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TO ROEDMAN/LORD FOR DR KISSINGER
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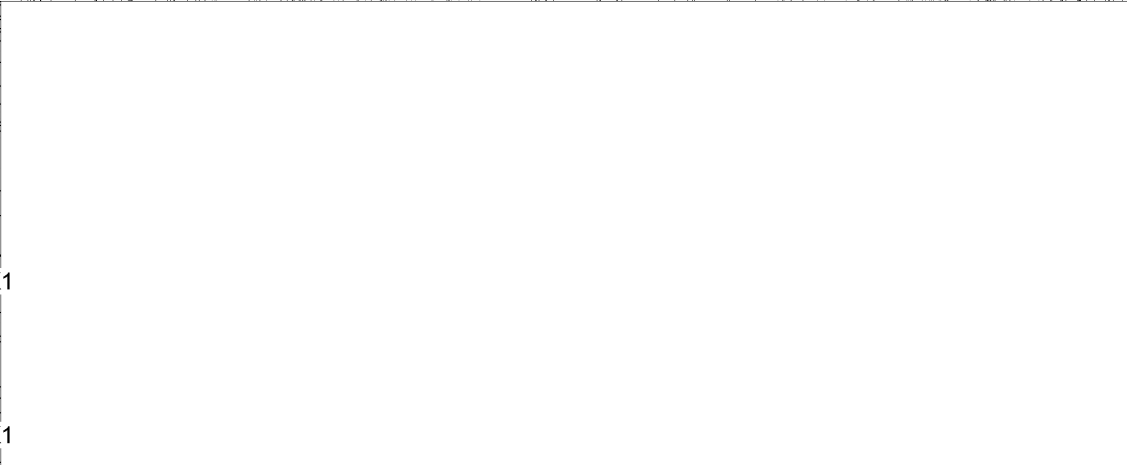
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AUGUST 15, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. KISSINGER
FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM
SUBJECT: NOON NOTES

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UNMANNED SOVIET MOON LAUNCH EXPECTED: ANOTHER MAJOR SOVIET SPACE
EVENT MAY BE IN THE OFFING:

SUPPORT SHIPS IN THE ATLANTIC, PREVIOUSLY DEPLOYED TO MONITOR
ANOTHER SOVIET LAUNCH, CAN EASILY BE MOVED TO NEW MONITORING
POSITIONS FOR THE EVENT, WHICH IS NOT EXPECTED FOR SEVERAL WEEKS.
THE ARRIVAL OF SEVERAL SUPPORT SHIPS IN THE INDIAN OCEAN SUGGESTS
THAT THE MISSION WILL INVOLVE SENDING AN UNMANNED SPACE PROBE TO
THE MOON AND RECOVERING IT EITHER IN THE SOVIET UNION OR IN THE
INDIAN OCEAN. THE TWO PREVIOUS LAUNCHES OF THE J-VEHICLE FAILED
EARLY IN FLIGHT.

SPACE

NSA review completed

NGA Review Completed.

VARSAW PACT EXERCISE: THE INITIAL PHASE OF THE ANTICIPATED
VARSAW PACT EXERCISE SHIELD-72 IS UNDERWAY IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA.
CENT CONFERENCES SIMILAR TO ONES NOTED PRIOR TO OTHER PACT

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ON-FILE NSC RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

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EXERCISES; THE ARRIVAL OF A LARGE NUMBER OF MILITARY VIP-
ASSOCIATED TRANSPORTS IN PRAGUE; [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] THIS WILL
BE THE LARGEST EXERCISE STAGED THIS YEAR BY THE FORCES OPPOSITE
NATO AND THE FIRST PACT EXERCISE HELD IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA SINCE
THE INVASION. THIS LATTER FACT GIVES THE MANEUVER POLITICAL
AS WELL AS MILITARY OVERTONES.

TANAKA ACCEPTS PEKING INVITATION; PRIME MINISTER TANAKA TODAY
FORMALLY ACCEPTED PREMIER CHOU EN-LAI'S INVITATION TO VISIT
PEKING.

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REPORTS OF NEW AIR DEFENSE WEAPON IN DME AREA ERRONEOUS; FURTHER
ANALYSIS OF SIGNALS GATHERED FROM AN EMITTER NEAR QUANG TRI CITY,
PREVIOUSLY BELIEVED TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE SOVIET ZSU-23-4
AAA SYSTEM, INDICATES THEY WERE PROBABLY EMANATING FROM ALLIED
EQUIPMENT. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NONE IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN
COMMITTED TO A TACTICAL ROLE AS YET.

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