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CONTROL-RELATED ARTICLES

1. ELIOT BRENNER OF THE UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL RE-
PORTED (QUOTE): A TOP PENTAGON OFFICIAL SAID WEDNESDAY
THAT SOVIET VIOLATIONS OF ARMS TREATIES MAKE IT-ESSENTIAL
FOR CONGRESS TO FUND THE U.S. STRATEGIC WEAPONS PROGRAM -
AT THE LEVEL PRESIDENT REAGAN HAS REQUESTED. ASSISTANT
DEFENSE SECRETARY RICHARD PERLE TOLD THE SENATE AP-
PROPRIATIONS DEFENSE SUBCOMMITTEE THAT THE-SOVIETS ARE

VIOLATING BOTH EXISTING TREATIES AND THE UNRATIFIED SALT II AGREEMENT. "WE MUST RECOGNIZE THAT THE PROBLEM OF SOVIET ARMS CONTROL VIOLATIONS HAS YET TO BE SOLVED," PERLE SAID. "WE MUST, IF WE ARE NOT TO FACE AN EXPANDING PATTERN OF SOVIET VIOLATIONS, SEE THAT SUCH VIOLATIONS CARRY -COSTS AT LEAST EQUAL TO THE GAINS THEY DERIVE FROM THEM. (UNQUOTE)

2. HENRY TREWHITT OF THE BALTIMORE SUN REPORTED (QUOTE): SECRETARY OF STATE GEORGE P. SHULTZ SAID YESTERDAY THE ADMINISTRATION WOULD NOT NECESSARILY FAVOR-EXTENDING - PRESENT NUCLEAR ARMS RESTRAINTS WHEN THEY EXPIRED PARTLY BECAUSE THE SOVIETS HAVE EXPLOITED THEM TO U.S. DISADVANTAGE. HE SHOWED DISSATISFACTION WITH PRESENT TERMS FOR LIMITING LONG-RANGE NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND WITH PRACTICE UNDER THE TREATY LIMITING DEFENSES AGAINST SUCH WEAPONS. IN THE LATTER CASE HE DID NOT BLAME THE SOVIETS. BUT HE DID SAY THEY HAD BENEFITED BY PUSHING AHEAD WITH A DEFENSIVE SYSTEM WHILE THE UNITED STATES CHOSE NOT TO DO SO. THE ISSUES ARE NOT ACUTE IN EITHER CASE. CURRENT VOLUNTARY LIMITS ON LONG-RANGE WEAPONS DO NOT EXPIRE UNTIL THE END OF 1985. THE TREATY RESTRAINING ANTI-BALLISTIC MISSILE (ABM) SYSTEMS IS OPEN-ENDED, SUBJECT TO PERIODIC UNCLASSIFIED

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REVIEW. (UNQUOTE)

3. RUTH MARCOS OF THE WASHINGTON POST REPORTED (QUOTE): TWO AMERICAN SCIENTISTS SAID HERE ... THEY HAVE CONCRETE EVIDENCE THAT "YELLOW RAIN" IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, WHICH THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION HAS BLAMED ON SOVIET CHEMICAL WARFARE, IS EXCRETION BY MASSIVE SWARMS OF WILD HONEYBEES. HARVARD BIOCHEMIST MATTHEW MESELSON AND YALE ZOOLOGIST AND HONEYBEE SPECIALIST THOMAS D. SEELEY TOLD A HARVARD UNIVERSITY NEWS CONFERENCE THAT THEIR RECENT EXPERIENCE IN THAILAND PROVED THIS. SEELEY SAID THE PAIR, ACCOMPANIED BY A THAI BEE EXPERT, "HAD THE GOOD FORTUNE" TO BE HIT WITH DROPS OF BEE EXCREMENT DURING A FIVE-MINUTE "YELLOW-RAIN" SHOWER WHILE THEY WERE OBSERVING HONEYBEE NESTS NEAR LAMPHUN VILLAGE IN NORTHERN THAILAND. (UNQUOTE) SHULTZ

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