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STOCKHOLM, SEPT 3 -- (RFE SPECIAL/HENRY) -- THE NORDIC FOREIGN MINISTERSTODAY OPENED THEIR ROUTINE AUTUMN GATHERING TO DISCUSS WORLD ISSUES AND SPECIFIC TOPICS OF SPECIAL SCANDINAVIAN INTEREST.

THE FOREIGN MINISTERS FROM THE FOUR SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES AND ICELAND MEET EACH YEAR PRIOR TO THE CONVENING OF THE U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO GO OVER SUCH MATTERS IN ORDER TO COORDINATE THEIR U.N. EFFORTS WHEREVER POSSIBLE.

OF SPECIAL SCANDINAVIAN INTEREST THIS YEAR IS SWEDENS EFFORT TO GET ONTO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FLOOR A GLOBAL PROJECT TO PRESERVE NATURAL RESOURCES AND TO FIGHT AIR AND WATER POLLUTION, ETC.

THE NORDIC MINISTERS ALSO ARE DISCUSSING FINLAND AS NEXT NORTHERN EUROPEAN SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBER, IN SUCCESSION OF DENMARK.

AND THEY ARE HOLDING A TOUR DHORIZON OF GLOBAL ISSUES, INCLUDING THE INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, EUROPEAN SECURITY, BIAFRA, THE MIDDLE EAST AND VIETNAM, PLUS DISARMAMENT.

THE MEETING IS TO END TOMORROW NOON WITH A COMMUNIQUE.

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