

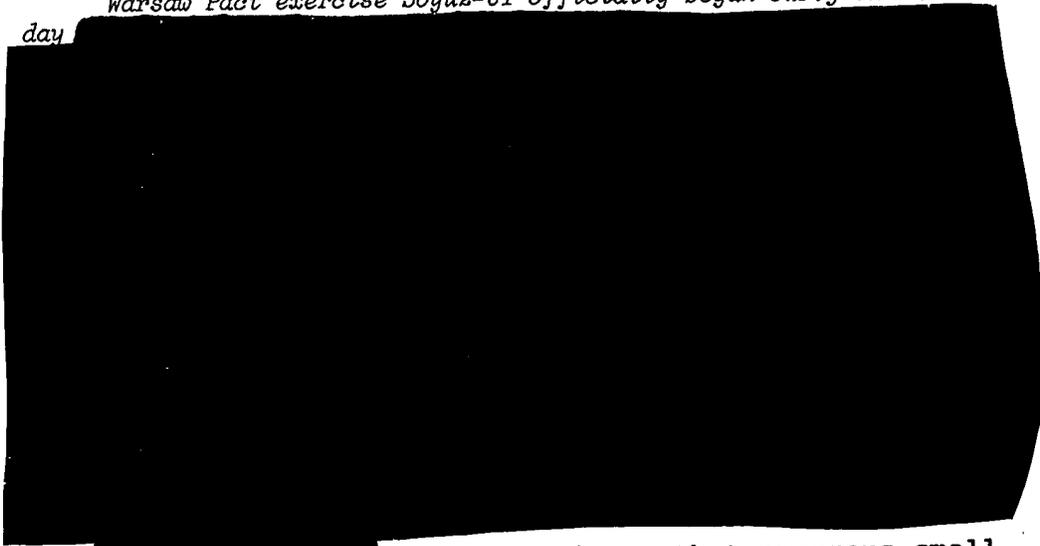
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BRIEFS AND COMMENTS

USSR-POLAND: Status of Soyuz-81

*Warsaw Pact exercise Soyuz-81 officially began early on Tuesday*



[REDACTED] reports indicate that numerous small units may be conducting field training in western Poland and East Germany. We do not know, however, whether all of these field maneuvers are related to Soyuz-81. [REDACTED]

Meanwhile, a source in Budapest reports that Polish party leader Kania will make a quick visit to Hungary today, resuming his efforts to plead Poland's case to its East European allies. Kania visited Czechoslovakia and East Germany in mid-February, but he should get a warmer reception from the Hungarians, who have shown some understanding and sympathy for the Polish Government's problems. [REDACTED]

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