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THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

3 JULY 1961
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SPECIAL ITEM -- KUWAIT

Baghdad Radio's repeated emphasis on Qasim's peaceful intentions regarding Kuwait combined with Iraq's apparent failure thus far to augment normal military forces near Kuwait suggest that Qasim does not intend to launch a military effort to annex Kuwait in the immediate future.

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As of 2 July, Iraqi units near the Kuwait border area apparently still consisted of one infantry brigade, together with field and anti-aircraft artillery, at Basra, and another brigade at An-Nasiriya. Although Iraqi preparations were previously noted for the movement of a regiment of 39 Centurion tanks from Baghdad to the Basra area, the American army attaché in Baghdad does not believe that any elements of this regiment have yet moved. An [redacted] of 2 July from Baghdad relayed a report to the effect that these tanks would arrive in the Basra area over a 15-day period.

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British troops in Kuwait now total more than 2,000 men. A Saudi Arabian company of 130 men has also arrived in Kuwait to support the 2,400-man Kuwaiti army, which has already been augmented by the arming of "thousands" of tribesmen. All Saudi military forces have been put on alert.

The UAR, which has criticized Qasim for creating a crisis enabling "British imperialism" to return to Kuwait, now has announced its intention to sponsor Kuwait's admission to the United Nations. The announcement also stated that in regard to the Iraq-Kuwait dispute the UAR supports "the logic of unity, not the logic of annexation."

Arab League Secretary General Hassuna, who hopes to solve the dispute by mediation, met with Qasim yesterday, and plans to go to Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.

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Moscow radio has continued to accuse Britain of exploiting the Kuwait crisis in order to step up tension throughout the Arab world. (Many [redacted])

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SPECIAL ITEM -- SOUTH KOREA

Titular chief of the South Korean revolutionary government Lt... General Chang To-yong was taken into custody by elements loyal to Major General Pak Chong-hui early on the morning of 3 July. Pak has replaced Chang as chairman of the ruling Supreme Council for National Reconstruction and Minister of Defense. Retired Lt. General Song Yo-chan has been named chief of cabinet. Early information suggests that Chang's ouster is a preliminary move by Pak to protect his rear before moving against the more radical junior officer clique in the junta.

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Pak had decided to get rid of the radical junior officers because of their strong opposition to an early return to civilian government and demands that imprisoned senior generals be held in prison for an extended period of time.

Pak apparently seeks to present his moves in a light favorable to United States interests before taking action that might result in an open and possibly violent clash for power between various army elements. The clique of young colonels has provided Pak with his strongest support; they are not likely to acquiesce easily in their removal. [redacted] Pak's initial moves may indeed be directed toward stated US objectives, but his longer range plans and designs remain obscure and must be carefully watched.

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1. Algerian developments

[Redacted]

a) The rebels have designated Wednesday as a day of "national struggle against partition of Algeria", and we expect clashes more serious than those on Saturday.

b) The French intend to move a first-line infantry division from Algeria to eastern France during July, and are considering the transfer of a second during August. De Gaulle is primarily trying to impress the rebels, but Berlin is undoubtedly also a consideration.

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2. Communists stir up mountain tribes in South Vietnam

[Redacted]

They are trying to organize a cohesive anti-government movement. In recent months, guerilla activity has spread northward into this region, where there is considerable discontent with the government. (Map)

3. Communist China's 40th Party anniversary

[Redacted]

Liu Shao-chi's keynote speech reaffirmed the "great leap forward" and the commune system, but gave little indication how the Chinese plan to solve the serious problems these programs have created for them. Liu kept to the standard line on foreign affairs and referred to the President as "more dangerous" than President Eisenhower. Thompson reports from Moscow that the Soviets "slighted" the Chinese anniversary.

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4. Nehru takes hard line
on Kashmir

[Redacted]

Last Friday he said he would not discuss the issue with Pakistan until the latter withdraws its troops from the portion of Kashmir which they occupy. He is probably trying to undercut any effort by President Ayub, while he is in Washington next week, to enlist American support for new negotiations.

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5. Tension decreases on
Syrian-Israeli border

[Redacted]

The UN, which blames Syrian troops for creating incidents on their own initiative, is more optimistic that Cairo will bring the situation under control. The Israelis have taken no unusual military measures.

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6. Uneasiness in Addis Ababa

[Redacted]

The Crown Prince has been warned of a plot against him by a group which is said to have the Emperor's support. Such activity is symptomatic of the atmosphere of political unrest which prevails in Ethiopia.

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- A. There have been no significant developments in Laos. The three
princes and General Phoumi are at various stages in their
leisurely progress homeward. [redacted] 50X1
- B. [redacted] MIGs in Cuba, which confirm our belief that some of these aircraft are MIG-19s. [redacted] 50X1
- D. Chinese Communist Foreign Minister Chen Yi made the first direct Chinese overture to the US Delegation in Geneva with an invitation to a reception Sunday night. The Delegation has declined. [redacted] 50X1
- E. The Soviet good-will delegation which has been scheduled to tour Latin America has postponed its departure "for several weeks". [redacted] 50X1
- F. Political tension is up in Nicaragua, and an attempt to overthrow the Somozas may be made. [redacted] 50X1
- G. We read no great significance into the resignation of Finnish Premier Sukselainen; a general election may be called. [redacted] 50X1
- H. North Korean boss Kim Il-sung has taken a very strong delegation with him to Moscow, and important agreements may be announced, affecting both Sino-Soviet and North-South Korea relations. [redacted] 50X1
- I. [redacted] Uruguay [redacted] expect that the local Communists will try to mount a series of demonstrations against the ECOSOC conference, especially if the President attends. [redacted] 50X1

J. Brazil has apparently reconsidered its decision to send a senior economist to Cuba.

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K. Ulbricht has announced he will make public a "peace plan of the German people" on 6 July.

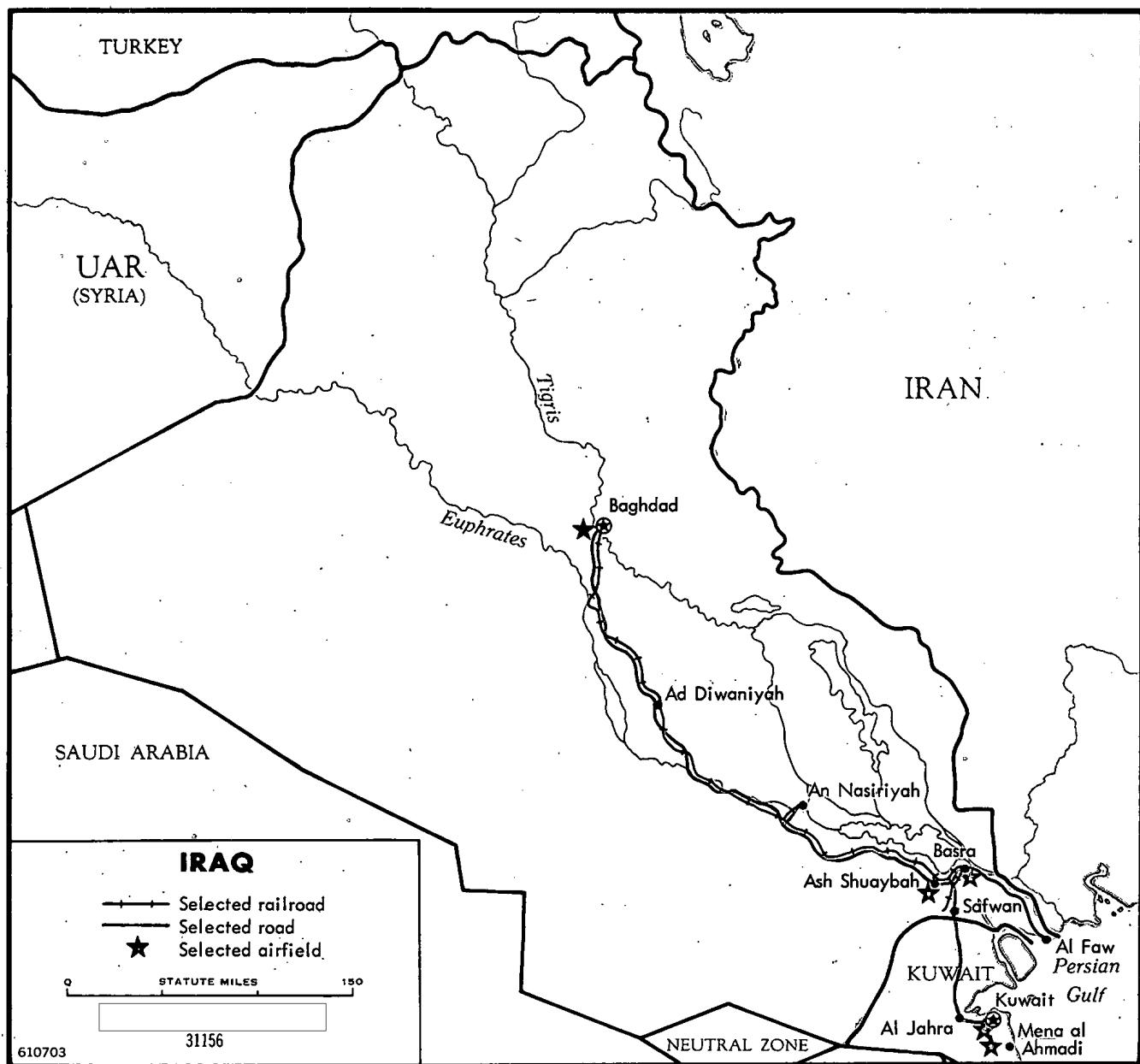
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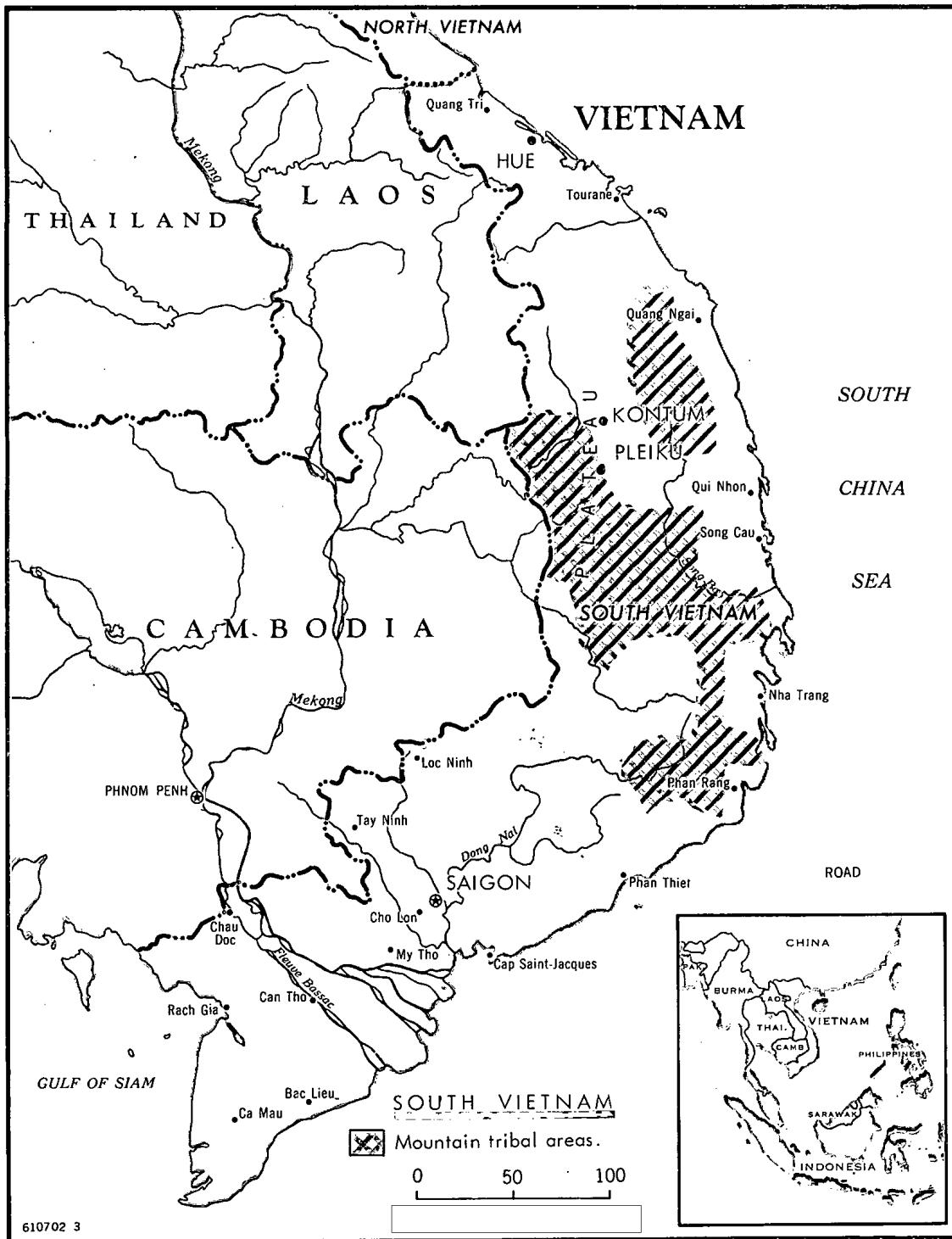
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5 JULY 1961
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1. Iraq-Kuwait developments

- a) Likelihood of military action by Qasim believed much diminished with British military strength in Kuwait now superior to Iraqi forces in border area; 50X1
- b) Baghdad has cancelled all military leaves until further notice but on 3 July units at Basra were instructed "not to undertake any operation which would incite Kuwait"; 50X1

- d) Top Arab League official is working hard on mediation effort. 50X1

2. Laotian situation

The contending factions in Laos continue to mark time pending the opening of talks on a coalition government. On a brief stopover in Bangkok before returning to Vientiane on 4 July, Phoumi declared out-of-the-blue that the Zurich meeting had agreed that Souvanna and Souphanouvong both unsuitable as premier because they had been "too much involved." 50X1 50X1

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3. Hammarskjold alarmed
over planned Congo
coup.

[redacted]

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[redacted] Mobutu and
Bomboko, with French encouragement, are
considering a military coup against
the Ileo government. The attempt would
allegedly take place in the next week
if Kasavubu's support can be assured.
The Secretary General believes that
such a coup would play into Soviet
hands by enhancing Gizenga's support
among the neutralist African states
and would destroy hopes for a moderate
Congo solution.

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4. Chinese Communists put
out feeler on private
talks with US

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An intimation of Peiping's desire for
a series of informal, private conver-
sations with US officials came at a
recent meeting between US and Chinese
Ambassadors in Warsaw. The Chinese,
taking an unusually affable tack,
urged an extension of such contacts,
but took pains to hold the Peiping
line on Laos, Taiwan and the UN. In
recent months, Peiping has made sim-
ilar approaches through other channels,
always insisting, however, that Wash-
ington must take the first step toward
improved relations.

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A. The USSR launched two test ICBM's within a 16-hour period on
4 July, [redacted] 50X1

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C. An impending influx of Soviet aircraft technicians into Mali has been reported. Their assignment would include setting up a central maintenance base for Soviet-built aircraft supplied to Ghana, Guinea, and Mali. [redacted]

D. UN observer on the spot reports extensive armed exchanges along India-Pakistan cease-fire line during June. [redacted]

E. There is as yet no significant indication of public reaction to the South Korean coup within a coup. Pak is moving fast in attempt to nail down No. 1 place in regime. [redacted] 50X1

F. Speeches yesterday by Khrushchev in Moscow and Party Secretary Suslov in Ulan Bator developed no new lines, according to available excerpts. [redacted]

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1. Kuwait situation unchanged

The anticipated anti-British reaction has set in.

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2. Ulbricht presents East German "peace plan"

Highlights of initial press reporting:
a) "Everything will be peaceful--but there will be no delay";
b) West Berlin will be a "demilitarized, neutral, free city" ("neutral" appears in the formula for the first time)

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3. Strong Moslem response to the Algerian rebels' "day of struggle"

A French official has admitted that Moslem support for the rebels is "total." The rebels' resolve to insist on the indivisibility and territorial integrity of Algeria will be stiffened; we expect more militant use of the Moslems if the French try to enforce partition. Rebel leaders now doubt that talks with the French will resume as soon as 10 July.

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4. Burma has decided to accept delivery of Soviet military aircraft.

The Soviet offer was apparently made last April during General Ne Win's visit to the USSR.

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5. Congo developments.

- a) The UN continues to push for a parliament meeting soon.
- b) Leopoldville leaders are resisting, unwilling to risk a vote when anti-Gizenga forces are disunited.
- c) Although Kasavubu has called parliament for 15 July, the actual meeting is likely to be further postponed.
- d) There are more reports of economic difficulties in Stanleyville.

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6. Phoumi will ask King to name new government.

He went to Luang Prabang yesterday. We expect the King--reluctant as always to accept a political role-- would prefer to be presented with a government negotiated by the various factions. The government post of Muong Bo, north of Paksane, fell to the Communists on Tuesday. MAP.

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A. Thompson reports that at his Fourth of July reception he had no chance for substantive discussion with Khrushchev. Khrushchev and others "expressed satisfaction" at the President's reply to their message of congratulations. [redacted]

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B. A large Soviet naval exercise is underway in the northeast Atlantic; maneuvers in these waters are not unusual. [redacted]

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C. Tension between Arabs and Africans in Zanzibar remains high and more disorders may occur today. [redacted]

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D. Afghanistan has protested the US plan to supply F-104's to Pakistan.
[redacted] KABUL 14

E. [redacted] Japanese rightists will attempt to assassinate Ikeda. Such plots are endemic [redacted]. One of the principals, however, successfully assassinated a prime minister in the 30's.

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WATCH COMMITTEE CONCLUSIONS - 5 July 1961

On the basis of findings by its Watch Committee, the United States Intelligence Board concludes that:

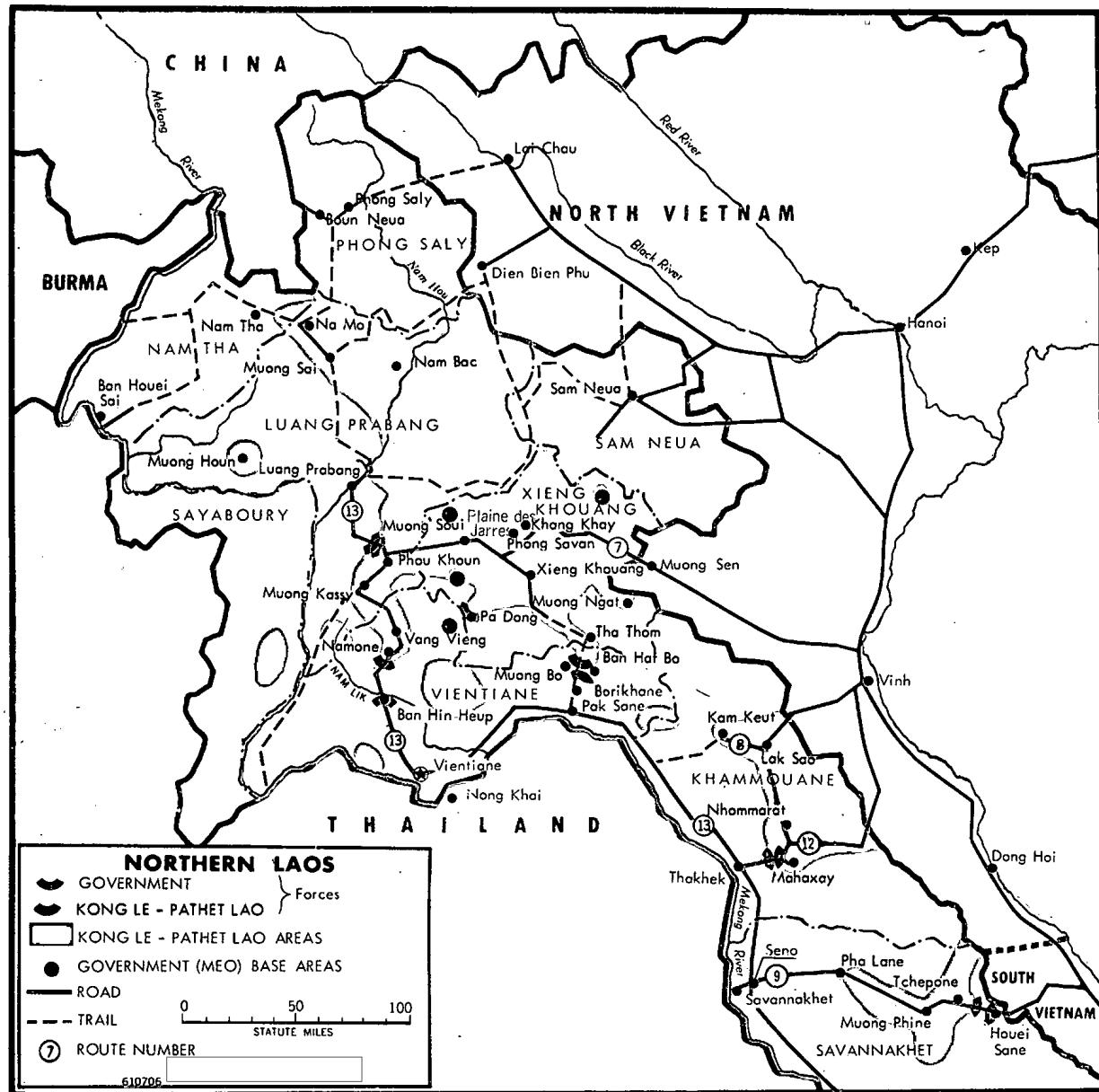
No Sino-Soviet Bloc country intends to initiate direct military action in the immediate future.

Laos: There are no developments indicative of a change of Communist objectives or tactics with respect to Laos. The ability of the Royal Laotian Government to maintain its cohesion and determination to resist continues to be eroded.

Iraq-Kuwait: Qasim is unlikely to attempt military action against Kuwait in the near future.

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7 JULY 1961
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1. Pak plans to cut deeper into the South Korean junta

[REDACTED]

As a next step he is considering the removal of all remaining supporters of Gen. Chang To-yong from the Supreme Council of National Reconstruction. The SCNR would be reconstituted as a much smaller body, facilitating Pak control. Pak's efforts to mend his fences with US officials in Seoul, leave the latter suspicious that his aim is to forestall unfavorable US action while he tightens his hold.

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2. Moscow air show on Sunday

This year's Aviation Day display is expected to be the most spectacular ever staged, with up to 400 aircraft taking part. Probable highlights: first public demonstration of (a) air-to-surface missiles, (b) several new bomber and fighter types, (c) a "convertiplane" capable of both level and vertical takeoffs. A top-ranking Soviet officer has frankly admitted that a show of muscle is intended.

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3. Iraq-Kuwait

[REDACTED]

There have been no significant new developments in the military situation. There are further indications that Qasim will nationalize foreign oil companies on third anniversary of his takeover, 14 July. Latest of these is Iraq query whether Italians willing to replace non-Iraqi technicians now employed by Iraq Petroleum Company.

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4. Turkish government plagued by dissension

[redacted]

The latest indication of deepseated divisions within the government is the resignation of Foreign Minister Sarper, so far refused. Sarper claims that General Gursel is "a very sick man" and that the government no longer has effective leadership. The referendum on a new constitution is scheduled for Sunday.

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5. Dominican regime continues its face-lifting operations

[redacted]

A new cabinet line-up, announced on 5 July, represents a clean-sweep of ministers appointed by the late Gen. Trujillo and another effort to convince domestic and world opinion of the regime's reform-mindedness. The changes leave "Ramfis" Trujillo with unimpaired control of the military.

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- A. Preparations pointing to a Soviet space attempt in the near future are underway. [REDACTED] 50X1
- C. The Soviet-North Korean mutual defense treaty signed yesterday will reinforce Moscow's influence in Pyongyang and check any tendency there to focus on Peiping. [REDACTED] 50X1
- D. Phoumi is optimistic on decisive royal role following his interview with the King, but we more inclined to agree with Ambassador that King is still equivocating. [REDACTED] 50X1
- E. Brazil has shown interest in supplying molasses to the US to take up the Cuban slack. [REDACTED] 50X1
- F. Early Arab reaction to Israel's rocket launch is divided between the derisive and the ominous. Net effect is expected to be more momentum in Arab efforts for unity. [REDACTED] 50X1
- H. The Soviet and Polish parties are planning to hit the unruly Albanians hard at Bloc conference in Ulan Bator next week [REDACTED] 50X1
[REDACTED] There is evidence that Albanian students have been [REDACTED] 50X1

- I. Soviet ground forces in East Germany are engaged in what USAEUR describes as first opposed field exercises at this time of the year since 1957. USAEUR notes this demonstrates the ability of Soviet divisions to conduct major field operations regardless of the time of year or phase in the training cycle.

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LATE ITEM

East German government proposals for a German peace plan were read on 6 July to the GDR People's chamber. It calls for:

1. Establishing an "All German Peace Commission" which would (a) work out a "concord of good will" to control and reduce armaments etc. in both Germanys. (b) work out a German Peace treaty on the basis of a hodge podge of old bloc proposals--by this treaty West Berlin would have status of neutral, free, demilitarized free city.
2. Peace treaty designed to lead to confederation of East and West Germany and from there to "democratic constitution for a reunified Germany."

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FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH GEN. CLIFTON

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1. Laotian developments: a) On his return to Vientiane, Boun Oum told the Indian Ambassador that if negotiations at Geneva or among the three princes break down, the best solution would be to partition the country. Prince Souphanouvong earlier told the Indian that partition is the one thing that would bring about a resumption of the war.

b) [redacted] tension between the King and Boun Oum is growing and that the King is seriously considering abdicating in favor of his 30-year-old son [redacted]

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c) The military situation is quiet except for some harassing actions north of Vientiane. [redacted]

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2. British facing problem of disengaging from Kuwait:

No decision yet reached but London sees need to take action before its relations with other Arab states worsen. Discussions are underway with the Ruler on the desirability of a "UN presence" in lieu of British forces in Kuwait. to maintain a deterrent. [redacted]

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- A. Tunisian President Bourguiba has renewed his demand that France evacuate the Bizerte naval base. [redacted]
- B. General Gursel has announced that Turkey will hold national elections next October. [redacted]

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10 July 1961

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1. Comment on Khrushchev's military budget statement.

[Redacted]

The addition of 3.1 billion rubles represents an increase of about one-third in announced military expenditures, only 10-15 percent of which would be accounted for by the halt in demobilization. To spend this amount, however, in the remaining months of 1961 would require drastic--and probably detectable --reorientation of the economy at the expense of Khrushchev's programs for "catching up with the West" and improving the standard of living. We suspect, therefore, that at least a part of the announced increase represents the uncovering of military expenditures previously concealed in other categories of the budget. The announced halt in demobilization makes public a step probably taken several months earlier. (The demobilization program was known [Redacted] [Redacted] to have been suspended at least for the first two months of this year.)

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2. Dominican riots set back chances for Balaguer's reform program

[Redacted]

The disturbances last week, inspired by pro-Castro extremists, resulted in violent reprisals by police and government-controlled mobs. There will now be greater pressure for repression of all anti-Trujillo activities, and moderate middle-class groups will be afraid to give political support to Balaguer. On Saturday, Castro started a new radio program, "The Voice of the Dominican Liberation Movement."

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3. Kuwait developments

[Redacted]

a) The UAR is attempting to promote a unified demand by the Arab states for immediate British withdrawal. Although it still opposes Iraqi annexation, the UAR feels it is an "Arab problem." [Redacted] 50X1

b) The Arab League is showing a tendency toward making Kuwaiti membership conditional on British withdrawal. 50X1

c) Under the pressures of Arab disapproval, the Ruler of Kuwait has abruptly abandoned his cooperative attitude toward the British. 50X1

d) [Redacted] the British. [Redacted] 50X1 50X1

[Redacted] are considering replacing their troops with an Arab or Swedish force under UN auspices, and hinting that something might be worked out in the Security Council in "ten days or so." 50X1

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b) We have further indications of local friction between pro-Souvanna forces and the Communists. [Redacted] 50X1 50X1

4. Laotian developments

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5. Swedes seek to postpone Chinese representation issue

[Redacted]

Their UN delegation is rounding up support for setting up at this year's General Assembly session a committee which would study the "whole question" and report back the following year.

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6. Non-aligned Nations Conference

[Redacted]

The original twenty members have finally agreed on additional nations to be invited: Nigeria; Togo; Upper Volta; Lebanon; Ecuador; Bolivia; Mexico; and Brazil. This list represents a substantial victory for the moderates led by India and Burma.

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D. The UN has forcibly expelled from the Congo George Thyssens, an unofficial Belgian extremist adviser in Katanga. We expect a reaction which will further complicate efforts to achieve Katangan participation in the parliament meeting.

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E. Embassy Moscow notes an extremely favorable public reaction to the US plastics exhibit there.

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(State Cables) (*See previous issue*)

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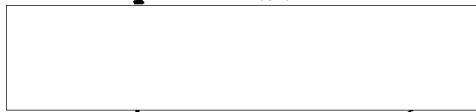
- c) Analysis of reorganization and expansion of North Vietnamese communications supports earlier indications that Hanoi has a growing role in air-lift operations into Laos. [redacted]

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D. Increasing dissatisfaction with U Nu's leadership has prompted rumors in Rangoon of an early government crisis.

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12 July 1961

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1. Chinese Nationalist step up planning for para-military operations against mainland

[Redacted]

Chiang Ching-kuo has ordered that selection of a 200-man force to be dropped in South China be completed by mid-July. We believe the Nationalists are actively considering a number of other steps to increase tension in the Far East, which they hope would inhibit changes in US policy.

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2. Soviet pressure move on Berlin

[Redacted]

Thompson reports that on Monday Deputy Foreign Minister Sobolev told the Canadian Ambassador that "if the US reply to the Soviet memorandum was quite negative, the Soviets might move their proposed schedule forward in time."

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3. Possibilities for 14 July in Iraq

[Redacted]

a) A big military parade and other ceremonies in Baghdad will give Qasim a chance to dramatize his leadership of Arab opposition to British presence in Kuwait. Possible further gestures would be to break relations with London, or to extend his claims even further down the coast beyond Kuwait.

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c) Announcement of some move against the Iraq Petroleum Company; Qasim may be considering nationalization, but his experts will advise him strongly against it.

d) Since the British forces will remain in Kuwait over the weekend, an Iraqi attack also seems unlikely. (MAP)

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4. Thailand planning for resistance operations in Laos

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Minor military

skirmishing goes on.

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5. Current Soviet army strength figures

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The US Army now carries 147 Soviet line divisions, down 28 from its estimate prior to the demobilization announced in January 1960. Of these divisions, 90 are considered combat ready at about 70 percent of war strength, while the others are at less than 40 percent strength. Army personnel strength is estimated at 2,150,000.

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6. Communist China matches USSR in relations with North Korea

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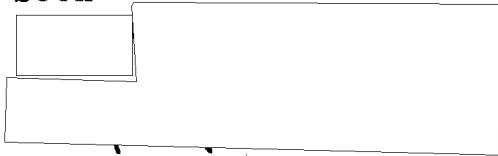
Yesterday, only five days after announcement of the Soviet-North Korean mutual defense treaty, a virtually identical agreement between North Korea and China was signed by Kim Il-sung, who had been hastily invited to Peiping for the purpose. Note: although Sino-Soviet competition for support of the Asian Communist parties is becoming rather obvious, we do not expect any immediate flare-up between Moscow and Peiping over this issue; they may well clash, however, over the program to be presented to the Soviet Party Congress in October.

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7. Offer of "good offices" in US-Cuban dispute may be forthcoming soon



The sponsoring states--Ecuador, Brazil, and Mexico--are continuing their negotiations. They have invited, but not yet received, the support of Argentina, Uruguay and Chile. The Cubans are urging "immediate action".

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8. Call for further UN action on Angola appears likely



The chairman of the UN subcommittee on Angola is scheduled to go to Portugal late this week to get permission for his subcommittee to visit Angola. If Portugal refuses, as seems probable, he will have to return the problem to the General Assembly or Security Council, opening the way to an Afro-Asian move for UN sanctions against Portugal.

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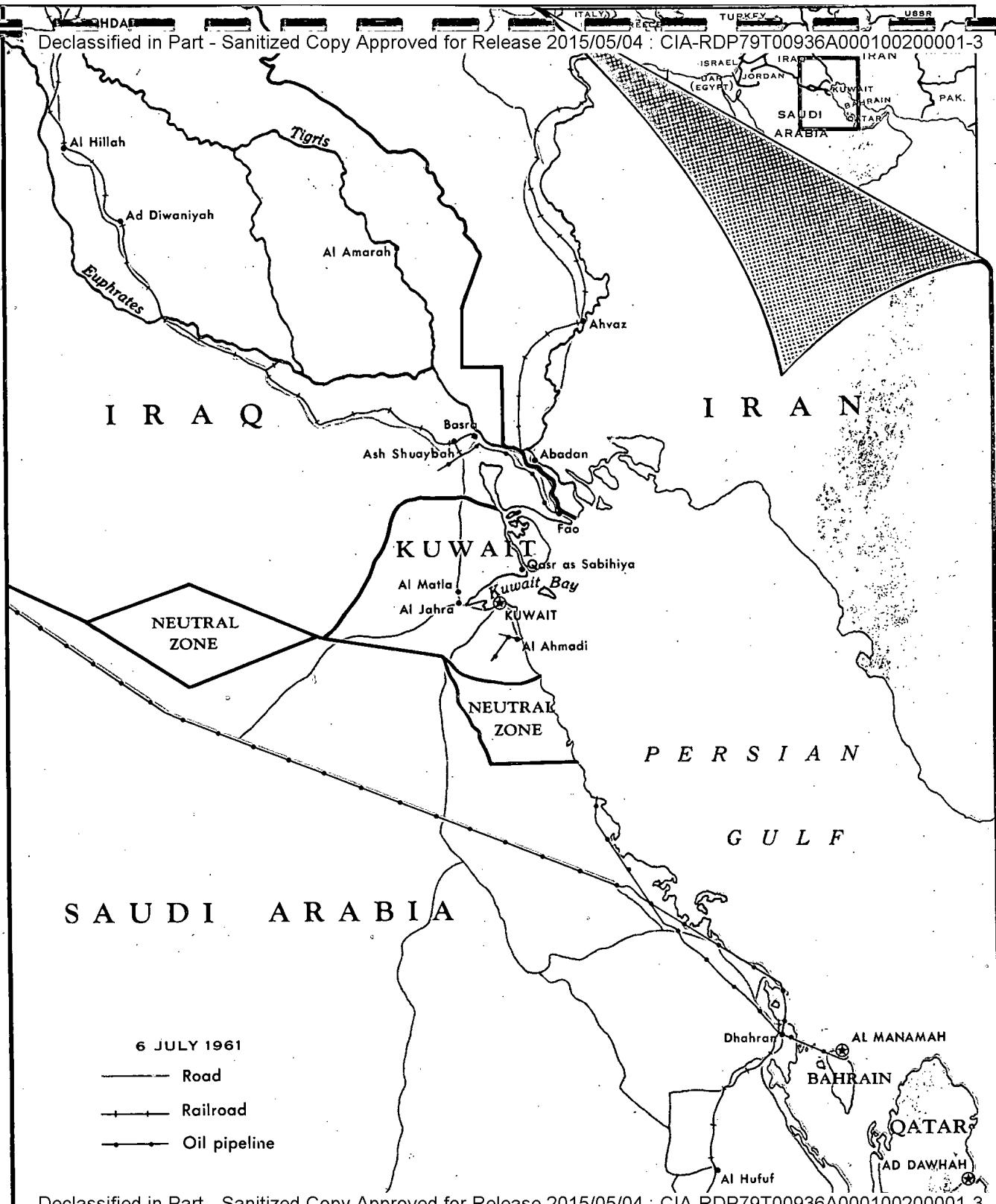
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- A. We are so far unable to confirm reports of an outbreak against the Dominican government in Santiago. [redacted] 50X1
- B. The Berlin Senate has asked Pan American to provide 50 charter flights next Tuesday and Wednesday for delegates to the All-German Protestant Church Congress. Pan Am will provide 20 and expects the rest to come from BEA and Air France if the three governments approve. [redacted] 50X1
- C. The military regime in Turkey is uneasy over the demonstration, in the constitutional referendum last Sunday, of continued strength of the Democratic Party which it ousted in May of last year. It still intends, however, to go ahead with elections in October. [redacted] 50X1
- D. The Sudanese government has arrested [redacted] opposition leaders, apparently in the belief that they planned some form of action against it [redacted]. However, the political situation in Khartoum will remain unstable. [redacted] 50X1
- E. Belgian press reports on the formation of a Congolese government of "national unity" are unconfirmed, but negotiations between Gizenga and the Leopoldville government continue. Tshombé remains obstructive. [redacted] 50X1

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13 July 1961

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1. Jordan considering shift toward non-alignment

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King Husayn [redacted] is becoming convinced of the need for a closer association with the "neutralist bloc." He seems concerned that his present pro-Western position weakens him within Jordan and throughout the Arab world.

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2. Food shortage in North Vietnam

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Over the past few months there have been [redacted] civil disturbances brought on by the situation.

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The current crop outlook gives no assurance of early relief.

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3. Soviet leader intimates Moscow Air Show largely facade

[redacted]

When Ambassador Thompson taxed Party Secretary Kozlov about the contrast between the display and Khrushchev's earlier statement that planes were becoming obsolete in the missile age, Kozlov asked if Thompson had noticed how few examples there were of each. "Maybe Khrushchev was right after all," Kozlov added.

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- A. Peiping intends to match Moscow by sending a high-ranking delegation to the Japanese Communist Party Congress later this month. The chief Chinese delegate, politburo member Peng Chen, personally locked horns with Khrushchev last year when Sino-Soviet differences were at their sharpest. [REDACTED] 50X1
- B. There are new reports from Seoul of planning for a military counter-coup against Pak. [REDACTED] 50X1
- C. Present indications are that talks between the French and the Algerian rebels will be resumed at the beginning of next week.

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WATCH COMMITTEE CONCLUSIONS - 12 July 1961

On the basis of findings by its Watch Committee, the United States Intelligence Board concludes that:

No Sino-Soviet Bloc country intends to initiate direct military action in the immediate future.

Laos: The strength and capabilities of Communist forces in Laos continue to increase. There are no developments indicative of a change of Communist objectives or tactics with respect to Laos.

Nationalist China: The growing disillusionment of Chiang Kai-shek over what he considers are Communist gains in Asia and likely changes in US policy may lead him to undertake probing moves against the mainland

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14 July 1961
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1. Arrests of Guatemalan conspirators will probably continue

The leaders were not included in the estimated 100 recently apprehended, and they may still be a threat to the Ydigoras government.

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2. Restlessness in East Germany

Bloc pressures for a peace treaty and the prospects for continued unsatisfactory economic conditions have markedly raised the flow of refugees into West Berlin during the past two weeks. Ambassador Dowling believes that, for the time being, the regime will "succeed in holding popular concern in check." If Moscow continues to build up tension prior to the signing of a separate peace treaty and Ulbricht resorts to harsh measures to cut off the refugee flow and to introduce tighter economic policies, the ambassador foresees a "real possibility of explosion."

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- A. [REDACTED] Khrushchev left Moscow last Wednesday for a two-week stay near the Black Sea.
- B. The Soviet Ambassador, in a talk with Thai Prime Minister Sarit, criticized Thai dependence on the US in strong terms and demanded that Bangkok accept Soviet economic aid or face the consequences. Apparently in response, Sarit has publicly reiterated Thailand's willingness to accept Soviet aid if there were no conditions attached. [REDACTED]
- C. UAR President Nasir has offered to mediate the dispute between Pakistan and Afghanistan. [REDACTED]
- D. According to Ambassador Gavin, vague rumors continue to circulate in France that a new coup to unseat De Gaulle will be attempted during the summer.
- E. A Soviet good-will mission is scheduled to leave Moscow today for Brazil. It will also visit Mexico, Ecuador, Bolivia, and possibly Cuba. [REDACTED]

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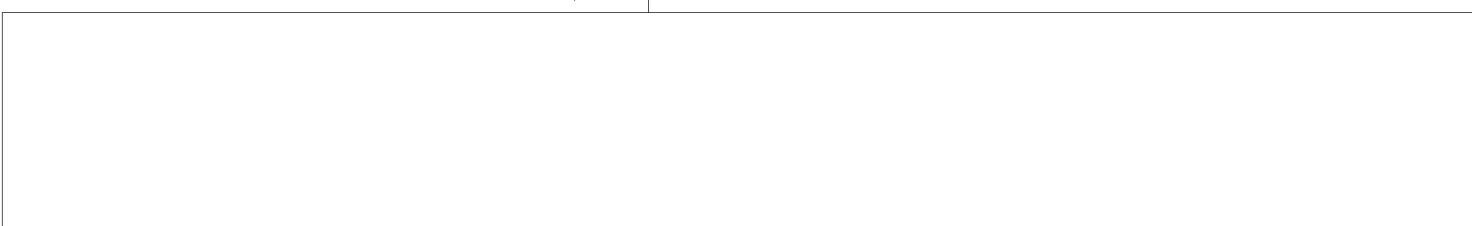
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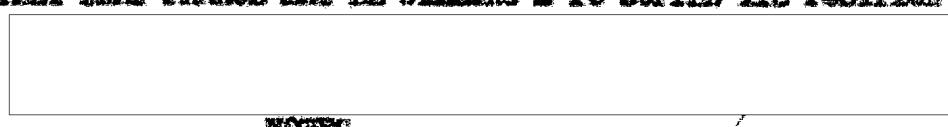
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REGARDING MAINLAND RECOVERY. UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS THE CHINESE ON TAIWAN WERE
SETTING AND WAITING FOR THEIR DEATH.

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2. EVIAN NEGOTIATIONS STILL URGENT. WHILE THE FRENCH BELIEVE THE TALKS
WILL BE RESUMED SOON, TERMS FOR RENEWAL HAVE NOT BEEN SETTLED. FRENCH NEGOTIATOR
JOCE HAS MENTIONED PRIVATELY THAT FRANCE MAY BE WILLING TO SOWDEN ITS POSITION ON
SAHARAN SOVEREIGNTY.



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A. QASIM MADE A STRONGLY-WORDED SPEECH YESTERDAY, BUT TOOK NO ACTION AGAINST
THE BRITISH.

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B. JAPAN HAS DECIDED TO REFUSE ENTRY TO ALL FOREIGN DELEGATIONS TO THE JAPANESE

[redacted]

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C. PORTUGUESE FORCES IN ANGOLA HAVE REOCCUPIED SEVERAL TOWNS IN THE INTERIOR.
BUT ARE NOT HAVING MUCH SUCCESS IN RURAL AREAS. [redacted] 50X1

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D. THE FIRST BUSLOAD OF WEST GERMAN DELEGATES TO THE CHURCH CONGRESS IN WEST BERLIN (JULY 19-23) PASSED THROUGH EAST GERMANY THURSDAY UNMOLESTED. [redacted]

E. THE SOVIET MISSILE RANGE INSTRUMENTATION SHIPS ARE LEAVING PORT AND MOVING TOWARD THEIR POSITIONS IN THE PACIFIC. [redacted] 50X1

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F. COMMUNIST CHINA HAS SCHEDULED MISSIONS NEXT MONTH TO CANADA AND AUSTRALIA TO NEGOTIATE NEXT YEAR'S GRAIN DELIVERIES. [redacted] 50X1

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G. PRESS SPECULATION THAT DIEFEBAKER MAY CALL A GENERAL ELECTION IN CANADA THIS FALL SEEMS TO US WELL-FOUNDED. CANADIAN-US RELATIONS WILL PROBABLY BE A MAJOR ISSUE.

H. SUKARNO IS FINALLY BACK IN DJAKARTA; THERE MAY BE CABINET CHANGES, BUT HE IS UNLIKELY TO DISTURB THE POLITICAL BALANCE BETWEEN THE COMMUNISTS AND THE ARMY.

I. SOVIET AMBASSADOR MENSHEKOV IS LEAVING FOR MOSCOW MONDAY FOR WHAT HE DESCRIBES AS A SIX-WEEK HOLIDAY. [redacted] 50X1

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J. THERE HAVE BEEN NO SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN EITHER LAOS OR THE COSSCO.

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THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

17 July 1961

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1. Iraqi/Kuwaiti developments

a) Qasim's weekend speeches during celebrations for the 1958 Iraqi revolution, insinuating that other Arab states are following an imperialist policy in the Kuwait issue, will further alienate other Arab governments from Qasim's cause. [redacted] 50X1

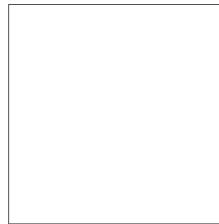
b) The Arab League Council is scheduled to meet again on 20 July to try to agree on an "Arab solution" to the problem, but prospects for success are not bright. The Iraqi position is that "We will never agree to Kuwait's admission to the League." [redacted] 50X1

c) The British intend to reduce their troops from about 5,000 to around 3,500 men during the coming week. [redacted] 50X1

2. Chinese Communists meddling in Outer Mongolia

They reportedly told the Mongolians that the US wants to get close to China and cause trouble. Perhaps with this warning in mind, a Mongolian foreign ministry spokesman stated Saturday that Mongolia knew the US wanted to establish an embassy in Ulan Bator to observe Sino-Soviet relations from that vantage point. The spokesman further indicated that Mongol authorities have not yet reached a decision on whether to exchange representatives with the US. [redacted] 50X1

3. Congo parliament scheduled
for meeting in Leopoldville
this week



UN representatives are applying pres-
sure to try to get the three major
groups to compromise and participate
in a new central government. Pressure
on Tshombé seems greatest and lightest 50X1
on Gizenga, although his presence in
Leopoldville is still not certain.
The Soviet mission is now installed
in Stanleyville. [redacted] 50X1
[redacted] 50X1

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- A. Ambassador Kennan in Belgrade reports that there are signs of Yugoslav disillusionment over the increasing alignment of the Castro regime with the Sino-Soviet bloc. Latin American representatives in Belgrade are speculating that Cuba will not attend the September conference of non-aligned nations because of Yugoslav-Cuban frictions.
- B. Moscow radio's domestic service describes the US proclamation of Captive Nations Week in standard terms as a provocative measure aimed at assisting in the restoration of the capitalist system in the people's democracies.
- C. Reports that Japan is negotiating the establishment of diplomatic relations with Outer Mongolia have heightened Chinese Nationalist apprehensions about Japanese motives. The Nationalist government sees the Japanese move as a start in a flood of realignments which it fears would follow a change in US China policy.

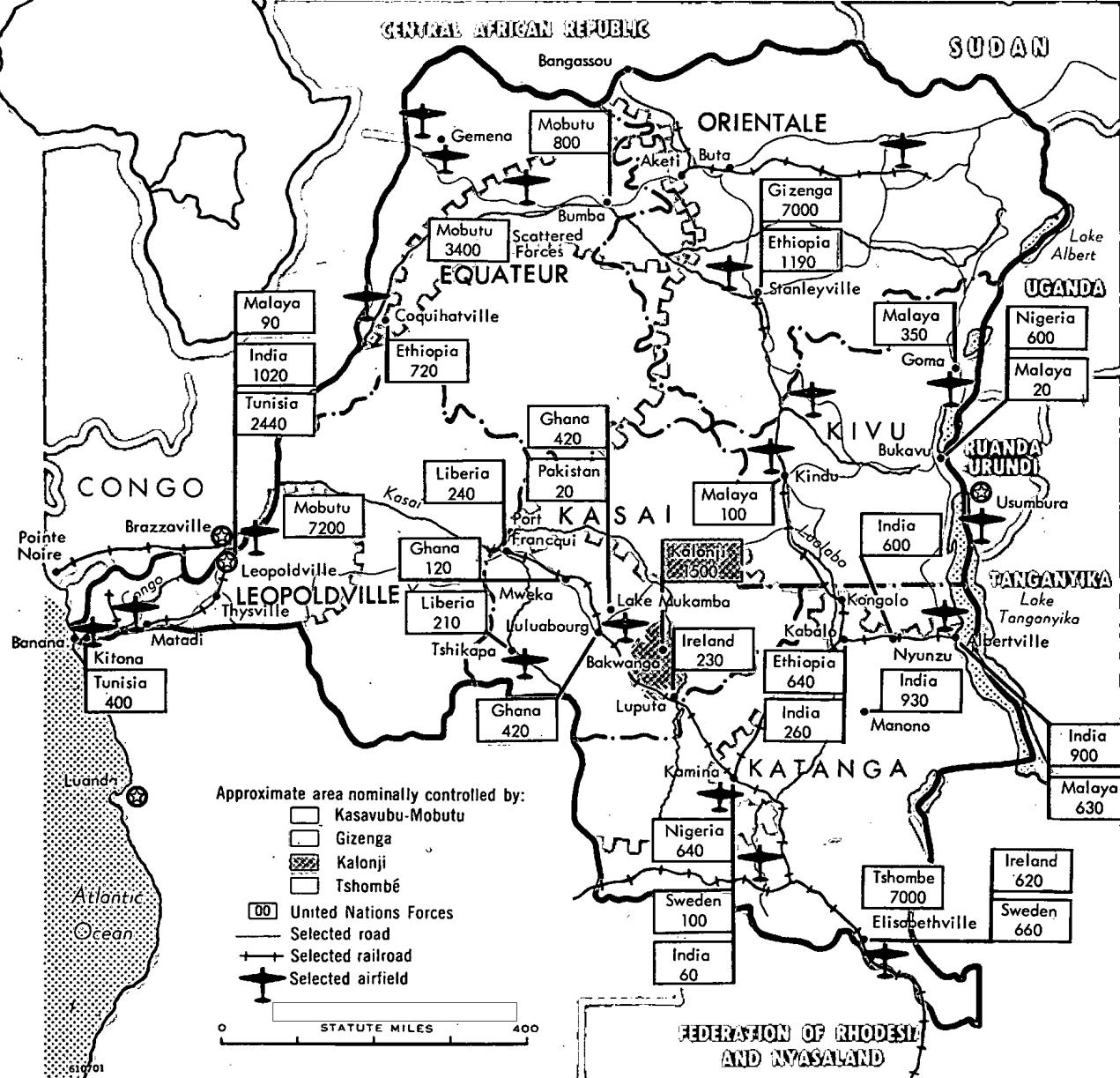
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18 JULY 1961
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1. Further evidence of discontent in East Germany

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[redacted] number of farmers are attempting to leave the collectives they reluctantly joined early in 1960. Some party functionaries are demoralized, and the regime is taking a serious view of the situation. Ulbricht plans to make a speech laying down the party line next weekend. [redacted]. The refugee rate is still rising, with over 4,000 coming out between Saturday and yesterday afternoon. [redacted] 50X1

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2. Communist-led party will probably win in British Guiana

[redacted]
The election, scheduled for 21 August, will put into effect full internal self-government and is the last move before independence. [redacted]

[redacted] Jagan, [redacted] is becoming more open about his Marxist views, and is increasing Communist contacts abroad. 50X1

3. Ecuador's views on "good offices" in US-Cuban dispute

Ecuador believes Brazil and Mexico are trying to "elude" joining in a conciliation move. [redacted]

[redacted] advise the Cubans to renew direct approaches to both. Ecuador plans to shelve the proposal if Mexico and Brazil do not endorse it. [redacted] 50X1

4. Common Market meeting today

[Redacted]

The heads of government are expected to compromise sharply divergent French and Dutch positions on tighter political relations by issuing a manifesto setting a timetable for achieving close ties without spelling out details. The Dutch fear that any further steps would complicate British entry, on which some word from London is expected by the end of the month.

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5. Congolese politicians still manuevering

We think parliament will finally meet in the next few days, but there is still considerable foot-dragging. Prospects are for a strong Gizenga representation in any government which may be formed. Gizenga's followers appear to have a numerical edge unless the Katanga delegation decides to attend, and are in any case better organized. The session promises to be long and confused.

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6. Prospect for stable government in Cyprus not encouraging

[Redacted]

Communist gains have forced Makarios' Greek nationalist followers to re-organize their political party. Smouldering differences between Greek and Turkish Cypriots remain, and creation of a Cypriot army is held up by disagreements between Greece and Turkey.

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- A. Bourguiba's gestures against the French base at Bizerte represent a so far carefully-controlled effort to demonstrate that he is not a servant of imperialism. De Gaulle has refused to discuss the issue until the atmosphere calms down. 50X1
- B. The King of Morocco has dropped his attempt to hasten evacuation of American air bases. He suggests that the US could probably retain some of its communications facilities in return for opposition to UN membership for Mauritania. 50X1
- C. While the French-Algerian negotiations will be renewed on Thursday, there is still disagreement on organization and procedure. 50X1
- D. The USSR has contracted with Cuba to supply more than 8000 trucks over the next twelve months. In 1958--the highest year for Soviet truck exports--the USSR shipped about 30,000, two-thirds to Communist China. 50X1
- E. Krishna Menon's intervention has produced a rather wide split between Canada and India on conduct of the ICC in Laos, which could further limit its effectiveness. 50X1
- F. Ambassador Farland reports that a Panamanian request for an increased annuity for use of the Canal is likely. 50X1

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19 JULY 1961

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1. Communist China's foreign outlook

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a) Bloc unity would be Peiping's basic objective in Sino-Soviet relations during 1961 and Peiping would not take the initiative to reopen the debate even though the Chinese Communists have not changed their basic positions.

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2. Portugal plans to increase military forces in Angola

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Revised plans call for reinforcements to up the strength to 40,000--double the number Lisbon estimated last May. 17,000 Portuguese troops are already in Angola in addition to about 9,000 native troops. The Portuguese Foreign Minister told the British Ambassador that Lisbon would give "reports, facts and figures" to the UN Subcommittee on Angola but would not at this time permit an on-the-spot investigation.

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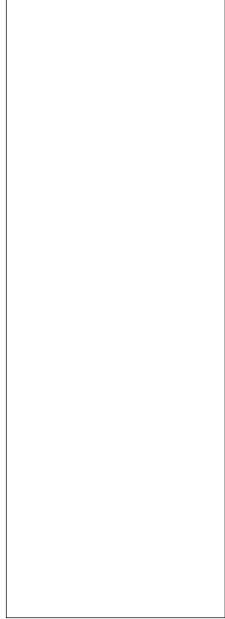
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3. Ikeda consolidates control over Japanese conservatives



Reorganization of the party and cabinet was completed yesterday, with Ikeda having won considerable cooperation from faction leaders in his own party. Ikeda reserved the important post of 50X1 the party secretary general for a member of his own faction to tighten his grip on the party machinery before his term as party president expires a year hence. [redacted]

4. Jockeying for UN Security Council seat



Venezuela seems to be emerging as the majority candidate of the Latin American bloc for the UN Security Council seat being vacated by Ecuador in 1961. Cuba continues to maintain 50X1 its candidacy and probably hopes to capitalize on its withdrawal from the race last October in favor of Chile. There also remains some doubt whether Guatemala will be willing to withdraw its candidacy which was announced 22 June primarily as a counter to Cuba. Any failure of a majority of the Latin American caucus to agree on a candidate probably would encourage the Africans and others to seek the seat, one of two now normally assigned to Latin America. [redacted]

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5. Embassy Seoul appraises extent of Communist influence in new regime



Berger concludes:

- a) the motivations of the revolt are patriotic, nationalistic, and anti-Communist;
- b) there may be some opportunists and Communist "sleepers" among the revolutionary leaders; 50X1
- c) Pak Chong-hui is not in this category;
- d) the greatest danger that the Communists will benefit lies in failure of the regime to solve its factional differences and meet its economic problems.

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- A. Moderate elements of the middle class in the Dominican Republic are beginning to lose their fear of undertaking political activity and are cautiously organizing to play a role against the Trujillo machine and the recently emerged pro-Castro agitators.
- B. Caracas has turned down a request from the Soviet Ambassador in Mexico that Venezuela be included in the itinerary of the Soviet good-will mission currently touring Latin America.
- C. The British Foreign office, which originally intended to play the visit of Yuri Gagarin in low key, says it was compelled to revise its attitude because of public, press, and parliamentary pressures.
- D. Initial Moscow reaction to the Western notes on Berlin charges routinely that the West, by rejecting a peace treaty, is "aiding and abetting sinister forces which seek to start another war." It is also charged that war hysteria and mobilization planning in the US are giving Adenauer "incentive to adventures." The statement was made over Moscow radio by the regular commentator for German audiences.
- E. The 24-hour general strike in Argentina, termed a "dress rehearsal" by its Peronista leaders, was a complete success which halted activities throughout Argentina. The demonstration of Peronista strength, which was not opposed by the government, could force a showdown between the army and the Frondizi government.

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THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

20 JULY 1961
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SPECIAL ITEM

SITUATION IN BIZERTE as of 0800

1. The situation got out of hand yesterday, apparently when French paratroop reinforcements arrived at the base. The French, for reasons not clear, chose to drop them rather than land the aircraft. Tunisian forces around the base, perhaps believing they were being attacked, opened fire. The French state they fired only after this.

2. This morning gun fire continued. The Tunisians claim they are being strafed by French aircraft, and that French armor and infantry were used against civilian demonstrators. The French claim that Tunisian artillery opened fire on the base this morning, but deny that there has been any infantry contact.

3. On the diplomatic front, Tunisia has announced it will ask for an urgent session of the UN Security Council. Bourguiba has also said he will break relations with France. The French yesterday sent a note to Tunisia which, while attempting to calm the situation down, reiterates French determination to defend the base.

4. These developments will bear directly on the opening of negotiations at Evian today. Extremists on both sides have a much greater opportunity to sabotage the talks. Bourguiba's actions suggest he also has an eye on the adjoining Sahara.

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1. Menshikov states conditions for reversing Soviet timetable on Berlin

[redacted]

Khrushchev 50X1

shchев will not alter his position on the Berlin situation, or delay his stand beyond the end of the year, with one exception. That would be a high-level, four-power conference on the entire German situation, which would include the Berlin crisis." Menshikov also claimed he was misquoted in his earlier statement of American disinclination to fight for Berlin.

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2. Abnormalities in performance of Soviet economy

[redacted]

Our preliminary analysis of published Soviet statistics for the first half of 1961 has turned up clear indications that plans for 1961 have been modified and that the economy has run into difficulties in some areas. We are not yet able to tell what these changes mean. Investment and labor productivity did not rise to the level planned; agriculture appears in better shape than last year.

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3. Mob violence possible in Tehran tomorrow.

[redacted]

National Front demonstrations scheduled for the anniversary of Mossadeq's re-appointment as Prime Minister have been banned by the government, but the Front apparently plans to go ahead. Military units near Tehran have been alerted, and the government began making arrests

[redacted]

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4. Congo situation further confused

[redacted]

Belgian mining interests in the Katanga have apparently brought about, at least temporarily, a rapprochement between Tshombé and Army Commander Mobutu to block Gizenga's anticipated success in parliament. This agreement may have set off a move against Tshombé by his opponents in the Katanga government. MAP

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5. Indian government privately pleased with outcome of Ayub's visit to Washington

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Indian officials believe the co~~50X1~~ munique indicated no change in US policy toward either country. The references to Kashmir were "completely acceptable." Nehru, on a tour of Kashmir, bitterly denounced Ayub yesterday, but we think this was primarily for local consumption.

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UN efforts to halt skirmishing between Indian and Pakistani troops in Kashmir have so far failed.

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6. Proposal for federation with Malaya and Borneo threatens a breakdown of stable government in Singapore

[redacted]

The ruling party, an uneasy coalition of moderate socialists and extreme leftist workers, seems to be coming apart over the issue. The moderates see federation as the only way to give Singapore a viable economy, while the extremists fear increased influence in Singapore of anti-Communist Malaya. The party has also lost two by-elections recently; this and a number of defections has reduced it to a majority of one in the assembly.

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A. The US Air Force estimates that Soviet forces in Germany have now massed sufficient electronic countermeasure equipment between Berlin and West Germany to disrupt totally airlift operations except under visual flight conditions.

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C. Embassy Buenos Aires reports a new press campaign urging the US to admit Argentine meat.

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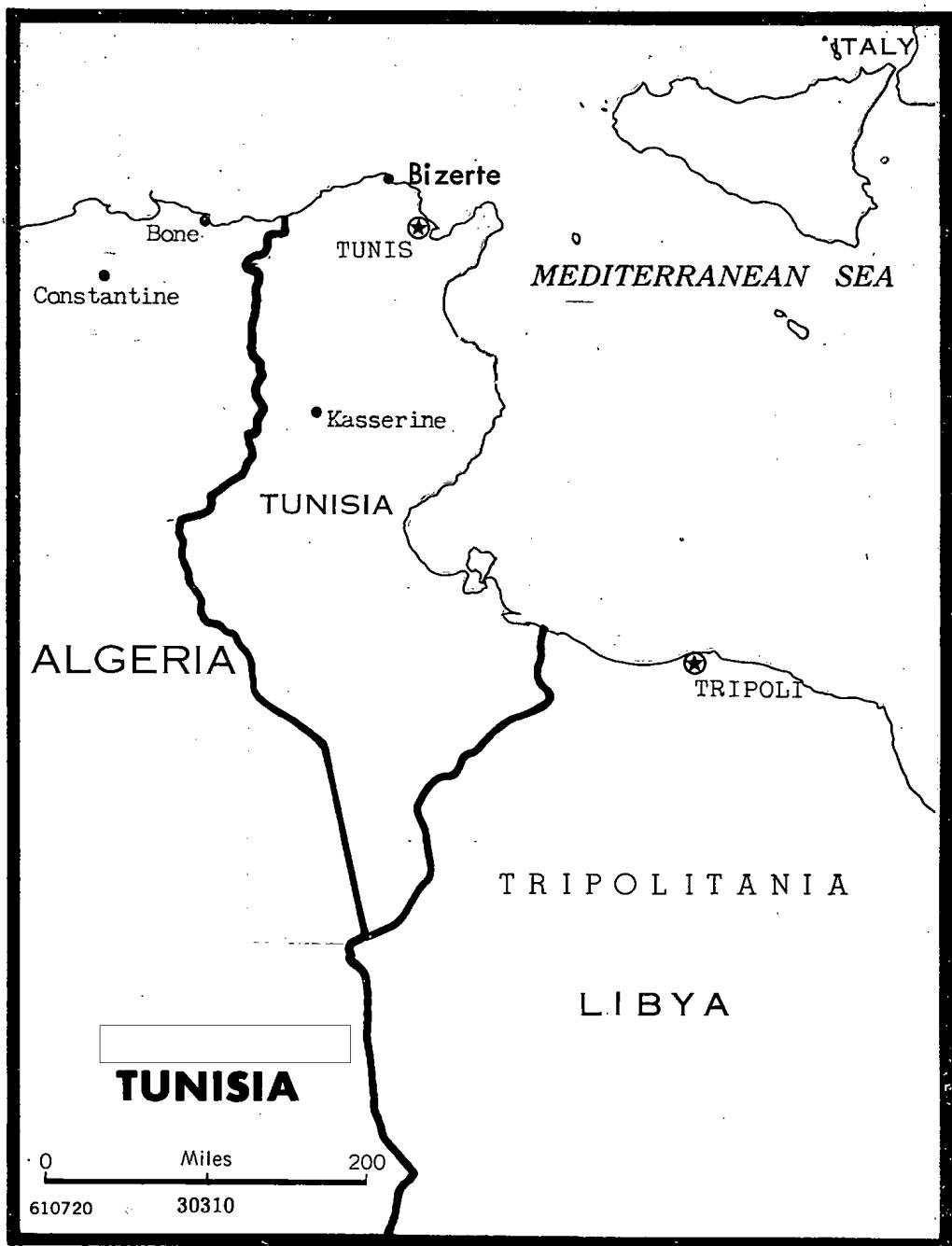
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WATCH COMMITTEE CONCLUSIONS--19 July 1961

No Sino-Soviet bloc country intends to initiate direct military action in the immediate future.

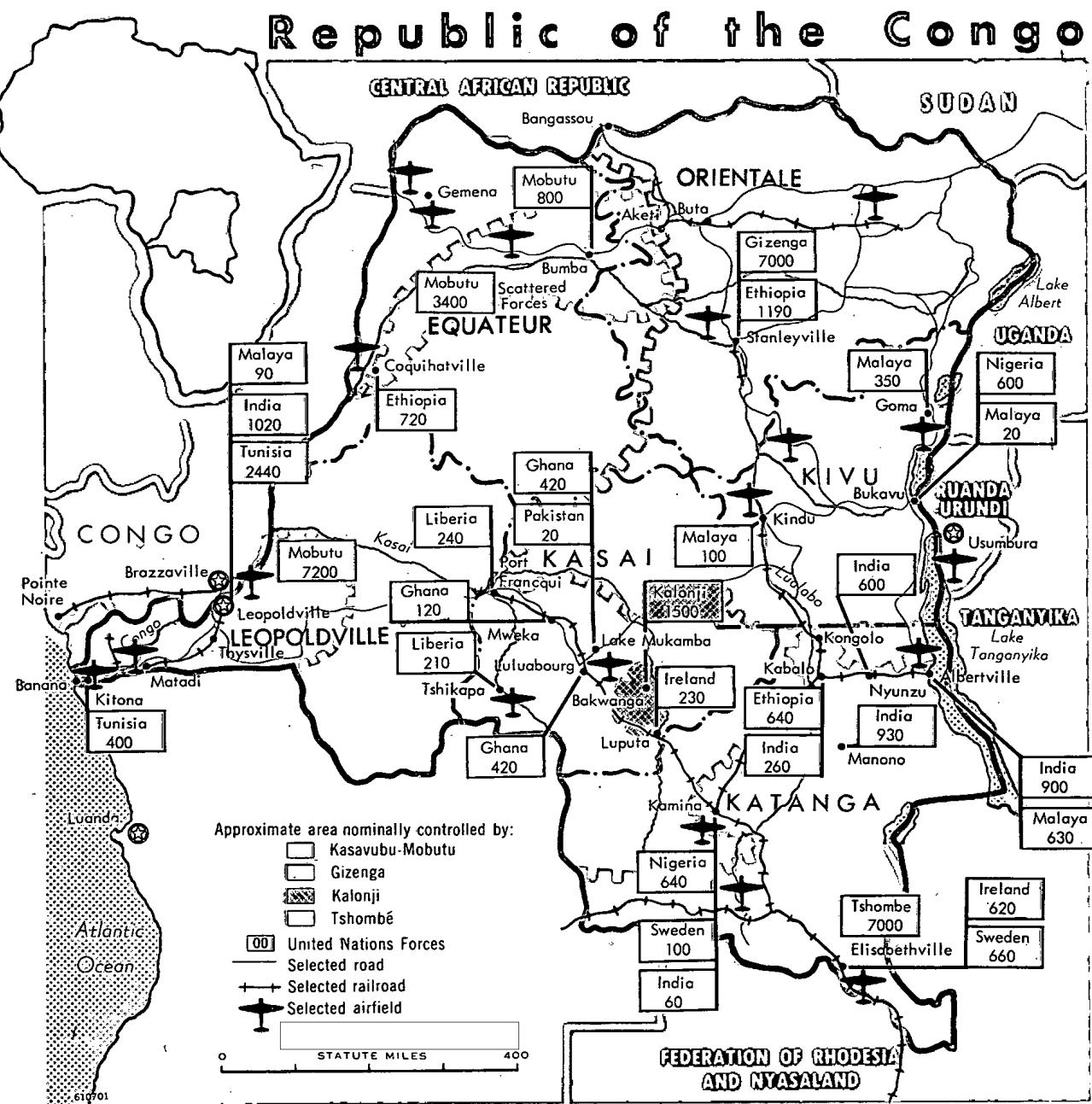
Despite evidence of growing popular dissatisfaction in East Germany, we do not believe that uprisings are imminent.

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THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

21 JULY 1961
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1. Tunisian developments

- a) Fighting broke out again late yesterday in the Bizerte area following a lull. The Tunis radio this morning claims that French and Tunisian units are fighting in the streets of Bizerte. The Tunisians also claim that a tank-supported French force moved in to occupy the city of Bizerte after the Tunisian garrison there had rejected a French ultimatum to withdraw.
- b) Tunisia is trying to get the UN Security Council today to brand France as the aggressor at Bizerte. The Tunisian Foreign Minister told the US Ambassador that France's reinforcement of the base despite Tunisia's warning was an aggressive act which brought on the bloodshed.
- c) [Redacted]
- d) The French sent more reinforcements to Bizerte yesterday. French troops are under orders to defend themselves but to take no aggressive action, according to a French official.
- e) President Bourguiba announced this morning that Tunisia will accept the principle of enrolling foreign volunteers in its fight against France, adding that friendly countries had offered assistance.

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2. Sequel to Ayub Khan's visit to US

b) An influential Pakistani newspaper carried a story, probably deliberately leaked, that the Kashmir dispute will probably be referred back to the UN in 1962 unless India is willing to resolve the issue in direct talks with Pakistan. Also that "broad agreement" had been reached between the US and Pakistan on the next diplomatic steps to be taken on Kashmir.

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3. Outer Mongolia soliciting diplomatic recognition from non-bloc nations

A Foreign Ministry official said Ulan Bator is "ready to establish diplomatic relations with the US, Britain, Japan, and other Western countries."

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4. Cuba prepares for 26 July celebrations

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The foreign guest list will include sizeable delegations from the Sino-Soviet bloc and Soviet astronaut Gagarin will be accorded red carpet honors. The Cuban government has announced that "a great surprise will be given to the Cuban people." We suggest that the "surprise" could include:

- a) a display of MIG fighter aircraft and other military hardware;
- b) the announcement of a new "Socialist" constitution or of a single political party;
- c) the release of prisoners taken in the invasion attempt (with the foreknowledge that many would elect to remain in Cuba);
- d) the announcement of plans for a free election (but with no definite date given).

Pro-Castro sympathizers in other Latin American countries are organizing demonstrations which could lead to some violence.

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5. Soviet space shot preparations



Advanced stage reached. The USSR is technically capable of:

- a) launching a manned satellite which would orbit the earth more than once prior to recovery;
- b) orbitting an instrumented reconnaissance vehicle around the moon;
- c) making a soft landing of an instrumented package on the moon.

Possible, of course, that the event will be less spectacular than any of these three.

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- A. Indonesian Air Force crews will begin transition training next week in TU-16 medium jet bombers recently acquired from the USSR. Two of the bombers arrived in Indonesia early this month and 18 more are to be delivered between now and end of 1962. Indonesia is the only country outside the USSR which has TU-16's. [redacted]
- B. The Soviet navy may be operating as many as 28 submarines capable of launching missiles up to a range of 350 nautical miles. Seven of these--all based in the Murmansk area--may be nuclear-powered. [redacted]
- C. The Arab League Council yesterday adopted a resolution providing for the admission of Kuwait to the Arab League and for military aid by member states to preserve Kuwait's independence. Qasim, who tried to block the council's action, will probably brand it "illegal" and try to prevent its implementation.

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GENERAL CLIFTON (EYES ONLY)

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PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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1. INDICATIONS OF A COUP AGAINST PSHONKE.

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INTERIOR MINISTER MUNONGO IS ABOUT TO TAKE OVER IN KATANGA AND MAY ALREADY HAVE DONE SO. MUNONGO, A STRONG SUPPORTER OF KATANGAN INDEPENDENCE, HAS REACTED TO UN AND WESTERN PRESSURE FOR A UNIFIED CONGO BY THREATENING TO DEAL WITH GIZZENGWA AND THE USSR. THE AMERICAN CONSUL IN ELISABETHVILLE SAYS HE IS NOT BLUFFING. MUNONGO'S ACTIVITIES HAVE CREATED A SITUATION IN WHICH DISCIPLINE IN THE KATANGAN ARMY IS BREAKING DOWN WHILE TENSIONS ARE RISING. CLASHES WITH UN TROOPS ARE LIKELY IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS; THE UN WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO DISARM THE KATANGAN FORCES.

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2. ATTEMPT TO REMOVE QASIM INCREASINGLY LIKELY. THE ARAB LEAGUE COUNCIL'S DECISION TO BACK KUWAIT HAS ISOLATED HIM INTERNATIONALLY.

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HE HAS ALSO ALIENATED

MANY IRAQI POLITICAL AND ARMY ELEMENTS.

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A. ANOTHER SOVIET TEST ICBM FAILED IN FLIGHT EARLY THIS MORNING--THE NINTH FAILURE THIS YEAR. TWELVE OTHERS HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL. THE RESULTS OF TWO ARE UNKNOWN.

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B. THE REFUGEE FLOW INTO WEST BERLIN THIS WEEK IS RUNNING EVEN HIGHER THAN LAST WEEK. THE EAST GERMAN PRESS IS FOR THE FIRST TIME TAKING PUBLIC NOTICE OF "THIS HUMAN TRADE."

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C. THE UK HAS ASKED FOR A RESTRICTED NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY. WE ANTICIPATE A PITCH FOR GREATER WEST GERMAN FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF BRITISH FORCES IN GERMANY.

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D. HASIR TOLD AMBASSADOR BADEAU THAT A REPLY TO THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER ON PALESTINE WOULD BE FORWARDED ABOUT 1 AUGUST. HE SAID HE WAS SURPRISED WHEN SIMILAR LETTERS WERE SENT TO OTHER ARAB STATES.

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E. HASIR PROCLAMATED NEW NATIONALIZATION LAWS FOR SYRIA TODAY. THIS APPEARS TO BE A MAJOR MOVE, BUT WE AS YET HAVE NO SPECIFICS.

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F. THE ARREST OF NATIONAL FRONT LEADERS IN TEHRAN EARLY YESTERDAY EFFECTIVELY BLOCKED ANY MAJOR DEMONSTRATIONS.

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G. PRINCE SOUPHANNOUVONG HAS REJECTED SOUVANNA'S PROPOSAL FOR A MEETING OF THE THREE PRINCES AT PHNOM PENH; BOUM OUN HAD ACCEPTED. SOUVANNA APPEARS FOR THE MOMENT TO BE ACTING SOMEWHAT MORE INDEPENDENTLY OF HIS COMMUNIST SUPPORTERS.

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H. NATIONALIST DEMONSTRATIONS IN PROTEST AGAINST THE PROPOSED NEW CONSTITUTION MAY LEAD TO VIOLENCE IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA THIS WEEKEND. THE 20-1 WHITE ELECTORATE WILL VOTE ON THE PROPOSALS WEDNESDAY.

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SPECIAL ITEM

TUNISIA (AS OF 0600)

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BY LATE 21 JULY FRENCH PARATROOPERS WERE REPORTED IN CONTROL OF ALL VITAL AREAS OF BIZERTE CITY. SCATTERED FIGHTING IS STILL BEING REPORTED; TUNISIA CLAIMS THAT THE FRENCH HAVE ATTACHED OUTLYING VILLAGES. MUCH OF THE REMAINING TUNISIAN ARMY AND NATIONAL GUARD—APPARENTLY OBEDIENT TO BOURGUIBA'S LAST-DITCH INSTRUCTIONS—ARE REPORTED TO HAVE "TAKEN TO THE HILLS TO CONTINUE

GUERRILLA WARFARE," AND THE UNARMED VOLUNTEERS, ABANDONING THEIR ENTRENCHMENTS AND BLOCKADES, ARE REPORTED HEADING TOWARD TUNIS, A PRESS REPORT FROM PARIS CLAIMS THAT, WITH THE OBJECTIVES IN BIZERTE ACHIEVED, THE FRENCH COMMAND WOULD NOT TAKE FURTHER ACTION UNLESS ATTACKS WERE RENEWED AGAINST BASE INSTALLATIONS; IT ADDED THAT AS SOON AS BIZERTE RETURNED TO " NORMAL," FRANCE WOULD OFFER A CEASE-FIRE AND DECLARE ITS READINESS TO OPEN TALKS ON THE STATUS OF THE BASE.

WITH THE APPROACHES TO THE BIZERTE BASE IN FRENCH HANDS, PARIS WILL BE EAGER TO AVOID FURTHER MILITARY ACTION IN THE HOPE THAT AN EARLY CEASE-FIRE AGREEMENT CAN BE ACHIEVED. FRENCH MILITARY EXTREMISTS MAY STILL BE TEMPTED TO TRY TO EXTEND OPERATIONS, HOWEVER, WITH THE INTENTION OF EVENTUALLY SPARKING AN ARMY MOVE AGAINST THE 15,000 ALGERIAN REBEL FORCES ON TUNISIAN SOIL. IF

[REDACTED] FRENCH AIRCRAFT, TANKS AND MOTORIZED
FORCES HAVE CROSSED OVER THE BORDER FROM ALGERIA AND ATTACKED

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TUNISIAN MILITARY POINTS AND HAVE OCCUPIED WATERING PLACES IN SOUTHERN TUNISIA, PARIS MAY BE FACED ALMOST IMMEDIATELY WITH A TICKLISH DISCIPLINARY PROBLEM IN CALLING A HALT TO SUCH OPERATIONS OR ORDERING A WITHDRAWAL.

THERE ARE NO REPORTS AS TO THE CONDITION OF THE MILITARY-CIVILIAN CARAVAN ENROUTE TO PLANT THE TUNISIAN FLAG SOME 25 MILES SOUTH OF THE TUNISIAN-CONTROLLED TERRITORY WHICH YESTERDAY WAS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN STRAFED BY FRENCH AIRCRAFT.

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TUNISIAN DEFENSE MINISTER DAHI LADJEM URGENTLY REQUESTED ON 21 JULY THAT THE UNITED STATES "INTERVENE TO HALT" FRENCH OCCUPATION OF BIZERTHE. OTHER TUNISIAN OFFICIALS HAVE INDICATED THAT BOURGUIBA WAS RELYING HEAVILY ON THE UN AND, PARTICULARLY,

TUR US TO BRING A HALT TO FRENCH MILITARY ACTION. AN ANTI-AMERICAN TONE IS BECOMING EVIDENT IN TUNISIAN RADIO BROADCASTS WITH POINTED REFERENCES TO THE FACT THAT FRANCE IS USING AMERICAN B-26 PLANES IN BOMBING RAIDS. WINDOWS OF THE AMERICAN LIBRARY IN TUNIS WERE BROKEN APPARENTLY IN PROTEST TO THE USE OF AMERICAN PLANES DURING A DEMONSTRATION IN FRONT OF THE ADJACENT FRENCH EMBASSY. ALTHOUGH MOST DEMONSTRATIONS ARE ORDERLY, POLICE PATROLS ARE NOW ARMED WITH SUBMACHINE GUNS AND RIFLES WITH FIXED BAYONETS.

THE UN SECRETARY GENERAL HAS OFFICIALLY REQUESTED THAT THE US AIRLIFT FROM THE CONGO THE 3200 TUNISIAN TROOPS WHICH BOURGUIBA HAS ASKED THE UN COMMAND TO RELEASE. THE RETURN OF THESE TROOPS WOULD BE A PSYCHOLOGICAL RATHER THAN A MILITARY ASSET TO BOURGUIBA WHO APPARENTLY NEVER ORDERED THE MAJOR PORTION OF HIS ARMY, WHICH HAD BEEN ENGAGED IN MANEUVERS IN WESTERN TUNISIA FOR THE PAST MONTH, INTO ACTION IN DIZERTE.

IN THE UN, THE TUNISIANS WILL PRESS FOR A RESOLUTION DESPISE

THEIR BELIEF THAT FRANCE WOULD PROBABLY EXERCISE ITS VETO. THE TUNISIANS ARE EMPHASIZING THAT THEY WILL CONSIDER THE VOTING ON ANY RESOLUTION AS A "TEST OF FRIENDSHIP" AND CLAIM THAT BOURGUIBA AND HIS GOVERNMENT WILL STAND OR FALL ON THEIR SUCCESS IN PROSECUTING SYRIAN EVACUATION.

HAVING RECEIVED NUMEROUS PLEDGES OF SYMPATHY AND SUPPORT, TUNISIA HAS REQUESTED AN "URGENT AND EXTRAORDINARY" MEETING OF THE ARAB LEAGUE COUNCIL. ALTHOUGH TUNISIA JOINED THE ARAB LEAGUE THREE YEARS AGO, IT IMMEDIATELY WITHDREW ITS REPRESENTATIVE IN A DISPUTE WITH HASIR AND ONLY PROVISIONALLY ATTENDED THE JANUARY MEETING IN BAGHDAD. SUCH A SESSION WOULD BE LARGELY A GESTURE OF SOLIDARITY AND UNLIKELY TO PROVIDE ANY PRACTICAL SUPPORT FOR BOURGUIBA.

ALGERIAN REBEL SUPPORT FOR BOURGUIBA APPARENTLY IS CONDITIONAL AND WILL SERVE MAINLY TO EXTRACT CONCESSIONS FROM TUNISIA AFTER ALGERIAN INDEPENDENCE IS ACHIEVED. THE ALGERIAN

STATEMENTS OF SOLIDARITY AND OFFER OF SUPPORT WERE REPORTED TO

HAVE BEEN DECIDED ON BY THE PROVISIONAL ALGERIAN GOVERNMENT AFTER PROLONGED DISCUSSION ON 26 JULY. THE PAG WHICH IS SERIOUSLY IRRITATED AT BOURGIBA POINTEDLY LIMITED STATEMENTS TO BIZERTE AND EXCLUDED ANY REFERENCE TO TUNISIAN TERRITORIAL CLAIMS IN THE SOUTH. THE PAG IS SAID TO BELIEVE THAT THE BOURGIBA OVERPLAYED HIS HAND WITH REGARD TO BIZERTE. ALTHOUGH ALGERIAN VOLUNTEERS ARE REPORTED TO BE ENLISTING FOR TUNISIAN SERVICE, THEIR FUNCTION MAY 50X1 BE LIMITED TO "PROTECTION" OF THE TUNISIAN-ALGERIAN BORDER.



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(NOTE: UNDERSTAND FROM BROWLEY SMITH THAT SECRETARY RUSK GIVING PERSONAL ATTENTION TO TUNISIAN PLEA THAT US QUOTE INTERVENE TO HALT UNQUOTE FRENCH ATTACKS)

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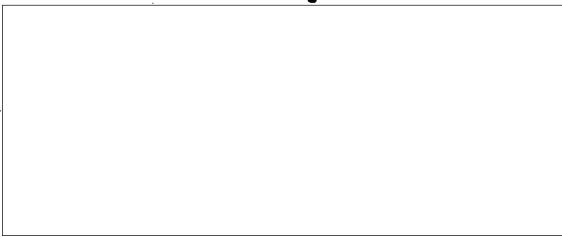
1. East Germans finally move
to cut refugee flow



Only 441 arrived in West Berlin through three o'clock yesterday (The total for last Sunday was 1240). We have evidence that Ulbricht has clamped down on movements between East Berlin and East Germany. [redacted] See Chart)

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2. Bizerte developments



a) The cease-fire in Bizerte itself appears to be effective for the moment. The situation in the Sahara is unclear. We have no confirmation of Tunisian claims that the French are landing troops north of Bizerte.
b) The French and Tunisian authorities in Bizerte were to meet yesterday afternoon.
c) International reaction tends to favor the Tunisians.
d) Bourguiba said on Saturday "We were sorry to see Britain and the United States take an attitude similar to that of France." Embassy Tunis suggests Tunisia may be collecting evidence that the French used US equipment.
e) We expect renewed pressure from radical African leaders for early evacuation of US bases in Morocco and Libya.

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3. Katanga's "turn to east" progresses

[redacted]

In a press conference this morning Interior Minister Munongo claimed he already had a Soviet response to his statement last week that Katanga was ready to seek Soviet aid. However, Gizenga seems wary of offers from Katanga. He plans to tell Elisabethville to demonstrate good faith by sending the Katangan delegation to parliament.

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4. Soviets push proposal to move UN from New York

[redacted]

Since they revived the plan in early June they have been working for support among the Afro-Asians, in preparation for the General Assembly meeting in September.

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5. Tito will make major statement on Europe and Berlin to non-aligned nations conference

[redacted]

Yugoslavia, as the only European state in attendance, expects its views on European problems to be given special recognition. Ambassador Kennan has been urged by a high Yugoslav official to discuss the US position with Vice President Kardelj, who will help draft Tito's speech. The present Yugoslav line on Berlin tends to parallel that of the USSR.

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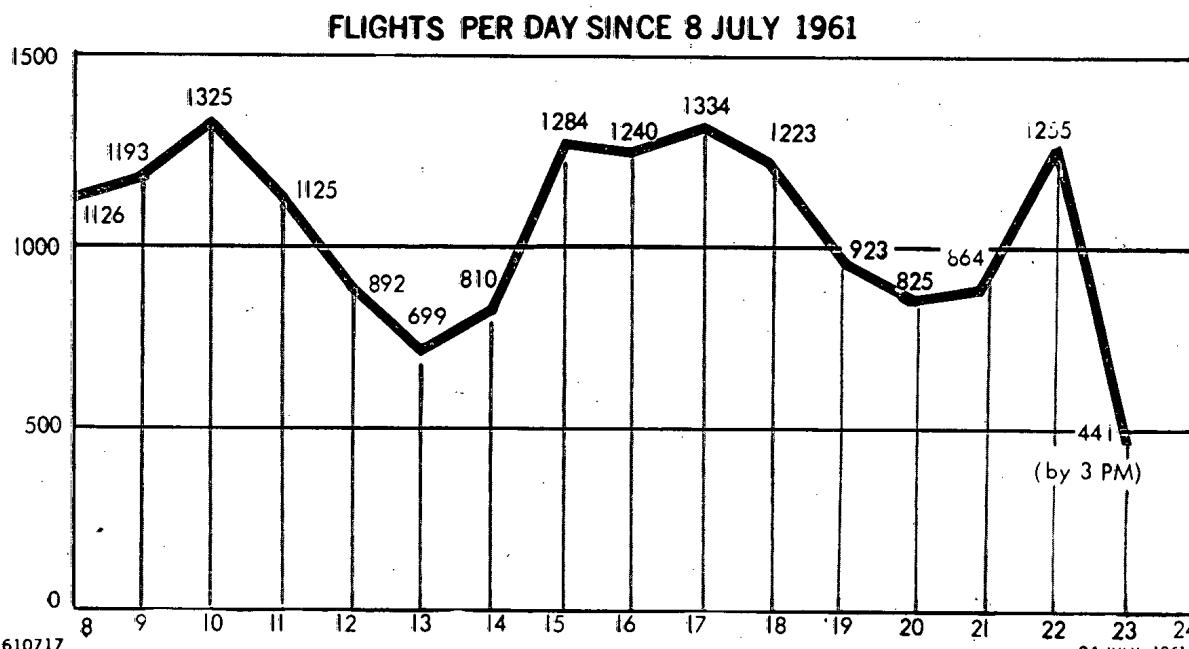
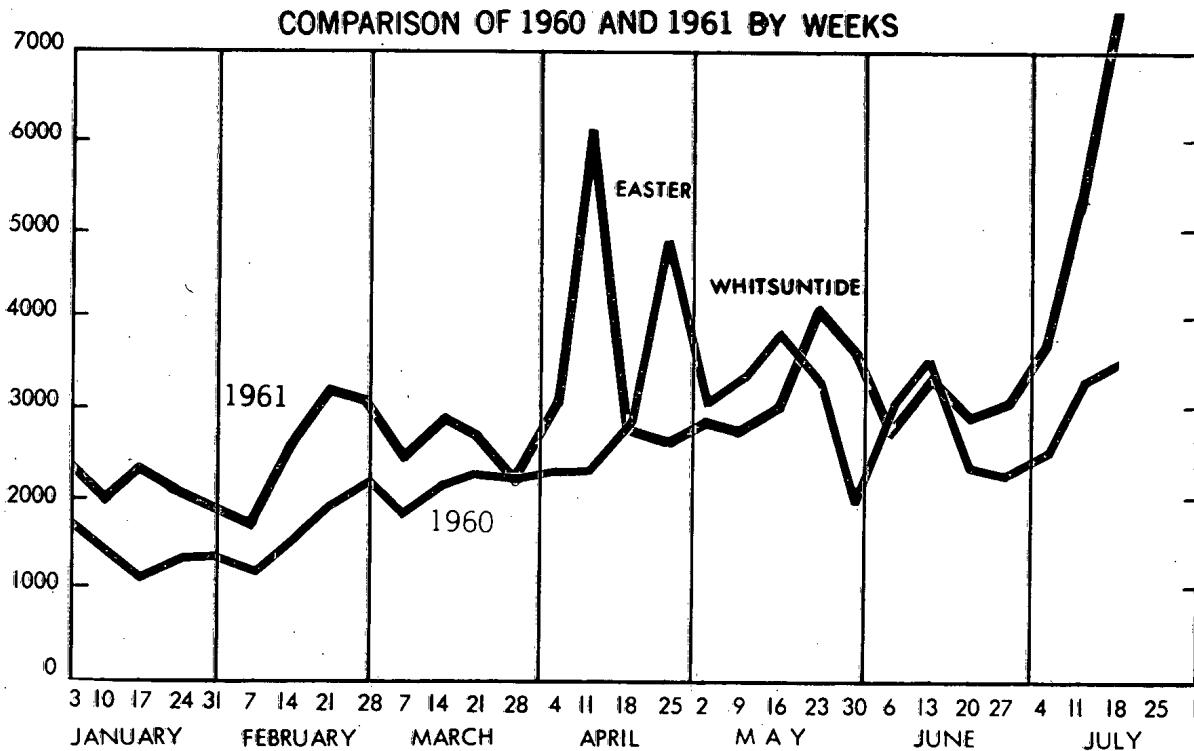
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- A. A large Soviet ground-air maneuver in the southwestern USSR [redacted] 50X1
[redacted] so far appears similar to one in 1959. [redacted] 50X1
- B. The USSR has announced a reorganization and strengthening of its economic "control" apparatus (auditing, inventory control, inspection of management), probably in response to economic difficulties which have cropped up in the first half of the year. [redacted] 50X1
- C. McCloy senses from Soviet behavior toward him that a shift in the USSR's position on the disarmament negotiations may be coming. His analysis of the negotiations to date is also available. [redacted] 50X1
- D. There have been no new major developments concerning Laos. [redacted]
- E. Nasir's nationalization laws, announced last Friday, are another step toward what he calls a "democratic, socialist, cooperative society." Essentially they soak the rich by manipulation of the income tax and nationalization of banks, insurance companies and "other" unnamed concerns. (US firms are not involved) The affected businessmen can probably make no effective protest, and Nasir's base of power among the poor will be strengthened, although there may be some disturbance in Syria.] A Nasir speech the next day contained nothing particularly new. [redacted] 50X1
- F. The build-up for Castro's 26 July celebration now included rumors of a plan to fire a rocket of some sort; we have no evidence that Castro possesses any, but something could be improvised. [redacted] 50X1

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25 JULY 1961

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1. Tunisian developments

a) The Tunisian Defense Minister describes the present situation in the Bizerte area as still "dangerous" and claims the French are using the cease-fire to improve their position.

b) Some French troops are reported to have arrived on a warship whose main mission was to repatriate to France 300 families of French soldiers. 50X1

c) [redacted] 50X1
[redacted] aid offers of men and military 50X1 advisers were being received from "many countries" and [redacted] government has decided to "accept in principle at least and at manageable levels." 50X1

2. East German refugees to West Berlin

In addition to the tightening of controls on the East-West Berlin sector border as well as along the border between East Germany and East Berlin, which has reduced the refugee flow, the East German regime is preparing to stage an all-out propaganda campaign against the "slave trade" allegedly organized by West German and American "head hunters" and also to show there is no food problem in East Germany. 50X1

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3. Tribal fighting flares up in Iraq

A sizeable Iraqi military force was ordered to move into the northeastern part of the country on 24 July to assist the local gendarmerie in suppressing violent clashes among Kurdish tribes in the area. The fighting thus far has not taken on an anti-government character. The Kurdish leader Barzani, who has close Moscow ties, seems to be winning over rival tribes.

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- A. Communist China is trying to get Ottawa's OK for a trade promotion mission to visit Canada next month. Peiping wants increased sales of Chinese goods and hopes to renegotiate its grain imports credits. A trade mission left Peiping yesterday for Melbourne where it will conduct similar negotiations with the Australians.
- B. The FBI reports that Moscow is planning to stage a World Peace Congress (time and place not yet firmed up) with the purpose of blaming the US for responsibility for world tensions.
- C. The Cuban television industry is suffering a critical shortage of spare parts which the Sino-Soviet bloc cannot alleviate before the first of the year.
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- TV is Castro's principal domestic propaganda medium.
- D. The Soviet mission touring Latin America is now in Brazil and has offered to supply Soviet tractors and heavy machinery to Brazil. The Agriculture Minister has indicated that the offer will be accepted.

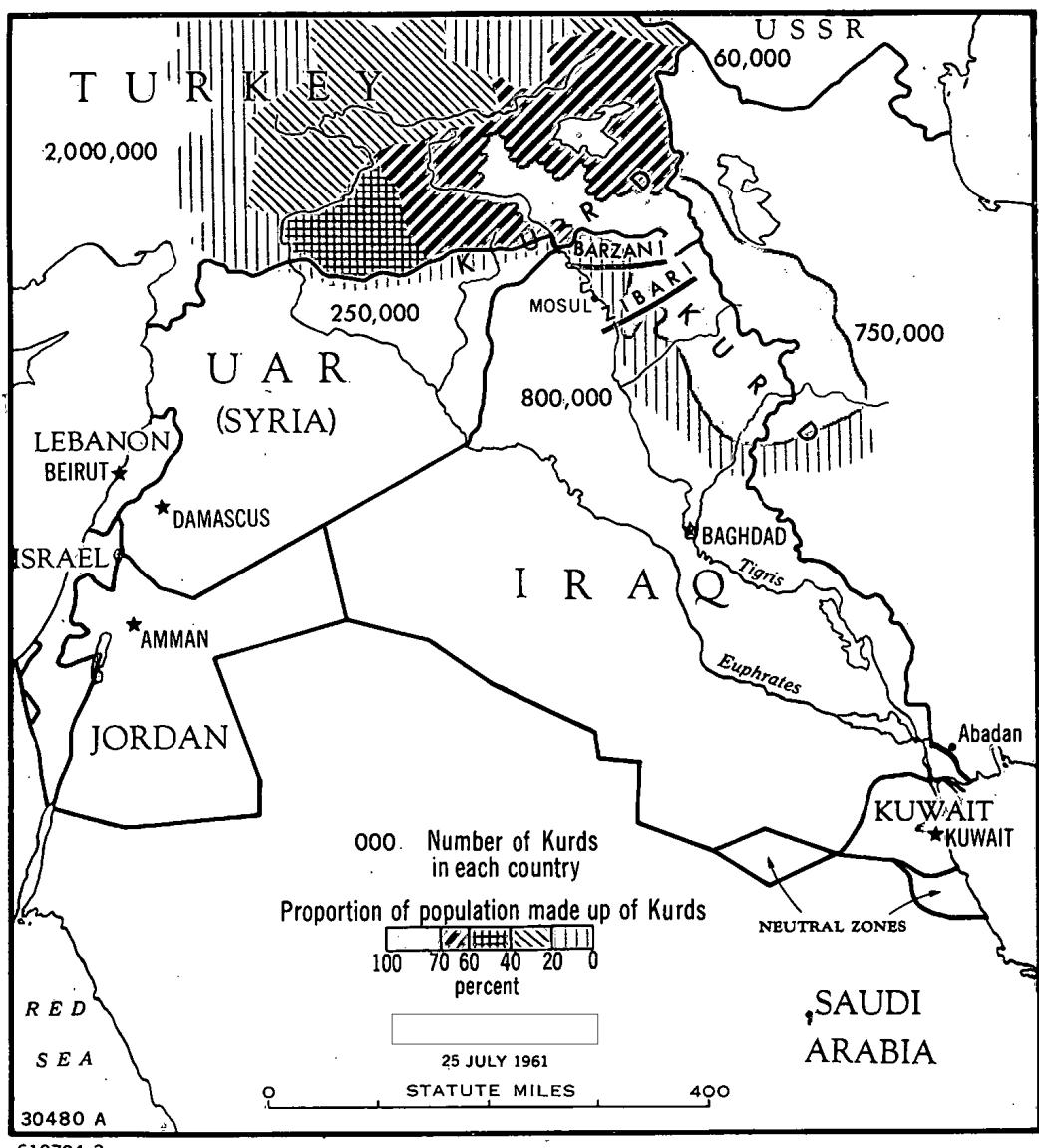
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THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

26 JULY 1961
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1. Ceasefire efforts in Tunisia deadlocked

[redacted]

The French and Tunisians have failed to agree on a site for talks to arrange an official truce. The ceasefire is still in effect, but Bourguiba is talking of a long and bitter guerrilla war to oust the French from the base. He continues to call for military aid, and several Arab states are actively preparing to send small contingents. He has also asked for another Security Council meeting later this week.

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2. Laotian developments

[redacted]

- a) The King has come to Vientiane to discuss a coalition government; he is willing to appoint one but unlikely to assume the premiership.
- b) Boun Oum and Souvanna still hope to meet in Phnom Penh; we doubt if much will come of it as long as Souphanouvong refuses to attend and Phoumi refuses to accept Souvanna as premier.
- c) Phoumi, in one of his more confident moods, is working out contingency plans for resuming hostilities. He has asked Thailand and South Vietnam for a light infantry division each.

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3. Thompson reports cryptic conversation which may be Soviet feeler on Berlin



The head of the American Desk in the Soviet Foreign Ministry told an Embassy official that the question of boundaries was more important to the USSR than the question of Berlin, although a decision was needed on the latter. When asked what boundaries he had in mind, the Soviet official replied "northern, eastern, and southern".

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4. Situation in the Dominican Republic



President Balaguer still seems to be easing the regime toward liberalization, with elections promised for next year. In this, he is receiving the support of Trujillo's son Ramfis, who controls most of the armed forces, although Ramfis' motives are probably opportunistic. Even with Ramfis' support Balaguer is unable to act freely, however, in the face of remnants of Trujillo's machine, notably the old man's brothers, who have private armies of their own. There is no love lost between Ramfis and his uncles, and a showdown may be in the making.



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5. Brazil to restore relations with the USSR

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Quadros made the announcement Monday. In an earlier personal letter Khrushchev had implied that this step would be followed by a Soviet aid offer, and we suspect the Soviet goodwill mission now touring Latin America to have made specific proposals, perhaps for development of the depressed northeast. President Goulart left on a trip to Communist China yesterday.

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A. Next Sunday is Soviet Navy Day, usually celebrated with a rather dull naval exhibition in Leningrad. There are suggestions, however, that this year the occasion--like the air show--may be used for muscle-flexing. "G-class" (conventionally-powered ballistic missile) submarines and guided missile-carrying destroyers may be shown.

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B. The refugee figure for Monday was considerably higher than Sunday's. We believe, however, that many of those who registered on Monday had actually crossed into West Berlin earlier to attend the Church Congress.

[redacted] 50X1

C. Another test vehicle was successfully fired from Tyura Tam to Kamchatka yesterday. The score for this year is now 13 successes, 50X1 nine failures, two undetermined. Preparations for a space shot continue.

[redacted] 50X1

E. Italian Prime Minister Fanfani will visit Moscow August 2-5.

[redacted] 50X1

F. The Congolese parliament is now in session; local UN officials believe Gizenga's group is winning out. The Katanga delegation is still absent and the political situation in Elisabethville is muddier than ever.

[redacted] 50X1

G. When Sukarno visited Moscow, Khrushchev is said to have offended him by asking "Now that we have given you all this aid, what are you going to do for us?" We have seen no reflection of Sukarno's displeasure in Indonesian policy, but [redacted] he may ask the US to undertake the Asahan project (major hydroelectric development in North Sumatra).

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- H. Sukarno plans to attend the UN General Assembly session after the Non-Aligned Nations Conference in Yugoslavia. A number of other heads of state may get the same idea. [redacted] 50X1
- I. Afghanistan has probably asked the USSR for fighters [redacted] 50X1
- J. The Algerian delegation at Evian agreed yesterday to the French proposal to split into working groups and talk details. [redacted] 50X1
LATE NOTE [redacted]
- K. As of 0800 we have no information on today's activities in Havana.

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Berlin

--- 27 June to 24 July

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1. During the reporting period, Khrushchev and other Soviet officials have used forceful terms in attempting to impress on the West that the USSR will not be deterred from its announced policy on Germany and Berlin by any Western military measures and will be prepared to match such Western moves. At the same time, the USSR's preference for early negotiations, apparently at a high-level four-power conference, has been evident in Khrushchev's statements and in [redacted] remarks by bloc spokesmen.

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2. Despite hints that a separate treaty with East Germany might be signed as early as September, there is no convincing evidence that Khrushchev has altered his expressed intention to wait until the West German elections and probably until after the CPSU congress in October.

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negotiations are begun before the end of the year, Khrushchev's 1961 deadline will not apply.

3. Since our last report a combination of events have coincided to produce an increasingly serious internal situation for the East German regime. A further deterioration in the economic situation and the effect of the bloc's more threatening tone on Berlin have increased popular discontent and apprehension. These factors have been added to the usual preference of refugees to flee during the summer months. East German moves to curtail the flow of refugees and warnings to the populace that it can expect no improvements in living standards increase the possibility of spontaneous local outbreaks.

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27 JULY 1961
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1. French anti-Gaullist conspiracy



Ex-general Salan proposed to Jacques Soustelle that a political-military committee be formed outside of France and Algeria and that its objectives be to resist a rebel-dominated Algeria and to prepare a "shadow government" to seize power in France.

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2. USSR offers economic aid to the Sudan



Soviet experts will go to the Sudan in the next few weeks to make a survey and recommend specific industrial projects to be underwritten with Soviet credits and technical assistance. Possible some military equipment may also be included. Abboud is visiting the USSR for the first time.

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- A. Soviet First Deputy Premier Mikoyan is scheduled to visit Japan unofficially in mid-August in connection with a Soviet trade fair. This would be the first visit of a top Soviet official to Japan since the Communist revolution of 1917. Mikoyan will probably offer prospects of a further expansion of trade which doubled in 1960 over 1959.
- B. East German authorities are enforcing their recent decree to evict East Berliners who work in West Berlin from their state-owned apartments unless they quit their jobs in the west.
- C. Nasir has so far been reluctant to invite the Tunisians to the forthcoming conference of non-aligned countries. The clash at Bizerte may have changed his mind and Bourguiba may now be asked to attend.
- D. Senegal, which severed diplomatic relations with Portugal Tuesday, is determined to have Lisbon change its African policy. Senegalese leaders apparently want to establish close relations with nationalist elements in Senegal who are planning terrorist activity in neighboring Portuguese Guinea. [redacted] 50X1
- E. Castro's main speech at the 26 July celebrations contained no bomb-shells. He later ordered the merger of all political organizations into a new coalition called the "United Party of the Socialist Revolution." The "surprise" which Castro promised the Cuban people may yet be forthcoming without fanfare. [redacted] 50X1

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WATCH COMMITTEE CONCLUSIONS--26 July 1961

No Sino-Soviet Bloc country intends to initiate direct military action in the immediate future.

CONGO: The presence of a Soviet delegation in Stanleyville and the rising political fortunes of Gizenga in the parliamentary debates at Lovanium indicate that opportunities may develop for a resumption of bloc penetration into the Congo. [redacted] General 50X1 Mobutu may attempt a military coup if the success of the Gizenga faction appears imminent.

LAOS: Little progress is being made toward the formation of a coalition government. No significant military actions are immediately in prospect.

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1. Soviet draft "Party Program" to be published Sunday



The program, which is to be adopted by the Party Congress in October to replace that of 1919, will be a blue print--in fairly general terms--of what the Soviets plan to accomplish in the next 20 years. According to Mikoyan, it will call for 60 percent of citizens' needs to be provided free by the state, 40 percent through money wages, a point which he says is causing intense discussion in the party. (The question of incentives is one of the most touchy between Moscow and Peiping.) Publication of the document, which Mikoyan says is 185 pages long, will be followed by one of the largest domestic propaganda campaigns of recent years.

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2. Hammarskjold believes French in the wrong in Bizerte



He thinks the presence of French forces, against the will of Tunisia, is a "threat to peace" under the UN Charter, and will probably say so to the Security Council today. He is almost certain to recommend that France accept the principle of evacuation. Tunisia has asked the Arab League to supply weapons rather than volunteers.

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3. Saudi-Jordanian differences on Kuwait

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[redacted]

Husayn 50X1

rather sympathizes with Iraq and has been talking vaguely of working out some sort of Iraq-Jordan federation which could be extended to include Kuwait. Saud, not unmindful that Qasim's claim includes a piece of Saudi territory, has given strong support to Kuwait.

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[redacted]

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NOTES

- A. After a drop on Sunday, the rate of East German refugee registrations has again risen to nearly the level of last week. [redacted] 50X1

- C. North Korea is working out from Havana to expand diplomatic contacts in Latin America, as the Communist Chinese have done for the past year. [redacted] [redacted] 50X1 50X1 50X1

- D. We reported a week ago that the UN was trying to stop exchanges of fire between Indian and Pakistani troops in Kashmir. Our latest report is that these have died down at least for the time being. [redacted] 50X1

- F. We have indications of an effort underway by Cuba to organize a Latin American labor confederation. [redacted] 50X1

- G. Whites in Southern Rhodesia have accepted by a 2-1 majority a new constitution admitting Africans to the legislature, although to only 15 of 65 seats. There will be continuing pressure for more representation from the Africans, who outnumber the whites 9 to 1. [redacted] 50X1

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PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

1. CONGO DEVELOPMENTS. THE OZENGA REGIME IN STANLEYVILLE HAS ARRANGED WITH THE UAR FOR TEN WEEKLY FLIGHTS FROM CAIRO WITH THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF IMPORTING SUPPLIES AND AMMUNITION. THE FIRST FLIGHT IS REPORTED TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE CARRYING DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL BUT NO AMMUNITION IN THE CARGO. SUDAN HAS NOT OFFICIALLY MODIFIED ITS REFUSAL TO GRANT LANDING RIGHTS FOR CARGO FLIGHTS TO STANLEYVILLE BUT APPARENTLY IS NOW WILLING TO ALLOW OVERFLIGHTS ON ASSUMPTION NO ILLICIT CARGO INVOLVED. [REDACTED] 50X1
- ✓ 2. FRENCH-ALGERIAN RELATIONS. THE ALGERIAN HURRAH'S DECISION TO SUSPEND THE EVIAN TALKS IS PROBABLY CALCULATED TO BRING PRESSURE ON DE GAULLE--BOTH FROM WITHIN FRANCE AND FROM OUTSIDE--TO COMPROMISE. WHETHER OR NOT THE TALKS CAN BE RESUMED WILL PROBABLY BE DETERMINED AT A MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ALGERIAN REVOLUTION, SCHEDULED FOR EARLY AUGUST. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] 50X1
- ✓ 3. INDIA STRENGTHENING NORTHERN DEFENSES. THE DEFENSE POSTURE ALONG THE ENTIRE FRONTIER AREA IS BEING IMPROVED, ESPECIALLY IN THE NORTHEAST [REDACTED] 50X1

DEFENSES WILL SPILL

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BE RELATIVELY STRONGER IN THE NORTHWEST WHERE INDIA FACES PAKISTAN AND CHINA.

NEW DELHI IS DETERMINED TO BE READY FOR ANYTHING ON THE FRONTIER

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A. KHRUSHCHEV LEFT HIS BLACK SEA VACATION RESORT YESTERDAY AND IS ON HIS WAY BY TRAIN TO MOSCOW VISITING COLLECTIVE FARMS EN ROUTE. HE HAS BEEN AWAY FROM MOSCOW SINCE 12 JULY.

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B. THE LAOTIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS IS SCHEDULED TO MEET THIS WEEKEND TO APPROVE A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT GRANTING THE KING FULL POWERS TO APPOINT A NEW GOVERNMENT.

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C. THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO PERMIT A CHINESE COMMUNIST TRADE MISSION TO VISIT CANADA NEXT MONTH

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SPECIAL ITEM

The 185 page draft "Program for the Construction of a Communist Society," to be presented by Khrushchev at the 22nd Party Congress in October, makes the following main points:

1. The present epoch is one of the "destruction of imperialism" and the creation of Communism in "world-wide measure." The US, the main stronghold of capitalism, has "entered into the era of sunset."
2. Peaceful coexistence of socialist and capitalist states is an "objective necessity" for the development of human society. "The important thing is to ward off a thermonuclear war." The great objectives of the working class can be realized without world war.
3. The CPSU considers it necessary to maintain the defense capacity of the USSR at a level which insures full defeat of any enemy daring to attack the USSR. One-man leadership is a most important principle in the Soviet armed forces.
4. Revisionism is the chief danger within the Communist movement today--this is most fully embodied in Yugoslavia's program. Another danger is dogmatism and sectarianism, which cannot be reconciled with a creative development of revolutionary theory.
5. The cult of the individual and violations of collective leadership are incompatible with Leninist principles. "During every ordinary election" the composition of the Central Committee will be renewed by not less than one-fourth. Members of the presidium are elected for not longer than three successive convocations, but there can be exceptions.

6. Industrial output will increase by 150 percent by 1971; by 500 percent by 1980. By 1980 more than half the income of the USSR will be distributable in the form of free goods and services--by this time the material and technical basis of Communism will be created. The present generation of Soviet people shall live under Communism.

7. The Soviet state will survive until the complete victory of Communism.

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1. Soviets [redacted]

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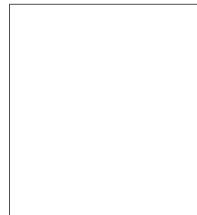
2. Tunisian developments



- a) De Gaulle told Stevenson that France would not be influenced by any UN resolution distasteful to it; 50X1
- b) French and Tunisian forces are reported to be preparing defenses and regrouping along Bizerte Lake, southwest of the city;
- c) Tunisia continues to solicit aid in the form of materiel and technicians from friendly states;
- d) Bourguiba has reportedly authorized the passage of arms for the Algerian rebels across the Libyan-Tunisian border.

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3. South-North Korean relations



The new South Korean government is engaged in an effort to enhance its international stature with a series of good will visits. The missions are engaged in explaining the recent revolt, in showing that the new government's accession to power was legal, and in forestalling if possible discussion of the Korean question at the UN. North Korea is trying to undercut this effort by sending delegations to the same areas to arrive before, or in some cases to coincide with, the South Korean visits.

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4. Congo developments



Gizenga supporters now seem to be in control of the lower house of the Congolese legislature by a small margin. Gizenga is still unsure of his chances of being personally included in the government and is worried about his personal security. Tshombé, who believes he may be able to control the minority faction in parliament, hopes to meet President Kasavubu in Brazzaville and to obtain concessions regarding Katanga's autonomy before agreeing to send legislators to Leopoldville.

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5. Chen Cheng contacted by mainland Communists before trip to US



A letter from a Chinese Communist official warned Chen that the US is abandoning its support of Taipei's position, praised Chen's stand against 50X1 "two China's", and suggested "collective opposition to the US." Peiping has used the private letter gambit before to try to corrode US-Nationalist relations but Chen and other Nationalists officials do not appear to have been 50X1 impressed by them. [redacted]

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- A. Refugee registration's in West Berlin on 28 and 29 July were 1,111 and 1,834 respectively, bringing the total thus far in July to over 26,000. The Ulbricht regime declared Saturday that the refugee flow made a peace treaty this year an "absolute necessity" and urged GDR citizens to help curb the flights. 50X1
- B. A Soviet test vehicle was successfully fired from Tyura Tam to Kamchatka Peninsula yesterday bringing the total of successful test vehicle launches this year to 14. Nine have failed in flight and three other firings were tried with undetermined results. This most recent launching was probably the second of a series of three tests of a "new ICBM" which Khrushchev revealed to McCloy on 26 July. The third in the series is to be launched on 7 August. 50X1
- C. The Trans-Siberian railroad has been closed to foreign travelers since 25 July with no reason given. The closing could be to improve security. We are trying to ascertain the real reason. 50X1
- D. The Laotian National Congress yesterday amended the constitution to permit the King to name himself premier of any new government or to designate some other choice in his place. Before the Congress' action, the Pathet Lao served notice it would not recognize the validity of the amendment. 50X1

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