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SUBJ: US INTERVENTION IN PORTUGAL

1. NOV 8 LISBON MORNING DAILY "DIARIO DE NOTICIAS" CARRIED ITEM ON FRONT PAGE ENTITLED "BRANDT RECEIVED CERTAIN GUARANTIES FROM US OF NON-INTERVENTION IN PORTUGAL." NEWSPAPER ARTICLE BASED ON STORY ABOUT PORTUGAL REPORTEDLY APPEARING IN CURRENT ISSUE OF "NOUVEL OBSERVATEUR," WRITTEN BY EDITOR JEAN DANIEL. DANIEL SUPPOSEDLY RECEIVED THIS INFO FROM WILLY BRANDT WHILE BOTH WERE ON LISBON/OPORTO FLIGHT DURING THEIR RECENT OVERLAPPING VISITS TO PORTUGAL.

2. ACCORDING TO DIARIO, DANIEL CLAIMED THAT BRANDT SAID THAT (UNSPECIFIED) US "AUTHORITIES" ASSURED HIM US WOULD NOT INTERVENE IN PORTUGAL "A LA CHILE" EXCEPT IN "EXCEPTIONAL" SITUATION. ASKING WHAT CONSTITUTED AN EXCEPTIONAL SITUATION, AND WHO WOULD DECIDE IF IT EXISTED, DANIEL REPORTEDLY RECEIVED IN RESPONSE A SHAKE OF THE HEAD AND STATEMENT: "ONE MUST ALWAYS KEEP IN MIND HOW FAR ONE CAN GO AND THE RISKS INVOLVED."
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