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VIET NAM

IN VIET NAM--AN ALLIED "REACTION FORCE" SET OUT TODAY
IN HOT PURSUIT OF A BATTERED VIET CONG REGIMENT. THE SAME
ONE THAT YESTERDAY ATTACKED A U.S. BASE NEAR THE CAMBODIAN BORDER--
IN THE WANING HOURS OF THE WAR'S BLOODIEST HOLIDAY "TRUCE" TO DATE.

AS FOR RESULTS OF THAT BRIEF BATTLE--THE U.S. COMMAND TODAY
SETTING ENEMY LOSSES AT MORE THAN 350 MEN: MAKING IT ONE OF THE
~~XXXXX~~ COSTLIEST SETBACKS--THE VIET CONG HAVE YET SUFFERED.

BE THAT AS IT MAY--THIS FROM GENERAL EARLE WHEELER--CHAIRMAN
OF THE JOINT CHIEF'S OF STAFF--BACK IN WASHINGTON:- THAT THE
ENEMY SUFFERED "HEAVY AND DISPROPORTIONATE LOSSES--SHOULD NEVER
DISGUISE TWO HARSH FACTS"--SAID HE. "ONE--THE ENEMY CYNICALLY
DISREGARDED HIS OWN CEASE-FIRE ANNOUNCEMENT: AND TWO--THE ENEMY
FLAGRANTLY VIOLATED THE 12 HOUR TRUCE EXTENSION--PUT FORWARD BY
HIS HOLINESS POPE PAUL AND AGREED TO BY THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE, OUR
OTHER ALLIES, AND OURSELVES."

THE GENERAL ADDING THAT "THOSE WHO URGE UNILATERAL CESSATION
OF COMBAT OPERATIONS--WOULD DO WELL TO REMEMBER THIS EXPERIENCE."

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STOCKHOLM

THOSE FOUR AMERICAN SAILORS WHO DEFECTED TO THE SOVIET UNION APPARENTLY SOON TO RECEIVE SANCTUARY IN NEUTRAL SWEDEN. THE COUNTRY'S THREE MAN ALIEN'S COMMITTEE--TODAY APPROVING THE SAILORS' REQUEST FOR POLITICAL ASYLUM: CITING--AMONG OTHER THINGS--THE AMERICANS' EXTREME YOUTH: AND SETTING ONLY ONE CONDITION--THAT THEY REFRAIN FROM ANY FUTURE POLITICAL ACTIVITY.

THIS ALIEN'S COMMITTEE--STRICTLY AN ADVISORY GROUP. HOWEVER, ITS RECOMMENDATION--GENERALLY ACCEPTED BY GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES: AND ALMOST CERTAIN TO BE FOLLOWED--IN THE PRESENT CASE. A SWEDISH OFFICIAL HAVING SAID EARLIER: "IF WE ARE TO REMAIN NEUTRAL--
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WE CANNOT JUST GIVE PROTECTION TO POLITICAL REFUGEES FROM THE EAST."

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CAPETOWN

MIRACLE AT CAPETOWN--PART II. AS YOU MAY HAVE HEARD BY NOW--SOUTH AFRICA'S DR. CHRISTIAN BARNARD TODAY PERFORMING HIS SECOND SUCCESSFUL HUMAN HEART TRANSPLANT. REMOVING THE DISEASED HEART--OF A 58 YEAR OLD WHITE DENTIST; REPLACING IT WITH A HEALTHY HEART TAKEN FROM A YOUNG COLORED MAN--SHORTLY AFTER HE DIED OF A STROKE.

THE PATIENT--DR. PHILIP BLAIBERG: REPORTED CONSCIOUS AND IN "VERY GOOD CONDITION "--A FEW HOURS AFTER SURGERY. THE OPERATION ITSELF--TAKING ONLY FIVE HOURS; AS COMPARED WITH SEVEN HOURS--FOR THAT FIRST HUMAN HEART TRANSPLANT EARLY LAST MONTH.

A MEMBER OF THE OPERATING TEAM LATER REPORTING THAT BLAIBERG'S NEW HEART BEGAN BEATING OF ITS OWN ACCORD--WITHOUT REQUIRING AN ELECTRICAL SHOCK--AS SOON AS IT WAS HOOKED INTO ITS NEW BLOODSTREAM. "THIS IS A VERY KEEN HEART"--SAID THE DOCTOR. ADDING: "THERE WERE NO COMPLICATIONS--THERE WAS A DISTINCT IMPRESSION THAT THIS HAS NOW BECOME ROUTINE."

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TEXAS WHITE HOUSE

A FORMER YALE ECONOMICS PROFESSOR--PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S CHOICE
TODAY TO BECOME THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC
ADVISORS; ARTHUR OKUN--A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE PAST
THREE YEARS. NOW--AT 39--THE YOUNGEST MAN EVER TO BE NAMED TO *the*
NATION'S TOP ECONOMIC POST.

OKUN SUCCEEDING GARDNER ACKLEY--WHO WILL BECOME THE NEW
U.S. AMBASSADOR TO ITALY. ACKLEY--IN TURN--SUCCEEDING CAREER
DIPLOMAT G. FREDERICK REINHARDT: WHO REPORTEDLY "DISPLEASED"
THE PRESIDENT--WITH ARRANGEMENTS FOR L.B.J'S RECENT VATICAN
VISIT.

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HAVANA

CELEBRATION AT HAVANA. CUBAN DIRECTOR FIDEL CASTRO AND HIS FOLLOWERS--MARKING THE NINTH ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR COMMUNIST REGIME, BEGINNING WITH A 21 GUN SALUTE--FOLLOWED BY AN HOUR LONG PARADE OF MILITARY CADETS, STUDENTS AND WORKERS.

FOR THE FIRST TIME THOUGH--NO TANKS, NO MECHANIZED VEHICLES, NO AERIAL SALUTES FROM SPEEDING JETS. CASTRO EXPLAINING THAT FUEL IS TOO SCARCE--TO WASTE IT PARADING MILITARY MIGHT. ADDING, IN EFFECT; WAIT TILL NEXT YEAR--"WHEN THE REVOLUTION COMPLETES TEN YEARS."

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NEW DELHI

AFTER 14 YEARS IN AND OUT OF PRISON-- MOSTLY "IN"--INDIA'S
FAMED SHEIKH ABDULLA WAS "OUT" AGAIN TODAY. THE FORMER PRIME
MINISTER OF KASHMIR--RELEASED FROM GOVERNMENT CUSTODY IN NEW
DELHI. PROMPTLY ATTENDING A RALLY OF SOME 80 THOUSAND CHEERING
MOSLEMS--TELLING HIS FOLLOWERS: "TODAY--I AM A FREE MAN."

THE SHEIKH LATER TALKING WITH INDIAN PRESIDENT ZAKIR HUSSAIN--
WHO TOLD HIS FORMER FOE "I AM HAPPY, TOO."

SHEIKH ABDULLA'S LEGAL DIFFICULTIES--YOU MAY RECALL--GROWING
OUT OF HIS ATTEMPT TO MAKE KASHMIR AN INDEPENDENT NATION. OLDER
AND WISER--THE SHEIKH NOW SAYING ONLY THAT HE HAS "TWO
OR THREE IDEAS" FOR SOLUTION OF THE ANCIENT KASHMIR PROBLEM. TOPS
ON THE LIST--SAID HE--A PLAN TO WORK FOR FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH
PAKISTAN.

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ROMNEY FOLOOW NEW DELHI

ELSEWHERE IN NEW DELHI--MICHIGAN'S GOVERNOR ROMNEY WAS
CONFERRING TODAY WITH INDIAN OFFICIALS. THE REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL
HOPEFUL--ON THE LAST LEG OF HIS ROUND THE WORLD FACT FINDING TOUR.
TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION RANGING FROM VIET NAM--ALL THE WAY TO
FOOD PRODUCTION AND BIRTH CONTROL PROBLEMS ON THAT VAST SUB CONTINENT
OF HINDUSTAN.

MEANWHILE, A PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATION OF FAMILY PLANNING--
INDIAN STYLE--AT THE CITY OF SALEM IN INDIA'S ^{far south} ~~EASTERN~~ MADRAS STATE;
WHERE A 35 YEAR OLD WOMAN HAS JUST GIVEN BIRTH TO QUINTUPLETS--
FOUR OF WHOM ARE EXPECTED TO SURVIVE. WAITING TO GREET THEM AT HOME--
THE WOMAN'S NINE PREVIOUS CHILDREN--INCLUDING A SET OF TRIPLETS.
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REACTION

OVERSEAS REACTION TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S PLAN FOR
RESTRICTING U.S.SPENDING ABROAD--MIXED, AT BEST, TODAY.
LONDON AND ROME FINANCIAL CIRCLES--AGREEING THE MOVE WAS
NECESSARY TO BOLSTER THE U.S.DOLLAR. HOWEVER, A DANISH
NEWSPAPER CHARGING THAT THE PRESIDENT HAD TURNED HIS BACK
ON EUROPE--IN ASKING AMERICANS TO STAY IN THEIR OWN HEMISHPERE
FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS. TRAVEL AUTHORITIES ALSO SETTING UP A
HOWL IN BRITAIN, SPAIN AND HONG KONG--ALL HEAVILY DEPENDENT ON
U.S. TOURIST TRADE.

FRANCE --FOR ITS PART--BLAMING THE U.S. BALANCE OF PAYMENTS
PROBLEM ON A CHRONIC BUDGET DEFICIT. AND, FINAALLY--THIS FROM
WEST GERMANY. THE PRESIDENT'S ACTION PROVING--SAID A WEST
BERLIN NEWSPAPER--THAT "THE USA HAS LIVED BEYOND ITS MEANS THE LAST
FEW YEARS."

SAME THING I'VE BEEN TRYING TO TELL MY WIFE--FOR AS LONG
AS I CAN REMEMBER.

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