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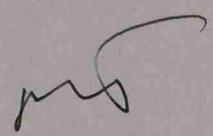
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US/SOVIET RELATIONS

SUMMARY

- 1. A FURTHER POSITIVE GORBACHEV MESSAGE, APPARENTLY NO PROGRESS ON SUMMIT DATES. A REAGAN PRESS INTERVIEW MAINTAINS THE GLASSBORO CONCILIATORY LINE.

 DETAIL
- 2. THE NEW SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON, DUBININ, PRESENTING
 HIS CREDENTIALS TO PRESIDENT REAGAN ON 23 JUNE, HANDED OVER
 A MESSAGE FROM GORBACHEV IN THE COURSE OF A MEETING,
 WHICH THE WHITE HOUSE DESCRIBED AS QUOTE CORDIAL AND BUSINESS—
 LIKE UNQUOTE.
- OSURPRISES. PT APPARENTLY REVIEWS SOVIET POLICIES IN FAMILIAR TERMS AND REAFFIRMS GORBACHEV'S INTEREST IN MAKING PROGRESS IN US/SOVIET RELATIONS AND IN HOLDING A SUMMIT. IT HINTS THAT THE TWO SIDES SHOULD PRESS AHEAD WITH WORK IN EXISTING FRAMEWORK, BUT DOES NOT PICK UP PRESIDENT REAGAN'S SUGGESTION OF A SHULTZ/SHEVARDNADZE MEETING IN EUROPE BEFORE THE SUMMER BREAK, OR PROPOSE A DATE FOR A SUMMIT.
- RELATIONS AND ARMS CONTROL IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE QUOTE LOS ANGELES TIMES UNQUOTE. MIFT CONTAINS KEY EXCERPTS: FULL TEXT FOLLOWS BY BAG. THE PRESIDENT'S MAIN AIM SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN TO MAINTAIN THE MORE POSITIVE TONE SET IN HIS GLASSBORO SPEECH, AND TO AVOID BEING PINNED DOWN ON THE SALT CONSTRAINTS

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GENEVA. THE MOST INTERESTING FEATURE AS IMPLICAT
WILLINGNESS TO NEGOTIATE CONSTRAINTS ON POST-RESEARCH ASPECTS OF
SDI IN RETURN FOR REDUCTIONS IN OFFENSIVE SYSTEMS. ALTHOUGH
THE INTERVIEW ALSO CONTAINS STANDARD VISIONARY LANGUAGE ABOUT
SDI, THESE COMMENTS ARE A BIG ADVANCE ON PREVIOUS PRESIDENTIAL
STATEMENTS THAT SDI COULD NEVER BE A BARGAINING CHIP.

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