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President's Evening Reading Item

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The Soviets have made important moves in the CTB negotiation on the issues of peaceful nuclear explosions and entry into force. This development was signalled in Brezhnev's speech of November 1, and was spelled out in proposals tabled by the Soviet CTB Delegation in Geneva on November 2.

The Soviets have proposed a three-year treaty banning nuclear weapons tests, accompanied by a protocol providing for a concurrent three-year moratorium on PNEs. The Treaty would come into force without French or Chinese adherence. Upon entry into force, negotiations would continue on finding mutually acceptable ways to permit PNEs in the future. At the end of three years, the treaty <sup>and moratorium</sup> would lapse, unless the PRC and France had acceded to the treaty, <sup>and the moratorium</sup> would presumably lapse <sup>in any event if not extended or replaced by a new</sup> ~~if agreement had not been reached on~~ arrangements regarding PNEs.

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with expedite  
an agreement  
if possible  
will/could  
to prepare  
for it

The critical difficulty of the Soviet proposal is the provision for automatic expiration of both the Treaty and the moratorium. We have been urging a treaty which would ban all nuclear explosions and which could continue indefinitely, with right of withdrawal after three to five years in the event of non-adherence by other nuclear weapons states.

also  
pursue his  
speech left  
"it's a  
production  
of all  
nuclear  
weapons"

On verification, the Soviets continue to offer voluntary on-site inspections and have suggested exploration of use of internal seismic stations with authenticated data in lieu of automatic seismic stations.

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Nov 7 memo Vance  
to Pres

1) Brezhnev's speech

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- It should be noted.

~~Pres rotation in charge~~  
"Let's expedite an  
agreement if possible  
tell Harold to prepare  
for it"

"Also pursue his  
speech text - "to stop  
production of all  
nuclear sweepers"  
(under "On view"  
at end of list)

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The following message was given to Tom Graham on the secure phone by EB per AMC's instructions. -- message was read back phrase by phrase as it was given and also read back in completion at the end of the conversation for accuracy.

QUOTE:

Mr. Christopher was called up to the Secretary's office this morning to see David Anderson and was shown the notations the President had made on the margin of Vance's input to the President. Regarding the Brezhnev statement on CTB, the President had written "Let's expedite an agreement if possible. Tell Harold to prepare for it." "Also pursue his speech text - (and then a quote within a quote) 'to stop production of all nuclear weapons.' "

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(DISARMAMENT)

GENEVA (UPI) - NEGOTIATIONS AMONG THE UNITED STATES, SOVIET UNION AND BRITAIN ON A NUCLEAR TEST BAN TREATY RECESSED TODAY FOR ONE MONTH AND OFFICIALS HELD OUT GOOD CHANCES FOR AGREEMENT BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR.

THE THREE NATIONS ANNOUNCED NEGOTIATIONS WILL RESUME DEC. 5 UNLESS AN EARLIER DATE IS DECIDED IN THE INTERIM. THE TALKS BEGAN OCT. 3.

SOVIET PRESIDENT LEONID BREZHNEV'S STATEMENT IN MOSCOW WEDNESDAY PROPOSING A FORMAL BAN ON MILITARY TESTS AND A MORATORIUM ON PEACEFUL NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS BROUGHT THE NEGOTIATIONS MUCH CLOSER TO AGREEMENT, WESTERN PARTICIPANTS SAID.

PRESIDENT CARTER HAS SAID HE BELIEVED THERE COULD BE FINAL ACCORD WITHIN A SHORT TIME.

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UNITED NATIONS (UPI) - BRITAIN SAID THURSDAY THAT SOVIET LEADER LEONID BREZHNEV'S CALL FOR AN END TO ALL NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS - INCLUDING THOSE FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES - MARKED "A MAJOR STEP FORWARD" IN THE QUEST FOR A COMPREHENSIVE GLOBAL TEST BAN TREATY.

BUT, BRITAIN'S LORD GORONNY-ROBERTS TOLD THE U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S POLITICAL COMMITTEE, THERE REMAIN REASONS FOR "INTERNATIONAL FEARS," INCLUDING REPORTS THAT SOUTH AFRICA MAY BE DEVELOPING A NUCLEAR MILITARY TECHNOLOGY.

SOVIET U.N. AMBASSADOR OLEG TROYANOVSKY TOLD REPORTERS THURSDAY HE "WOULDN'T BE SURPRISED" IF THE BREZHNEV PROPOSALS ALREADY HAD BEEN BROUGHT UP IN NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE AMERICANS, SOVIETS AND BRITISH IN GENEVA.

HE ALSO SAID, HOWEVER, ANY TREATY ON A TOTAL NUCLEAR TEST BAN LIKELY WOULD HAVE TO HAVE A TIME LIMIT IN HOPES THAT TWO OTHER MAJOR NUCLEAR POWERS - CHINA AND FRANCE - COULD BE PERSUADED TO JOIN. NEITHER PARIS NOR PEKING HAS INDICATED IT PLANS TO DO SO.

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