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1. POLITICAL MATTERS FOR DISTRIBUTION WITH SOVIETS TO CURRENT USIA ECONOMIC  
 DIFFICULTIES. AS NOTED REF, ITEMS INCLUDED AS OPERATIONAL AID FOR ASSESSMENT  
 AND EVALUATION SOVIETS, AND AS MEANS HOW DOUBT RE FORGIVES ABILITY DEAL WITH  
 ECONOMIC PROBLEMS. REPLYMENTS SHOULD NOT MENTIONED ALL ITEMS NOT HELD APPROPRIATE  
 APPROPRIATE FOR OWN USE. REPORT POSSIBLE CONTACTS VIA OSS CHANNELS. HQS WILL  
 SCREEN FOR VALUE.

2. WESTERN PRESS (REUTERS VIENNA 16 NOV) REPORTED STRIKE BY WORKERS KRIVOI  
 ROO. REASONS WERE BREAD SHORTAGE AND DEMAND FOR WAGE INCREASES MEET RISING FOOD  
 COSTS. SINCE NO ANNOUNCEMENTS FOOD PRICE INCREASES TO DATE, ARE THEY BEING  
 RAISED SECRETLY? WHAT ITEMS AFFECTED? BREAD PRICES BEING INCREASED? HOW MUCH?  
 AS MUCH AS THIRTY PERCENT PINE MEAT PRICES LAST YEAR? IF PRICES BEING RAISED, IS  
 FAILURE MAKE THIS PUBLIC RELATED GOVERNMENT YEARS RIOTS SUCH AS LAST YEAR

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3. KHRUSHCHEV IN PLEKHOV SPEECH SAID GRAIN CROP THIRTY PERCENT BELOW LAST YEAR NOT MEAT SUPPLIES UP. AS LATTER RESULT EXTENSIVE BEEFERS SLAUGHTERED LIVERPOOL IN VIEW SEVERE FODDER SHORTAGE KHRUSHCHEV ALSO SAID MILK PRODUCTION DOWN THIS YEAR. DOES THIS INDICATE EVEN MILK COWS BEING SLAUGHTERED DUE FODDER SHORTAGE?

4. IF FODDER IN SUCH SHORT SUPPLY WIDESPREAD SLAUGHTERING NECESSARY, WILL SOVIET GOVERNMENT FOLLOW HUNGARY EXAMPLE AND BUY FEED GRAINS ABROAD, IN ADDITION WHAT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION?

5. KHRUSHCHEV SAID SOVIET CITIZENS STARVED 19-7 WHILE GRAIN BEING EXPORTED, PRIMARILY TO PAY FOR IMPORTS MACHINERY AND OTHER CAPITAL GOODS. COULD SITUATION BECOME THAT SERIOUS THIS YEAR? HAS OR WILL SOVIET GOVERNMENT PUT MORATORIUM ON ALL FOOD EXPORTS ABROAD, OR WILL IT CONTINUE SELF FOOD EASTERN EUROPE AND CUBA AS IN PAST YEARS WHETHER HARVEST GOOD OR BAD?

6. WESTERN PRESS (REUTERS VIRGINIA 10 NOV) REPORTED SOVIET GOVERNMENT COMRADE REFUSED LOAD BUTTER FOR CUBA. HAVE CUBA GOVERNMENT BEEN SUPPLIED? KHRUSHCHEV SAID CUBAN SUPPLIES DOWN THIS YEAR IN VIEW. STATE USUR NORMALLY BUYS CUBAN

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WILL THE SOVIET BE OBLIGED CONTINUE FOOD SHORTAGE CURA IN EXCHANGE REGARDLESS  
OF THE COST AT HOME? WILL THESE SHORTAGE CURA BE HELD OR WILL GOODS BE RETURNED  
TO THE SOVIET FOR NEW AGRICULTURAL EFFORT?

THE CHEMICAL PROGRAM WILL BE TROUBEDOUS DRAIN ON SOVIET ECONOMY.  
WILL THE SOVIET BE OBLIGED TO MAINTAIN SOVIET MILITARY POWER OR BLACKENING  
ECONOMIC GROWTH. THEREFORE WILL NOT CONSUMPTION SECTOR BEAR BURDEN THIS INVEST-  
MENT SERVICE INVESTMENT PROGRAM (FERTILIZER, PESTICIDES, HERBICIDES) LARGELY  
INCREASE FOOD AND FIBER PRODUCTION, AND INCREASED RISK OF INCREASING FOOD AND  
CLOTHING PRODUCTION THROUGH CHEMICAL PROGRAM, WILL NOT MUCH OF SOVIET INVESTMENT  
FALL ON HOUSING, ONLY LITTLE CONSUMPTION SECTOR REMAINING. WILL NOT HOUSING  
CONSTRUCTION BE CUT SHARPLY OR ALMOST HALTED? BESIDES WILL NOT HOUSING PROBLEM  
BE INTENSIFIED BY DEFILIX WORKERS TO MAN NEW CHEMICAL FACTORIES, MANY OF WHICH  
IN AREAS WHERE LITTLE HOUSING NOW AVAILABLE?

8. IS KHRUSHCHEV DEMAND FOR CREDIT FROM WEST TO FINANCE INVESTMENT PROGRAM  
INDICATION SOVIET GOLD RESERVES AT HIGHER LEVELS? IS THERE EFFORT IMPROVE PRESENT  
MINING METHODS OR FIND NEW GOLD DEPOSITS TO PAY FOR MASSIVE IMPORTS?

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10. IF USSR RECEIVES LONG TERM CREDITS FROM WEST FOR CHEMICAL PROGRAM AND  
OTHERS. WHAT MEASURES BE TAKEN PAY BACK LOANS? WILL INTERESTS BE SOONER,  
OR IS THERE OTHER SOLUTION AT HAND?

11. PRIVATE PLOTS OF FARM WORKERS MOST PRODUCTIVE THAN SOVIET AGRICULTURE,  
AND ADDITIONAL INCREASED PRODUCTION WOULD RESULT LARGER GRAIN FOOD OUTPUT. WILL  
ANY MEASURES BE TAKEN TO HOLD PEASANTS FOR USE OF PLOTS?

12. SOVIET GOVERNMENT MUST REALIZE FROM REP PERIOD AND RUSSIAN ECONOMY,  
FROM EXAMPLE OF PEASANT PRIVATE PLOTS SINCE 1930s THAT GIVING LAND TO PEASANTS  
WOULD BE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY INCREASE GRAIN FOOD FOR SOVIET POPULATION. PEASANTS  
POLITICAL DISAFFECTION IS NOT ANOTHER REASON THIS NOT BEING DONE YEAR OF  
SINCE RUSSIAN ECONOMY SUCH AS INCREASED RUSSIAN REP PERIOD, THAT INCREASED WOULD  
RESULT FROM OVERPRODUCTION ON FARMS, FOR WHICH NO CONSUMER GOODS TO EXCHANGE. IS  
NOT SUFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION AND INCH PEASANTRY ONE MAY HOLD DOWN DEMAND FOR CONSUMERS  
GOODS, WHICH WOULD BE VERY HIGH LEVELS, AND TO CONCENTRATE ON MILITARY AND  
INTERNAL PRODUCTION WITHOUT EXCESSIVE INFLATIONARY PRESSURE REGARDLESS  
WHAT THE ADMINISTRATION, WOULD SOVIET GOVERNMENT REALLY WANT PROGRESSIVE PEASANTRY,  
AND TO AVOID MILITARY POWER, FOREIGN ACQUISITIONS, ECONOMIC GROWTH

13. HOW CAN WE GET MORE ENGINE TRAINING AND DOCTORS TOO LOW AND BEST

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13. MY BASE: AGRICULTURAL WORKERS LOWEST PAID IN SOVIET UNION. DOES NOT  
CONTINUED AND BELIEVE THEIR WAGES TOO LOW AND MUST BE INCREASED:  
14. PHYSICAL THROUGH LATEST IN LONG SERIES PARADES, INCLUDING NEW LANDS,  
AND OTHERS, PLAN TO MATCH UP TO U. S. IN MEAT AND MILK OUTPUT, FALLOW LAND  
WALK UP IN OIL AND OTHERS, ALL OF WHICH FAILED. EACH PROMISED ASSURE  
ASSURANCE IN FUTURE. WILL SOVIET PEOPLE BE WILLING WAIT AGAIN, THIS TIME TILL  
1970, WHILE LATEST PARADES TESTED, OR THEIR PATIENCE AND HOPE EXHAUSTED? DO  
THEY BELIEVE GOVERNMENT SERIOUS IN PUTTING FORTH PROGRAM, OR THEY THINK IT JUST  
ANOTHER ATTEMPT BY NEGATIVE GAIN TIME IN HOPE PROBLEMS SOMEHOW DISAPPEAR?

14. MUCH OF SOVIET UNION TOO DRY FOR EFFECTIVE FERTILIZER UTILIZATION,  
ESPECIALLY GRAIN AREAS. WILL CONCOMITANT INVESTMENT IRRIGATION BE MADE SO  
FERTILIZER, IF AND MILK PRODUCED, BE EFFECTIVELY USED? WHERE WILL INVESTMENT  
FUNDS FOR THIS COME FROM?

15. IN PLENUM SPEECH KHRUSHCHEV ONCE MORE REFERRED TO LYSENKO AS EXAMPLE  
SCIENTIFIC PRACTITIONER. DOES THIS MEAN LYSENKO AND HIS THEORIES, COMPLETELY  
DISCREDITED BY AGRICULTURAL SCIENTISTS EVERYWHERE OUTSIDE BLOC, CONTINUE HAVE

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WHAT INCIDENTS IN SOVIET AGRICULTURE WERE IN TIME OF CRISIS?

IS. PARA 11 MAY SHOULD BE DELETED BY THOSE WHOSE KNOWLEDGE POSSESS  
LITERATURE MATCH AT PLAINFIELD TND. FACILIAS TYRCHIV.

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