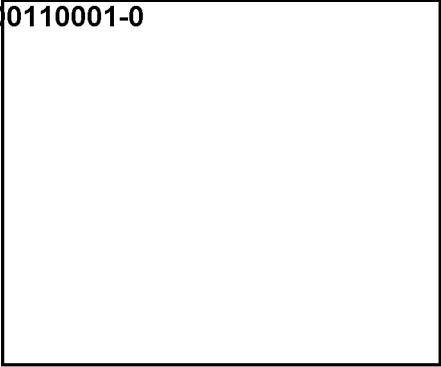




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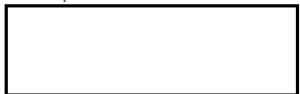
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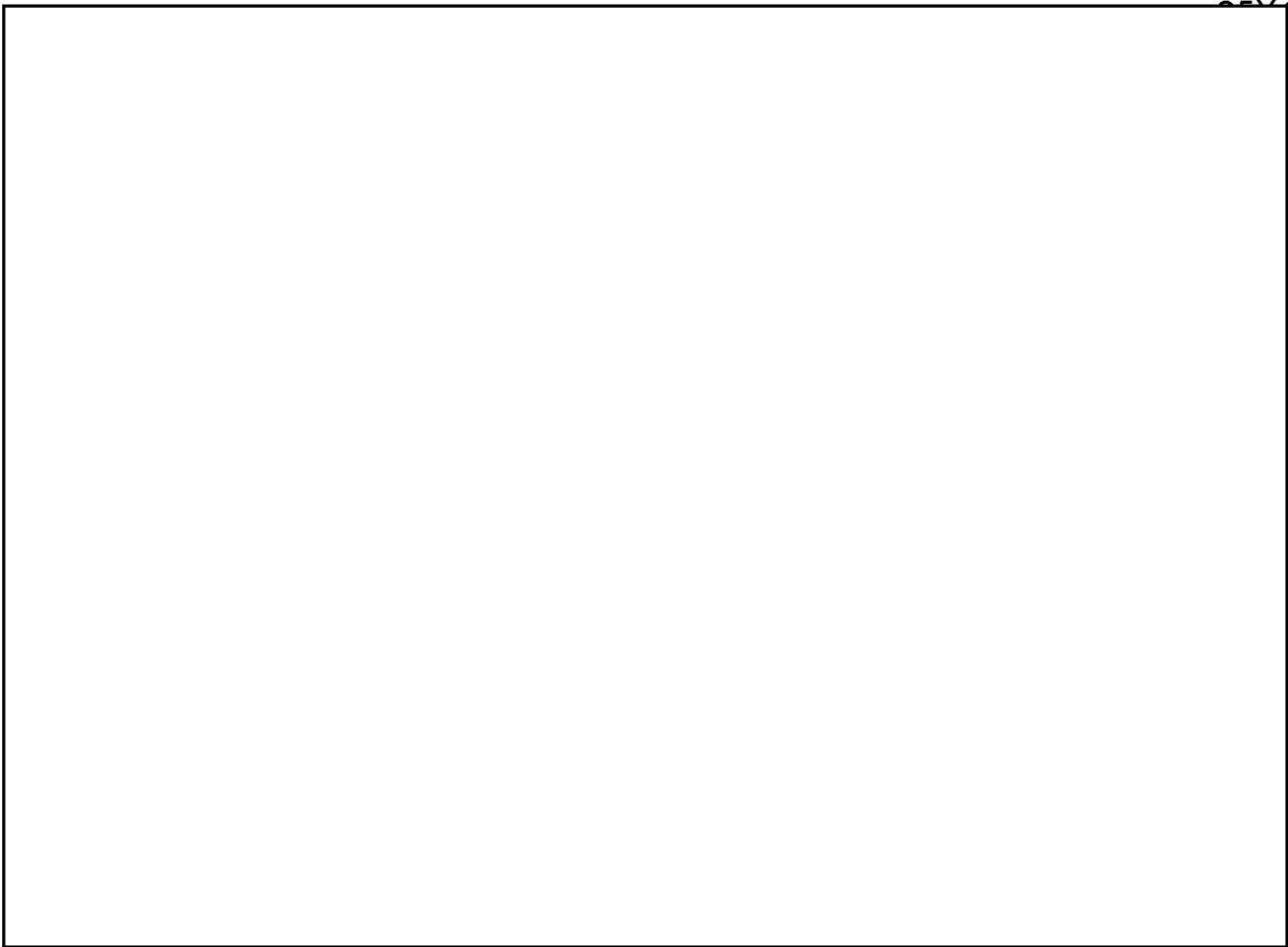
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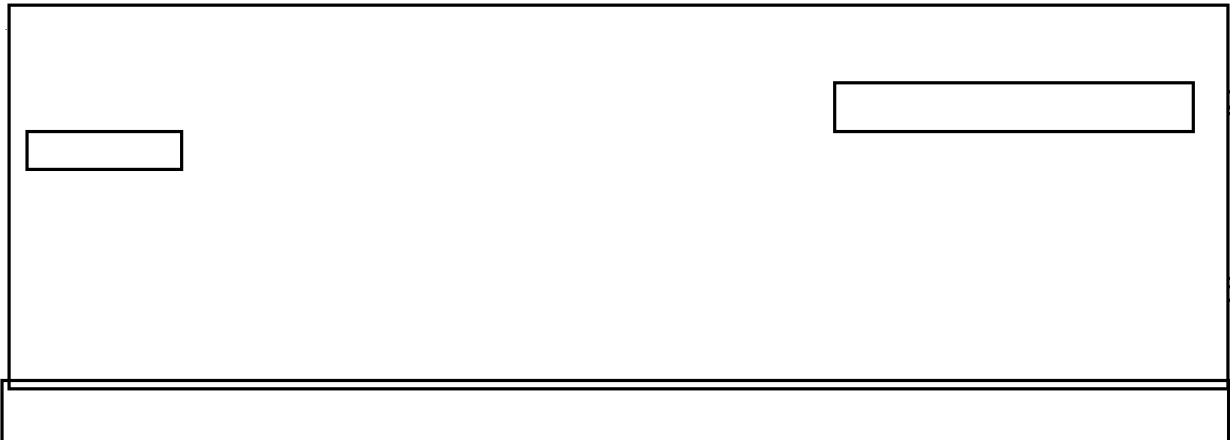


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After talking to Soviet officials and foreign diplomats, the US Embassy in Moscow reports that the Soviets are treating the Chinese proposal for resumption of negotiation with great caution. The Embassy speculated that although the Soviets probably mistrust Chinese motives, they may in the long run renew discussions "if only to preserve their self-created propaganda image as the reasonable and peaceful party to the Sino-Soviet dispute." The Embassy noted, however, that the Soviets will be careful to ensure that any future discussions with the Chinese not be viewed as diminishing their full support of their Vietnamese allies.



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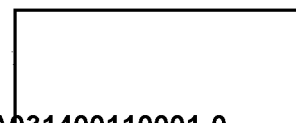


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Finland

Press reports indicate that Finnish President Urho Kekkonen has asked Central Bank Governor Mauno Koivisto to form a new government to replace the outgoing coalition government headed by Social Democrat Kalevi Sorsa, who has led a caretaker government since elections in March gave the Conservative Party an extra 12 seats. Koivisto, also a Social Democrat, served as prime minister in the late 1960s and is expected to try to form a new coalition that reflects more closely the results of the March balloting. 

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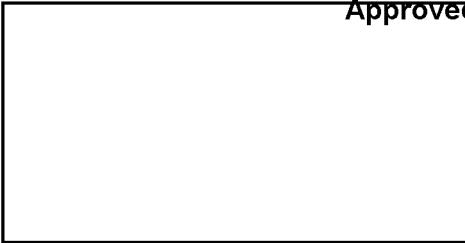


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