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SUBJECT: AUSTRIAN NEWS ROUND-UP NO. 104, FOR SEPTEMBER  
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1. DECLARATION OF THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT ON RUSSIAN  
SITUATION: THE AUSTRIAN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EXPRESSED  
ITS CONCERN OVER THE RECENT EVENTS IN RUSSIA IN AN  
OFFICIAL DECLARATION, WHICH STATED THAT "AUSTRIA HAS  
STRONGLY SUPPORTED THE CONSISTENT PERPETUATION OF THE  
COURSE OF REFORM RUSSIA CHARTED AFTER THE DISMANTLING OF  
THE COMMUNIST SYSTEM... BORIS YELTSIN, THE FIRST FREELY  
ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, HAS

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
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COMMITTED HIMSELF TO THE GOAL OF DEMOCRACY, FREE MARKET ECONOMY, AND THE RULE OF LAW.....

THE AUSTRIAN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS ALWAYS REGARDED BORIS YELTSIN AS A GUARANTOR OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF A POLITICAL SYSTEM IN LINE WITH THE VALUES OF THE DEMOCRATIC COMMUNITY OF NATIONS. IT THUS HOPES THAT THE RUSSIAN PEOPLE WILL BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO DECIDE THE FUTURE OF THEIR COUNTRY IN DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS, THUS PROVIDING THE NECESSARY PREREQUISITE FOR POLITICAL STABILITY, SOCIAL PEACE, AND WELFARE."

2. U.S. EXPERT ON RUSSIAN SITUATION: IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE INDEPENDENT DAILY "KURIER," VISITING RUSSIAN EXPERT AND RAND CORPORATION CONSULTANT DR. PAUL HENZE WAS ASKED WHO HE THOUGHT WAS REALLY IN CHARGE OF RUSSIA AT THE MOMENT. IN HENZE'S VIEW, RUSSIA IS LARGELY GOVERNING ITSELF ON ITS OWN. HENZE IS OPTIMISTIC REGARDING BORIS YELTSIN'S GRIP ON THE SITUATION: THE MAJORITY OF THE RUSSIAN REGIONS SUPPORT YELTSIN, WHOSE FAVOR HE HAS WON THROUGH MANY PROMISES. YELTSIN'S OPPONENTS HAVE LITTLE SUPPORT AMONG THE WORKERS, AS THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT HAS FAILED TO DO ANYTHING FOR THEM. HIS REFORM COURSE HAS MANY SUPPORTERS AMONG IMPORTANT BUSINESS GROUPS, AND THE ARMY GIVES AN IMPRESSION OF 'WEAKNESS AND DISORDER.' HENZE BELIEVES ONLY A REACTIONARY MINORITY SUPPORTS RUTSKOI AND KHASBULATOV.

3. AUSTRIA'S NEW AMBASSADOR TO UN ON FUTURE PROJECTS: AUSTRIA'S NEW AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED NATIONS, ERNST SUCHARIPA, TOLD THE DAILY "DER STANDARD" THAT HE DETECTED A CHANGE IN THE ORGANIZATION'S EFFECTIVENESS SINCE HE LAST WORKED AT THE AUSTRIAN UN MISSION IN NEW YORK IN THE SEVENTIES: "THE UNITED NATIONS HAS BECOME ONE OF THE MAJOR PLAYERS ON THE INTERNATIONAL SCENE."

SUCHARIPA SAID IT WAS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT TASKS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, WHICH HAS STARTED ITS THREE-MONTH SESSION AT THE UN HEADQUARTERS, TO PREVENT THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE VIENNA HUMAN RIGHTS CONFERENCE FROM BECOMING EMPTY WORDS.

THE FUTURE COMPOSITION OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL WILL ALSO BE DEBATED BY THE ASSEMBLY. GERMANY AND JAPAN WILL, ACCORDING TO THE AMBASSADOR, PROBABLY SOON BE ELECTED PERMANENT SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBERS.

SUCHARIPA ALSO MENTIONED THE CALL OF VIENNA'S MAYOR ZILK ON THE UN SECRETARY GENERAL, SAYING THAT THE FRIENDLY RECEPTION THE MAYOR RECEIVED ALSO PROVED TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD THAT VIENNA IS AND WILL REMAIN A SEAT OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

4. WALDHEIM REPORT WILL NOT BE OPENED: IN 1987, JOHN R. MAPOTHER, A FORMER MEMBER OF THE U.S. EMBASSY IN VIENNA, REQUESTED THAT THE U.S. JUSTICE DEPARTMENT RELEASE THE REPORT ON FORMER AUSTRIAN PRESIDENT WALDHEIM COMPILED BY THE "OFFICE OF SPECIAL

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INVESTIGATIONS" FOR FORMER U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL MEESE.  
ON THE BASIS OF THIS REPORT, **KURT WALDHEIM** WAS PLACED ON  
THE LIST OF UNWANTED ALIENS, THE SO-CALLED "WATCH  
LIST." MAPOTHER'S REQUEST, MADE UNDER THE "FREEDOM OF  
INFORMATION ACT," WAS REJECTED, AS WAS THE APPEAL FILED  
BY THE U.S. CONSUMER ORGANIZATION "PUBLIC CITIZEN" WITH  
THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURT OF APPEALS. (DIE PRESSE,  
P.8)  
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