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SUBJECT: CURRENT MEDIA REACTION:

- -- JEWISH OBSTRUCTION TO WALDHEIM'S VISIT" AND "JEWISH REACTION TO WALDHEIM'S TRIP" WERE THE BANNERS OF DAILY MASS CIRCULATION INDEPENDENT HURRIYET (CIRC. 580,750) AND LEFT OF CENTER CUMHURIYET (CIRC. 114,723) ON OCT. 20.

- -- AUSTRIAN PRESIDENT KURT WALDHEIM WILL ARRIVE IN ANKARA ON NOV. 2, WROTE HURRIYET. "THIS VISIT GENERATED OUTRAGE WITHIN THE JEWISH LOBBY" (BECAUSE OF WALDHEIM'S WAR RECORDS AGAINST THE JEWS DURING THE WORLD WAR II) THE

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DAILIES REPORTED.

HURRIYET QUOTED THE SPOKESMAN OF THE TURKISH FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTRY, INAL BATU AS SAYING THAT WALDHEIM WILL VISIT TURKEY "UPON HIS REQUEST" INDICATING THAT HE WAS NOT INVITED. "AUSTRIAN PRESIDENT WILL HAVE AN UNOFFICIAL STOP OVER IN OUR COUNTRY. THE DETAILS OF THE PROTOCOL THAT WILL BE APPLIED FOR HIM HAVE NOT YET BEEN SET... BESIDES, THE REQUEST FOR THIS VISIT CAME FROM HIM" BATU SAID.

HURRIYET REPORTED THAT THIS VISIT CAUSED OUTRAGE IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY IN THE UNITED STATES. "ABRAHAM FOXMAN ON THE KEY FIGURES OF ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE OF B'NAI BIRTH, SAID: 'WE ARE DISAPPOINTED... IF TURKEY RECEIVES HIM THEN IT WILL BE THE FIRST WESTERN COUNTRY TO BREAK THE RULE THAT THE WESTERN DEMOCRACIES PUT (FOR NOT RECEIVING HIM)" HURRIYET WROTE.

- -- CUMHURIYET QUOTED THE JEWISH LOBBY AS SAYING: "YOU WILL NOT GAIN ANYTHING (BY THIS VISIT) BUT LOSE A LOT."

2. "THE AGITATION IN THE SOUTHERN REPUBLICS OF THE SOVIET UNION CONCERNS TURKEY, ACCORDING TO THE U.S. CONGRESS AND DEFENCE CIRCLES" REPORTED UFUK GULDEMIR, WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT OF DAILY LEFT OF CENTER CUMHURIYET (CIRC. 114,723) ON OCT. 20.

"BUT TURKEY HAS A DIFFERENT OPINION AND FOLLOWS A VERY CAREFUL POLICY SO AS NOT TO MAKE OUR NORTHERN NEIGHBOUR HAVE ANY DOUBTS ON THIS ISSUE. THOUGH TURKEY DISTANCES ITSELF, WASHINGTON STILL DOES NOT KEEP ITSELF FROM CONVEYING SUGGESTIONS TO TURKEY" GULDEMIR WROTE. HE COMMENTED THAT THE U.S. HAS DISCOVERED THAT THE MUSLIM REPUBLICS IN THE SOVIET UNION ARE A GREAT "MINE". "FIRST THE SOCIALIST REVOLUTION DID NOT TAKE MUSLIM REPUBLICS UNDER ITS FULL INFLUENCE INSPITE OF ALL THE TIME THAT PASSED, SECOND THE POPULATION INCREASES RAPIDLY (AMONG THE MUSLIMS)... AND THIRD, THE U.S. REALIZED THAT THE MUSLIMS IN THE RED ARMY ARE RELUCTANT TO FIGHT AGAINST THE MUJAHIDEEN IN AFGHANISTAN" HE WROTE AND COMMENTED THAT ALL THESE FACTS FUELED AMERICAN REQUEST TO TURKEY FOR GRANTING PERMISSION TO VOA TO BROADCAST FROM TURKEY TO THE MUSLIM REPUBLICS (IN THE SOVIET UNION). "THIS IS OVER BUT NOW THE AMERICANS ARE SAYING; 'IF YOU ARE NOT LETTING US DO THE BROADCASTING, THEN YOU DO IT YOURSELFC..'"

WHEN GULDEMIR ASKED AN AMERICAN OFFICIAL WHY TURKEY SHOULD ADOPT U.S. VIEWS ON THIS SUBJECT, HE WAS TOLD: "IS IT NOT ENOUGH FOR THEM BEING YOUR ETHNIC COUSINS?" COMMENT: GULDEMIR IS, OF COURSE, WAY OFF THE MARK WITH THIS SPECULATIVE PIECE. SCOTTON

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