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M.I.P.T. - JARUZELSKI VISIT.

1. JARUZELSKI WAS MET AT THE AIRPORT ON 1 MARCH BY BREZHNEV, TIKHONOV, ANDROPOV, GROMYKO, USTINOV, CHERNENKO AND RUSAKOV, AND TALKS WERE HELD WITH THE SAME GROUP. TASS DESCRIBED JARUZELSKI AS REPORTING ON THE CURRENT STATE OF THE POLISH PARTY, EXPRESSING THE DETERMINATION OF THE POLISH PEOPLE TO STRENGTHEN THEIR FRIENDSHIP WITH THE USSR AND OTHER WARSAW PACT STATES, AND DISCUSSING BILATERAL RELATION WITH BREZHNEV. THE TWO RESOLVED TO WIDEN ECONOMIC, TRADE AND CULTURAL LIE2-759899THEY REJECTED IMPERIALIST DICTATION. THE PRESENT SERIOUS INTERNATIONAL SITUATION DEMANDED THE UNITY OF THE SOCIALIST STATES AS NEVER BEFORE. THE TALKS WERE SAID TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN A CORDIAL, FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE.
2. SPEECHES WERE EXCHANGED AT DINNER ON 1 MARCH. BREZHNEV SAID THAT THE MEASURES TAKEN BY "OUR POLISH FRIENDS" MET WITH THE FULL UNDERSTANDING OF THE SOVIET UNION. FOR COMMUNISTS TO HAVE GIVEN WAY TO COUNTER-REVOLUTION WOULD HAVE BEEN A BLOW TO POLAND AND TO STABILITY IN EUROPE. COMMUNISTS KNEW HOW TO LEARN FROM BITTER LESSONS. THE EFFORTS OF PZPR AND ITS ALLIED PARTIES TO CLEANSE THE PRACTICE OF SOCIALIST CONSTRUCTION FROM ALL THAT WAS BORROWED AND FOREIGN TO ITS ESSENCE WERE ENTIRELY NATURAL, AS WAS THE TASK OF RESTORING THE LEADING ROLE OF THE PARTY. IMPERIALIST POWERS, PRIMARILY THE USA, WERE STRENGTHENING THEIR PRESSURE ON POLAND. THE SOVIET UNION HAD DONE ALL IT COULD TO HELP POLAND, AND WOULD HELP IT IN FUTURE. BREZHNEV STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF DEVELOPING ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITHIN THE SOCIALIST COMMUNITY.
3. THE SOCIALIST COMMUNITY, CONTINUED BREZHNEV, WAS NOT ISOLATED, BUT A PART OF MODERN CIVILISATION WHICH COULD NOT BE FENCED OFF FROM THE CURRENT CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD, PRIMARILY THE QUESTION OF PRESERVING PEACE. THE SOVIET UNION STRENGTHENED ITS ARMED FORCES AGAINST THREATS TO ITS SECURITY, BUT THIS WAS FROM NECESSITY. THE ARMS RACE WAS IMPOSED ON THE USSR FROM OUTSIDE. THE SOVIET UNION HAD CHOSEN THE PATH OF PEACE ONCE AND FOR ALL. A GREAT DEAL DEPENDED ON SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS. BUT IN THE RESOLUTION OF INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS, OTHER STATES, INCLUDING THOSE OF EUROPE, CARRIED GREAT POLITICAL WEIGHT AND INFLUENCE. THEIR VOICE COULD BE DECISIVE. THE SOVIET UNION WAS FOR A CONTINUATION AND ENRICHMENT OF THE EAST/WEST DIALOGUE, FOR BRUSHING ASIDE ACCUSATIONS AND COUNTER-ACCUSATIONS AND FOR GETTING DOWN TO A PRACTICAL SOLUTION OF URGENT PROBLEMS AND FIRSTLY DISARMAMENT. BREZHNEV STRESSED THAT THE POLISH SIDE SHARED THIS VIEW.

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4. JARUZELSKI SPOKE OF THE PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE OF THE RELATIONS UNITING POLAND WITH ITS GREAT NEIGHBOUR. THE SOVIET ARMED FORCES, DIRECTED BY THE PARTY AND SOVIET GOVERNMENT, TOGETHER WITH THE ARMIES OF OTHER WARSAW PACT STATES, WERE THE PRINCIPAL GUARANTEE OF PEACE IN EUROPE AND THE SECURITY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF POLAND. THIS WAS A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE FOR POLAND. HE DWELT AT SOME LENGTH ON THE ROLE OF THE SOVIET ARMY DURING THE WAR AND IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF POST-WAR EUROPE, BASED ON YALTA AND POTSDAM. THE SOVIET UNION HAD ALSO HELPED POLAND IN THE EARLY DIFFICULT YEARS OF SOCIALIST INDUSTRIALISATION, AND WAS POLAND'S MAIN, MOST VALUABLE ECONOMIC PARTNER AND PRINCIPAL ALLY. THE ALLIANCE OF POLAND AND THE USSR, THE FRIENDSHIP OF THEIR PEOPLES AND TIES UNITING THEIR PARTIES WERE LASTING AND INVIOABLE. ALL RESPONSIBLE, PATRIOTIC FORCES OF THE POLISH PEOPLE UNDERSTOOD THIS. THE WELL-BEING, MIGHT AND WORLD POSITION OF THE USSR SERVED POLAND'S INTERESTS WHILE THE USSR'S INTERESTS WERE SERVED BY THE EXISTENCE OF A STRONG INDEPENDENT RELIABLE SOCIALIST POLAND. THIS WAS WHAT THE POLES WERE SEEKING TO BUILD ON THE PRINCIPLES OF MARXIST-LENINIST SCIENCE TAKING CONCRETE CONDITIONS INTO CONSIDERATION AND OBSERVING POLISH TRADITIONS AND CULTURE. THE INTRODUCTION OF MARTIAL LAW WAS BY INDEPENDENT SOVEREIGN DECISION. DESPITE ADVANCES, THE STRUGGLE CONTINUED. THE PZPR WAS A GUARANTEE OF THE EMERGENCE OF THE COUNTRY FROM A DEEP CRISIS. PLAYING ITS LEADING, GUIDING ROLE IN SOCIALIST CONSTRUCTION, RESTORING THE SENINIST STYLE OF ACTIVITY, THE PARTY WAS WIDENING COOPERATION WITH ALLIED PARTIES AND ALL PATRIOTIC FORCES TO ACHIEVE NATIONAL CONCORD ON THE BASIS OF THE POLISH CONSTITUTION. THE VII PLENUM DETERMINED THE DIRECTIONS FOR THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE PARTY ON THE BASIS OF MARXISM-LENINISM AND REAFFIRMED ITS WILL TO CONTINUE THE LINE OF THE IX CONGRESS, OF STRENGTHENING SOCIALISM.

5. MARUZELSKI EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE UNDERSTANDING SHOWN BY THE CPSU AND FRATERNAL PARTIES OF POLAND'S DIFFICULTIES. ESPECIALLY VALUABLE HAD BEEN THE CREDIT OF CONFIDENCE GIVEN TO POLAND AND THE CONVICTION THAT POLAND WOULD MEET THE DNAGER WITH ITS OWN FORCES AND IN A WAY APPROPRIATE TO THE SITUATION. POLAND'S GRAVE ECONOMIC SITUATION WAS COMPLICATED BY THE SANCTIONS INTRODUCED BY THE UNITED STATES AND: UNDER ITS PRESSURE, BY THE GOVERNMENTS OF CERTAIN OTHER CAPITALIST COUNTRIES. ASSISTANCE FROM THE USSR AND OTHER FRATERNAL COUNTRIES WAS VITAL. WITHOUT IT, AND A BROADENING OF COOPERATION IN CMEA, A WAY OUT OF THE CRISIS WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE. SOVIET AID WAS THE IMPULSE NECESSARY TO RESTORE THE BALANCE OF THE POLISH ECONOMY IN THE SHORT TERM. POLAND



WOULD NOT ABANDON THE ROAD OF SOCIALISM. IT HAD NEVER IN ITS HISTORY YIELDED TO FOREIGN PRESSURE. JARUZELSKI CONCLUDED WITH A BRIEF PASSAGE ON THE DANGER OF THE ARMS RACE AND THE HISTORIC ROLE OF THE CPSU'S PEACE LOVING POLICY.

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