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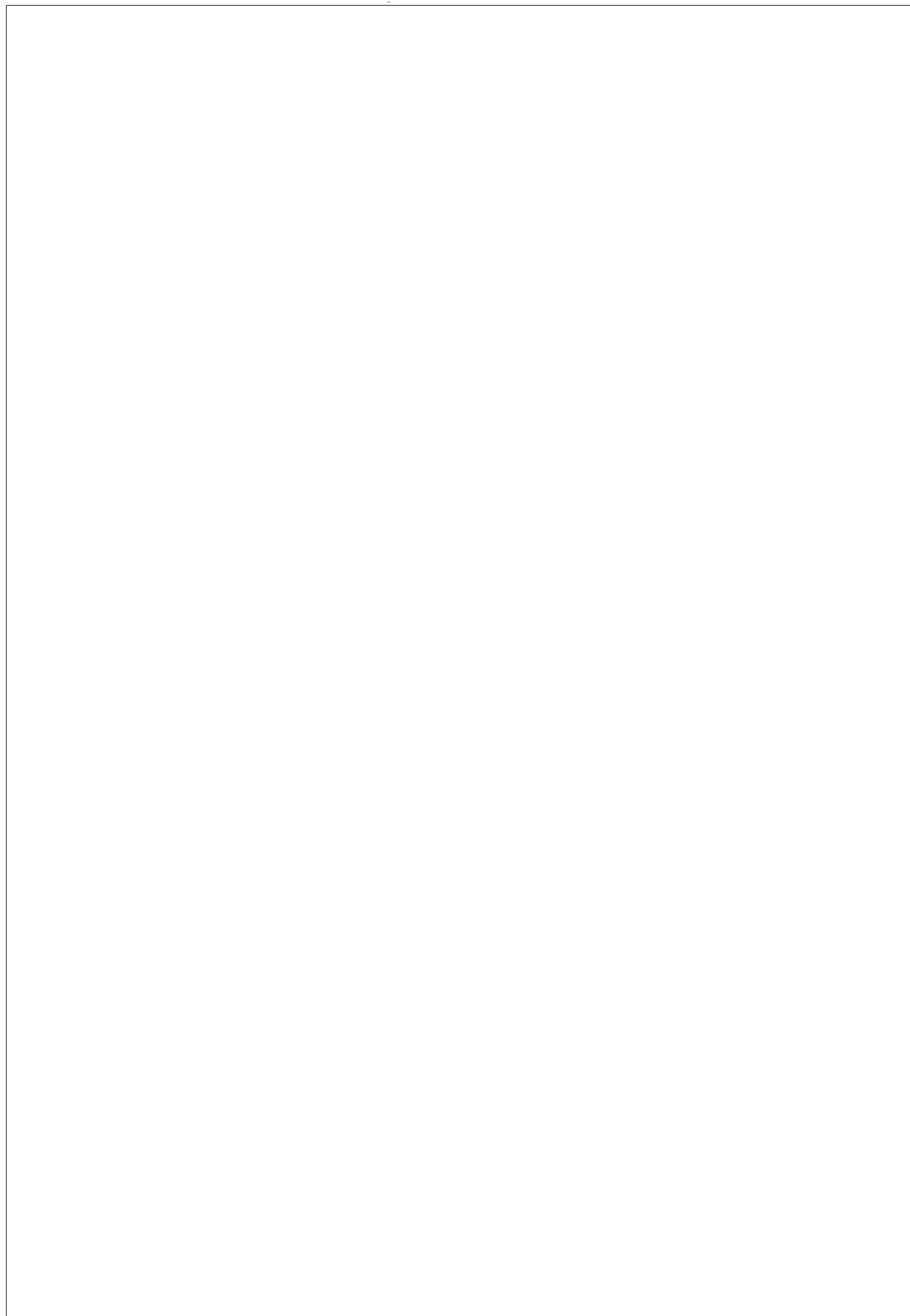
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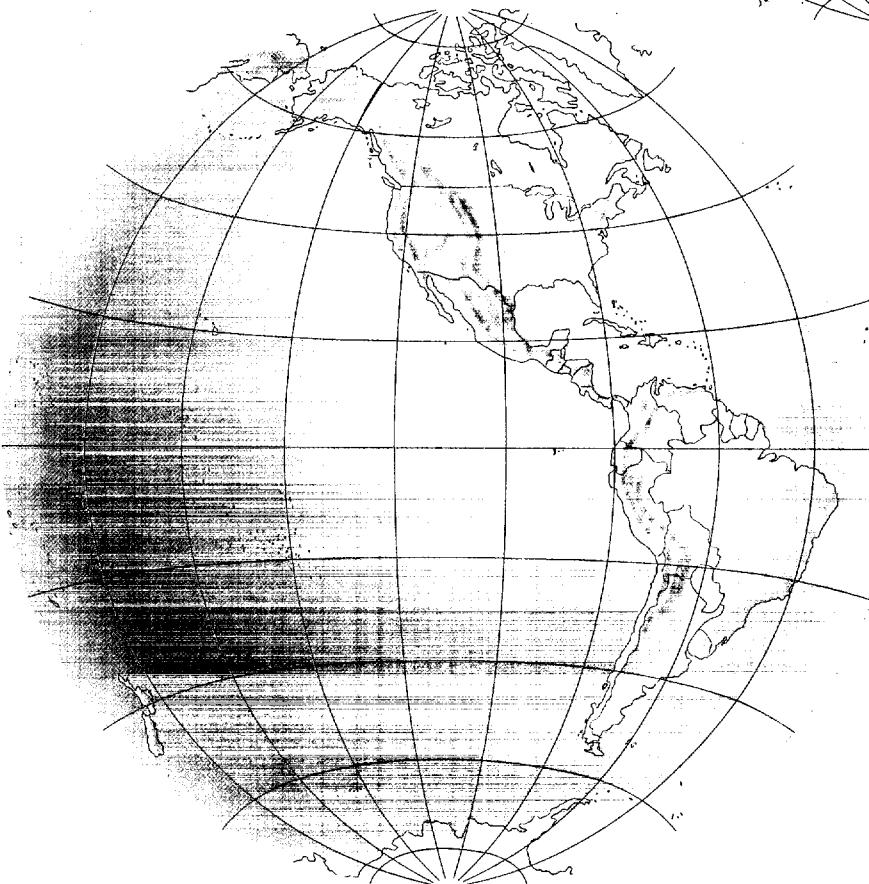
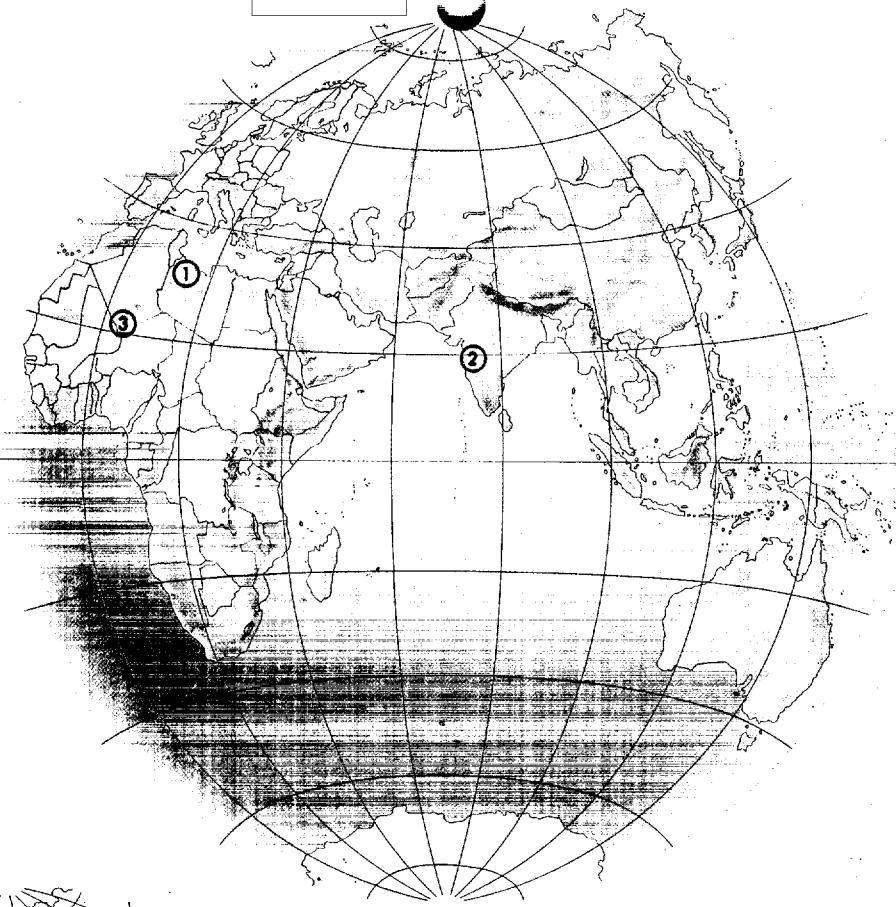
India--Khrushchev may offer to assist India in constructing nuclear power station.

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**III. THE WEST**

French nuclear test shot to take place at end of this week; arrangements made to handle publicity, particularly in African capitals.

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## DAILY BRIEF

## I. THE COMMUNIST BLOC

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## II. ASIA-AFRICA

Algeria: The Algerian rebels have formally requested Libya to "facilitate" the movement of Libyan volunteers to the rebel forces in Algeria.

This rebel action, which followed a public appeal for volunteers at the All-African People's Conference in Tunis, appears designed to identify the rebel cause with North African and Arab nationalism to the greatest extent possible, as well as to dramatize the rebels' willingness to continue the war. While rebel forces in Algeria have a continuing need for military technicians, their recent difficulties have stemmed more from shortages of supplies than of manpower.

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India-USSR: Recent reports in the Indian press suggest that the USSR may soon make a firm offer of aid in constructing India's first nuclear-powered electric generating station, a 250,000-kilowatt plant reportedly planned for the Ahmedabad area in Bombay State. These reports may have been given publicity by Indian officials in the hope of inducing the West to make equally firm offers of aid in this field. The USSR's top atomic energy expert is expected to arrive in India shortly, and Khrushchev's visit to India, scheduled to begin on 11 February, may provide the occasion for an announcement of atomic aid.

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### III. THE WEST

France:

the first French nuclear test shot will take place about the end of this week. The actual date of the explosion will depend on weather conditions. A special CEA representative has been sent to New York to handle the anticipated announcement to the American press. Statements have also been prepared for publication in the capitals of the independent African states, where there has been strong opposition to the tests.

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## I. THE COMMUNIST BLOC

## II. ASIA-AFRICA

### Algerian Rebels Soliciting Arab "Volunteers"

The Algerian rebels have formally requested Libya to "facilitate" the movement of Libyan volunteers to the rebel forces in Algeria.

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[redacted] nations represented at the recent All-African People's Conference at Tunis, which approved a Moroccan-Algerian proposal for "the formation of a corps of African volunteers" for the Algerian war.

The appeal for volunteers appears designed to identify the rebel cause with North African and Arab nationalism to the greatest extent possible, as well as to dramatize the rebels' willingness to continue the war. At a recent meeting in Tripoli of the Algerian provisional government, several rebel extremists who favored closer ties with the Sino-Soviet bloc were removed from positions of authority. The emphasis on "African" volunteers--"above all from Arab North Africa"--may be regarded by the rebels as a means of "internationalizing" the rebellion without creating opportunities for Communist penetration.

While rebel forces in Algeria have a continuing need for military technicians, their recent difficulties have stemmed more from shortages of supplies than of manpower. The Arab League foreign ministers, now meeting in Cairo, are expected to discuss the Algerian proposal, and will probably support it in principle. It is doubtful, however, whether a major drive for "volunteers" will be implemented, or that more than token groups will be sent.

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USSR May Offer to Assist Construction of Atomic Power Plant in India

Recent press reports in India state that the Indian Government is considering a Soviet offer to provide "technical and financial assistance" for the construction of India's first nuclear-power electric generating station, a 250,000-kilowatt plant reportedly planned for the Ahmedabad area in Bombay State. To date there has been no confirmation that any firm offer of aid has been made, and the US Embassy in New Delhi has suggested that these reports may have been circulated by India's AEC chairman in the hope of inducing the West to make firm offers for such construction.

The British, who are concerned over the possible consequences to the West if the USSR should make a more attractive bid, have shown a keen desire in conversations thus far to assist the Indians in the atomic field. The Indian Government, [redacted] has given indications that it would prefer this first plant to be built under Western aegis, although it might be willing to accept Soviet assistance for a second or third plant.

Notwithstanding this reported Indian preference, the expected arrival in India during early February of the USSR's top expert on nonmilitary uses of atomic energy suggests that the press reports have some substance. The Khrushchev visit to India, scheduled to begin 11 February, may provide the USSR with an occasion to announce a firm offer of nuclear aid to India. [redacted]

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