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Summary	
The 7-11 March sum mit of the Nonaligned Movement(NAM) in New Delhi marks the end of Cuba's contentious three-year chairmanship which gave the Movement a pronounced anti-US bias and strained Nonaligned unity. We believe that Moscow is nervous about the shift in chairmanship from a loyal client to India, a more independent-	
minded country.	25X1
overreacting to the change in chairmanship. the NAM is unlikely to condemn the USSR and will continue its criticism of US policies concerning the Middle East, southern Africa, the New International Economic Order, and disarmament.	25X1
For Prime Minister Gandhi, assuming chairmanship of the Movement provides an opportunity to restore Indian leadership among Third World nations as well as her personal prestige. Gandhi's aspirations for leadership in the NAM have constrained New Delhi's association with the Soviets. The Indian view of nonalignment as equidistance from the two superpowers provides the ideological rationale for New Delhi's moves to balance India's ties with Moscow by improving diplomatic relations with the West. At the same time, New Delhi has been careful to avoid the appearance of a shift to pro-US positions. To avoid divisive East-West political issues such as Afghanistan and Kampuchea, New Delhi aims to highlight North-South economic issues of concern to both moderates and radicals. India will try to lead the NAM away from the stalemated Global Negotiations toward less ambitious proposals for reforms in such UN specialized agencies as the IMF, the World Bank, and the GATT. New Delhi agrees these proposals will bring immediate economic assistance to the Third World.	25 X 1
We have found that Nonaligned rhetoric, though critical of the United States, has little impact on US bilateral relations with NAM members. We believe that most Nonaligned members deviate from NAM positions and cooperate with the United States when their interests require. If India wins Nonaligned endorsement for a change in seeking reform in the specialized agencies, we expect the LDCs to press the United States and other industrial countries to respond favorably at UNCTAD VI in June.	25X1 25X1
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THE NONALIGNED MOVEMENT: INDIA'S CHAIRMANSHIP AND RELATIONS WITH THE SUPERPOWERS

Introduction

The 97-member Nonaligned Movement (NAM) will hold its triennial summit conference in New Delhi 7-11 March. At the summit, the Movement's chairmanship will shift from Cuba, the host of the 1979 summit, to India. According to embassy reports New Delhi wants the summit to avoid the East-West conflicts injected into the NAM by Cuba and instead stress initiatives on economic issues. Since its inception in 1961 the NAM has made proposals on disarmament and North-South economic relations to which the United States has had to respond in such international organizations as the Committee on Disarmament, UNCTAD, and the International Monetary Fund. For the past three years, Cuba has used the Movement as a forum to condemn US policies in the Middle East, southern Africa, and Central America. The Movement's heterogeneous membership coupled with its convention that decisions require all members to either concur or abstain has limited the areas on which it can agree. As a result, the NAM has been making similar broad-brush proposals on the same issues for many years even though they have produced meager results.

The Agenda

The summit's draft communique indicates that the heads of state will concentrate on the NAM's four traditional objectives: the creation of a Palestinian state; black rule in Namibia and South Africa; the establishment of a New International Economic Order that would restructure international economic institutions to favor the developing countries; and disarmament by both the United States and the Soviet Union with the savings used to aid Third World development. We expect the New Delhi summit to repeat the Movement's demand that the United States take prompt and decisive action to help

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STRUCTURE AND ORGANIZATION OF THE NONALIGNED MOVEMENT

The Nonaligned Movement was established in 1961 at a summit conference of 25 countries in Yugoslavia. The founders designed the movement as a refuge for countries that did not belong to the alliance systems of either the United States or the Soviet Union.

The NAM is characterized by a series of meetings and declarations. It does not possess a mechanism for translating its positions into action. The Group of 77, which contains 23 more members than the NAM, and its subgroups are responsible for conducting multilateral negotiations for the Third World in international organizations. The NAM, however, has spawned ideas that the Group of 77 has carried foward. For example, the NAM inspired:

- The creation of UNCTAD
- O The proposal for a New International Economic Order
- o Global Negotiations
- Special sessions of the UN General Assembly on disarmament.

The NAM is led by a chairman and a 36 member Coordinating Bureau. The chairmanship and the composition of the Coordinating Bureau change at each summit.

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realize	these objectives.	25 X 1
W	e believe three other Nonaligned issues will arise at the summit:	
0	Nonaligned moderates and radicals will debate whether the Movement should be equally critical toward the superpowers or continue to single out the United States for attack.	
0	ASEAN members will try to override Vietnamese objections and have the Movement invite Prince Sihanouk, the leader of the Kampuchean government in exile, to address the summit.	
0	India will try to gain Nonaligned approval for concrete action to break the impasse in the North-South dialogue and to accelerate economic cooperation among developing countries.	25 X 1
Se	everal other issues outside the official summit agenda may also come up at New	
Delhi:		
0	Our embassy in Cairo reports that Egyptian President Mubarak may try to improve his standing in the Arab world by meeting at the summit with the heads of the PLO and various Arab governments.	
O	Both Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Iranian President Khamenei are scheduled to attend the summit and, according to embassy reports, the NAM will try to revive its effort to mediate the Iran-Iraq War.	
0	Jordan and other Arab moderates will seek strong Nonaligned endorsement of the Arab League's Fez peace proposal, which implicitly recognizes Israel, in order to give PLO Chief Arafat assistance in persuading PLO hardliners to back the Fez proposal.	25X1
o	Embassy reports suggest that the Soviet Union and Afghanistan will try to enhance their image among Nonaligned members before or during the summit by making positive statements about UN Secretary General Perez de Cuellar's Afghanistan peace initiative.	25 X 1
Cuba's (Chairmanship	
Cı	uba's tenure as chairman radicalized and divided the NAM. Havana used the	
chairma	nship as a platform to denounce the United States and extol the Soviet Union as	
the "nat	tural ally" of the Nonaligned. Cuba's initiatives were opposed by a group of	
	es which believed the Movement should favor neither the United States nor the	
Soviet (Jnion. As a result, Nonaligned meetings usually pitted Cuba and 15 to 20 other	
	members against an approximately equal number of moderates.	25 X 1
	e membership refused to adopt a resolution endorsing the "natural ally" thesis,	
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but Cuba utilized its power as chairman to give Nonaligned positions a pronounced and US bias. Although the NAM uses consensus decisionmaking procedures, Cuba sometimes	
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proposed resolutions and then declared consensus prematurely by cutting off debate.	It
also exploited the chairman's prerogative of authoring or co-authoring the dr	aft
communiques of Nonaligned meetings. As a result, the Movement blamed the Uni	ted
States for causing or exacerbating conflict in the Middle East, southern Africa,	and
Central America, and for retarding Third World development. According to emba	ıssy
reporting, some moderates acquiesced to Cuba's tactics because they did not think	the
NAM important enough to challenge Havana; others did not want to be accused	of
defending American interests.	2
India's Chairmanship	
In assuming the chairmanship of the Nonaligned Movement, we believe India ho	pes
to refurbish its standing among Nonaligned moderates and eliminate the pro-Soviet b	oias
Cuba injected into the Movement. India wants to st	eer 2
the NAM toward a policy of equidistance between the superpowers and intends to p	lay
down divisive East-West issues such as Kampuchea and Afghanistan. Instead, New De	elhi
wants to initiate concrete proposals on North-South economic issues that can br	ing
radicals and moderates together. New Delhi's efforts to make the NAM equidista	ant
between Washington and Moscow imply concessions to both Soviet and American view	ws.
According to our New Delhi embassy, India would prefer to avoid directly criticiz	ing
either superpower at the summit, but will permit the radicals to use consen	sus
procedures to stymie any proposed final declaration that does not contain some an	ıti-
American rhetoric.	2
Afghanistan	
Reassertion of nonalignment has provided Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi w	ith
the justification for a shift toward a more critical stance on the Soviet presence	
Afghanistan that has won her goodwill from some Nonaligned moderates,	

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India's statement during the first UN debate	
on Afghanistan—opposing UN consideration of the Soviet invasion—complicated New	
Delhi's efforts to improve bilateral relations with moderate nonaligned states, including	
the oil-rich Arab states and Pakistan. In our view, India's subsequent endorsement of the	
established NAM position calling for withdrawal of "all foreign forces" from Afghanistan	
affords Gandhi a public platform from which to advocate Soviet troop withdrawal while	
reducing the potential costs of a more direct public confrontation with Moscow on the	
issue. Despite the shift in India's policy on Afghanistan, New Delhi still parts company	
with other moderates in opposing their calls for direct condemnation of Moscow. On	
criticism of the USSR as on troop withdrawal the Indians hope to minimize political	
controversy at the summit in March by invoking precedent.	
Kampuchea	
The issue of Kampuchea's representation promises to be the most divisive at the	
summit. At the Havana summit, Cuba used its power as chairman to oust the Pol Pot	
regime from the Kampuchean seat in the NAM and declared the seat empty. Nonaligned	
members have since voted overwhelmingly to permit the Pol Pot regime and its	
successor, the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea (CGDK), to retain the	
Kampuchean seat in the UN General Assembly.	
India is one of the few non-radical members that recognizes the Soviet - and	
Vietnamese - supported People's Republic of Kampuchea - a policy that Ghandi adopted	
upon her return to power in 1980 after a three year hiatus. Gandhi's policy on	
Kampuchea reinforced the close association with Moscow that characterized her earlier	
governments. Differences over the issue of Kampuchea's representation in the	
Nonaligned Movement have been a continual source of friction between India and other	
moderates—particularly the ASEAN countries, Egypt, Pakistan, and India's other South	
Asian neighbors—whose cooperation New Delhi seeks at the forthcoming summit.	

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	Soviet displeasure with New Delhi's recent efforts to distance
	foscow's on other issues, including Afghanistan.
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	d to deflect criticism from other moderates in the NAM by
	representation as a procedural matter beyond New Delhi's
purview	The Indians argue that Kampuchea's seat in the
	nains vacant in accordance with the policy established at the
Havana summit.	only a new Nonaligned consensus can
change the policy to which	n New Delhi is bound to adhere, and India will join the radicals
	that would alter the "empty chair" formula. Aware that India
	ent the CGDK from claiming the Kampuchean seat in the NAM,
the ASEAN members have	e focused their efforts on having Prince Sihanouk invited to
	capacity as one of the NAM's founding members. To achieve
	would have to mobilize enough support among the heads of
state to force Vietnam and	d other radicals to relent. We doubt ASEAN will succeed.
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India's Economic Initi	atives
While we think Indi	a will follow the summit consensus on political questions,
	tes it will be assertive on North-South economic issues.
	ports India wants to use the summit to capitalize on the
	it detects in several West European governments.
	India recognizes that Global Negotiations, the centerpiece of
	since 1979, has almost no chance of success; consequently it
	cal negotiations. Global Negotiations entail the establishment d central political body in the United Nations to guide and

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coordinate discussions on economic issues in such UN specialized agencies as the IMF,	
the World Bank, and the GATT. Sectoral negotiations would involve discussions in the	
specialized agencies without guidance from a central political body. According to	
embassy reporting, some industrialized nations - particularly France, Canada, and the	
Nordic countries — are ready to consider reforms in the specialized agencies, such as	
permitting the IMF to allocate more Special Drawing Rights to the LDCs and creating an	
energy affiliate in the World Bank to finance Third World energy projects.	25 X 1
Because they are less politicized, sectoral negotiations could produce results in a	
relatively short time and, therefore, we believe many Nonaligned members will find them	
attractive. However, embassy reports indicate that some members still hope Global	
Negotiations will bring about major reforms in the specialized agencies and will resist	
India's attempt to deemphasize the global approach. We believe India will make headway	
at the summit only if it bills sectoral negotiations as a partial remedy for the immediate	
problems of the Third World rather than a substitute for Global Negotiations. If India	
should win Nonaligned endorsement for sectoral negotiations, we expect the LDCs to	
press the United States to respond favorably at the quadrennial UNCTAD negotiating	
session between industrial and developing countries scheduled for June in Yugoslavia.	25X1
We suspect that the summit will also make an initiative on the Third World debt	
problem. The New Delhi draft communique calls for the creation of an International	
Debt Commission to find ways of helping debt-ridden LDCs. We are not aware of any	
specific measures the LDCs have in mind, but they may crystallize at the summit. In our	
judgment, debt discussions in New Delhi may lay the groundwork for proposals that could	
surface at UNCTAD where we anticipate a strong LDC push for financial relief.	25 X 1
The NAM and the Superpowers	
We believe Moscow is nervous about the passing of the Nonaligned chairmanship	
from a loyal client to a more independent-minded country.	25 X 1
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According to an academic study, the Soviet Union has traditionally influenced the NAM by using the radicals, many of whom are Soviet clients, to block consensus on positions critical of the Soviet Union. As a result, Moscow has helped keep Nonaligned attention focused on American rather than Soviet policies in the Third World. We believe Moscow is overreacting to the change in chairmanship since, in our judgment the NAM will not include the USSR in its condemnation.

Regardless of the effectiveness of Soviet efforts, we believe the NAM's core concerns — the creation of a Palestinian homeland, black rule in southern Africa, disarmament, and New International Economic Order — will continue to yield sharp criticism of the United States. However, a State Department study demonstrates that Nonaligned resolutions have little effect on the United States' bilateral relations with Nonaligned members. Nonaligned procedure permits the members most involved in an issue to shape the Movement's position on it; the rest usually join the consensus in exchange for support on issues of importance to them or for the sake of Nonaligned unity. We believe most Nonaligned members would deviate from Nonaligned resolutions

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- Restoration of India to a position of recognized international leadership in Nonaligned Movement which Gandhi's father helped to found. We believe that rapid growth and regional diversification of the membership has enhanced movement's importance as a forum for Indian diplomacy.	the
Gandhi has reportedly chosen the is of disarmament as a platform for projecting her leadership. She will also contito seek a central role for her government as a mediator in disputes between N countries. Most recently, New Delhi has offered India's good offices in promota Middle East peace settlement both before and during the NAM summaccording to US embassy sources.	nue AM ting
- Re-balancing India's foreign policy to afford greater flexibility for New De Gandhi stresses the independence of Indian policy stands, its equidistance betw Washington and Moscow, and the value of good relations with other third we countries—especially nonaligned moderates. We believe Gandhi's dialogues we China and Pakistan reflect in part her desire to broaden India's options.	een orld
- Reducing the superpower presence, especially in South Asia. Gandhi seeks reduce the likelihood of superpower confrontation there and enhance Inchegemony on the subcontinent. We see efforts to promote the regional resolut of conflicts and friendship pacts between neighbors throughout the third world likewise aiming to reduce opportunities for superpower intervention. The Incorposes suggests New Delhi views the growth in NAM membership as indicating welcome reduction in the number of countries subject to the obligations	lia's tion d as dian
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Nonaligned Radicals and Moderates

About 40 Nonaligned members seek to influence the Movement's direction. Most of these members can be characterized as either moderate or radical, though some, like Algeria, display both tendencies. The remaining members are interested in issues directly affecting them but are largely apathetic toward others.

Radicals

- 1. Afghanistan
- 2. Angola
- 3. Cuba
- 4. Ethiopia
- 5. Grenada
- 6. Iran
- 7. Laos
- 8. Madagascar
- 9. Mozambique

- 10. Nicaragua
- 11. North Korea
- 12. Seychelles
- 13. South Yemen
- 14. Svria
- 15. SWAPO
- 16. Vietnam
- 17. PLO

Moderates

- 1. Bangladesh
- 2. Botswana
- 3. Egypt
- 4. Jamaica
- 5. India
- 6. Indonesia
- 7. Ivory Coast
- 8. Kenya
- 9. Malaysia
- 10. Morocco

- 11. Oman
- 12. Pakistan
- 13. Nigeria
- 14. Saudi Arabia
- 15. Senegal
- 16. Singapore
- 17. Sri Lanka
- 18. Yugoslavia
- 19. Zaire

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Nonaligned Membership

The Nonaligned Movement presently has five, loosely interpreted, criteria for membership:

- o An independent foreign policy based on peaceful coexistence.
- o Support for national liberation movements.
- o Non-membership in multilateral military alliances related to great power conflicts.
- Non-membership in bilateral or regional defense pacts related to great power conflicts.
- o No willing acceptance of foreign military bases.

Nonaligned membership is regionally skewed. All Arab and black African states belong as do most Asian countries, but only 14 of 32 Latin American states are members. Latin America's under-representation reflects the Movement's preoccupation with decolonization, a Palestinian homeland, and black rule in southern Africa.

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1.	Afghanistan	34.	Indonesia	66.	Panama
2.	Algeria	35.	Iran	67.	Peru
3.	Angola	36.	Iraq	68.	Qatar
4.	Argentina	37.	Ivory Coast	69.	Rwanda
5.	Bahrain	38.	Jamaica	70.	Sao Tome and Principe
6.	Bangladesh	39.	Jordan	71.	Saudi Arabia
7.	Belize	40.	Kampuchea	72.	Senegal
8.	Benin	41.	Kenya	73.	Sevchelles
9.	Bhutan	42.	Kuwa i t	74.	Sierra Leone
10.	Bolivia	43.	Laos	75.	Singapore
11.	Botswana	44.	Lebanon	76.	Somalia
12.	Burundi	45.	Lesotho	77.	South-West Africa
13.	Cameroon	46.	Liberia		People's Organization
14.	Cape Verde	47.	Libya	78.	Sri Lanka
15.	Central African Rep.	48.	Madagascar	79.	St. Lucia
16.	Chad	49.	Malawi	80.	Sudan
17.	Comoros	50.	Malaysia	81.	Suriname
18.	Congo	51.	Maldives	82.	Swaziland
19.	Cuba	52.	Mali	83.	Syria
20.	Cyprus	53.	Malta	84.	Tanzania
21.	Djibouti	54.	Mauritania	85.	Togo
22.	Ecuador	55.	Mauritius	86.	Trinidad and Tobago
23.	Egypt	56.	Morocco	87.	Tunisia
24.	Equatorial Guinea	57.	Mozambique	88.	Uganda
25.	Ethiopia	58.	Nepal	89.	United Arab Emirates
26.	Gabon	59.	Ni caragua	90.	Upper Volta
27.	Gambia	60.	Niger	91.	Vietnam
28.	Ghana	61.	Nigeria	92.	North Yemen
29.		62.	North Korea	93.	South Yemen
30.	Grenada Guinea	63.	Oman	94.	Yugoslavia
31.		64.	Pakistan	95.	Zaire
	Guinea-Bissau	65.	Palestine Liberation	96.	Zambia
32.	Guyana	05.		97.	Zimbabwe
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MEMBERS OF THE CROUP OF 77 WHO DO NOT BELONG TO THE NAM

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