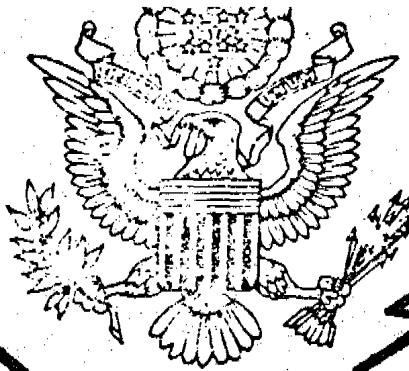


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1. COMMENTING ON UNCTAD-RELATED PART OF SECRETARY KISSINGER'S MAY 23 VISIT TO BONN, WEST GERMAN PRESS FOCUSES ON DEGREE TO WHICH USG AND FRG WILL TAKE COMMON POSITIONS AT FINAL PHASE OF NAIROBI CONFERENCE. DPA BROADCAST THAT FRG AND USG "HAVE LARGELY AGREED" ON COURSE TO BE FOLLOWED IN NAIROBI. IT QUOTES CHANCELLOR

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SCHMIDT AS SAYING THAT KISSINGER VISIT PRODUCED "VERY SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT" ON DIALOGUE STRATEGY. MAY 24 GERMAN PAPERS COMMENT AS FOLLOWS:

A. FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG HEADLINES THAT SECRETARY SATISFIED WITH TALKS IN BONN. H SEPARATE EDITORIAL, TITLED "CLARITY FOR NAIROBI", BLAMES FRG'S INTRAMURAL DIFFERENCES RE UNCTAD STRATEGY ON FAILURE TO FOLLOW PROVEN FORMULA OF RELYING ON LIBERAL ECONOMIC FORCES AS BEST WAY TO RAISE WORLD PROSPERITY. PAPER WARNS AGAINST MAKING "LAZY COMPROMISES" FOR SAKE OF AVOIDING CONFRONTATION AND CONFLICT IN NAIROBI. IT ARGUES THAT YIELDING IN NAIROBI WILL ONLY LEAD TO HIGHER ANTE IN SUBSEQUENT INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS, AND CALLS ON FRG TO GIVE "HARD RESISTANCE" TO "SALAMI TACTIC" AT EXPENSE OF LIBERAL WORLD ECONOMIC ORDER.

B. BONN'S GENERAL ANZEIGER REPORTS THAT SECRETARY AND FRG HOSTS SUCCEEDED "IN LARGE MEASURE" IN ACHIEVING GREATEST POSSIBLE HARMONY OF POSITIONS FOR UNCTAD. ARTICLE SAYS THAT MAY 23 TALKS DWELT ON COMMODITIES AND DEBT. RE COMMODITIES, PAPER CLAIMS THAT SECRETARY EXPLAINED USG PROPOYAL FOR INTERNATIONAL RESOURCES BANK WHICH HAD FOUND GREAT INTEREST IN BONN, BUT THAT BOTH SIDES AGREED TO GATHER FURTHER EXPERIENCE FROM VARIOUS MODELS FOR STABILIZING LDC EXPORT EARNINGS BEFORE MWKING FINAL DECISIONS. RE DEBT, PAPER REPORTS AGREEMENT TO TAKE "FLEXIBLE APPROACH" WHICH DISTINGUISHES AMONG VARIOUS CATEGORIES OF LDCS.

C. H MUNICH'S SUEDEDEUTSCHE ZEITUNG HEADLINES "FULL AGREEMENT WITH WASHINGTON" HIN SPEAKING OF WHOLE AGENDA FOR SECRETARY'S VISIT. H WITH RESPECT TO UNCTAD, PAPER SAYS IT UNCLER WHETHER USG AND FRG HAD BEEN ABLE TO FORMULATE UNIFIED POSITIONS FOR NAIROBI. ARTICLE CLAIMED THAT DIVERGENT IDEAS DOMINATED TALKS, AS EXEMPLIFIED BY SPOKESMWN TERFLOTH'S REFERENCE TO "COMPARISON OF POSITIONS".

D. H DIE WELT REPORTS THAT SECRETARY AND FRG HOSTS AGREED THAT FRG AND USG, AS TWO STRONGEST ECONOMIC POWERS OF WEST, SHOULD HAVE COMMON POSITIONS IN NAIROBI.

2. H MAY 24 FRG PRESS SPOKESMAN BOELLING TOLD PRESS THAT FRG, HIN FORMQLATING ITS FINAL UNCTAD GUIDANCE DURING LATE-AFTERNOON CABINET SESSION, HWILL GIVE STRONG CONSIDERATION TO VIEWS OF SECRETARY KISSINGER, AS WELL AS OF VISITING CANADIAN FOREIGN MINISTER MACEACHEN. H BOELLING SAID CABINET WILL PROBABLY NOT FINISH DISCUSSION UNTIL 1900 LOCAL (1800Z). HE TRIED TO DOWNPLAY PERSISTENT PRESS QUERIES RE WHICH FRG MINISTER, OR HOW MANY, WILL ATTEND UNCTAD'S FINAL SESSION.

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3. IN SEPARATE INTERVIEWS OVER WEEKEND, BOTH ECONMIN FRIDERICHS AND AID MINISTER BAHR SPOKE OUT AGAINST GLOBAL COMMODITIES AGREEMENT. FRIDERICHS ANNOUNCED WILLINGNESS TO PROVIDE LDCS WITH INVESTMENT CAPITAL AND TECHNICAL KNOW-HOW, TO OPEN DC MARKETS TO THEIR FINISHED GOODS, AND TO CONCLUDE SPECIFIC COMMODITY AGREEMENTS. BAHR CALLED INTEGRATED COMMODITY PROGRAM UNACCEPTABLE BECAUSE IT "IRRECONCILABLE WITH OUR MARKET ECONOMY SYSTEM". HE REJECTED GENERAL DEBT AGREEMENT BUT INDICATED DESIRE MAKE SPECIAL DEBT ARRANGEMENTS FOR MSA'S SUCH AS PAKISTAN, INDIA, BANGLADESH. ACCORDING DPA, BAHR ALSO SAID FRG AND USG "IN SAME BOAT AS RUSSIANS" IN REJECTING DEMANDS OF THIRD WORLD.

4. MAY 24 PAPERS ALSO REPORT OPPOSITION COMMENTS ON UNCTAD. CDU/CSU AID SPOKESMAN JURGEN TODENHOEFER ISSUED PAPER MAY 21 REGRETTING "UNDIGNIFIED STRUGGLE" WITHIN FRG OVER QUESTION OF MINISTERIAL ATTENDANCE AT UNCTAD, AND ARGUING THAT ECONMIN FRIDERICHS SHOULD GO. STATEMENT CALLED ON FRG TO REJECT COMMON FUND IF LDCS INSIST ON IT AT NAIROBI. IT REJECTED INTEGRATED COMMODITY PROGRAM WHICH WOULD COST FRG "SOME DM 1.5 BILLION A YEAR". STATEMENT ALSO CHASTIZED FRG FOR FAILURE TO TAKE INITIATIVE WITH CONCRETE PROPOSALS AT NAIROBI AND WARNED AGAINST DANGER THAT FRG WILL NOW MAKE CONCESSIONS IN WRONG DIRECTION. CSU OBSERVER IN NAIROBI, HANS ROSER, HAS RECOMMENDED TO PRESS THAT FRG SEND NO MINISTER TO FINAL ROUND BUT INSTEAD LET LUXEMBOURG REPRESENT EC AND FRG INTERESTS. HILLENBRAND

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