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6. SECTION II - Blaricht Position:

State Council Chairman Walter Blaricht, head of SED, is no longer a member of the FDGB Executive. For the first time since the FDGB was founded, he was not elected to that body at the Sixth FDGB Congress which ended this weekend. This probably did not allow his name to be included among the candidates because of the number of his posts. Adolf Hamoske, the initiator of the "Aktivists Movement" in the Soviet Zone, has also left the executive. The newly elected FDGB executive now has 233 members; previously there were 199. Of this 116 were elected to that body for the first time. (FEIS 44, 25 Nov) (555)

7. SECTION I - Protocol On Exchange of Goods Between Bulgaria And Yugoslavia:

A protocol on the exchange of goods between Bulgaria and Yugoslavia in 1964 was signed in Sofia. During the year Bulgaria will supply Yugoslavia with machine tools, farm machinery, means of transport, machinery for food industry, electric equipment, chemicals, and other goods; it will import from Yugoslavia construction materials, means of transport, engines for ships, chemicals for use in agriculture, paper, cables, tires, and so forth. The protocol was signed by Maria M Krulev, head of a department of the Bulgarian Ministry Of Foreign Trade, and Alexander Druljaca, head of a department of the Yugoslav State Secretariat For Foreign Trade. (FEIS 45, 25 Nov) (556)

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8. SECTION III/1 - First Reaction from People in

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to Kennedy's Assassination:

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The following is the full text of a mass information report on reactions of US President Kennedy, EXEMPT

EXEMPT dated 23 November 1963 according to a report from EXEMPT streamers of black crepe were displayed this evening in the areas of city in connection with the assassination of the President of the United States.

This is concentrated in particular on two thoroughfares. Crepe was likewise displayed in the show window of the MGT, on the show windows at the railroad station, on the board on Bahnhofstrasse; on a wooden door at the railroad station; in the waiting room of the Reichsbahn and in the waiting room of the VEB Kraftverkehr.

In addition to this, workers Merkel from Brand-Fabrikadorf flew the DDR flag with red, white and blue bunting this morning. Responsible comrades held discussion with him.

In EXEMPT comprise the EXEMPT was smeared in white oil paints EXEMPT mourning for Kennedy.

A similar slogan was placed opposite the council of Erico Karl-Mary-Stadt rural.

Colleague Naumova of the EXEMPT ((I G)) Gostitsky Strasse, declared: "The Reds did it; there will be a world war for sure."

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11. SECTION III/8 - Probable Reference.....continuation of:
 and move at 1400Z. The Regimental Headquarters was then informed by a speaker
 at the site that he (the speaker at the site) was going to proceed to the
 [EXEMPT] Site to check out the equipment. This person is believed to be
 associated with the [EXEMPT] support facility at [EXEMPT] and was
 probably making technical checks of equipment at the [EXEMPT]
 [EXEMPT] Sites prior to the movement of these sites.
 Since the [EXEMPT] site was ordered to practice only three hours prior
 to the scheduled time of movement of the site the move may be a mobility
 exercise rather than abandonment of the site.
 (DIRNSA 2/0 [EXEMPT] 2211-63, 251800Z Nov) (TSE)

12. CATEGORY 13 - [EXEMPT] Situation Report No. 112 - Political/Economic:
 [EXEMPT] on 22 November [EXEMPT] press, radio and television
 had been advised by the Party Agitation Commission in Berlin to "take note
 of a report" which implicated Fascist circles in the assassination of President
 Kennedy.
 Further to para. 2 of 2 [EXEMPT] 02463 regarding the murder of one and possible
 [EXEMPT] Taxi-drivers by Soviet Citizens in Dresden, [EXEMPT]
 [EXEMPT] that further local discussions on the matter
 were undesirable since ((5 Percent the Soviets could easily get wind of it)).
 A new Church Law ((Amtszuchtsgesetz)) approval at a recent meeting of the
 Mecklenburger Landes Synode ((probably the Synod of the Mecklenburger State
 Church)) which ended on 9th November, has caused considerable alarm among
 party members, the law, the main aim of which is apparently to "remove"
 clergymen branded as "progressives" ((a probable reference to those who voted
 in the recent election)), was approved despite the intervention of the Bishop,
 who forbade it, and of the party which solicited at least 15 Clergymen to post
 strong objections, while the party has branded the law as invalid, because it
 is concerned with the whole of Germany whereas there are two separate German
 states. Full reasons for refutation are to be worked out in detail later.
 [EXEMPT] 2 [EXEMPT] 02480, 251644Z Nov) (TSE)

13. SECTION III/8 - Alert in Eastern Naval District Relaxed, 23 November:
 As a result of the death of President Kennedy, the Eastern Naval District
 of Cuba was placed on an alert on [EXEMPT] on 22 November by Bases, Headquarters
 for that District, but [EXEMPT] on 23 November, the alert was relaxed a certain
 degree by Bases; instructions were passed to [EXEMPT] a subordinate,
 to give leave to 25 percent of their personnel. For the 23rd and 24th and that
 further orders would be forthcoming on 25 November 1963.
 COMMENT: The authorization to grant leave to personnel is an indication that
 the alert is somewhat relaxed and the note that further instructions would be
 issued on Monday, 25 November indicates that a convergent view has been adopted
 for the situation by Cuban Naval authorities in the Eastern Naval District.
 (DIRNSA 2/0 [EXEMPT] 196-63, 251615Z Nov) (TSE)