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Dear Ed:

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[redacted] little is available on GNP comparisons; most  
work has been done on consumption levels.

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We have no independent East German GNP data worth passing along. Further, the comparison with West Germany is a difficult and tricky job, even if East German GNP studies had been completed. The prospects of anything definitive being done are not bright.

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Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Personal Consumption in East and West  
Germany (S) (O&I)