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- HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS YEAR'S TRADITIONAL SUMMER MEETING OF THE POLITICAL CLUB OF THE EVANGELICAL ACADEMY IN TUTZING FROM JULY 8 TO JULY 17 WERE THE FOLLOWING:
- AMBASSADOR MCGHEE SPEAKING ON JULY 14 DISCUSSED THE U.S. COMMITMENT TO EUROPE, THE IMPORTANCE OF NATO, TROOP LEVELS, THE OFF-SET ARRANGEMENTS, ~~AND~~ DISARMAMENT, GERMANY'S ROLE IN ALLIANCE NUCLEAR AFFAIRS. (FULL TEXT OF SPEECH HAS ALREADY BEEN SEEN AND CLEARED BY DEPT) THE QUESTION-AND-ANSWER PERIOD FOLLOWING FOCUSED MAINLY ON THE OFF-SET ARRANGEMENTS WITH SOME MENTION OF VIETNAM, GERMAN TRADE WITH RED CHINA AND TROOP LEVELS. SEVERAL QUESTIONS WERE PUT ON WHAT POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVES TO ARMS PURCHASES UNDER THE OFF-SET AGREEMENT. CONCERN WAS EXPRESSED THAT GERMAN TECHNOLOGY SUFFERED THROUGH THE EXCLUSIVE PURCHASE OF U.S. ARMS. INTEREST WAS ALSO SHOWN IN GERMANY'S POSSIBLE ROLE IN DETERMINING NUCLEAR STRATEGY.
- ON JULY 14/15 BUNDESTAG DEPUTIES ERNST MAJONICA (CDU), GEORG KAHN-ACKERMANN (SPD), AND SIEGFRIED ZOGLMANN (FDP) DISCUSSED POSSIBILITIES FOR A NEW GERMAN REUNIFICATION POLICY. MAJONICA DESCRIBED THREE POSSIBLE APPROACHES TO A GERMAN SETTLEMENT: (A) A DIRECT FEDERAL REPUBLIC-SOVIET ZONE NEGOTIATION IN WHICH RECOGNITION OF ULBRICHT WOULD HAVE TO BE GIVEN WITHOUT ANY GUARANTEE OF UNIFICATION SUCCESS. MAJONICA CONCEDED THAT WHILE THE ZONE WAS IN AN EVOLUTIONARY STATE AND WAS ACHIEVING ECONOMIC PROGRESS ULBRICHT HAD NO "NATION" INTO WHICH TO EVOLVE A STATE. MAJONICA CALLED FOR A COMMON ECONOMIC POLICY TOWARD THE ZONE ESPECIALLY IN THE EXPORT OF GOODS FOR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT; (B) A 4-POWER SETTLEMENT, WHICH MAJONICA RULED OUT SINCE ANY PRESENT USSR SOLUTION WOULD BE UNACCEPTABLE TO THE OTHER POWERS.

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(C) A SOLUTION WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF A GENERAL EUROPEAN UNIFICATION. MAJONICA BELIEVED THAT FURTHER EUROPEAN INTEGRATION WOULD ATTRACT EASTERN EUROPE. HE ENCOURAGED RELATIONS BETWEEN EASTERN EUROPE AND THE EEC AND PROPOSED THE EXTENSION OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH EASTERN EUROPEAN STATES, IF THIS COULD BE ACHIEVED WITHOUT JEOPARDIZING THE EXCLUSION OF THE ULBRICHT REGIME FROM THE NEUTRAL COUNTRIES.

4. KAHN-AKERMANN DECLARED THE RELAXATION OF WORLD TENSIONS COULD NOT BE ACHIEVED WITHOUT THE SOLUTION OF THE GERMAN PROBLEM. THE USSR PROPOSALS FOR RELAXATION ARE ALL AIMED AT PRESERVING THE STATUS QUO. HE EXPRESSED FEARS THAT WESTERN NATIONS COULD NOT BE COUNTED ON INDEFINITELY TO REPRESENT GERMAN INTERESTS IN EASTERN EUROPE. HE PROPOSED THAT ATTEMPTS SHOULD BE MADE TO GAIN CONFIDENCE IN THE EAST AND IMPROVE THE GERMAN IMAGE. A COMPLETE ~~REUNIFICATION~~ OF ATOMIC WEAPONS WITHOUT ANY ESCAPE CLAUSES WOULD BE A GOOD FIRST STEP, HE ASSERTED. *RENUMCIATION*

5. ZOGLMANN DECLARED THAT THE DIVISION OF GERMANY ENDANGERED WORLD PEACE AND AS SUCH SHOULD BE THE CONCERN OF ALL NATIONS. HE EMPHASIZED THAT THE EAST IS NOT A MONOLITHIC BLOC AND PROPOSED THAT GERMANY STEP UP EFFORTS IN DEVELOPING RELATIONS WITH THE MORE FRIENDLY COUNTRIES OF THE EAST, I.E. ROUMANIA AND HUNGARY, AND DEVELOPE TRADE WITH THE SOVIET ZONE MORE EXTENSIVELY, HE ALSO SUGGESTED EXTENDING CONSULAR RELATIONS WITH THE COUNTRIES OF THE EAST BLOC.

AIRGRAM FOLLOWS WITH FURTHER DETAILS OF WEEK-LONG MEETING. CREEL

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