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RFE DAILY REPORT NO. 169

WQM BULGARIA: ZHIVKOV CONTINUES TO STUMBLE HIS WAY THROUGH CUBA AND HIS VISIT CONTINUES TO PROVIDE US WITH USEFUL MATERIAL FOR PROGRAMMING; FOR EXAMPLE, HIS VISIT TO ONE OF THE PLANTS WHOSE CONSTRUCTION, AS CASTRO ADMITTED IN HIS SPEECH ON SUNDAY, HAD TO BE SUSPENDED DUE TO MISMANAGEMENT AND LABOR PROBLEMS, AND THE CONTRADICTION BETWEEN HIS PRAISE OF CUBA'S ECONOMY AND CASTRO'S LONG CATALOGUE OF FAILURES (BOTH REPORTED IN YESTERDAY'S VOLSKY SPECIAL).

2.CZECHOSLOVAKIA: NOTHING

3. HUNGARY: THE CONTRY MEETING TODAY FIRST DISCUSSED APRO'S REMARKS TO MTI ON THE RECENT COMECON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SESSION IN MOSCOW (AVAILABLE SO FAR ONLY IN A VERY BRIEF RADIO BUDAPEST REPORT, DS). WE NOTE THAT APRO REFERRED TO "JOINT PLANNING" RATHER THAN TO "COORDINATION OF PLANNING" AS HAD HITHERTO BEEN THE CASE FOR THE HUNGARIANS. HE WAS, HOWEVER, CAREFUL TO POINT OUT THAT SUCH JOINT PLANNING WOULD NOT RESTRICT THE INDEPENDENT SCOPE OF PLANNING IN THE MEMBER COUNTRIES. IT IS THEREFORE DIFFICULT TO ESTABLISH EXACTLY WHAT APRO HAD IN MIND, AND

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BD COMMENTARY TODAY WILL THEREFORE, ONLY RAISE QUESTIONS. THE BD THEN OUTLINED VARIOUS PROBLEMS OF THE AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES WHICH BADLY NEED SOLUTION AND WHICH IT FEELS SHOULD BE DISCUSSED AT THE FORTHCOMING PARTY CONGRESS. THESE PROBLEMS CAN BE REDUCED TO THREE MAIN CATEGORIES: 1) SOCIAL RIGHTS (SOCIAL BENEFITS, PENSIONS) FOR MEMBERS EQUAL TO THOSE OF STATE FARM MEMBERS; 2) ECONOMIC AND LEGAL EQUITY WITH THE STATE FARMS; AND 3) STRENGTHENING THE MATERIAL POSITION OF THE COOPERATIVES (CAPITAL INFUSION, MACHINERY, FERTILIZERS, ETC.). THESE VARIOUS TOPICS WILL BE BROACHED IN PROGRAMMING IN THE WEEKS AHEAD--WITHOUT IN ANY WAY PACKAGING THEM AS SOME KIND OF RFE BLUEPRINT FOR AGRICULTURAL REFORM.

4. POLAND: THE FACT THAT PHILIPP VON BISMARCK, ONE OF TWO OPPOSITION POLITICIANS WHO ARRIVED IN WARSAW ON SUNDAY (SEE "BONNER GENERALANZEIGER" ARTICLE, DS), IS ALSO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE POMERANIAN "LANDSMANNSCHAFT" IS WORTH NOTING. THIS IS AN ENCOURAGING INDICATION OF THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE CURRENT

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5. RUMANIA: NOTHING

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6. OTHER: MANY SOURCES STATE THAT THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW CONSIDERATIONS INTO THE MOSCOW PROCEEDINGS HAS BEEN RESISTED BY THE SOVIETS BUT THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS ARE CONTINUING IN A BUSINESS-LIKE AND FRANK (EVEN CORDIAL) ATMOSPHERE. UPI REPORTS FROM MOSCOW THAT THESE NEW CONSIDERATIONS ARE BASED ON THE GUIDELINES (CF. DR. NO. 165) AND CONCERN PRINCIPALLY THE GERMAN OPTION AND THE STATUS OF BERLIN. THE DISCUSSIONS WILL BE CARRIED ON BY THE PRINCIPALS TODAY AFTER BEING HANDLED BY WORKING GROUPS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. RUEDIGER VON WECHMAN, SPOKESMAN FOR THE DELEGATION, REMARKED THAT THE GERMAN SIDE HAS INTRODUCED SOME IDEAS TO MAKE THE TREATY "MORE PRECISE" AND THAT THESE WERE "NEW POINTS." HE STATED FURTHER THAT YESTERDAY MORNING'S SESSION BETWEEN SCHEEL AND GROMYKO WAS "BUSINESSLIKE IN KEEPING WITH THE DIFFICULTIES" AND THAT SCHEEL WOULD BE STAYING ON INTO NEXT WEEK.

IN THE MEANTIME THE FDP CONTINUES TO SHOW DOMESTIC SIGNS OF STRAIN AS THE HOHENSYBURGER KREIS REFUSED TO ACCEPT THE WEYER NORDRHEIN-WESTFALEN LEADERSHIP'S ENDORSEMENT OF SPD MEMBER KUEHN AS THE COALITION'S NOMINEE FOR MINISTER PRESIDENT OF THE LAND GOVERNMENT. (CF DRS NO. 134 AND 136). FOUR OF THE ELEVEN FDP LANDTAG MEMBERS REFUSED TO VOTE FOR KUEHN WITH THE RESULT THAT HE WAS ELECTED BY ONLY 101 VOTES OUT OF A TOTAL OF 200. THE "FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE" OBSERVES THAT THOUGH THIS EROSION OF FDP UNITY AT THE LAND LEVEL HAS NO DIRECT EFFECT ON THE FEDERAL COALITION, THAT IN THE COURSE OF TIME, ESPECIALLY AFTER THE LAENDER ELECTIONS IN NOVEMBER, IT COULD ENDANGER THE CONTINUATION OF THE FEDERAL COALITION (CF. DEWITT SPECIALS).

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6. OTHER (CONTINUED)

EGYPT HAS TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED THE BROADCAST PRIVILEGES OF THE PALESTINE FEDAYEEN ORGANIZATIONS TRANSMITTING FROM THE UAR. NASSER'S RELATIONS WITH THE FUERRILLAS HAVE ALWAYS BEEN INTERMINGLED WITH FEAR AND SUSPICION AND NOW THAT NASSER MAY BE PREPARED TO SEE WHAT CAN BE GAINED THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS, TO HAVE HIS POLICIES DENOUNCED AND NEGOTIATIONS ENDANGERED BY BROADCASTS OVER HIS OWN RADIO FACILITIES WAS APPARENTLY MORE THAN HE COULD TOLERATE. THE GUERRILLAS WERE PREDICTABLY INCENSED. THIS IS ADDITIONAL PROOF, IF MORE WERE NEEDED, OF THE DISUNITY IN THE ARAB WORLD AND FORESHADOWS THE DIFFICULTIES OF DEALING WITH THE ARABS ON THE ROGERS PEACE PROPOSAL. EGYPT'S DISINCLINATION TO SUPPORT THE PALESTINIANS UNRESEVEDLY AND TO RISK THEIR OPPOSITION ON THE ROGERS PROPOSAL MAY NOT ONLY NOT DISTURB THEIR OPERATIONS OUT OF JORDAN BUT IN FACT MAY RADICALIZE THEM EVEN FURTHER.

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