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TELEGRAM NUMBER 382 OF 11 MAY

AND TO PRIORITY WASHINGTON, BONN, OTTAWA, UKREP BRUSSELS,  
 TOKYO, ROME.

POLITICAL PREPARATIONS FOR WILLIAMSBURG.

FOLLOWING FROM BULLARD.

1. FOLLOWING A MEETING OF THE SEVEN POLITICAL DIRECTORS OVER  
 LUNCH IN PARIS TODAY, BURT (US) WILL REPORT TO PERSONAL  
 REPRESENTATIVES (SHERPAS) THIS EVENING AS FOLLOWS:

- (I) THERE IS A GENERAL DESIRE THAT DISCUSSION OF POLITICAL  
 ITEMS BY HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT AT WILLIAMSBURG  
 SHOULD BE 'TRULY INFORMAL'.
- (II) THERE SHOULD BE NO POLITICAL COMMUNIQUE, BUT THE SEVEN  
 PARTICIPANTS MAY WISH TO CONSIDER ISSUING A STATEMENT,  
 PERHAPS OR PERHAPS NOT IN THE FORM OF AN OPEN LETTER TO  
 ANDROPOV, ON ARMS CONTROL, OR POSSIBLY ON INF ALONE.  
 THE US WILL CIRCULATE A DRAFT. MEANWHILE ALL PARTICIPANTS  
 WILL CONSULT THEIR HEADS OF GOVERNMENT ON THIS SUGGESTION  
 AND REPORT REACTIONS. TO ENSURE A PUBLIC IMPACT SEPARATE  
 FROM THE ECONOMIC CONCLUSIONS OF THE MEETING, A STATEMENT

- ON ARMS CONTROL/INF COULD BEST BE ISSUED ON THE SUNDAY.
- (III) PRESIDENT REAGAN PROPOSES THAT THE POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS SHOULD TAKE PLACE AT THE FOUR MEALS (DINNER ON SATURDAY 28 MAY, LUNCH AND DINNER ON SUNDAY 29 MAY AND LUNCH ON MONDAY 30 MAY). HIS INTENTION IS TO ORGANIZE THE DISCUSSION IN SUCH A WAY THAT THE FIRST THREE MEALS SHOULD BE DEVOTED RESPECTIVELY TO ARMS CONTROL: EAST/WEST POLITICAL RELATIONS: AND THE MIDDLE EAST, AND POSSIBLY OTHER REGIONAL QUESTIONS. THE FOURTH MEAL WOULD BE A 'WRAP UP' SESSION.
- (IV) THE PRESIDENT PLANS TO INVITE A DIFFERENT HEAD OF GOVERNMENT TO INTRODUCE THE DISCUSSIONS AT EACH OF THE FIRST THREE MEALS. HE HIMSELF WILL LEAD THE 'WRAP UP' SESSION. SINCE THERE WILL BE NO NOTE-TAKERS PRESENT AT THE MEALS, THE HEAD OF GOVERNMENT WHO INTRODUCES EACH DISCUSSION MIGHT SUMMARISE IT BRIEFLY AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FOLLOWING PLENARY.
- (V) THE FOREIGN MINISTERS MIGHT DISCUSS THE SAME 3 BROAD THEMES, BUT IN GREATER DETAIL. THE US WILL CIRCULATE A SUGGESTED LIST OF SUB-HEADINGS UNDER EACH THEME AND INVITE COMMENTS AND ADDITIONS.
- (VI) THE US PROPOSES THAT FOREIGN MINISTERS SHOULD ALSO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:
- PRESIDENT REAGAN'S PROPOSALS ON YOUTH EXCHANGES:
  - HIS INITIATIVE ON PROMOTING DEMOCRACY:
  - TERRORISM:
  - NON-PROLIFERATION.
- THE AMERICANS WILL CIRCULATE A NOTE EXPLAINING HOW THEY INTEND TO RAISE THESE POINTS AND WHAT CONCLUSIONS THEY WOULD HOPE TO REACH. (THE FRENCH POLITICAL DIRECTOR AND I EXPRESSED SOME DOUBTS ABOUT THE VALUE OF DISCUSSION OF THE LAST TWO ESPECIALLY).
- (VII) THE JAPANESE HAVE SPECIFICALLY PROPOSED THAT SOUTH EAST ASIA SHOULD BE AMONG THE REGIONAL THEMES DISCUSSED.
- (VIII) SHULTZ WILL GIVE THE PRESS PERIODIC BRIEFINGS ABOUT THE POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS, IN PARTICULAR A HALF-TIME BRIEFING AT MIDDAY ON SUNDAY. THESE WILL BE VERY GENERAL, LISTING THE TOPICS DISCUSSED AND THE SPIRIT IN WHICH THEY WERE APPROACHED, BUT NOT THE CONTENT OF THE DISCUSSION.
- (IX) ASSUMING THAT THE FINAL STATEMENT ON ECONOMIC ISSUES WILL BE INTRODUCED BY THE PRESIDENT ON MONDAY 30 MAY, SHULTZ WILL FOLLOW THIS WITH A SUMMARY OF THE POLITICAL DISCUSSION IN TERMS WHICH HE WILL HAVE CONCERTED WITH HIS COLLEAGUES.