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Re-Moscow visit

It was agreed that Osnos would leave about July 1, take a month's vacation and then some weeks to settle in. (He has to buy a house in Washington, for example). He will start work in the newsroom on Sept. 6. He will set up David Satter as his back-up correspondent to be on call for us while Moscow is unstaffed. He will break up his next R & R, in Italy beginning April 20, to go to Cairo and visit with Lippmans and take a measure of the situation there. At my request, Osnos is going to attempt to be a writing foreign editor to the extent at least of keeping up his ~~Kremlinologist~~ Kremlinologist interests and writing occasionally on the USSR and East Europe. Osnos complains that lately he has been getting the Capital edition and he thinks correspondents should get the FINAL. He thinks we ought to use more FT copy out of East Europe, and he particularly recommends Paul Lendvai.

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