

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO :

DATE: December 10, 1973

FROM :

The Ambassador *NA*

SUBJECT:

Prime Minister Hoveyda asked me today if General Secretary Brezhnev is having internal political problems. He cited the recent Suslov speech in Lithuania and the handling of it in the Moscow press as an example of disagreements in the Politburo.

Would you please query your headquarters and ask them if they have any current analysis of the internal Soviet political situation. If not, do they have any study which addresses this Brezhnev-Suslov disagreement?

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