARTER. IN ADDITION TO THIS, BONN SEES THE CHANCE OF MOVING DIRECTLY AS A PERMANENT MEMBER INTO THE COUNCIL IN 1996.... BUT THE SOURCES ALSO SAY THAT SUCH A POSSIBILITY IS HARDLY CONCEIVABLE WITHIN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS. THEY ALSO SAID THAT AN EXTENSION OF THE NUMBER OF PERMANENT MEMBERS IS ONLY CONCEIVABLE IN CONNECTION WITH A COMPREHENSIVE REVISION OF THE U.N. CHARTER.... A DIPLOMAT SAID: 'IF WE ARE LUCKY, IT WILL WORK OUT IN THIS MILLENNIUM.'"

3. TUESDAY'S RIGHT-OF-CENTER FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE CARRIED A TALBOTT PORTRAIT ON PAGE 10 AND WRITES UNDER THE HEADLINE:

"SECOND SECRETARY OF STATE."

"NOBODY COULD HAVE ACCUSED NELSON STROBRIDGE TALBOTT III. OF DEMONSTRATING A LACK OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE RUSSIANS IN HIS FIRST YEAR AS PRESIDENT CLINTON'S 'RUSSIA CZAR.' ON THE CONTRARY. SOME EVEN FELT THAT HIS UNDETERRED PERSONAL SUPPORT FOR YELTSIN AT TIMES EVEN WENT A BIT FAR. TALBOTT, WHO WAS PUT IN CHARGE OF COORDINATING RELATIONS WITH THE STATES OF THE FORMER SOVIET UNION, HOWEVER, ULTIMATELY PROVED TO BE ONE OF THE FEW CONSTANTS IN CLINTON'S FOREIGN POLICY TEAM, WHICH WAS NOT SPOILED WITH SUCCESSES. WITH HIS NOMINATION AS WARREN CHRISTOPHER'S DEPUTY - HIS CONFIRMATION BY THE SENATE IS CONSIDERED CERTAIN - HE FACTUALLY MOVED UP TO THE POSITION OF SECOND SECRETARY OF STATE IN TIME FOR CLINTON'S FIRST VISIT TO EUROPE.

"AS THE 'NUMBER TWO' IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT HE IS UNCLAS SECTION 06 OF 07 BONN GE 00957

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TAKING OVER THE ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTION OF HIS LUCKLESS AND LACKLUSTER PREDECESSOR WHARTON. HE CONTINUES, HOWEVER, TO REMAIN IN CHARGE OF POLICY TOWARD THE EAST, HIS FIELD OF EXPERTISE. SINCE HE, IN CONTRAST TO HIS SUPERIOR, IS TELEGENIC AND HAS SOLID RHETORICAL SKILLS, HE IS SUPPOSED TO POLISH UP THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S PUBLIC IMAGE AS CHRISTOPHER'S 'ALTER EGO.' THIS PROMINENT ROLE AND THE FACT THAT VICE PRESIDENT GORE, TOO, IS INCREASINGLY ENTERING THE PICTURE AS GOVERNMENT FOREIGN POLICY SPOKESMAN, ARE RAISING QUESTIONS OF WHAT (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE MIDDLE EAST) WILL ULTIMATELY BE LEFT FOR CHRISTOPHER. HOWEVER - LIKE TALBOTT - THE LATTER IS

ADROITLY EVADING SPECULATIONS ABOUT AN ANTICIPATED DECISION ON HIS SUCCESSOR AND INSISTING THAT THE EVALUATION OF THE 'CZAR' WAS IN FACT HIS OWN IDEA. AFTER CHRISTOPHER'S FIRST CHOICE, RETIRED DIPLOMAT ARMACOST (NUMBER THREE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE SHULTZ) HAD DECLINED, THE SECRETARY OF STATE PRESENTED FOUR NAMES: TALBOTT, LORD, (ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR ASIAN AFFAIRS), ABRAMOWITZ (CARNEGIE FOUNDATION), AND PICKERING (AMBASSADOR TO MOSCOW). CLINTON DEEMED ALL FOUR TO BE ACCEPTABLE AND LEFT THE DECISION TO CHRISTOPHER, WHO PICKED THE PRESIDENT'S OLDEST FRIEND IN WASHINGTON.

"THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO BABY BOOMERS OF THE SAME AGE - TALBOTT WAS BORN IN DAYTON (OHIO) ON APRIL 25, 1946 - DATES BACK TO THE 1960S. AS 'RHODES SCHOLARS' THE TWO GIFTED STUDENTS SHARED A ROOM IN OXFORD; CLINTON OCCASIONALLY FRIED EGGS FOR HIS WORKAHOLIC FELLOW STUDENT WHILE HE TRANSLATED THE MEMOIRS OF KHRUSHCHEV. TALBOTT UNDERTOOK HIS FIRST STUDIES OF RUSSIAN AT THE HOTCHKISS SCHOOL, WHICH HE LATER DEEPEENED AT YALE UNIVERSITY WITH A THESIS ON RUSSIAN POETS. FOR MORE THAN TWO DECADES HE WORKED AS CORRESPONDENT, WASHINGTON BUREAU CHIEF AND COLUMNIST FOR TIME NEWS MAGAZINE.

"DURING THE COLD WAR, TO THE FINAL PHASE OF WHICH HE DEVOTED HIS LAST BOOK, HE APPEARED IN HIS SECURITY POLICY COMMENTARIES MORE LIKE A 'DOVE' THAN A 'HAWK.' IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS, HE ARGUED AGAINST A RAPID ACCESSION OF POLAND, HUNGARY AND THE CZECH REPUBLIC TO NATO OUT OF CONSIDERATION FOR RUSSIA. BE IT THE RUSSIAN MILITARY PRESENCE IN THE BALTIC STATES, MOSCOW'S SOMETIMES MUDDLED STATEMENTS ON ITS STRATEGIC DOCTRINE OR INTERVENTION IN THE CAUCASUS, TALBOTT DEMONSTRATES REMARKABLE TOLERANCE FOR IMPERIALISTIC TEMPTATIONS. TALBOTT, TOO, DID NOT FORESEE OR PREDICT THE ELECTION SUCCESS OF ULTRANATIONALIST ZHIRINOVSKY. THE QUESTION OF WHETHER ONE SHOULD CONTINUE TO PIN ONE'S HOPES ON YELTSIN IN THIS WINTER OF NEW MOSCOW UNCERTAINTIES, HE ANSWERS IN AN UNMISTAKABLE FASHION: 'YOU BET.'"

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1. MOSCOW ITAR-TASS CORRESPONDENT TAMARA IVANOVA

REPORTS ON JAN. 12 THE RESULTS OF A POLL TAKEN OF

MUSCOVITES ON THE CLINTON VISIT:

2. "SIXTY-ONE PER CENT OF MUSCOVITES CONSIDER THE U.S. PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON'S VISIT TO RUSSIA 'IMPORTANT AND NECESSARY', ACCORDING TO AN OPINION POLL REVEALED ON WEDNESDAY. THIRTY-EIGHT PER CENT OF THOSE POLLED SAID THAT WAR BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND RUSSIA IS IMPOSSIBLE WHILE OTHER 38 PER CENT CONSIDER IT TO BE HARDLY POSSIBLE. 7 PER CENT WERE UNDECIDED, BUT NO ONE SAID THAT WAR WAS INEVITABLE. 96 PER CENT OF THOSE POLLED MADE NO MISTAKE IN IDENTIFYING THE U.S. PRESIDENT'S FIRST NAME. THREE PER CENT SAID THEY DID NOT KNOW IT AND ONE PER CENT MENTIONED THE WRONG FIRST NAME."

3. COMMENTING ON THE UPCOMING SUMMIT IN A PAGE 1

ARTICLE ENTITLED "RUSSIA AND U.S.: IS MATURE

PARTNERSHIP TAKING OVER FROM 'BREAKTHROUGHS'?" IN THE

CONSERVATIVE RED ARMY DAILY 'KRASNAYA ZVEZDA',

ALEKSANDR GOLTS WRITES THE FOLLOWING:

4. "JOURNALISTS ARE WELL ACQUAINTED WITH THE SITUATION:

THE PEOPLE WHO PREPARE THE LATEST SUMMIT MEETING TRY TO

'BOOST' IT, TO LEND IT MORE IMPORTANCE THAN IT ACTUALLY HAS. IT LOOKS AS THOUGH SOMETHING LIKE THE OPPOSITE HAS HAPPENED WITH U.S. PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON'S VISIT TO RUSSIA. ON THE EVE OF THE VISIT RUSSIAN AND U.S. REPRESENTATIVES WARNED VERY FRANKLY THAT NO SPECIAL SENSATIONS WERE TO BE EXPECTED. AND THIS DESPITE THE FACT THAT THE PROGRAM FOR THE VISIT ENVISAGED VERY IMPORTANT EVENTS. THEY INCLUDED THE SIGNING OF THE RUSSIAN-U.S. DECLARATION CONTAINING, INFORMED SOURCES IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ASSERT, PROVISIONS ON THE NONTARGETING OF THE TWO STATES' STRATEGIC FORCES AGAINST EACH OTHER. THEY ALSO INCLUDE THE SENSATIONAL MEETING WITH THE UKRAINIAN PRESIDENT'S PARTICIPATION."

5. "IN BRIEF, THERE WERE MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR 'BOOSTING' THE VISIT. BUT THEY DECIDED TO REFRAIN FROM DOING THIS. AND IT WAS NOT A QUESTION OF THE MODESTY OF DIPLOMATS AND POLITICIANS. IN MY VIEW THE POINT IS THAT U.S.-RUSSIAN RELATIONS HAVE INDEED REACHED A LEVEL WHEN THEY DO NOT NEED BREAKTHROUGHS. THAT IS, THEY DO NOT NEED RISKYIPOLITICAL DECISIONS BASED ON THE INTUITION OF LEADERS AND THE DEGREE OF THEIR TRUST IN EACH OTHER. THESE RELATIONS TO ALL APPEARANCES HAVE INDEED REACHED A STAGE WHICH CAN BE CALLED, AS THE DOCUMENTS WHICH HAVE BEEN PREPARED CALL IT, A MATURE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP."

6. "SOME PEOPLE MAY SAY THAT THIS IS ALSO AN ATTEMPT TO MAKE OUT WHAT IS DESIRED AS REALITY, OUR COUNTRIES' POSITIONS ARE TOO DIFFERENT NOW AND THEIR CLOUT IN THE WORLD IS TOO DIFFERENT. THAT IS TRUE, JUST AS IT IS TRUE THAT OVER THE PAST FEW MONTHS AND WEEKS EACH SIDE HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE A REALISTIC LOOK AT ITS PARTNER AND TO RID ITSELF OF UNJUSTIFIED HOPES. WHETHER THEY ARE ILLUSIONS OF THE CREATION OF A NEW WORLD ORDER WITH THE UNITED STATES' UNDOUBTED LEADERSHIP. OR HOPES FOR A RAPID WAY OUT OF THE CRISIS IN RUSSIA AS A RESULT OF AID FROM ABROAD."

7. "AS A RESULT OF THIS SOBER ASSESSMENT THE SIDES CONCLUDED THAT WE NEED EACH OTHER. AND WASHINGTON NEEDS MOSCOW NO LESS THAN MOSCOW NEEDS WASHINGTON. TAKE QUESTIONS OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION, WHICH HAVE BECOME CENTRAL IN BILATERAL RELATIONS. ON THIS SCORE YOU CAN HEAR DIAMETRICALLY OPPOSED VIEWS. IT WOULD BE WRONG TO SAY THAT THE UNITED STATES IS NOT RENDERING AID TO RUSSIA. APPROXIMATELY \$2 BILLION A YEAR ARE BEING ASSIGNED FOR THIS PURPOSE -- MORE THAN TO ANY OTHER FOREIGN STATE. YET AFTER ALL THIS AID IS SIMPLY INSIGNIFICANT IF YOU BEAR IN MIND THE SCALE OF THE REFORMS UNDERTAKEN IN RUSSIA. IT HAS NOW FINALLY BECOME CLEAR TO EVERYONE THAT TO IMPLEMENT THEM MOSCOW NEEDS NOT CREDIT, STILL LESS HUMANITARIAN AID. IT NEEDS HONEST PARTNERSHIP, WHOSE AIM WOULD BE TO EMERGE ONTO THE WORLD MARKET WITH ITS OWN OUTPUT, ALREADY UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 03 MOSCOW 001004

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ENTIRELY COMPETITIVE TODAY, BE IT ALUMINUM OR SPACE HIGH TECHNOLOGY. THE AIM OF THIS PARTNERSHIP IS TO ENSURE CONDITIONS FOR THE BROAD INVESTMENT OF PRIVATE BUSINESS FUNDS IN OUR ECONOMY."

8. "BUT FOR THAT TO HAPPEN IT IS NOT ENOUGH SIMPLY TO REPEAL COCOM (THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR MULTILATERAL EXPORT CONTROLS) OR TO RENOUNCE DISCRIMINATORY LEGISLATION OF THE COLD WAR TIMES. WE MUST START TO REMOVE TRADE AND CUSTOM BARRIERS. RUSSIA ALSO EXPECTS THE UNITED STATES TO INFLUENCE THOSE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WHICH ARE SO FAR VERY COOL TOWARD THE NEED TO SUPPORT OUR REFORMS."

9. COMMENTING ON PRESIDENT CLINTON'S VISIT TO MOSCOW ON THE JAN. 12 EVENING NEWS PROGRAM "VESTI", PRESENTER NIKOLAY SVANIDZE REPORTED:

10. "APPARENTLY, THE NORTH ATLANTIC BLOC ADVERTIZES ITSELF SO WELL IN ITS PUBLICITY MATERIAL, AND RUSSIA SO DUBIOUSLY IN ITS ELECTIONS, THAT OUR NEIGHBORS IN EASTERN EUROPE AND THE BALTIC AREA ARE KNOCKING ON NATO'S DOORS LIKE PIGLETS RUNNING AWAY FROM THE WOLF. UNLIKE THE BOLD PIGLETS, THOUGH, THE EUROPEANS WON'T HIDE FROM US ANYWHERE: WE'LL GET THEM WHEREVER THEY ARE, IF WE WANT TO. BOTH CLINTON AND THE NATO LEADERSHIP ARE WELL AWARE OF THAT. THE DECEMBER ELECTIONS IN RUSSIA FRIGHTENED WORLD PUBLIC OPINION WITH THE PROSPECT OF A COMMUNIST COMEBACK OR THE REIGN OF NATIONAL-FASCISTS -- THE MORE UNPREDICTABLE AND, CONSEQUENTLY, ALARMING CONSEQUENCES. THERE WAS ALSO ANOTHER APPREHENSION. A MAN APPEARED WHO JUST TALKED, AND THAT TALKING WAS ENOUGH TO RESURRECT MANY OLD SUSPICIONS SINCE THE COLD WAR AND TO EXCITE POLITICIANS, AND I DO NOT RULE OUT THAT NOW, LIKE A TUNING FORK, HE SAYS THAT'S HOW ONE SHOULD BE, AND MANY RATHER UNPRINCIPLED POLITICIANS MAY ALSO FOLLOW THAT PATH...."

11. "...BOTH BORIS YELTSIN AND THE LEADERS OF WESTERN COUNTRIES HAVE DISPLAYED RESILIENCE IN THE SITUATION THAT HAS ARISEN. THE RUSSIAN PRESIDENT HAS RAISED HIS EYEBROWS. EVERYTHING IS UNDER WAY. THERE IS NO REASONS FOR HYSTERICS. IF THE WEST ADOPTS A FAIR ATTITUDE TOWARD UKRAINE'S ATTEMPT TO REVISE NUCLEAR AGREEMENTS AND TOWARD THE MASSIVE PANIC-STRICKEN EXODUS OF THE FORMER BROTHERS-IN-SOCIALISM TOWARDS NATO, HE, YELTSIN, WON'T UNDERSTAND THAT."

12. "THE SUBTLE HINT WAS TAKEN. CLINTON AND OTHER WESTERN LEADERS, WHO WERE UNDER INTENSE PRESSURE LAST WEEK FROM THOSE WHO FAVOR A CHANGE IN POLICY TOWARD MOSCOW AND, ABOVE ALL, TOWARD YELTSIN, KEPT THEIR NERVE. IN FACT, THE WEST WAS FACING A DILEMMA. EITHER TO THROW OPEN THE DOORS TO ALL-COMERS AND THUS BUILD UP A STRONG DEFENSIVE CORDON ON RUSSIA'S WESTERN BORDERS RIGHT NOW, IN CASE THE RUSSIANS WANT A BIT OF A FIGHT. THESE TACTICS THREATEN TO STIFFEN MILITARIST SENTIMENTS AND TO BOLSTER THE EXTREMIST RADICAL WING IN RUSSIA

ITSELF. OR TO RELAX, NOT MAKE A FUSS, AND REALIZE THAT, IF THE RUSSIANS GO MAD AND MOVE THEIR TANKS IN, LITHUANIA, POLAND, THE CZECH REPUBLIC, AND SLOVAKIA CAN'T BE SAVED ANYWAY. AND SO, WHOEVER IS ACCEPTED INTO WHAT, THERE WILL BE NO STABLE EUROPE WITHOUT S ATBLE RUSSIA. EASTERN EUROPE ITSELF PROBABLY UNDERSTANDS THAT AND IS RELYING MORE ON MONETARY THAN ON MILITARY ASSISTANCE. BUT THE WEST DOESN'T HAVE A BOTTOMLESS POCKET."

13. IN AN ARTICLE ENTITLED "NATO SUMMIT IN BRUSSELS -- A TIME OF LOST OPPORTUNITIES" APPEARING IN THE JAN. 13 ISSUE OF 'NEZAVISIMAYA GAZETA', MIKHAIL GORBACHEV WRITES ABOUT THE NATO SUMMIT THUSLY:

14. "...I SEE A DANGER BOTH IN THE HASTY EASTWARD EXPANSION OF NATO'S BORDERS, AS WELL AS IN THE 'PARTNERSHIP FOR PEACE' PROGRAM. WHETHER THEY WANT IT OR NOT, THIS WILL MEAN A RETURN TO CONFRONTATION. AND THIS IN TURN WILL CROSS OUT ALL THE POSITIVE PROCESSES THAT WERE STARTED WITH SUCH GREAT DIFFICULTY IN RECENT UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 03 MOSCOW 001004

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YEARS."

15. "...WE MUST TELL OUR AMERICAN FRIENDS: SUCH BEHAVIOR BASED ON A UNIPOLAR WORLD CANNOT BUT SOW IRRITATION IN RUSSIA WHICH THEY WANT TO JETTISON FROM THE FRAMEWORK OF BIG POWERS. UNDER THE EXCUSE OF RUSSIA'S ALLEGEDLY POSSIBLE RETURN TO AN EMPIRE-BUILDING POLICY, THE UNITED STATES ITSELF IS CREATING PRETEXTS FOR SUSPECTING IT OF EMPIRE-BUILDING INTENTIONS. IN ANY CASE, THE EXPANSION OF NATO WILL BE VIEWED IN RUSSIA AS AN ATTEMPT TO ISOLATE IT. BUT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO ISOLATE RUSSIA. THIS WOULD MEAN DISREGARDING HISTORY AND EXISTING REALITIES. AND THIS IS NO LONGER POLITICS."

16. "...ONCE AGAIN, I AM REPEATING WHAT I TOLD GEORGE BUSH IN LONDON IN 1991 BEFORE THE BIG SEVEN MEETING: YOU MUST DECIDE WHAT KIND OF SOVIET UNION YOU WANT TO SEE. TODAY CLINTON MUST DECIDE WHAT KIND OF RUSSIA HE WANTS TO SEE. AND IF THE UNITED STATES REALLY WANTS RUSSIA TO PARTICIPATE IN BUILDING A NEW EUROPE AND IN SHAPING WORLD POLITICS, IT MUST LEARN TO DO BUSINESS WITH RUSSIA ON AN EQUAL FOOTING. OTHERWISE, THE REACTION IN RUSSIA WILL BE NEGATIVE, IRRESPECTIVE OF THE STAND OF ITS GOVERNMENT. DISRESPECT FOR RUSSIA AND RESUSCITATION OF THE NATO BODY ON ITS BORDERS PLAYS, FIRST OF ALL, INTO HANDS OF THE ANTI-REFORM AND ANTI-WESTERN FORCES."

17. "THE ASSUMPTION THAT RUSSIA OF TODAY AND TOMORROW WILL ONCE AGAIN FOIST ITS EMPIRE-BUILDING WILL UPON OTHERS IS SIMPLY ABSURD. SUCH AN ASSUMPTION IS THE

RESULT OF SERIOUS MISTAKES IN EVALUATING THE POLITICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SITUATION IN MY COUNTRY. AND I AM CONCERNED THAT THERE ARE POLITICIANS WHO ARE PRONE TO FOLLOW THIS COURSE OF THINKING. WHAT IS MORE, THE RESULTS OF THE DECEMBER ELECTIONS ARE USED AS CONFIRMATION TO BACK UP SUCH APPREHENSIONS. IN REALITY, THESE RESULTS ARE THE INEVITABLE CONSEQUENCE OF THE ERRONEOUS COURSE OF REFORMS. THE ELECTIONS BECAME AN EXPRESSION OF MASS PUBLIC PROTEST. EVEN YELTSIN, ALTHOUGH WITHOUT SPECIAL ENTHUSIASM, HAS BEEN COMPELLED TO ADMIT THE EXISTENCE OF BROAD PUBLIC DISCONTENT. HOWEVER, IT SEEMS THAT IN AMERICA THEY HAVE NOT, IN THE END, FULLY REALIZED WHAT IS GOING ON, AND ARE NOT PREPARED TO DRAW THE PROPER CONCLUSIONS FROM THEIR OWN MISTAKES."

18. "...WHEN ALL IS SAID AND DONE, ONE MUST ACKNOWLEDGE THAT RUSSIA HERSELF MUST FIND ITS OWN WAY FROM TOTALITARIANISM TO DEMOCRACY. THERE ARE NO PRECEDENTS OR ANALOGIES FOR SUCH A TRANSITION. THREE GENERATIONS (IN RUSSIA) HAVE GROWN UP IN A 'SPECIFIC' ENVIRONMENT, AND THAT IS WHY THE CLASSICAL MODELS OF THE IMF ARE NOT APPLICABLE IN THIS CASE. THESE MODELS CAN BE EMPLOYED FOR MARKET ECONOMIES THAT REQUIRE IMPROVEMENTS. HERE (IN RUSSIA) WE ARE TALKING ABOUT BUILDING (THE ECONOMY) ANEW ON A FOUNDATION THAT IS DETERMINED BY ABSOLUTELY SPECIFIC HISTORICAL CONDITIONS, AND IN A RADICALLY TRANSFORMED PUBLIC PSYCHOLOGY. AND IF PRESIDENT CLINTON, WHEN HE ARRIVES IN MOSCOW, IS CAPABLE OF FATHOMING THIS REALITY OF OURS, THIS WILL BE GOOD FOR EVERYONE."

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