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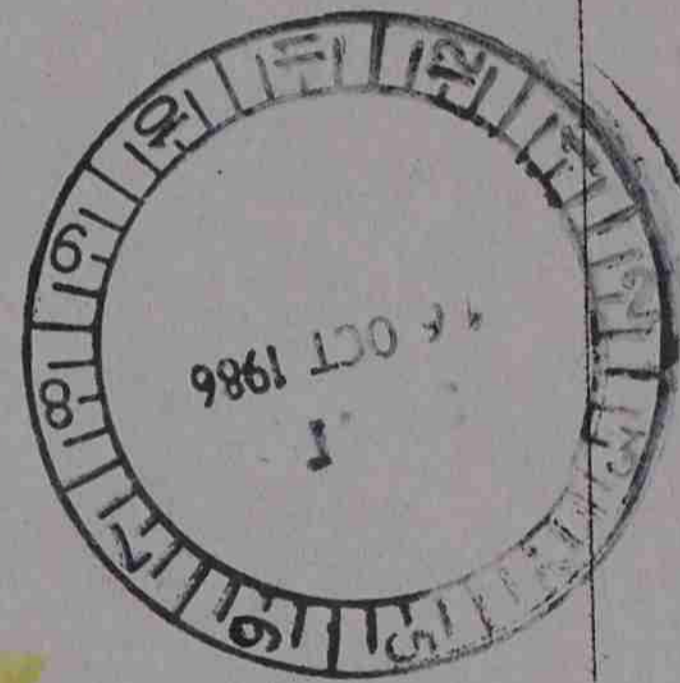
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YOUR TELNO 1767 TO WASHINGTON: REYKJAVIK: INF/SDI LINKAGE

1. TUR REPORTS KARPOV AS SAYING THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAD NOT INTRODUCED ANY NEW LINKAGE IN REYKJAVIK. HE APPEARS TO HAVE SPELT THIS OUT EVEN MORE CLEARLY IN BONN.

2. THE SIGNALS IN MOSCOW ARE RATHER DIFFERENT.

(A) GORBACHEV IN HIS TV ADDRESS (MY TELNO 1206) SAID THAT HE HAD MADE IT CLEAR IN REYKJAVIK THAT THE SOVIET PROPOSALS CONSTITUTED AN INDIVISIBLE PACKAGE (PARAGRAPH 10 OF MY TUR).

(B) PRAVDA OF 16 OCTOBER REPORTING PRESIDENT ALFONSIN'S TALK WITH GORBACHEV ON 15 OCTOBER REPORTED GORBACHEV AS SAYING 'THE PLATFORM WHICH WE PUT FORWARD OF NEW PROPOSALS WHICH ARE INSEPARABLE FROM ONE ANOTHER, NONE OF WHICH WE ARE INTENDING TO WITHDRAW, PERMITS A MORE ACTIVE SEARCH FOR MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS'.

3. HOWEVER IN THE SAME EDITION OF PRAVDA THE COMMUNIQUE OF THE WARSAW PACT FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETING IN BUCHAREST IS PUBLISHED. THIS CONTAINS A PASSAGE WHICH READS 'ALL EFFORTS MUST BE APPLIED TO CONCLUDE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AN AGREEMENT ON THE ELIMINATION OF SOVIET AND AMERICAN INTERMEDIATE RANGE MISSILES IN EUROPE WHICH WOULD BE AN IMPORTANT STEP ALONG THE ROAD TOWARDS THE COMPLETE LIBERATION OF THE CONTINENT FROM NUCLEAR WEAPONS'.

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