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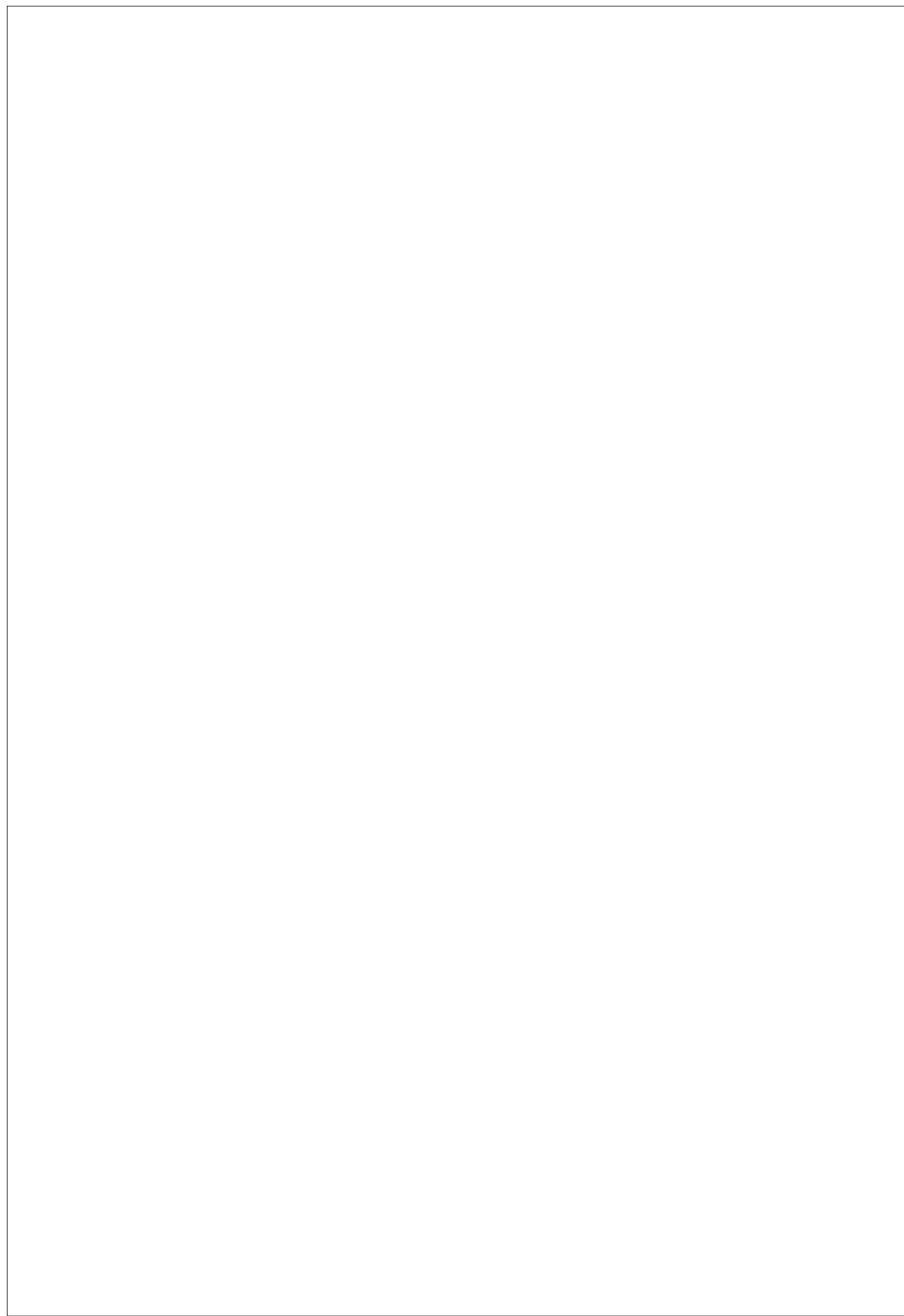
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I. THE COMMUNIST BLOC

Congo Republic--Mutiny within Force Publique jeopardizes security in Leopoldville vicinity.

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Somali Republic as yet unable to form government because of sectional rivalry and tribal difficulties.

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Japanese leftists plan demonstration at US air base (Atsugi) on 10 July.

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III. THE WEST

West Berlin coalition government's stability may be shaken by political activity of Mayor Brandt.

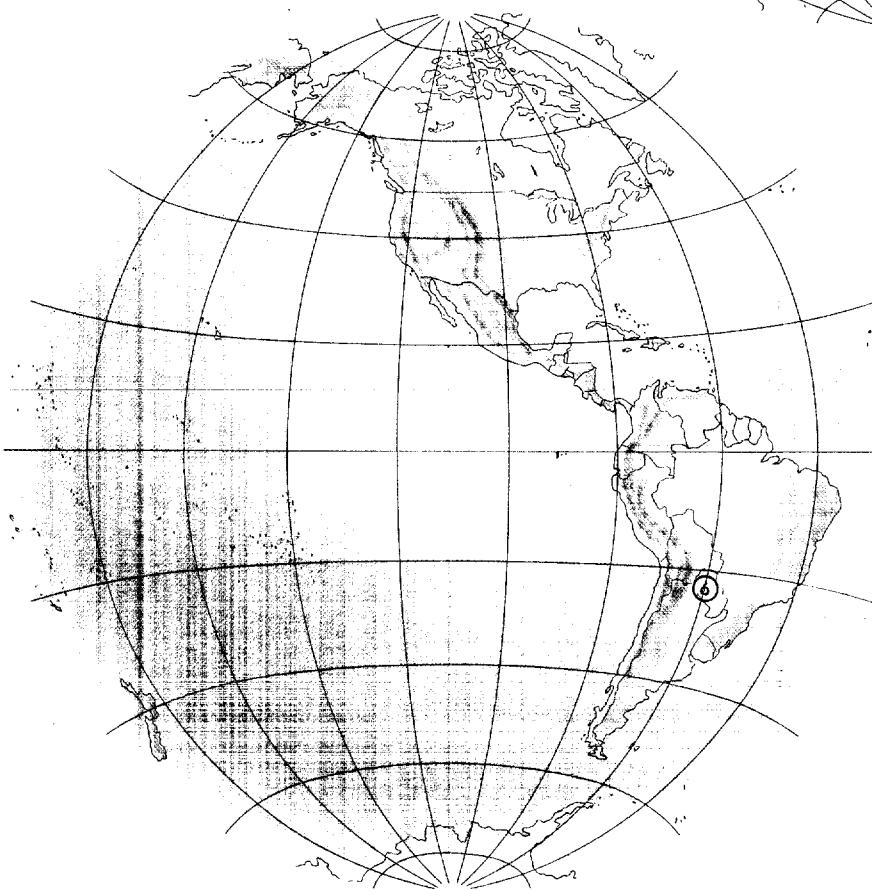
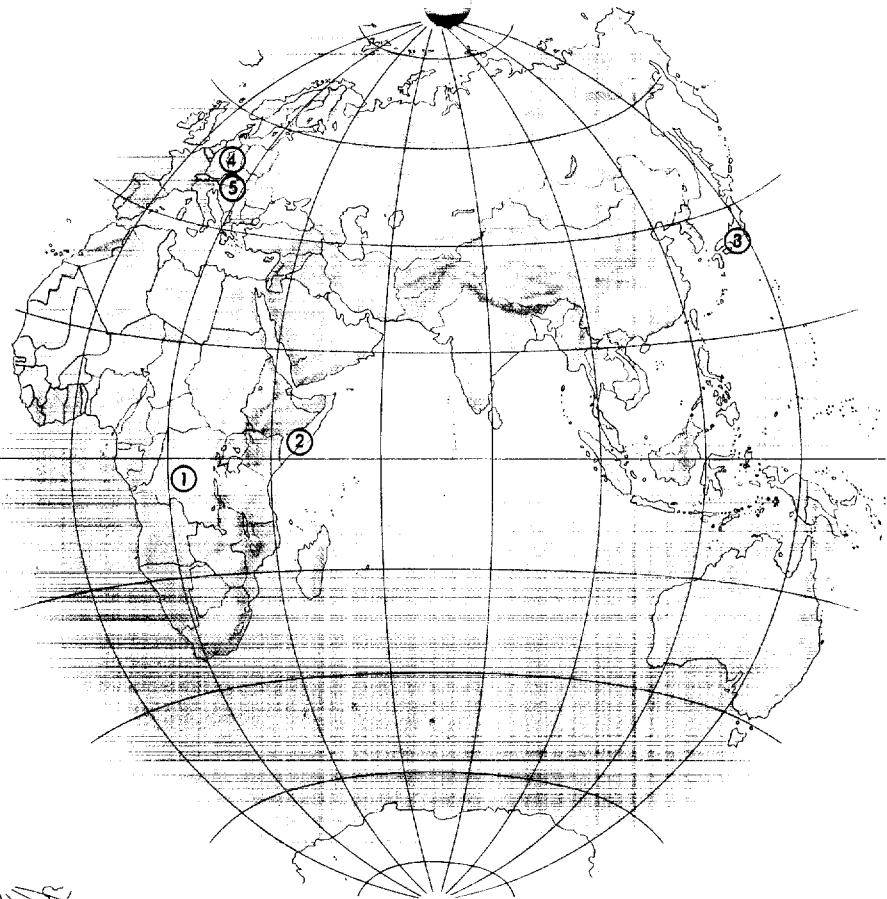
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West Germany protests Khrushchev's abuse of Austrian hospitality in attacking Adenauer; top Austrian officials regard protest as support of their objections to Chancellor Raab's association with Khrushchev.

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Paraguay--Pressures to oust Stroessner dictatorship growing.

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I. THE COMMUNIST BLOC

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Congo Republic: A mutiny by at least two garrisons of the Belgian-officered Force Publique on 6 July has seriously jeopardized security in and around Leopoldville, which has been the scene of sporadic tribal clashes for the past week. Premier Lumumba has subsequently removed the Force Publique's Belgian commander, and appears to have acceded to the mutineers' demand for the appointment of African officers. Such actions may nullify the effectiveness of the 24,000-man security force, which has played a major role in containing recent tribal outbreaks in the Congo. Although the mutiny has not yet spread to posts outside Leopoldville Province, Belgian army units near Leopoldville have reportedly been alerted to intervene on behalf of Belgian nationals if necessary.

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Somali Republic: The Somali Republic, harassed with sectional rivalry and tribal difficulties, has been unable to form a government since achieving independence on 1 July. Announcement of the formal unification of Somalia and former British Somaliland has been delayed because negotiators from each territory insist on naming the prime minister and are unable to reach agreement over the allocation of portfolios.

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Japan: Japanese leftists plan to extend their opposition to the security treaty by a demonstration at the US naval air station at Atsugi near Tokyo on 10 July in their effort to reinvigorate mass action against the US presence in Japan.

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III. THE WEST

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West Germany: The most actively discussed issue today in West Berlin is whether Mayor Willy Brandt can lead the attack of his Social Democratic party (SPD) on the Christian Democratic Union (CDU) without seriously weakening the city's coalition government. Brandt is well aware of the problem and has avoided a too-partisan position, at least in West Berlin. Nevertheless, the highhanded SPD tactics in the Berlin government have increased the dissatisfaction of many CDU members and--with the strain of the national campaign--could lead to the collapse of the coalition despite the intentions of the top leaders of both parties. A strong stabilizing factor is the Berlin situation itself, which will probably cause these leaders to think a long time before allowing matters to reach the breaking point.

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Austria - West Germany: Foreign Minister Kreisky and other top Austrian officials have welcomed the formal unpublicized protest of the West German ambassador against Khrushchev's abuse of Austrian hospitality in attacking Chancellor Adenauer. They feel it supports their own objections to Austrian Chancellor Raab's indiscreet conduct in associating himself with Khrushchev's activities. American officials in Vienna are disturbed, however, at the extent to which the Austrian Government is attempting to balance its neutrality policy by strengthening ties with the East for political and trade reasons.

Paraguay: A group of prominent Paraguayans, including some clergymen, military officers, and students, gave President Stroessner a memorandum on 22 June urging him to turn over power to a transitional junta composed of representatives of the political parties and the armed forces,

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The junta would guarantee Stroessner's personal safety. The group planned to wait until early July for a reply and if a reply were not forthcoming would begin a "campaign of resistance." Other pressures to oust the Stroessner dictatorship are growing.

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IV. WATCH COMMITTEE CONCLUSIONS

With respect to the question of Sino-Soviet bloc intentions to initiate hostilities, the Watch Committee Conclusions remain negative.

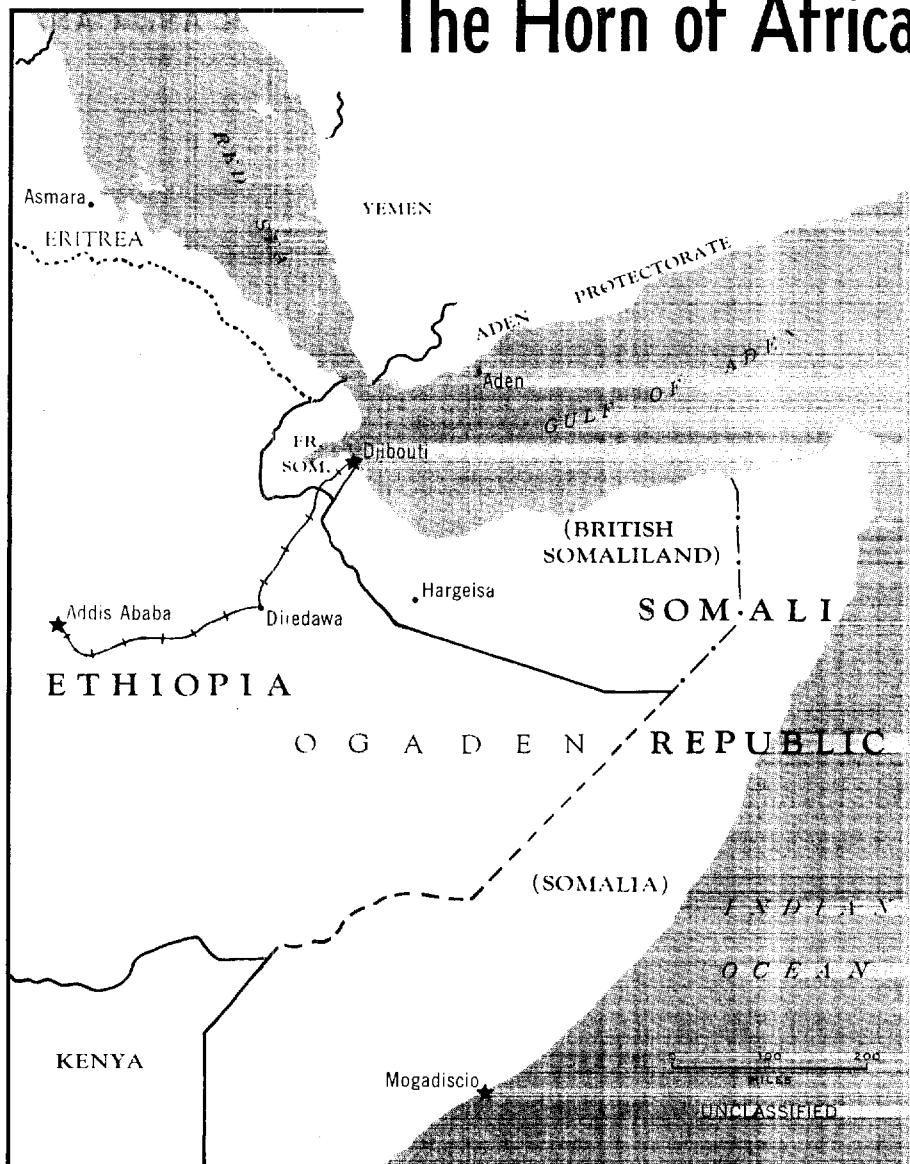
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The Horn of Africa



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New Somali Republic Still Without a Government

The Somali Republic, harassed with sectional rivalry and tribal difficulties, has been unable to form a government since achieving independence on 1 July. Announcement of the formal unification of Somalia and former British Somaliland, which became independent on 26 June, has been delayed because negotiators from each territory insist on naming the prime minister and are unable to reach agreement over the allocation of ministerial portfolios.

Representatives from the Somaliland region of the republic, having supported the election of Aden Abdullah Osman--former president of Somalia's Legislative Assembly--for chief of state, now insist on naming the prime minister and at least three of the other ten ministers envisaged in the new government. If these demands are not met, they may return to Hargeisa without ratifying the Act of Union.

Somalis from the eastern (Mogadiscio) region, however, seek to retain the office of prime minister for one of their own members, although they are unable to agree on a candidate. Former Prime Minister Abdullahi Issa, a member of the Hawiya tribal group who was considered the front-runner from the governing Somali Youth League (SYL), is encountering considerable opposition from the popular Abdirascid Ali Scermarche, the leading Darot tribal member in the old Legislative Assembly.

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Paraguayan Revolutionary Pressures

A group of prominent Paraguayans, including some clergymen, military officials, and student leaders, gave President Stroessner a memorandum on 22 June urging him to turn over power to a transitional junta composed of representatives of the political parties and the armed forces, [redacted]

[redacted] The junta would guarantee Stroessner's personal safety to remain in or leave the country and would hold elections at the end of the year. The group planned to wait for a short while, and if no reply were forthcoming, to begin a "campaign of resistance."

Presentation of the memorandum is another reflection of the increasing pressures on the Stroessner dictatorship and offers a possibility of avoiding the bloodshed threatened by the four principal groups which have recently stepped up their revolutionary activities against the regime. These activities have thus far featured small guerrilla action inside Paraguay and small invasions from border points, but there are reports that the rebels plan large-scale fighting in the near future.

Stroessner's military support now is strong but would not be deaf to alternative propositions in the face of a strong revolutionary tide. [redacted]

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