1) Gaining at some time of consistency in our...

2) Salt is key. We are down to a handful of issues but they are hard. We are not working on any deal but would like to see progress.

3) If there is progress in Salt this would lead to a summit which would open broad discussion on bilateral and other issues.

4) Slow but steady progress is often easier to control.

5) Still face rough spots in our bilateral relation.

6) Problem: Sino-Soviet generals steal (Casual case, journalist).

   However, dissident trials have left bad odor. Stakes.

   Sourced extensively dispersed over territory from...

   In trade US-SSSR Trade in progress to forward with some 200 projects (10-20 billion)

   Council will meet in the fall of US-Soviet Joint Committee meeting attended by Blumenthal & Kings.

   Trade grew about 150% in 1975-76 dropped in 1977 - climb in trade in 1978.

7) Trade has been substantial increase

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Global

1) Looking out from Moscow - they have many
   problems - about which they have strong
   apprehensions.

   a) Eastern Europe - Poland, East Germany,
      Hungary, Romania (worried about national
      uniting)

   b) China - obsessed with dangers of
      a more vigorous China -
      Japan, growing closer

2) Having our to the next ring of circles

   a) Europe - growing stronger - NATO
      attempts at improving relations with
      France
   b) M.E.
      Feels they have lost ground in Arab
      area.

      Arab - Israeli
      Possible coalition, Iraq, Iran, Syria
      (Battista - similar international view)

3) Africa
   Mixed bag - gained some ground - lost
   elsewhere - i.e., Egypt, Sudan, Somalia
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   a) How - Colunel Man - Egypt - Colunel - Sri
      still present
      local pastors such as last report
      for T.V. news - uncertainty in Oujda -
      contrasts for behavior

   b) Central
      Zanz - Angus

   c) Southern - remain big question
      Western have not sought to control block in
      Namibia - but have been actively opposed
      (11) Rhodesia - suspected -
      being more covertly - but presence of
      political pressure - Impacted area future action