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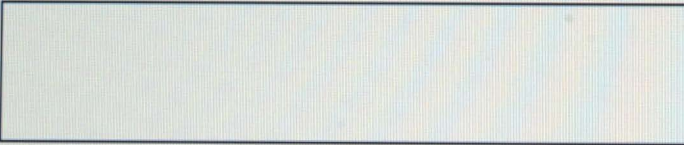
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1. Assistance for Portugal: Ambassador Stoessel met with Foreign Minister Genscher as instructed yesterday to emphasize that the U.S. would appreciate an early reply to the President's letter to Schmidt concerning economic assistance for Portugal. (Bonn 5298)
2. Conservative Leader Thatcher Request for Appointment With the President: Embassy London has received a request from Margaret Thatcher's office asking that she have the opportunity to meet with President Carter during his stay in London. (London 4995)
3. Anatoliy Shcharanskiy: Vladimir Slepak, a prominent Soviet activist, informed our embassy that the KGB had searched Anatoliy Shcharanskiy's parents' home yesterday and confiscated all personal documents relating to Shcharanskiy. (Moscow 3970)
4. Bilateral Syrian-Israeli Agreement: Ambassador Murphy believes it may prove difficult to maintain the present degree of unity among Arab moderates if preparations for the Geneva conference are prolonged. If Arabs could agree that working for an overall agreement was a useful course to pursue en route Geneva, negotiations might be relatively quickly launched. As a possible negotiator Syria offers certain advantages. (Damascus 2004)
5. Shaba Invasion: Ambassador Cutler reports that during his meeting with Mobutu, he briefed Mobutu on the status of our consultations with the Nigerians on mediation, our undertaking direct contacts with the Cubans, and discussed both the political and military dimensions of the Shaba problem. Mobutu indicated his agreement on most points. He reiterated his concern, however, on our reluctance to extend more military aid and the dangerous signal this could have to those attacking Zaire. (Kinshasa 2742)

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6. U.S. Discussions With Cuba: Ambassador Stoessel briefed Foreign Minister Genscher yesterday on the initiation of talks with Cuba. (Bonn 5299)
7. NATO DPC-Ministerial: Ambassador Strausz-Hupe forwards the text of the communique, including UK reservations, issued at the conclusion of the DPC ministerial meeting on NATO AEW. (USNATO 1727)
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9. FRG/Brazil Nuclear Deal: State cables Embassy Brasilia three options being considered on the next step in dealing with Brazil. (State 067006)

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