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WASHINGTON TELMO 1530: GENEVA NEGOTIATIONS: NEW SOVIET PROPOSALS

1. KARPOV BRIEFED RUTH (AUSWAERTIGES AMT) TODAY ON THESE PROPOSALS (HE IS HERE FOR A CONFERENCE). THE GERMANS ARE IMPRESSED AND FIND THE PROPOSALS VERY INTERESTING. IN PARTICULAR THEY NOTE THAT THE RUSSIANS HAVE ESTABLISHED A NEW OFFENSIVE/DEFENSIVE LINK WITHOUT IN FACT REQUIRING A BAN ON SDI. INCREASED PREDICTABILITY PROVIDED BY LENGTHENING THE ABM TIME FRAME IS OF COURSE A PROPOSAL THE GERMANS THEMSELVES HAVE FAVOURED. THEY WELCOME THE MOVE ON FORWARD-BASED. SYSTEMS. THEY FIND IT PARTICULARLY INTERESTING THAT THE PROPOSALS WERE TABLED AFTER REAGAN'S ANOUNCEMENT ON SALT II. THEY WELCOME THE US PUBLIC HANDLING (SO FAR).

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