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SUBJ: SHANGHAI MEDIA REACTION--MAY 21, 1992

HEADLINES:

1. U.S. AND KAZAKHSTAN REACH AGREEMENT ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS
2. JOHN KENNEDY WAS KILLED BY ONE GUNMAN, TWO BULLETS

1. THE MAY 21 WENHUI DAILY (CIRCULATION 1,000,000) CARRIED A
PAGE-4 ARTICLE BY ITS WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT, ZHU XINGFU,
REPORTING ON THE NUCLEAR WEAPONS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE U.S. AND
KAZAKHSTAN. A TRANSLATION FOLLOWS:

"...THE U.S. AND KAZAKHSTAN REACHED AN AGREEMENT IN WASHINGTON
TUESDAY ON THE ELIMINATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN KAZAKHSTAN.
THE AGREEMENT MARKS IMPORTANT PROGRESS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE
FORMER SOVIET REPUBLICS ON HOW TO CARRY OUT THE START TREATY
SIGNED IN 1991 AND HOW TO CONTROL THE PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR
WEAPONS IN THE FORMER SOVIET UNION.

"...KAZAKH PRESIDENT NAZARBAYEV VOWED AFTER HOLDING TALKS WITH
PRESIDENT BUSH TUESDAY THAT KAZAKHSTAN WOULD REMOVE THE 104
SOVIET MADE SS-18 LONG RANGE NUCLEAR MISSILES IN ITS
TERRITORY. HE ALSO INDICATED THAT, UPON APPROVAL BY ITS
PARLIAMENT, KAZAKHSTAN WILL JOIN THE INTERNATIONAL
NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY.

"...BECAUSE ITS NATIONAL SECURITY HAD NOT BEEN EFFECTIVELY
GUARANTEED, KAZAKHSTAN HAS NOT BEEN WILLING TO ABANDON ITS
UNCLASSIFIED
NUCLEAR WEAPONS. AFTER EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH OTHER FORMER SOVIET REPUBLICS AND THE U.S., KAZAKHSTAN DECIDED TO GIVE UP NUCLEAR WEAPONS. NAZARBAYEV SAID THAT THE U.S. IS WILLING TO RECOGNIZE KAZAKHSTAN AS AN INDEPENDENT PARTY WITH REGARD TO THE REDUCTION OF STRATEGIC NUCLEAR WEAPONS. BESIDES, U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE BAKER REITERATED IN A LETTER THE U.S. PROMISE TO PROTECT NUCLEAR-FREE COUNTRIES AFTER THEY HAVE SIGNED THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY.

"THE U.S. SIGNED A SIMILAR PACT WITH UKRAINE TWO WEEKS AGO. TO ENSURE THE NON-PROLIFERATION AND ABSOLUTE SECURITY OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN THE FORMER SOVIET UNION, THE U.S. IS NEGOTIATING WITH RUSSIA, BELORUSSIA, UKRAINE AND KAZAKHSTAN ON PROCEDURES FOR ELIMINATING NUCLEAR WEAPONS. REPORTEDLY THE U.S. MAY SIGN A REVISED START WITH THE FOUR COUNTRIES IN LISBON AS EARLY AS THIS WEEKEND.

"THE U.S. IS HAPPY ABOUT KAZAKHSTAN'S PROMISE. A U.S. OIL COMPANY HAS DECIDED TO INVEST 10 BILLION DOLLARS IN KAZAK OIL FIELDS OVER THE NEXT 40 YEARS. THE U.S. ALSO SIGNED TRADE AND BILATERAL INVESTMENT AGREEMENTS WITH KAZAKHSTAN TUESDAY." 2. THE SAME EDITION OF WENHUI DAILY CARRIED ANOTHER PAGE-4 ARTICLE BY UNITED NATIONS CORRESPONDENT ZHANG HUAPI, REPORTING ON THE RECENT STATEMENTS BY TWO PATHOLOGISTS WHO CONDUCTED THE AUTOGRAPHY ON PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY. A TRANSLATION FOLLOWS:

"DR. GEORGE LUNDBERG, EDITOR IN CHIEF OF THE JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, REVEALED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK TUESDAY THAT, AFTER INTERVIEWING THE TWO PATHOLOGISTS WHO PERFORMED THE AUTOGRAPHY ON PRESIDENT KENNEDY, HE CONCLUDED THAT THE PRESIDENT WAS KILLED BY TWO BULLETS FIRED FROM BEHIND. THE GUNMAN USED A RIFLE. DR. LUNDBERG FIERCELY ATTACKED PEOPLE WHO BELIEVE IN A CONSPIRACY BEHIND THE MURDER; THEY ARE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF A PRESIDENT TO FISH FOR FAME AND ADULATION.

"SINCE THE FILM 'JFK' CAME OUT LAST YEAR, MANY PEOPLE BELIEVE THAT KENNEDY WAS MURDERED IN A CONSPIRACY. DOCTORS JAMES HUMES AND THORNTON EOSWELL, THE TWO PATHOLOGISTS WHO PERFORMED THE AUTOGRAPHY ON THE PRESIDENT, BROKE A 28-YEAR-LONG SECRECY."
SILENCE TO SAY THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE THAT A THIRD BULLET HIT KENNEDY, AND NO EVIDENCE THAT ANY BULLET WAS SHOT FROM ANOTHER DIRECTION. THEY DENIED THAT THEIR ORIGINAL REPORT HAS BEEN ALTERED BY ANY SENIOR OFFICIALS OR THAT THEY HAVE CHANGED THEIR CONCLUSION UNDER PRESSURE. THEY ALSO RULED OUT THE POSSIBILITY THAT KENNEDY'S BODY WAS HANDLED BEFORE THE AUTOPSY. THE TWO DOCTORS SUPPORT THE OFFICIAL WARREN COMMISSION'S FINDINGS. THE TWO PATHOLOGISTS WERE THEN DOCTORS AT THE BETHESDA NAVAL HOSPITAL IN A SUBURB OF WASHINGTON. THEY PERFORMED THE FOUR-

HOUR LONG AUTOPSY AFTER KENNEDY'S BODY WAS TRANSPORTED TO THE HOSPITAL.

"...ON NOVEMBER 22, 1963, WHEN KENNEDY'S MOTORCADE WAS MOVING ALONG A DALLAS STREET, A GUNMAN NAMED LEE HARVEY OSWALD SHOT KENNEDY IN THE BACK OF THE HEAD FROM THE WINDOW OF A BUILDING ON THE STREET. MOST AMERICANS DO NOT BELIEVE IN THE CONCLUSION DRAWN BY THE OFFICIAL WARREN COMMISSION. NEITHER DO THEY BELIEVE THAT OSWALD'S ACTION WAS AN INDEPENDENT ONE. LOCAL COMMENTATORS THINK THAT, AT A TIME WHEN U.S. OFFICIALS ARE JUST GETTING READY TO REVEAL PART OF THE MATERIALS ON KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION, HOW MUCH THE COMMENTARY BY THE JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION WILL COUNT FOR IS STILL HARD TO PREDICT."

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