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THE FOLLOWING ARE ASSESSMENTS BY PMG ROME ON:

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2. POLAND : "KOR AND THE CATHOLIC MOVEMENT"
ACCORDING TO FIRST IMPRESSIONS, THE POLISH POPULATION'S FEELINGS
APPEAR TO BE OF RELIEF VIS-A-VS THE POSITIVE CONCLUSION
OF THE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND WORKERS, TOGETHER WITH
A WIDESPREAD AND CAUTIOUS EXPECTATION FOR THEIR ENSUING
FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS.
- KOR (THE SOCIAL SELF-DEFENSE COMMITTEE) WOULD NOW BE IN A
WAITING STAGE, RESULTING FROM THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED SITUATION.
KOR LEADER JACEK KURON, AT FREEDOM AGAIN AFTER HIS ARREST ON
20 AUGUST LAST, HAS CONSISTENTLY INVITED MODERATION.
THE INTELLECTUALS OF THE DISSENT DO NOT APPARENTLY INTEND TO
OPENLY CHALLENGE THE NEW POLISH LEADERSHIP, BUT RELY IN PROSPECT
ON THE LIVE FORCES GENERATED BY AUGUST'S UNRESTS.

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- A SIMILARLY CAUTIOUS TREND IS EVIDENCED BY TRADE UNION LEADER JAN PALESKA, WHO INTER ALIA HAS REPORTEDLY SHOWN NO INTEREST IN THE SCHEDULED MEETING WITH A BRITISH TRADE UNION DELEGATION, THIS FAVOURING ITS CANCELMENT.

- AS REGARDS THE CATHOLIC MOVEMENT, THE MODERATING INFLUENCE EXERTED IN PARTICULAR BY CARDINAL WYSZYNSKY DURING THE FINAL STAGE OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND WORKERS IS ECHOED BY THE LATEST ARTICLES IN THE CATHOLIC-INSPIRED PRESS, WHEREIN STRESS IS LAID ON THE NEED FOR RESTORING UNQUALIFIED TRUST BETWEEN THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT, BASED NOT SO MUCH ON

WORDS AS ON FACTS.

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