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SUBJECT: WNINTEL JLSIGHT PRESS REPORTS ON KURT WALDHEIM

REF: [ ] 51928 (22 FEB 88)

ACTION REQUIRED: NONE, FYI.

1. TO KEEP YOU JP TO DATE, WE HAVE BEEN IN CLOSE TOUCH  
HERE REGARDING 21 FEB SUNDAY "EXPRESS" ARTICLE  
CLAIMING THAT BRITS HAVE BEEN BLOCKING RELEASE OF 26 APR 1945  
INTEL REPORT RE SENIOR WEHRMACHT INTEL OFFICERS.

2. INTEL REPORT IN QUESTION IS BRITISH S.I.M.E. (SECURITY  
INTELLIGENCE MILITARY EAST) INTERROGATION OF A SENIOR GERMAN  
OFFICER IN WHICH GERMAN OFFICER LISTS SOME 238 GERMAN PERSONNEL  
AND AGENTS. A FIRST LIEUTENANT FNU WALDHEIM IS IN FACT LISTED,  
BUT WITH NO NOTATIONS BEYOND BRIEF PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION. THIS  
ITEM WAS NOT RECOGNIZED AS REFERRING TO KURT WALDHEIM UNTIL C.  
1986. THE DOCUMENT ITSELF IS QUITE INNOCENT AND HAS ONLY  
ACHIEVED NOTORIETY BECAUSE OF INITIAL PNWORLD FAILURE TO  
INCLUDE IT IN WALDHEIM'S 201 AND OUR LATER RELUCTANCE TO  
RELEASE DOCUMENT ON GROUNDS IT ORIGINATED BY ALLIED GOVT. WITH  
JLCHAP PERMISSION THE SPECIFIC PARAGRAPHS REFERRING TO WALDHEIM  
WERE RELEASED TO AUSTRIAN GOVT IN NOV 87 FOR USE BY  
INTERNATIONAL HISTORIANS COMMISSION. KURT WALDHEIM HIMSELF  
GAINED ACCESS TO INFO SHORTLY THEREAFTER AND ACCURATELY  
DISMISSED MATERIAL AS INNOCENT AND NON-INCRIMINATORY (ASIDE  
FROM FACT THAT IT INDICATED HE IN BALKANS WHEN HE CLAIMED TO BE  
STUDYING LAW AND RECUPERATING IN VIENNA.)

3. AT NO TIME HAVE WE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT DOC OF BRITISH  
ORIGIN, NOR HAVE WE EVER ASKED JLCHAP PERMISSION TO RELEASE  
ENTIRE DOCUMENT. IRONICALLY, WE SEEM TO HOLD ONLY COPIES OF  
DOCUMENT, BRITS HAVING LONG SINCE LOST ALL COPIES. WE  
ACCORDINGLY PASSED COPIES OF FULL DOC TO JLCHAP FOR IMMEDIATE  
PASSAGE TO LONDON ON 22 FEB. COPY PASSED HAS, HOWEVER,  
DISTINCTIVE PNWORLD FILING NOTATIONS, AND WE HAVE THUS NOTED TO  
JLCHAP THAT WE NOW REGARD S.I.M.E. REPORT AS AN IDENTIFIABLE  
PNWORLD DOCUMENT THAT WE WOULD PREFER NOT BE PUBLICLY EXPOSED.  
JLCHAP INCLINATION IS ALSO TO HOLD FIRM TO PRINCIPLE OF NOT  
RELEASING ANY INTEL DOCS, NO MATTER HOW OLD OR INNOCENT, BUT  
"EXPRESS" STORY INCLUDES NUMBER OF NASTY INSINUATIONS AND  
UNLESS STORY BLOWS OVER, THERE MAY BE POLITICAL PRESSURE TO  
PROVE THAT DOCUMENT DOES NOT IMPLICATE BRITS OR US IN IGNORING  
(OR WORSE) KNOWN "WAR CRIMINAL."

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY  
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
SOURCE METHODS EXEMPTION 3828  
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT  
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