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1 [Reception: fair]

2 1. Russian Congress of People's Deputies opened in Moscow. Khasbulatov quoted at opening session. Yeltsin quoted from 7 March. Referendum questions noted.

3 2. Gorbachev called for Congress to discuss holding early elections to Russian governing bodies, speaking on Moscow TV 9 March.

4 3. Clinton declared G7 meeting on aid to Russia might be held before Tokyo summit, speaking in Washington. He earlier discussed same with Nixon.

5 4. Shevardnadze described agreement with Russia as vitally important for his country, speaking before Georgian parliament.

6 5. Tajik Government hopes to stabilize situation by peaceful political means, said prime minister.

7 6. United States and Russia to invite Arab countries and Israel to resume Middle East talks in Washington 20 April, said officials in Washington.

8 7. Foreign news: Bosnia; Afghanistan; Indonesia; Angola; Nicaragua/Costa Rica; Paris Metro.

9 8. Ukraine celebrated 179th birth anniversary of classical poet.

10 9. International festival dedicated to 175th birth anniversary of ballet choreographer opens at Bolshoi tomorrow.

11 10. First Moscow international biennial art exhibition for May/June next year.

12 11. Russia to patent new airliner dubbed a flying saucer.

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