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1. [REDACTED] PRO-COMMUNIST FORCES INCLUDING SUKARNO ARE HOPING TO SALVAGE SITUATION BY FORMATION OF "NEW" COMMUNIST PARTY WHICH WOULD APPEAR TO BE CLOSER TO USIH THAN TO CHICOMS.

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2. SOVIET COUNSELOR EXPRESSED HOPE TO WESTERN DIPLOMAT THAT PRESENT ANTI-PKI WRATH OF ARMY AND MOSLEMS WOULD NOT DETERIORATE INTO ATTACK ON COMMUNISTS AS SUCH. EMBASSY MOSCOW REPORTS ALSO SHOW EQUIVOCAL TREATMENT OF

CURRENT INDO SITUATION AND SEEM TO POINT TO POSSIBLE CAMPAIGN TO DEFEND PKI IF PKI CAN BE SEPARATED FROM CHICOMS.

3. AMERICAN JOURNALIST HAS BEEN TOLD BY INDO SOURCES THAT SOVIET EMBASSY ACTIVELY PURSUING CONTACTS WITH SECONDARY-LEVEL PKI CADRES IN ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE FORMATION OF NEW MOSCOW-ORIENTED PARTY.

4. COMMENT: APPARENT CATASTROPHE FOR PKI RESULTING FROM ITS INVOLVEMENT IN SEPTEMBER 30 MOVEMENT HAS OPENED OPPORTUNITY FOR SOVIET UNION TO SEEK REORIENTATION OF PKI. FURTHER COMMENT ON IMPLICATIONS OF SEPTEMBER 30 AFFAIR FOR SOVIET POLICY AND PROBABLE FUTURE ORIENTATION OF PKI REPORTED SETTEL.

