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 -----Forwarded message:From: AOLNewsProfiles@aol.netDate: 97-01-26 13:13:21 EST<HTML><PRE><I>.c The
 Associated Press</I></PRE></HTML> By ONNA CORAY Associated Press Writer ZURICH, Switzerland (AP) --
 Switzerland's ambassador toWashington described the mounting crisis over alleged Swissdealings with Nazis
 as a ``war" that must be won, a newspaperreported Sunday. An internal strategy report sent by Ambassador
 Carlo Jagmetti toSwitzerland in December also spoke of opponents who ``cannot be trusted," the
 SonntagsZeitung newspaper said. The undiplomatic language is likely to provoke new controversyregarding
 the neutral nation's dealings with Germany during WorldWar II. Jewish organizations in Switzerland demanded
 that Jagmetti besuspended. The Federation of Swiss Hebrew Congregations said theSwiss Cabinet should
 distance itself from the comments ``as soon as possible." Jewish groups claim Swiss banks hold up to \$7 billion
 of savingsbelonging to Jews killed in the Holocaust, as well as as gold andother valuables looted from the Jews
 by the Nazis. Swiss banks say the real figure is a tiny fraction of that. In the confidential document, which was
 leaked to the newspaperFriday, Jagmetti describes the barrage of allegations against thecountry as a ``war"
 that Switzerland ``has to fight and win on twofronts: external and internal." Jewish claims must be settled in
 one general payment, he said.Then ``peace would return on all levels." He also writes that a ``deal" to end the
 crisis is possiblebecause Jewish groups and U.S. Sen. Alfonse D'Amato ``must be quickly satisfied," the
 newspaper said. D'Amato, R-N.Y., claims that newly declassified U.S. wartimearchives indicate that
 Switzerland profited from dealings in lootedNazi gold. Swiss officials made no comment on the report
 regardingJagmetti's comments. It is the second time this month outspoken remarks by top Swissofficials have
 caused outrage. Outgoing President Jean-Pascal Delamuraz provoked aninternational outcry when he called
 demands by Jewish groups for areparations fund for Holocaust victims ``blackmail" and``extortion" in a New
 Year's Eve interview. The World Jewish Congress and the Jerusalem-based Jewish Agencythreatened boycotts
 against Swiss banks unless the governmentdistanced itself from the remarks. On Friday, the Swiss government
 and banking and industryofficials agreed to start discussions on setting up such a fund. AP-NY-01-26-97
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