

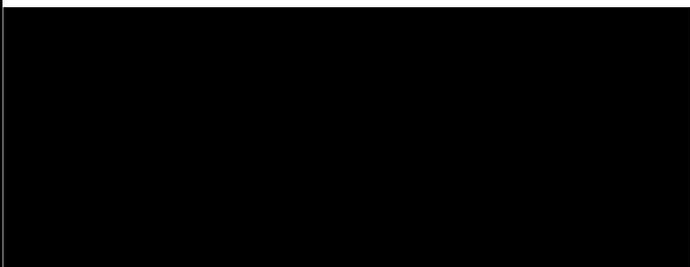
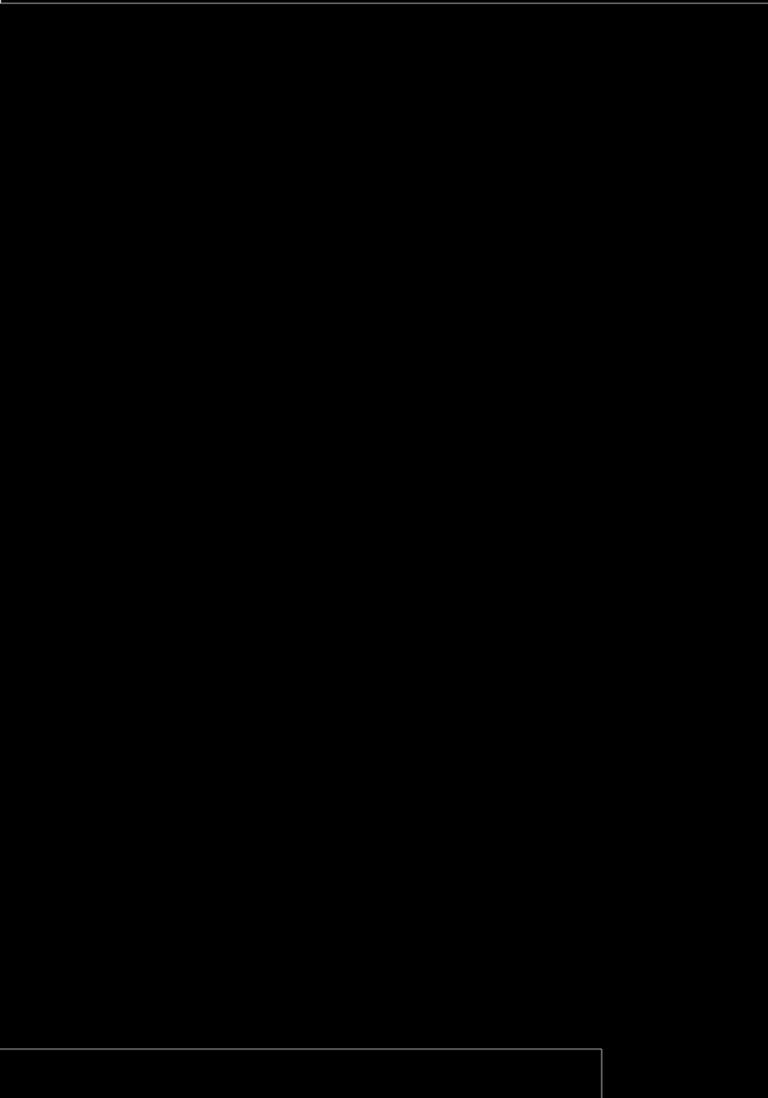
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2. JAPAN-US-USSR: POLICY ON SANCTIONS.

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CHINA'S EMOTIONAL ATTACKS ON THE REVISIONS IN JAPANESE TEXTBOOKS' TREATMENT OF WORLD WAR II SUGGEST THE CONTROVERSY WILL CONTINUE UNTIL TOKYO MAKES A CONCILIATORY GESTURE. [REDACTED]

COMMENT: CHINA WAS COMPELLED AT FIRST TO REACT TO THE CONTROVERSY BECAUSE OF THE INTENSE JAPANESE PRESS COVERAGE. BEIJING NOW APPEARS TO BE TRYING, HOWEVER, TO PUT TOKYO AT A DISADVANTAGE ON PENDING CHINESE REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE. [REDACTED]



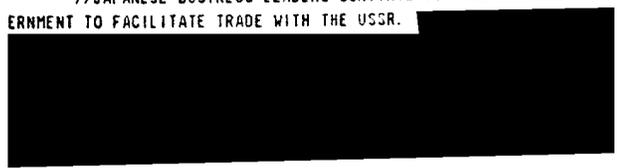
BEIJING PROBABLY HOPES THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE VISIT THAT HAD BEEN SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MONTH BY THE JAPANESE MINISTER OF EDUCATION WILL CAUSE ENOUGH CONCERN ON THE PART OF PRIME MINISTER SUZUKI TO PRODUCE A CONCILIATORY GESTURE OF SOME SORT. SUZUKI, WHO IS SCHEDULED TO VISIT CHINA NEXT MONTH, HAS KEPT ALOOF FROM THE CONTROVERSY. IF IT APPEARS THE ISSUE COULD JEOPARDIZE HIS VISIT, HOWEVER, SUZUKI MIGHT AUTHORIZE AN OFFICIAL PRONOUNCEMENT TO ASSUAGE CHINESE SENSITIVITIES. [REDACTED]



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A JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL IN BRUSSELS RECENTLY SAID JAPAN, UNLIKE SOME EC COUNTRIES, WOULD NOT ENCOURAGE JAPANESE FIRMS TO IGNORE SANCTIONS AGAINST THE USSR. NEVERTHELESS, THE SAKHALIN OFFSHORE OIL EXPLORATION PROJECT IS TO GO AHEAD AT A REDUCED PACE USING NON-US TECHNOLOGY WHERE AVAILABLE. [REDACTED]

//JAPANESE BUSINESS LEADERS CONTINUE TO URGE THE GOVERNMENT TO FACILITATE TRADE WITH THE USSR. [REDACTED]

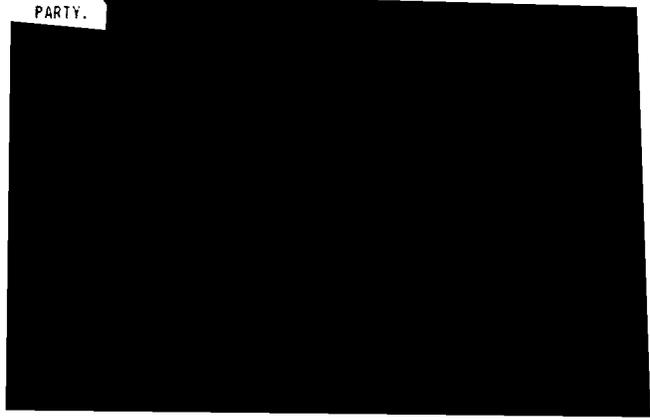


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COMMENT: //THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WILL TRY TO PLACATE
BOTH THE US AND THE JAPANESE BUSINESS COMMUNITY, WHICH HAS
SUBSTANTIAL INFLUENCE IN THE RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC
PARTY.



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