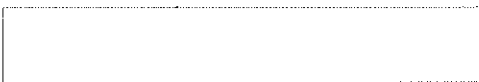




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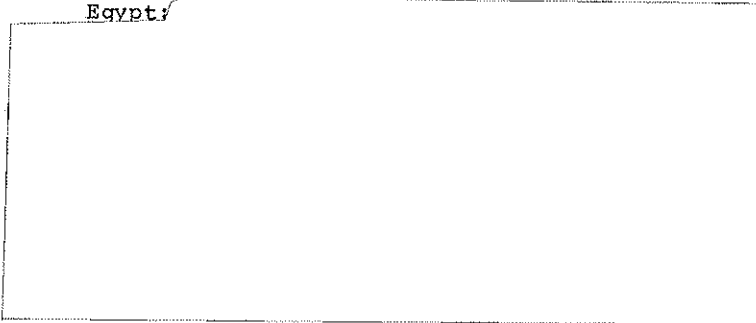
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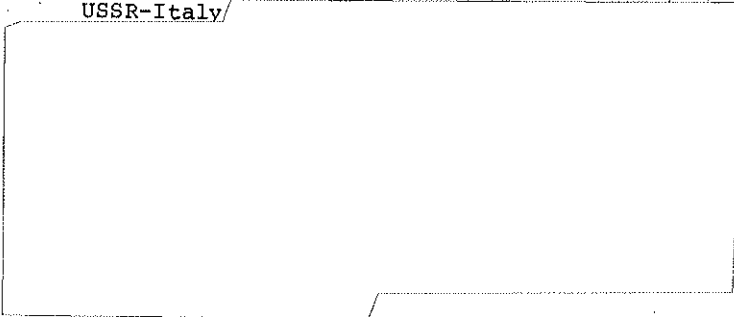
recovery of Luna-16 yesterday went smoothly and the space capsule carrying lunar soil samples was found promptly in Soviet central Asia after landing by parachute. According to a TASS announcement, an electric drill gathered the samples in the Sea of Fertility at depths of up to 14 inches. The amount of lunar soil brought back is unknown.

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The pattern of movement of Soviet space event support ships suggests that another lunar mission, possibly a circumlunar probe, may be attempted during October.

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USSR-Italy



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