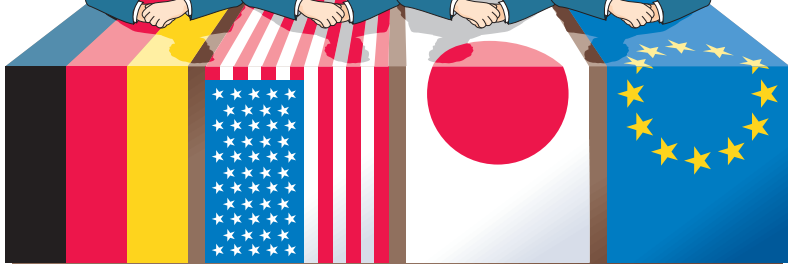
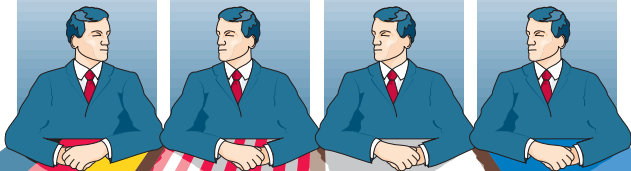


Humanitarian aid conference

Officials from 47 nations and seven international aid organizations are discussing how best to provide food, fuel, medicine, shelter and technical assistance to the former Soviet Union



Germany

\$36.7bn pledged in aid and credit over past two years. Includes payments to Russia for leaving eastern Germany



Germany, France and the U.S. propose that aid be linked to efforts by the Soviet states to reduce their nuclear capabilities

U.S.

\$5bn pledged in aid. Includes \$3.75bn in credits to buy food and agricultural products and \$25m in medicines

Japan

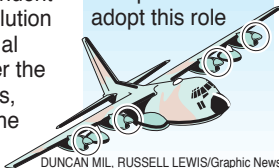
\$2.56bn pledged. \$52m to be paid by March. \$8m provided to date.



Aid is dependent on the resolution of a territorial dispute over the Kuril Islands, seized by the

E.C.

\$2.5bn expected to be pledged. France opposes NATO's role in airlifting aid to the former Soviet Union and wants the Western European Union to adopt this role



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