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Romanian officials are once again raising the issue of the unification of Moldova and Romania.

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□To send a report to the International Division of the CC CPSU in the Apparatus of the President of the USSR, the Cabinet of Ministers of the USSR, and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the USSR (proposed).

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□The Romanian leaders are clearly changing their approach to the Moldavian problem. If up until recently, they stated the absence of serious differences with the USSR on this count, now Bessarabia and Bukovina are again being called "primordially Romanian" territories, which were "forcibly included in the area of the Soviet state."

□In logical order, they are parading their intentions to "support the growing Romanian influence in Bessarabia" (the governmental program of reforms), to "struggle for independence for the republic of Moldova" (Prime-minister P. Roman's interview in "Die Welt," 28 November 1990), and the statements of other political leaders - from the leaders of the National liberation front to the Tsarists - which voice nostalgia for "Greater Romania." It is not impossible that among the motives for changing the duration of I. Iliescu's visit to Moscow, a certain role might have been played by the Romanian side's desire not to specify the [sides'] obligations on the territorial issue and the rights of national minorities in the new treaty being prepared between our countries.

□In their turn, Moldavian supporters of removing the boundaries again have been noticeably active. Not only the leaders of the National Front of Moldova, but also the President of Moldovan SSR, M. Snegur, now express "unification tendencies." While visiting Romania on 12-14 February 1991, he voiced the necessity of giving a "new impulse" to Moldavian-Romanian relations,...

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