January 21, 1963 Secret Telegram from Rapacki (New Delhi) to Naszkowski (Warsaw) [Ciphergram No. 915]

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Summary:

Memorandum of conversation between Adam Rapacki and Jawaharlal Nehru. Nehru discusses difficulties between India and China, and aid received from the United States and Great Britain.

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Urgent

Naszkowski

On Sunday from the conversation with [Indian Prime Minister Jawaharlal] Nehru.

- 1. I presented to him our view on the international situation (Cuba, the German question, disarmament). I emphasized the role of non-aligned nations. I presented the prospect of future development of Polish-Indian economic relations.
- 2. In his reply, Nehru first of all assumed a positive attitude towards economic talks.
- 3. [Nehru] avoided any critical remarks directed toward the US, only expressing hopes as to the development of Kennedy's political line. He emphasized that he received help from the US and England during critical times [an obvious allusion to Washington's support during border clashes with China the previous fall].
- 4. As far as the PRC, he was very brief ("we have serious difficulties with the Chinese.") He said that they accepted the Colombo proposition, but until now they haven't received a reply from the PRC. He is in favor of a cease-fire. I agreed, while expressing hope that both sides would soon come to an agreement.
- 5. I emphasized India's devotion to the policy of neutrality. He added that they emphasized this to the US and England at the time they received aid from them and [stressed that] they would not change this policy.

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Deciphered on 01.21. at 19:30

Deciphered by Jaszczak, checked by Fiutowski

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