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1. SOVIET VICE CONSUL KLING WHO KNOWS HIS OFFICER NIK CLAYTON BURY FOR FIRST TIME AT CONSULAR CORPS FUNCTION ON 9 AUGUST AND INVITED LATTER TO LUNCH SAME DAY. KLING USED LUNCH AS PRETEXT OBTAIN PRO'S INFO AND DISCUSS BERLIN. HE ASKED NO QUESTIONS RE UNITED STATES POLICY BUT PRESSED SOV POSITION, STATING BERLIN WILL BE TEST OF SOVIET DASH UNITED STATES FRIENDLY RELATIONS AND INSISTED SOVS WOULD SIGN PEACE TREATY. HE DID NOT MENTION TITOV FLIGHT OR SOV MILITARY POWER. POUCHING

DETAILS:

2. VIKTOR ZEGAL, SOV SECOND SECY WHO KNOWS HIS OFFICER INVITED EMBASSY SECOND SECY SELLIN TO LUNCH 6 AUGUST FOR FIRST TIME. MAIN TOPIC

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WAS BERLIN CRISIS. ZEGAL ASKED SELLIN REPEATEDLY WHY U.S. WILLING FIGHT
 OVER BERLIN AND WHY USSR AND AMERICAN WHO FORMER ALLIES NOW IN OPPOSITION
 ON THIS ISSUE. ZEGAL QUOTED NEWS STORIES STATING FRENCH AND
 ITALIANS NOT WILLING RISK WAR OVER BERLIN. REPEATED ATTEMPTS
 MISCONSTRUE U.S. POSITION GAVE IMPRESSION ZEGAL WISHED REPORT
 CONFIRMATION FROM U.S. OFFICIAL OF VALIDITY SOU AIMS IN GERMANY. FULL
 REPORT ON CONVERSATION IN AMEMBASSY AIRGRAM A-18 DATED 13 AUGUST 61.

END OF MESSAGE

C/S COMMENT: *ACTION UNIT DETERMINED AS THOUGH INDICATOR REDWOOD USED
 **Requested all EET and details needed to interpret the significance
 of Soviet use of agent assets and other intelligence channels for estimate of U.S. and
 Allied position and intentions in Berlin.

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