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1. DURING SOCIAL EVENING 21 MAR 67 ALIAS BERNHARDT TOLD = UNSOLICITED AND WITHOUT LEAD-IN HE EXPECTED UTILITY TO REMAIN IN HIS JOB "AT THE MOST" ANOTHER YEAR. TO OUR QUESTIONS HE SAID KIESINGER-BRANDT CAN BE EXPECTED FIND REPLACEMENT BY 1 APRIL 68. EXTENDED UTILITY ONLY BECAUSE TIME SINCE DECEMBER TOO SHORT AND TOO PREOCCUPIED WITH MORE IMPORTANT MATTERS. SAID JOBS OF BOTH PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT NEEDED TO BE FILLED AS HOLM ONLY DEFACIO IN V.P. JOB NOT DEJURE. CONTINUED MANY OLD UTILITY CRONIES CAN BE EXPECTED RESIGN WHEN UTILITY GOES SO THAT WHOLE TOP LAYER CATSK EXECUTIVES WILL CHANGE. HE EXPECTED RESULT WOULD BE GRADUAL BUT THOROUGH REORGANIZATION OF ENTIRE STRUCTURE WHICH HE CONSIDERED OUTDATED AND RESULT OF PERSONALITIES NOW IN POWER BUT ACTUALLY VERY INEFFICIENT.

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2. BERNHARDT STATED SECOND LEVEL CATSK EXECUTIVES,

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INCLUDING HIMSELF, HOPE FERVENTLY NEW CHIEF WILL BE CIVILIAN WITH POSSIBLY VICE PRESIDENT MILITARY. STATED IF CIVILIAN APPOINTED CHIEF GREATER EXODUS MILITARY TYPES WOULD RESULT. IF MILITARY EX-CATUSKER (WESSEL ET AL) APPOINTED FEWER RESIGNATIONS WOULD RESULT. IF ALIAS HOLM SHOULD SUCCEED ONLY PERSONAL FRIENDS OF TUTILITY WOULD GO. BERNHARDT STATED IF KIESINGER PICKS NEW MAN FROM OUTSIDE HE MIGHT WELL COME WITH INSTRUCTIONS DISCONTINUE UTILITY PRACTICE OF HIRING RETIRED MILITARY TO CONTINUE IN OWN JOB WHICH PRESENTLY STAGNATES PERSONNEL STRUCTURE. FINALLY SAID IF NEW CHIEF DID NOT DISCONTINUE THAT PRACTICE QUALIFIED SECOND AND THIRD LEVEL EXECUTIVES MIGHT LEAVE FOR OTHER GOVERNMENT JOBS WHERE CHANCES FOR ADVANCEMENT EXIST.

3. MLB COMMENT. BERNHARDT IS CONSIDERED WELL INFORMED ON INNER CATUSK SENTIMENT AND AFFAIRS BUT VERY RARELY MAKES COMMENTS SUCH AS PARA 1 AND 2 ABOVE. HIS UNSOLICITED, STRONG, AND DEFINITIVE STATEMENTS IN CONJUNCTION WITH REFERENCE LEAD US TO BELIEVE THERE MAY BE CAUSE AND EFFECT RELATIONSHIP.

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FYI: OF FIFTY COP LEVEL EXECUTIVES AT CATUSK
CHOSEN AT RANDOM ABOUT THIRTY PER CENT ARE OVER
SIXTY, MANDATORY RETIREMENT AGE FOR MILITARY, AND
TEN PERCENT OVER SIXTY-FIVE, MANDATORY AGE FOR
CIVILIAN RETIREMENT.

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