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SUBJECT : Topics to be Discussed at the Warning
Meeting on 23 April 1980

Following are topics which will be discussed at our Warning Meeting scheduled for 1400 hours on 23 April:

China

An assessment of the recent NPC standing committee meeting. Does it have implications in the warning sphere? Are the Chinese now fully locked on their current course?

What weight should be given to the recent Aleksandrov article apparently holding out an olive sprig to China? Is there any significance in the return of a Chinese ambassador to Moscow? What is the meaning of the relatively muted Soviet propaganda regarding China? What countervailing indications have developed in the past month?

Any sign of change in the Chinese approach to Vietnam?

Southeast Asia

Indochina: Any change in Vietnamese approach to its economic problems? How does it assess its international position at the moment? What are Vietnamese military prospects in Kampuchea? How strong is the DK as the dry season closes? Is there a Heng Samrin government in real operation?

Southeast Asia (cont)

Thailand: How is Thai policy toward Kampuchea likely to evolve? Are real changes likely? How do the Vietnamese assess the prospects? What is the Chinese assessment? How strong and well-entrenched is the Prem government?

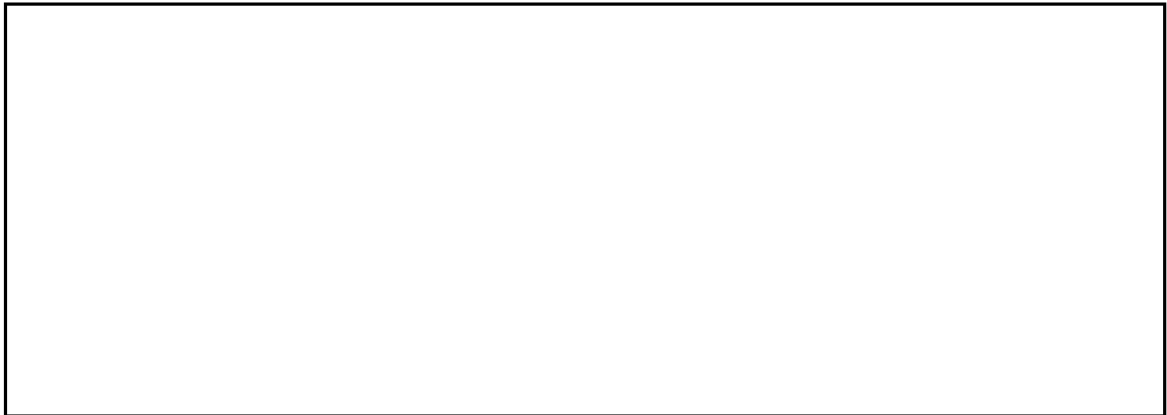
South Korea

Implications of Chon Tu Hwan appointment as Acting Chief, KCIS.

Upswing in campus unrest. Kim Jae Kyu execution.

North Korea

Back to business as usual?



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