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1. FOLLOWING ITEM ON KOSTER WAS PUBLISHED AFTERNOON OF 24 MARCH IN DUTCH PRESS SERVICE, ANP (ALLGEMENE NEDERLANDS PERSDIENST):

NEUE ZEIT CORRESPONDENT

IN EAST BERLIN, THE NEWSPAPER BEUE ZEIT PUBLISHED AN OBITUARY OF MR. KOSTER IN WHICH IT SAID HE HAD ACTED AS A REGULAR FREE LANCE CORRESPONDENT FOR IT.

"AS WE FEARED, KOOS KOSTER, WHO FOR MANY YEARS SENT US REGULAR REPORTS FROM THE STRIFE-TORN EVENTS IN LATIN AMERICA, WAS AMONGST THE UNFORTUNATE VICTIMS" IT SAID.

NEUE ZEIT IS THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF EAST GERMANY'S CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC UNION, ONE OF SEVERAL SMALL PARTIES INCORPORATED AFTER 1945 INTO A COMMUNIST-CONTROLLED UMBRELLA ORGANIZATION.

IT IS RARE BUT NOT UNKNOWN FOR EAST GERMAN NEWSPAPERS TO TAKE ARTICLES FROM WESTERN JOURNALISTS, PARTICULARLY FROM BATTLE ZONES.

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