Also Apparent Hitch on Arms Pact

Summit Talks Snag on Trade

From Press Dispatches MOSCOW — President Nixon's summit talks snagged Thursday on difficult trade ne-gotiations as a hitch apparently developed in the drive to sign an historic accord to curb the nuclear arms race.

The President took a night off from his summit talks to go to the ballet and heard a voice raised in protest against his

Vietnamese policies. A shout, ''Freedom for Vietnam,'' sounded through the Bolshoi Theater between acts as he sat with Soviet President Nikolai V. Podgorny and Premier Alexei N. Kosygin for a performance

of "Swan Lake." But his summit talks with Soviet leaders produced a fifth prearranged agreement Thursday — this one to prevent highseas incidents involving the two nations' warships.

Before going through a rainy spring night to the ballet, the American chief executive held his seventh session with Soviet leaders. He talked for two hours about complex trade issues, and sources said the economic differences may not be fully resolved during the week-long summit.

There were signs also that hopes were dashed for a Friday signing of a two-step accord to limit strategic weapon stock-piles. (Related stories on Pages

8, 28.) Although sources said the arms race curb would be signed before the summit ended, the chief U.S. negotiator at the strategic arms limitation talks, Gerard Smith, delayed his

flight from Helsinki to Moscow. SALT conference sources in Helsinki indicated the delay was due to "some little, sticky, last-minute problem."

The top Kremlin leader, Com-munist party chief Leonid I. Brezhnev, did not participate in Thursday's talks with Nixon on trade, nor did he go to the ballet where the one-sentence Viet-(Cont. on Page 28, Col. 1)

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Part of Plan To Beef Up **Combat Units**

HEIDELBERG (Army) Four subordinate headquarters in USAREUR will be eliminated within the next 18 months in line with Defense Secretary Melvin R. Laird's announced plans to beef up U.S. ground combat forces from present manpower in Europe.

Scheduled for elimination, a USAREUR Hq announcement said Thursday, are the Combat Support Comd of U.S. Army Europe and 7th Army at Patton Barracks here, the European office of the Army Materiel Comd (MATCOM) at Zwei-bruecken, a support command at Pirmasens not yet identified. at Pirmasens not yet identified, and the Management Information System Support Agency at Karlsruhe. "All of these people will be

reassigned," a USAREUR spokesman said.

In Brussels Wednesday, Laird old the NATO defense minis-



HEIDELBERG (S&S) - Two stolen German cars, disguised with stolen U.S. Forces license plates, smüggled death into Campbell Barracks.

German police reported Thursday that two automobiles

at the center of bomb blasts which killed three U.S. soldiers at USAREUR Hq here Wednesday night had been stolen earlier this month from German owners in Bensberg, near Cologne, and in Mannheim. The green U.S. Forces plates which provided the bombers the fenced and walled complex had been stolen from the vehicles of U.S. servicemen stationed in Neu Ulm. German police investigators said the U.S. plates had been fastened over the German plates on the cars.

were making the announcement at a midafternoon press conference, U.S. authorities were releasing the identities of the three dead,

They were Capt. Clyde R. Bonner, 29, Spec. 6 Ronald A. (Cont. on Page 28, Ool. 8)

An Air Force announcement said some 90 military personnel in the unit will be reassigned in the closing, which also affects 12 U.S. and five local employes. USAF activities will make "every effort possible to alleviate any hardship caused by involuntary separation of these civilian employes," the announcement added.