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6. CATEGORY 13 - Ulbricht Positions:

State Council Chairman Walter Ulbricht, head of SED, is no longer a member of the FDGB Executive. For the first time since the FDGB was founded, he was not elected to that body at the Sixth FDGB Congress which ended this weekend. This probably did not allow his name to be included among the candidates because of the number of his posts. Adolf Hennsche, the initiator of the "Aktivists Movement" in the Soviet Zone, has also left the executive. The newly elected FDGB executive now has 233 members; previously there were 199. Of this 148 were elected to that body for the first time.

(FRIS 44, 25 Nov) (OUO)

7. SECTION I - Protocol On Exchange of Goods Between Bulgaria And Yugoslavia:

A protocol on the exchange of goods between Bulgaria and Yugoslavia in 1964 was signed in Sofia. During the year Bulgaria will supply Yugoslavia with machine tools, farm machinery, means of transport, machinery for food industry, electric equipment, chemicals, and other goods; it will import from Yugoslavia construction materials, means of transport, engines for ships, chemicals for use in agriculture, paper, cables, tires, and so forth. The protocol was signed by Marin M Krusev, head of a department of the Bulgarian Ministry Of Foreign Trade, and Alexander Druljaca, head of a department of the Yugoslav State Secretariat For Foreign trade.

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8. SECTION III/1 - Germany - First Reaction from People in Karl-Marx-Stadt to Kennedy's Assassination:

The following is the full text of a rush information report re assassination of US President Kennedy, from SED Bezirk HQ, Karl-Marx-Stadt to SED Central Committee, Berlin dated 23 November 1963:

According to a report from Kreis HQs Brand-Ertiss-Dorf streamers of black crepe were displayed this evening in the Kreis City in connection with the assassination of the President of the United States.

This is concentrated in particular on two throughfares.

Crepe was likewise displayed in the show window of the GGT, on the show windows at the railroad station, on the board on Bahnhofstrasse; on a wooden door at the railroad station; in the waiting room of the Reichsbahn and in the waiting room of the VEB Kraftverkehr.

In addition to this, workers Merkels from Brand-Friedsdorf flew the DDR flag with red, white and blue bunting this morning. Responsible comrades held discussion with him.

In Karl-Marx-Stadt opposite the VEB-Waterrei-Ausruestung was the area in white oil paint: "East Germany mourns for Kennedy."

A similar slogan was placed opposite the council of Kreis Karl-Marx-Stadt rural.

Colleague Baumann of the PGM Fritzeure, ((X G )) Ossietzky Strasse, declared: "The Reds did it; there will be a World war for sure!"

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11. SECTION III/8 - Probable Reference.....continuation of:  
and move at 1400Z. The Regimental Headquarters was then informed by a speaker  
at the site that he (the speaker at the site) was going to proceed to the  
Huavitas SAM Site to check out the equipment. This person is believed to be  
associated with the SAM Support Facility at Victoria de Las Tunas and was  
probably making technical checks of equipment at the Camaguey and Huavitas  
SAM Sites prior to the movement of these sites.

Since the Camaguey site was ordered to practice only three hours prior  
to the scheduled time of movement of the site the move may be a mobility  
exercise rather than abandonment of the site.

(DIRNSA 2/0/ [REDACTED] 211-63, 251800Z Nov) ~~(TOP SECRET)~~ 44 USC 2107(5)(g)(2)(D)(i)

12. CATEGORY 13 - East Germany: Situation Report No. 112 - Political/Economic:  
SED Communications on 22 November revealed that press, radio and television  
had been advised by the Party Agitation Commission in Berlin to "take note  
of a report" which implicated Fascist circles in the assassination of President  
Kennedy.

Further to para. 2 of 2/ [REDACTED] C2463 regarding the murder of one and possibly  
two East German Taxi-drivers by Soviet Citizens in Dresden, a Berlin Party  
official stated on 22 November that further local discussions on the matter  
were undesirable since "((B Parcont. the Soviets could easily get wind of it))".

A new Church Law ((Amtszuchtgesetz)) approval at a recent meeting of the  
Mecklenburger Landes Synod ((probably the Synod of the Mecklenburger State  
Church)) which ended on 9th November, has caused considerable alarm among  
party members, the law, the main aim of which is apparently to "remove"  
clergy men branded as "progressives" ((a probable reference to those who voted  
in the recent election)), was approved despite the intervention of the Bishop,  
who forbade it, and of the party which enlisted at least 15 Clergymen to point  
strong objections, while the party has branded the law as invalid, because it  
is concerned with the whole of Germany whereas there are two separate German  
states. Full reasons for refutation are to be worked out in detail later.  
[REDACTED] 2/ [REDACTED] C2460, 251804Z Nov) ~~(TOP SECRET)~~

13. SECTION III/8 - Alert in Eastern Naval District Relaxed, 23 November:

As a result of the death of President Kennedy, the Eastern Naval District  
of Cuba was placed on an alert on 2004Z on 22 November by Banes, Headquarters  
for that District. At 2037Z on 23 November, the alert was relaxed a certain  
degree by Banes; instructions were passed to Santiago de Cuba, a subordinate,  
to give leave to 25 percent of their personnel. For the 23rd and 24th and that  
further orders would be forthcoming on 25 November 1963.

COMMENT: The authorization to grant leave to personnel is an indication that  
the alert is somewhat relaxed and the note that further instructions would be  
issued on Monday, 25 November indicates that a lenient view has been adopted  
for the situation by Cuban Naval authorities in the Eastern Naval District.

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