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SUBJECT: JAPANESE PRESS TRANSLATIONS FOR THURSDAY, 7 OCT 82

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(NOTE: FOLLOWING ARE SUMMARY TRANSLATIONS APPEARING IN MAJOR JAPANESE NEWSPAPERS. APPEARANCE HEREIN DOES NOT MEAN STORIES ARE FACTUALLY ACCURATE AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE ENDORSEMENT OF POINTS OF VIEW BY USFJ.)
1. MILITARY TECHNOLOGY ISSUE:
(TOKYO SHIMBUN) - A SENIOR JAPANESE MITI OFFICIAL HAS RECENTLY STATED IN WASHINGTON THAT HIS OFFICE IS READY TO STUDY TRANSFER OF MILITARY TECHNOLOGIES FROM JAPAN TO THE U.S. WHENEVER A CONCRETE SUGGESTION IS MADE FROM THE U.S. HE POINTED TO THE FACT THAT NO SUGGESTION HAS BEEN MADE ABOUT ITEMS OF MILITARY TECHNOLOGIES THE U.S. WANTS TO RECEIVE FROM JAPAN, AND SAID THE MATTER SHOULD BE DEALT WITH ON A REALISTIC BASIS. HE SAID THE JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER SHOULD QUICKLY DRAW A POLITICAL DECISION ABOUT THE PROPOSED OFFER OF MILITARY TECHNOLOGIES TO THE U.S. (ASAHI) - ON THE 6TH, THE GOJ DETERMINED TO HURRIEDLY COORDINATE VIEWS OF ITS MINISTRIES ON DEFENSE AND ECONOMIC QUESTIONS PENDING BETWEEN JAPAN AND THE U.S., ON THE BASIS OF RECENT TALKS BY FOREIGN MINISTER SAKURAUCHI, MITI MINISTER ABE AND JDA DIRECTOR GENERAL ITO WITH THEIR COUNTERPARTS IN WASHINGTON. (ALL EVENING PAPERS) - DURING A MEETING WITH SAKURAUCHI IN NEW YORK ON THE 5TH, SECSTATE SHULTZ SOUGHT A COMPLETE

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RECIPROCITY IN JAPAN-U.S. MILITARY TECHNOLOGICAL EXCHANGES, THEREBY SHOWING THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION'S POSITION SEEKING A JAPANESE CONCESSION TO THE AMERICAN BID FOR OFFER OF MILITARY TECHNOLOGIES. SANKEI SAID A U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN INDICATED LATER THAT JAPAN PROMISED TO INCREASE DEFENSE CAPABILITIES TO COPE WITH THE SOVIET THREAT IN THE SAKURAUCHI-SHULTZ MEETING.
(ASAHI, MAINICHI, YOMIURI) - ON THE 6TH, JDA DIRECTOR GENERAL ITO REPORTED TO LDP COMMITTEES ON DEFENSE AFFAIRS RESULTS OF HIS TALKS WITH AMERICAN DEFENSE LEADERS, INCLUDING SECDEF WEINBERGER. HE SAID THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AND CONGRESS ARE STRONGLY CONCERNED ABOUT A JFY83 DEFENSE BUDGET AND ASKED THE PARTY FOR COOPERATION WITH HIS AGENCY TO SECURE THE PROPOSED BUDGET INCREASE BY 7.35 PCT OVER JFY82. (YOMIURI) - ITO INDICATED THAT AMERICAN DEFENSE AUTHORITIES HOPE FOR JAPANESE REPLENISHMENT OF ARMAMENTS, INCLUDING F15'S TO COPE WITH THE SOVIET THREAT, FOLLOWING THE AMERICAN F16 DEPLOYMENT TO MISAWA. HE SAID THE AMERICAN VIEW WAS THAT THE F16 DEPLOYMENT WILL NOT LIGHTEN THE NEED FOR INCREASED JAPANESE DEFENSE EFFORTS AND THAT JAPAN WILL BE REQUIRED TO MAKE FURTHER DEFENSE EFFORTS.
2. COMMENT ON U.S. MILITARY BID TO JAPAN:
COMMENTING ON A SERIES OF AMERICAN BIDS MADE RECENTLY TO JAPAN -

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SEALANE DEFENSE, F16 DEPLOYMENT TO MISAWA AND MILITARY TECHNOLOGICAL EXCHANGES, MAINICHI SAID EVERY ONE OF THESE PROPOSALS IS A QUESTION THAT MAY CAUSE A FUNDAMENTAL CHANGE TO THE JAPANESE NATIONAL DEFENSE POLICY AND THE JAPAN-U.S. SECURITY SYSTEM. IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICAN STRATEGY AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION, THE PAPER FEARED, JAPAN MIGHT EVENTUALLY STEP OUT OF THE DEFENSIVE OPERATIONS ONLY FRAMEWORK AND LAUNCH OUT USE OF THE COLLECTIVE SELF-DEFENSE RIGHT DEFYING THE CONSTITUTION. IT DEPLORED THAT SUCH IMPORTANT MATTERS ARE DISCUSSED ON WORKING LEVEL TALKS ONLY BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES TO BUILD UP "ACCOMPLISHED FACTS" STEP BY STEP, WITHOUT BEING REFERRED TO EITHER A CABINET OR NDC MEETING OR THE DIET.
3. RANGE OF NEW JAPANESE ANTI-SHIP MISSILE:
(YOMIURI) - RECENTLY, THE JDA DECIDED IN SECRET TO SET THE STRIKING RANGE OF A NEW SURFACE-TO-SHIP MISSILE, SSM-1 NOW UNDER DEVELOPMENT LOCALLY, AT 150 KM. THE AGENCY HAS DETERMINED THE FIGURE, 150 KM, AFTER ASSESSING THE MINIMUM TACTICAL REQUIREMENTS AND TECHNOLOGICAL FEASIBILITIES, AND THE DETERMINED STRIKING RANGE CAN COVER SOUTHERN PARTS OF SAKHALIN OR THE NOW SOVIET HELD NORTHERN ISLANDS WHEN THE MISSILE IS LAUNCHED FROM A POSITION IN NORTHERN HOKKAIDO OR IN EASTERN HOKKAIDO. AS TO THE REASON WHY THEY HAVE GIVEN SUCH A

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LONG STRIKING RANGE TO THE SSM-1, JDA SOURCES SAY IT IS BECAUSE THEY WANTED TO USE THE MISSILE FROM AN INLAND POSITION WHICH IS LESS VULNERABLE TO ENEMY ATTACKS IN THE EVENT THAT FOREIGN AGGRESSION TAKES PLACE AGAINST THIS COUNTRY. IT IS ALSO TRUE THAT THERE WERE STRONG TACTICAL REQUIREMENTS SEEKING AS LONG A STRIKING RANGE AS POSSIBLE FOR THE NEW MISSILE IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE FLEXIBILITY OF JAPANESE DEFENSE OPERATIONS SUCH AS IN BLOCKING SEA TRANSPORTATIONS IN THE WATERS BETWEEN THE SOVIET MARITIME PROVINCE AND SAKHALIN OR THE NORTHERN ISLANDS. THE JDA PLANS TO DISTRIBUTE SSM-1'S TO THE GSDF BEGINNING FROM JFY88.
4. LDP PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION:
(ASAHI) - AT A MEETING WITH HIS FACTION MEMBERS ON THE 5TH, EX-PRIME MINISTER FUKUDA CRITICALLY COMMENTED ON THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATION, THOUGH HE AVOIDED CALLING THE NAME OF PRIME MINISTER SUZUKI, AS GROSSLY LAKCING PUBLIC TRUST. (NIHON KEIZAI) - MOVES HAVE BEGUN IN SECRET AMONG THE FUKUDA, KOMOTO AND NAKAGAWA FACTIONS OF THE LDP TO LINK THEIR HANDS FOR A JOINT FRONT OF NON-MAIN CURRENT FACTIONS SEEKING OVERTHROW OF THE SUZUKI CABINET. (MOST PAPERS) - ON THE 6TH, THE LDP FACTION LED BY SCIENCE-TECHNOLOGY AGENCY DIRECTOR GENERAL NAKAGAWA OPENED A SPECIAL OFFICE IN AN EFFORT

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TO ENABLE NAKAGAWA TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMING LDP PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION WITH SUPPORT OF 50 OR MORE DIET MEMBERS OF THE PARTY. (MOST PAPERS) - THE NAKASONE FACTION HELD A MEETING ON THE 5TH, WHEN SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE FACTION COMPLAINED ABOUT NAKASONE'S DECISION TO SUPPORT RE-ELECTION OF SUZUKI AS THE PARTY PRESIDENT.
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