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SUBJ: SOVIET JEWISH EMIGRATION TO ISRAEL

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By [Signature] NARA, Date JUL 19 2007

1. DUTCH DIPLOMAT (PROTECT SOURCE AND INFORMATION), WHILE VISITING CONSOFF NOVEMBER 3 REPORTED THAT DUTCH EMBASSY IN THREE DAYS, NOVEMBER 1-3, HAD ISSUED ABOUT 350 ISRAELI VISAS. DUTCH EMBASSY HAS ONCE AGAIN HAD TO DROP ALL OTHER BUSINESS. TOTALS IN PRECEDING THREE-FOUR WEEKS WERE ABOUT 170-180 EACH AND DUTCH SEE 350 FIGURE ONLY AS COOLING OFF OPERATION FOR NOVEMBER 7 CELEBRATIONS. SOURCE WILL PROVIDE PRECISE FIGURES AT NEXT MEETING WITH CONSOFF.

2. DIPLOMAT ALSO NOTED THAT, CONTRARY KOSYGIN STATEMENT, "BRAIN DRAIN" APPEARS UNDERWAY. APPLICANTS ARE NOW APPEARING FROM MAJOR CITIES SUCH AS ODESSA, MINSK AND MOSCOW (AND LENINGRAD, ACCORDING REPORT WHICH EMBOFF HAS) AND INCLUDE ENGINEERS, DOCTORS, PROFESSORS, AND EVEN ARCHAEOLOGIST. SOURCE HAS ALSO ISSUED ISRAELI VISA TO FILM PRODUCER KALIK AND CANTOR MICHAEL ALEXANDROVICH (RE LATTER, SEE MOSCOW 6703 OF NOVEMBER 6, 1970 AND PREVIOUS).

3. SOURCE REPORTED THAT 93 JEWS WHO VISITED CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON SEPTEMBER 20 HAVE ALSO BEEN PROMISED SOVIET EXIT VISAS. ONE OF GROUP LEADERS WAS MOSCOW SURGEON NUDELMAN (PARA. 6A MOSCOW 7049).

4. DIPLOMAT FURTHER SAID THAT DUTCH EMBASSY IS NOW ISSUING, AND SOVIETS ARE ACCEPTING, VYZOVIS IN NAME ISRAELI GOVERNMENT OF SOVIET JEWS WHO HAVE NO ISRAELI RELATIVES OR WHO HAVE NOT RECEIVED VYZOVIS FROM ISRAELI RELATIVES. VYZOVIS GIVE ISRAELI GUARANTEE OF TRAVEL EXPENSES AND SUPPORT IN ISRAEL.

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5. ALTHOUGH DUTCH IN MOSCOW ARE INVOLVED EMOTIONALLY TO CONSIDERABLE DEGREE, TWO RECENT INCIDENTS HAVE SOMEWHAT IRRITATED THEM VIS-A-VIS ISRAELIS. IN FIRST PLACE, DUTCH HAVE LEARNED THAT ISRAELI GOVERNMENT IS INSPIRING ISRAELI RELATIVES TO WRITE TO SOVIET JEWS THAT THEY SHOULD APPLY TO NETHERLANDS EMBASSY FOR ISRAELI NATURALIZATION. DUTCH HAVE TOLD ISRAELIS THAT THIS PROCEDURE HAS NO EFFECT ON EXIT VI-SA PROCESS AND ONLY CAUSES DUTCH UNWARRANTED EXTRA WORK. IN ANOTHER INCIDENT, ISRAELI EMBASSY IN HELSINKI ASKED ANOTHER DUTCH DIPLOMAT FROM MOSCOW WHO BROUGHT OUT VIOLIN OF SOVIET JEWISH MUSICIAN WHETHER HE WOULD NOT LIKE TO DO MORE FOR ISRAELIS. SOURCE COMMENTED ISRAELI EMBASSY IN VIENNA SOMEWHAT MORE SOPHISTICATED.

6. OF MAJOR CONCERN TO DUTCH, HOWEVER, IS AUSTRIAN EMBASSY REACTION TO NOVEMBER 1-3 SURGE, SINCE SOVIET JEWS MUST TRAVEL VIA VIENNA. NEW AUSTRIAN CONSULAR OFFICER, MARTIN VUKOVICH, WHO IS AT HIS FIRST POST, INFORMED APPLICANTS THAT HE WOULD HANDLE NO MORE THAN THIRTY VISAS PER DAY. STATEMENT SENT JEWS BACK TO NETHERLANDS EMBASSY IN PANIC. SOURCE WILL APPROACH VUKOVICH BUT IF HE IS UNSUCCESSFUL, DUTCH CAN BE EXPECTED TO MAKE MORE FORMAL DEMARCHE.

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7. DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS TO TEL AVIV, THE HAGUE, GENEVA AND VIENNA. GP-3.  
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