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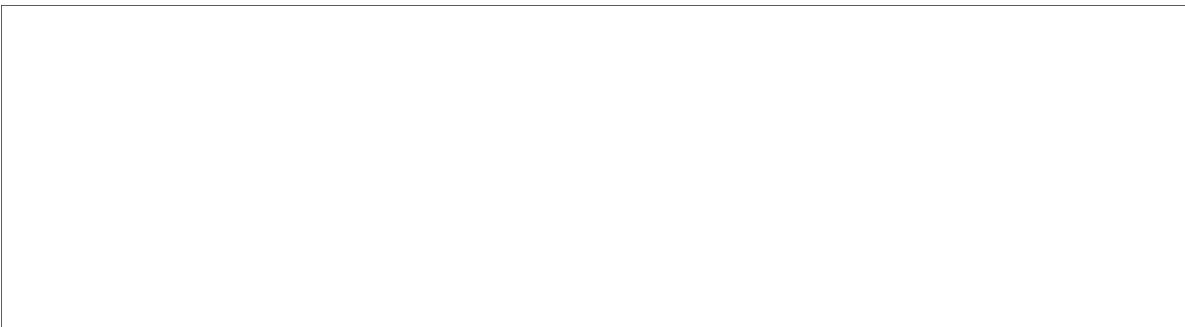
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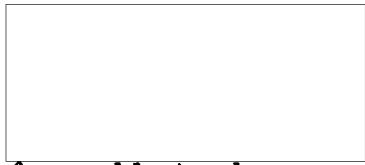
1. Possible evidence of Soviet production of heavier fighter aircraft:

Comment: If these figures can be relied on as aircraft design gross weight, the USSR appears to be putting into production a new type of fighter aircraft at least 4,000 pounds heavier than the MIG-15.



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2. Japanese Foreign Office official discusses future Japanese-Soviet relations:

The chief of the Soviet Section of the Japanese Foreign Office believes that the Sino-Soviet talks may lead to a Soviet offer of a nonaggression pact and a

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favorable trade agreement in return for abrogation of the US-Japan Security treaty. He stated, however, that this would be unacceptable in view of Soviet violation of the wartime nonaggression treaty.

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The official also stressed Japan's determination not to accept a treaty which offered less than the San Francisco Treaty, including the right to rearmament. He doubted that the Russians would ever agree to return any territory to Japan.

Comment: Recent Soviet attitudes suggest that any "package" proposal for a treaty with Japan would call for repudiation of US bases and elimination of export controls to Communist nations, if not abrogation of the San Francisco Treaty.

Yoshida's public statements also indicate that Japan would demand a high price for any treaty with the Soviet Union.

SOUTHEAST ASIA

3. Philippine Communists reportedly trying to create false sense of security:

The Philippine Communist Party is reported to have ordered Huk units to refrain from raiding and to avoid encounters with government troops. By

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creating a false sense of security, it hopes to bring about the withdrawal of security forces from crucial areas and to cause reductions in the armed forces budget.

The American Embassy in Manila observes that although the Huks have not been wiped out and are still capable of effective activity, some Philippine officials are beginning to believe their own propaganda claims that the Huk movement has been broken.

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4. India's Vice President to pave way for five-power peace conference:

Dr. Radhakrishnan, Indian Vice President and former Ambassador to Moscow, will attempt during his forthcoming trip to Western Europe to lay the groundwork for a meeting of the Big Five powers.

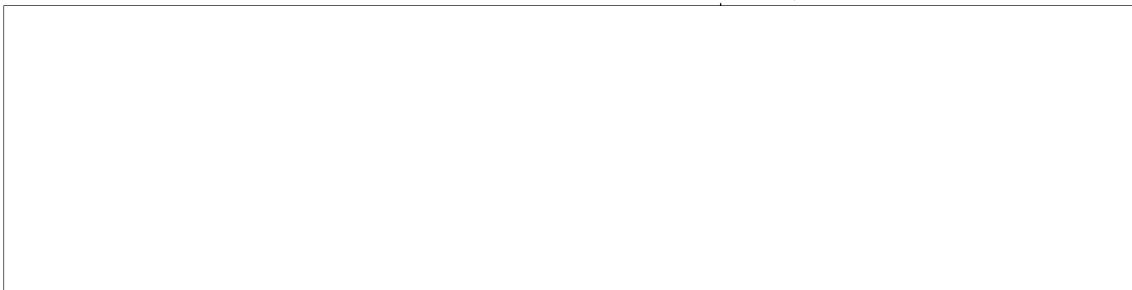
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Prime Minister Nehru is continually seeking opportunities to invite the Big Five to a meeting in order to discuss world-wide military and political questions.

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Comment: Since the All-India Congress Committee on 14 September passed a resolution calling for the Big Five to settle East-West differences and to start world disarmament, Radhakrishnan's previously publicized trip to Europe may actually have the purpose ascribed to it above.

NEAR EAST - AFRICA

5. Iraq seeks establishment of new terminus in Lebanon for Haifa-Kirkuk pipeline:

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Comment: A major difficulty facing the oil company in establishing a new terminus in Lebanon is the almost certain opposition such a move would arouse in Israel. Iraq has consistently refused to reopen the pipeline to Haifa, but the Israeli Government still hopes that it will eventually reach an agreement to obtain Iraqi crude oil. This would permit the operation of the Haifa refinery on a full-time basis and provide Israel with sufficient supplies for its internal needs.

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WESTERN EUROPE

7. East German Alert Police believed receiving Soviet artillery and tanks:

US Army Headquarters in Germany believes that a "substantial proportion" of the approximately 2,200 pieces of Soviet artillery shipped into East Germany during the first eight months of 1952

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have been issued to East German Alert Police units. About 30 percent of the total shipments were probably antitank guns, half antiaircraft guns and the remainder mortars and howitzers.

Comment: The above estimates of Soviet shipments of heavy weapons into East Germany have not been confirmed.

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Although the Alert Police has been extensively equipped with Soviet heavy weapons and recent recruitment has increased its estimated strength from 52,000 to 82,000, the combat effectiveness of the Alert Police will remain low until the recruits have received additional training.

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8. German Socialists reportedly will moderate opposition to Bonn and Paris treaties:

The West German Social Democratic Party, [redacted] will unofficially moderate its opposition to the Bonn and Paris treaties, while officially maintaining the Schumacher line. [redacted] [redacted] the party will probably accept ratification of the treaties as binding, but later might try to secure revision of the details.

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Local American observers indicate that there will be no clear-cut party policy until public reaction on various lines has been tested.

Comment: The West German "Defense Minister" has asserted that the Social Democrats are still using effective tactics in the Bundestag committee to delay progress on the Bonn and Paris treaties. He has warned that the whole Bonn ratification process might extend into 1953 if Chancellor Adenauer does not apply more pressure on his coalition.

9. Alliance between Christian Democrats and Monarchists in Italy less likely:

An alliance between the Monarchists and the Christian Democrats before the 1953 elections is unlikely, [redacted]

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[redacted] that the move is opposed by Prime Minister De Gasperi and the center and left wings of the Christian Democratic Party. However, such a proposal will continue to be pushed by the Christian Democratic right wing, headed by Catholic Action leader Luigi Gedda.

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Such an alliance before the elections would lead to a government crisis resulting in the resignation of De Gasperi. Probably with this factor in mind, the Pope is not supporting either group until there is further clarification of political developments.

Comment: Although the political alignments for the next national elections are not yet clear, it appears thus far that De Gasperi is balancing the divergent forces in his party successfully.

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