

Brezhnev Linked to Kissinger Trip

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Washington, April 26 - Leonid I. Brezhnev, the Soviet Communist party leader, personally initiated Henry A. Kissinger's secret weekend trip to Moscow, a well-placed administration source said today.

Mr. Brezhnev and Mr. Kissinger discussed the Vietnam situation and other issues sure to arise during President Nixon's visit to the Soviet Union next month.

..... It was understood that Mr. Brezhnev and Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko affirmed the Soviet view that the Paris negotiations should be resumed. Last night, Washington and Saigon announced that they would end their boycott of the sessions, and in Paris today the Vietnamese Communists agreed to attend tomorrow.

..... By resuming the talks, the Administration is testing not only Hanoi's intentions, the Administration source said, but also Moscow's leverage on the North Vietnamese. The general view here is that although Moscow has limited influence over Hanoi's actions, it serves as a conduit for North Vietnam's views.

..... Mr. Brezhnev's decision to spend four days with Mr. Kissinger was viewed by Soviet specialists here as unprecedented in recent Soviet history. He has never spent this much time with an aide to a top official.

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