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The Committee for State Security [KGB] of the USSR Soviet of Ministers

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[Attention:] CPSU Central Committee

The arson of the Muslim Al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem by the Israelis has caused sharp reaction from the Indian public. The issue was debated in India's parliament on 26 August, where the Foreign Minister, DINESH SINGH, noted in his statement that 'the government and the people of India are deeply shocked by this event'.

The KGB station in India is capable of organizing a protest demonstration at the US Embassy to India, with up to 20,000 Muslims participating. The expenses for organizing the demonstration would amount to 5,000 Indian rupees and be covered from the funds allocated by the CPSU Central Committee for special measures in India in 1969-1971.

For your consideration.

Chairman of the KGB:

[signed] ANDROPOV

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