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(("PRESS REVIEW" -- TASS HEADLINE))
((TEXT)) MOSCOW OCTOBER 12 TASS -- PRAVDA REPORTS TODAY A MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY BETWEEN SOVIET LEADER MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND
MIECZYSLAW RAKOWSKI, FIRST SECRETARY OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE
POLISH UNITED WORKERS' PARTY (PUWP), WHO ARRIVED IN THE SOVIET UNION
ON A WORKING VISIT.

DURING THE FRIENDLY MEETING THE TWO SIDES DISCUSSED A WIDE RANGE
OF ISSUES CONCERNING SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL PROCESSES IN THE
USSR AND POLAND, THE DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATION IN THE TWO FRATERNAL
PARTIES AND PROSPECTS FOR SOVIET-POLISH RELATIONS.

RAKOWSKI DESCRIBED THE SITUATION IN POLAND SINCE THE ELECTION TO
THE SEJM AND THE FORMATION OF A NEW GOVERNMENT. THE KEY NATIONAL
TASK NOW IS TO PULL THE COUNTRY OUT OF THE LENGTHY SOCIAL AND
ECONOMIC CRISIS. THE PUWP INTENDS TO INTERACT IN A RESPONSIBLE AND
CONSTRUCTIVE WAY WITH THE GOVERNMENT AND VARIOUS POLITICAL FORCES IN

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PRESENT-DAY POLAND.

GORBACHEV DWELT AT LENGTH ON THE EXTENSIVE AND DIVERSE WORK TO IMPLEMENT THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND LEGAL REFORMS IN THE SOVIET UNION. THE ACTIVITIES OF THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET ARE ASSUMING SPECIAL IMPORTANCE THESE DAYS. IT HAS TO ADOPT SEVERAL IMPORTANT CONSTITUTIONAL LAWS, HE NOTED.

"WE ATTACH UTMOST IMPORTANCE TO THE PARTY'S RESTRUCTURING," THE SOVIET LEADER POINTED OUT. IN THE RUN-UP TO THE 28TH CONGRESS, ITS ENTIRE STRUCTURE SHOULD BE CHANGED SUBSTANTIALLY AND THE STYLE OF WORK CHANGED.

GORBACHEV AND RAKOWSKI ALSO EXCHANGED OPINIONS ON MAJOR PROBLEMS OF CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND ON INTERNATIONAL POLITICS.

NEWSPAPERS ALSO REPORT RAKOWSKI'S NEWS CONFERENCE WHERE HE SUMMED UP THE RESULTS OF HIS VISIT TO THE USSR, AND HIS DEPARTURE FROM THE SOVIET UNION LATER IN THE DAY.

THE PRESS CONTINUES COVERING THE WORK OF THE 2ND SESSION OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS OF PARLIAMENT'S TWO CHAMBERS ON WEDNESDAY. THEY CONTINUED TO DISCUSS, AT MOST SITTINGS, THE DRAFT PLAN AND THE DRAFT BUDGET FOR 1990.

ALL PARLIAMENTARY ORGANS INTEND TO PREPARE THEIR FINDINGS ON THE PLAN AND THE BUDGET THIS WEEK, AND BY THE END OF THE NEXT WEEK THE PLANNING, BUDGETARY AND FINANCE COMMISSION WILL DRAFT A GENERALISED DOCUMENT WHICH WILL BE INTRODUCED FOR THE DEBATE OF THE TWO CHAMBERS OF THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT.

PRAVDA CARRIES A CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE BY SOVIET PRIME MINISTER NIKOLAY RYZHKOV TO A MEETING OF SOVIET AND LATIN AMERICAN PUBLIC FIGURES.

NEWSPAPERS PUBLISH AN OPEN LETTER BY THE PRESIDUM OF THE USSR CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TRADE UNIONS TO ALL WORKERS EMPLOYED IN TRADE, ON RAILWAYS, AUTOMOBILE TRANSPORT, AT SEA AND RIVER PORTS, WORK COLLECTIVES OF ENTERPRISES AND OFFICES, WHICH CALLS ON WORKING PEOPLE "TO TACKLE THE MOST BURNING AND VITALLY IMPORTANT QUESTIONS, ALONG WITH ORGANS OF SOVIET POWER". THEY ARE CALLED UPON TO PREVENT DEMAGOGUES AND POLITICAL ADVENTURISTS FROM EXPLOITING THE PRESENT DIFFICULTIES TO DESTABILISE THE SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY.

THE PRESS PRINTS A REPORT ON A NEWS CONFERENCE AT THE USSR MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS WHERE MINISTER NIKOLAY KONAREV ASSESSED THE SITUATION WITH THE CARGO DELIVERIES ON THE RAILWAY TO ARMENIA AND GEORGIA.

KONAREV DESCRIBED THE SITUATION AS CRITICAL, SAYING THAT PEOPLE PREVENTING THE DELIVERY OF CARGOES VIA AZERBAIJAN TO ARMENIA AND GEORGIA ARE ENGAGED IN SABOTAGE.

THE NEWSPAPER SOVetskaya Rossiya CONCLUDED TODAY A SERIES OF ARTICLES (THE FIRST ARTICLE IS IN THE ISSUE OF OCTOBER 10) ON THE PARTICIPATION OF STATE SECURITY COMMITTEE OFFICERS IN THE ELIMINATION OF A DANGEROUS AND ORGANISED GANG OF CRIMINALS. THE NEWSPAPER WRITES THE FOLLOWING IN CONCLUSION:

"THE SOVIET PEOPLE ARE VERY CONCERNED OVER THE FACT THAT PERESTROYKA AND PROCESSES OF DEMOCRATISATION AND GLASNOST ARE ACCOMPANIED WITH A STEEP RISE IN CRIME. ORGANISED CRIME WITH ITS TERRORIST ACTIONS, ARMED ASSAULTS, EXTORTION, HUGE EMBEZZLEMENTS,

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BRUTALITY AND CYNICISM ARE ESPECIALLY DANGEROUS FOR SOCIETY.

"ALL THIS INTIMIDATES PEOPLE MORALLY. THAT IS WHY THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET AND THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT DECIDED TO ENLIST KGB OFFICERS IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST ORGANISED CRIME. KGB OFFICERS ARE SKILLED PROFESSIONALS HAVING LEGAL KNOWLEDGE AND ADEQUATE TECHNICAL FACILITIES.

"BUT LAW AND ORDER IN SOCIETY CANNOT BE ESTABLISHED ONLY BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS. ENTIRE SOCIETY SHOULD POOL EFFORTS TO DO THIS. THE BEGINNING STRUGGLE AGAINST CRIME IS ANOTHER SERIOUS TEST WHICH WE HAVE TO UNDERGO FOR THE SAKE OF PERESTROYKA."

THE NEWSPAPER KOMSOMOLSKAYA PRAVDA FRONT-PAGES A DISPATCH BY ITS SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT FROM VORONEZH WHERE HE DESCRIBES, REFERRING TO EYE-WITNESSES, THE APPEARANCE OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT IN THE CITY ON SEPTEMBER 27. THE NEWSPAPER PRINTS A FEATURE ON ITS BACK PAGE ON UFO RIDDLES AND ENTHUSIASTS STUDYING THE PROBLEM.

THE NEWSPAPER SOVETSKAYA ROSSIYA CARRIES AN ARTICLE ON THE WORK OF AN INTERNATIONAL ROUNDTABLE AT THE SOVIET NUCLEAR SOCIETY, WHICH FOCUSED ON RELIABILITY AND SAFETY OF NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS.

THE NEWSPAPER KRASNAYA ZVEZDA RUNS AN ARTICLE BY A POLISH MILITARY DIPLOMAT, BRIGADIER GENERAL A. CZERNOW, ON THE HISTORY, PAST EXPLOITS AND THE PRESENT DAY OF THE POLISH ARMY ON THE OCCASION OF THE 46TH ANNIVERSARY OF FOUNDING THE POLISH ARMED FORCES.

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