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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL SCOWCROFT

FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM

SUBJECT: INFORMATION ITEMS

USSR INCREASING MILITARY PRESENCE IN TANZANIA: ACCORDING TO DIA, MOSCOW IS REPORTEDLY ESTABLISHING A MILITARY ADVISORY MISSION IN TANZANIA. THE MISSION WILL BE PRIMARILY ENGAGED IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AIR DEFENSE SYSTEM, AND 50 SOVIET ADVISERS ARE EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN DAR ES SALAAM WITHIN 90 DAYS. THEY WILL REMAIN THERE FOR ABOUT 18 MONTHS. ESTABLISHMENT OF THIS MISSION COINCIDES WITH THE RETURN HOME OF SOME 55 TANZANIA PEOPLE'S DEFENSE FORCE OFFICERS SENT TO THE USSR IN OCTOBER 1974 FOR RADIO AND AIR DEFENSE RADAR TRAINING. DELIVERIES TO TANZANIA OF SOVIET AIR DEFENSE RADAR EQUIPMENT HAVE ALSO BEGUN. THE AIR DEFENSE SYSTEM IS APPARENTLY PART OF A MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AGREED UPON BETWEEN MOSCOW AND DAR ES SALAAM A YEAR AGO. AT THAT TIME, THE USSR REPORTEDLY AGREED TO PROVIDE TANZANIA WITH \$40 MILLION OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING SAMs, ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS, AND ARTILLERY WEAPONS. AN AGREEMENT SIGNED EARLIER IN 1974 AND VALUED AT \$34 MILLION CALLED FOR SUPPLYING MIG-21s, SUPPORT EQUIPMENT, AND TRAINING. MOSCOW IS NO DOUBT PLEASED WITH ITS OPPORTUNITY TO COMPETE SIGNIFICANTLY WITH PEKING IN TANZANIA. THE USSR'S PRESENCE THERE MAY ALSO REFLECT ITS GROWING INTEREST IN EAST AFRICA AS WELL AS THE SOVIET'S DESIRE TO STRENGTHEN ITS POSITION AMONG THE INDIAN OCEAN LITTORAL COUNTRIES.

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JORDANIAN IRRITATION WITH ISRAELI OVERFLIGHTS: THE JORDANIANS ARE BECOMING INCREASINGLY IRRITATED AT ISRAELI OVERFLIGHTS AND HAVE COMPLAINED TO THE U.S. ABOUT THEM. JORDAN'S AIR FORCE COMMANDER RECENTLY TOLD OUR DEFENSE ATTACHE IN AMMAN THAT HE HAD COME UNDER PRESSURE FROM KING MUSAYM TO INTERCEPT THE ISRAELIS. THE COMMANDER SAID THE OVERFLIGHTS HAD BECOME INSULTING TO THE KING AND WERE CAUSING MORALE PROBLEMS AMONG JORDANIAN PILOTS. HE SAID THAT, ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT WANT TO LOSE AIRCRAFT IN A CONFRONTATION WITH ISRAEL OR TO INVITE ISRAELI RETALIATION, HE HAD CONSIDERED SETTING A TRAP FOR THE ISRAELIS THAT COULD RESULT IN A SHOOT-DOWN. HE SAW LITTLE CHANCE OF SUCCESS IN SUCH A VENTURE. ACCORDING TO THE JORDANIANS, THE ISRAELIS HAVE RECENTLY INCREASED THE NUMBER OF THEIR PENETRATIONS OF JORDAN'S AIR SPACE AND ARE NOW OVERFLYING JORDAN ONCE OR

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THE JORDANIAN AIR FORCE WOULD BE NO MATCH FOR THE ISRAELIS, CONTINUED OVERFLIGHTS BY ISRAELI AIRCRAFT COULD FORCE AMMAN TO TAKE ACTION. THE JORDANIANS REPORTEDLY DECIDED TO INTERCEPT AN ISRAELI RECONNAISSANCE MISSION SEVERAL MONTHS AGO, BUT CONCEALED THEIR PLANS WHEN ISRAELI FIGHTERS FLYING ESCORT REACTED TO THE PRESENCE OF JORDANIAN AIRCRAFT.

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