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MEXICO CITY (UPI) -- SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER CALLED A CLOSED-DOOR MEETING WITH LATIN AMERICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS TODAY TO SET UP "A MODERN FRAMEWORK" FOR SOLVING PROBLEMS FACING THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE SCHEDULED THE PRIVATE MORNING SESSION AFTER UNVEILING A "NEW AGENDA FOR THE AMERICAS" AT THE OPENING OF A THREE-DAY CONFERENCE WITH 24 LATIN AMERICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS.

"THE TIME HAS COME TO INFUSE THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE RELATIONSHIP WITH A NEW SPIRIT," THE SECRETARY SAID THURSDAY IN A 14-PAGE SPEECH AT THE OPENING OF THE TLATELOLCO CONFERENCE.

KISSINGER SAID LATIN AMERICA AND THE UNITED STATES SHOULD "BRING ABOUT A NEW COMMITMENT TO THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMUNITY."

"LET US MAKE CLEAR TO OUR PEOPLE THAT WE DO HAVE A COMMON DESTINY AND A MODERN FRAMEWORK FOR EFFECTIVE COOPERATION," HE SAID IN HIS FIRST MAJOR LATIN AMERICAN POLICY SPEECH.

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(NIXON TRIP)

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WASHINGTON (UPI) -- DEPUTY WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY GERALD WARREN HAS DENIED A UPI REPORT PUBLISHED THURSDAY THAT PRESIDENT NIXON HAS POSTPONED A EUROPEAN TRIP FROM SPRING TO FALL.

WARREN SAID, "WE HAVE NOT ANNOUNCED A TIME FOR THE TRIP." BUT HE SAID "THERE IS NOTHING TO THE REPORT THAT THERE HAS BEEN A DELAY OR CHANGE IN THE PRESIDENT'S PLANS."

ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED BY UPI, THE TRIP HAD BEEN SET FOR EITHER APRIL 1 TO 15 OR APRIL 15 TO MAY 2 AND WOULD HAVE INCLUDED GREAT BRITAIN, FRANCE, ITALY, WEST GERMANY, BELGIUM AND THE NETHERLANDS.

SOURCES HAD TOLD UPI THE TRIP WAS BEING POSTPONED UNTIL FALL BECAUSE THE PRESIDENT BELIEVED THIS WASN'T THE TIME TO MAKE IT.

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KISSINGER (TOPS 19)

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MEXICO CITY (AP) -- FOREIGN MINISTERS FROM 24 LATIN-AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES MET BEHIND CLOSED DOORS TODAY TO FRAME A RESPONSE TO SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER'S PROPOSALS FOR A NEW HEMISPHERE RELATIONSHIP.

"WE HAVE THE IMPRESSION THEY ARE RATHER WELL-RECEIVED, BUT WE WILL HAVE A BETTER IMPRESSION AT THE END OF THE CONFERENCE," KISSINGER TOLD A NEWSMAN AS HE ARRIVED AT THE MEXICAN FOREIGN MINISTRY BUILDING.

THE SECRETARY BEGAN THE DAY CONFERRING IN A HOTEL SUITE WITH THE SIX-MAN CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION THAT HE BROUGHT WITH HIM FROM WASHINGTON TO UNDERSCORE THE IMPORTANCE ATTACHED TO BUILDING A "NEW DIALOGUE" WITH SOMEWHAT SKEPTICAL LATIN AMERICA.

THE 24 MINISTERS CAUCUSED THURSDAY NIGHT WITHOUT KISSINGER ON HOW TO RESPOND TO HIS PROPOSALS, WHICH INCLUDE GETTING UP A FACT-FINDING COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE DISPUTES OVER THE OPERATIONS OF U.S.-BASED CORPORATIONS IN THEIR COUNTRIES.

KISSINGER STEERED CLEAR OF THESE DELIBERATIONS, LIMITING HIS CONTACTS TO AN HOUR'S TALK WITH MEXICAN PRESIDENT LUIS ECHEVERRIA AND A FEW MINUTES ON THE TELEPHONE WITH TWO OR THREE OTHER MINISTERS.

A MEMBER OF THE U.S. DELEGATION LIKENED THE SECOND SESSION TO THE "TWO-STEP." HE SAID KISSINGER'S OPENING SPEECH WAS "ONE STEP FORWARD" AND "NOW THE FOREIGN MINISTERS TAKE ONE STEP BACKWARD TO GIVE THEIR REPLIES."

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KISSINGER-LATIN

MEXICO CITY (AP) -- SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER, IN HIS FIRST MAJOR VENTURE IN LATIN AMERICAN POLICY, HAS TAKEN A NEW TACK IN SEEKING A SOLUTION TO THE DELICATE PROBLEM OF UNITED STATES INVESTMENTS ABROAD.

SPEAKING THURSDAY AT THE OPENING OF A THREE-DAY CONFERENCE WITH 24 LATIN AMERICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS, THE AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY CHIEF PROPOSED THE FORMATION OF A "FACT-FINDING" BOARD OF IMPORTANT HEMISPHERIC FIGURES TO HANDLE DISPUTES INVOLVING U.S. COMPANIES.

ONE DELEGATE PRESENT AT THE CLOSED-DOOR MEETING SAID THE BOARD WOULD TRY TO RESOLVE DISPUTED NATIONALIZATION OR EXPROPRIATION MOVES AGAINST U.S. COMPANIES AND THUS AVOID GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT CONFRONTATIONS.

"KISSINGER EXPLAINED THAT WHILE COUNTRIES HAVE THEIR OWN RESPONSIBILITIES, THE U.S. ALSO HAS A POLICY OF PROTECTING U.S. COMPANIES ABROAD. SO THERE IS OFTEN A PROBLEM," HE SAID.

ONE DELEGATE SAID KISSINGER HAD PRESENTED "SOME SOUND IDEAS, BUT THEY MUST BE STUDIED." BUT OTHERS WERE UNHAPPY BECAUSE HE HAD SEIZED THE INITIATIVE AT A CONFERENCE THEY EXPECTED TO DOMINATE.

"KISSINGER PRESENTED SOME THINGS THE FOREIGN MINISTERS WEREN'T PREPARED FOR, SUCH AS THE FACT-FINDING BOARD IDEA, AND THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT," A DELEGATE SAID.

KISSINGER ALSO REPORTEDLY SAID THAT THE UNITED STATES IS OPEN TO INTERIM SOLUTIONS OF ITS DISPUTE OVER THE 200-MILE FISHING LIMIT ENFORCED BY ECUADOR, PERU AND CHILE. HE ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT THE UNITED STATES AND PANAMA WILL OPEN NEGOTIATIONS IN WASHINGTON IN MAY FOR A NEW CANAL TREATY EMBODYING THE PRINCIPLES THE TWO GOVERNMENTS AGREED ON EARLIER THIS MONTH.

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MEXICO CITY-ADD KISSINGER (89)

TO DEMONSTRATE WASHINGTON'S HEIGHTENED INTEREST IN LATIN AMERICA, KISSINGER WAS REPORTED TO HAVE ACCEPTED AN INVITATION TO VISIT PERU IN MAY. IT IS ALSO UNDERSTOOD HE PLANS TO ATTEND THE NEXT MEETING OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES IN ATLANTA IN APRIL.

THE LEFTIST MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF PERU CALLS ITSELF NEITHER COMMUNIST NOR CAPITALIST AND HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN HAVING KISSINGER SEE FOR ITSELF WHAT IT IS DOING.

A LONG CHILL IN U.S.-PERUVIAN RELATIONS ENDED WITH THE SIGNING EARLIER THIS WEEK OF A \$76 MILLION SETTLEMENT ON U.S. EXPROPRIATION CLAIMS AND, SOURCES SAID, FOREIGN MINISTER MIGUEL ANGEL DE LA FLOR LATER EXTENDED THE INVITATION.

REP. DANTE FASCELL, D-FLA., TERMED KISSINGER'S FIRST VENTURE INTO LATIN AMERICAN POLICY "REALLY A NEW BEGINNING."

"IT IS NOT SIMPLY BASED ON RHETORIC. WE'VE SPOKEN OPENLY AND SINCERELY," ADDED FASCELL, WHO IS CHAIRMAN OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS.

KISSINGER IS USING THE PRESENCE OF THE SIX CONGRESSMEN AS EVIDENCE OF U.S. SINCERITY ABOUT TURNING OVER A NEW LEAF WITH LATIN AMERICA. INTRODUCING HOUSE SPEAKER CARL ALBERT OF OKLAHOMA TO HECTOR J. CAMPORA, FORMER PRESIDENT OF ARGENTINA AND NOW AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO, KISSINGER SAID: "THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THE SPEAKER HAS LEFT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WHILE IT WAS IN SESSION."

IN ADDITION TO ALBERT AND FASCELL THE CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION INCLUDES SENATE DEMOCRATIC LEADER MIKE MANSFIELD OF MONTANA, REPUBLICAN LEADER HUGH SCOTT OF PENNSYLVANIA, SEN. GALE MCGEE, D-WYO., AND REP. WILLIAM MAILLARD, R-CALIF.

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