

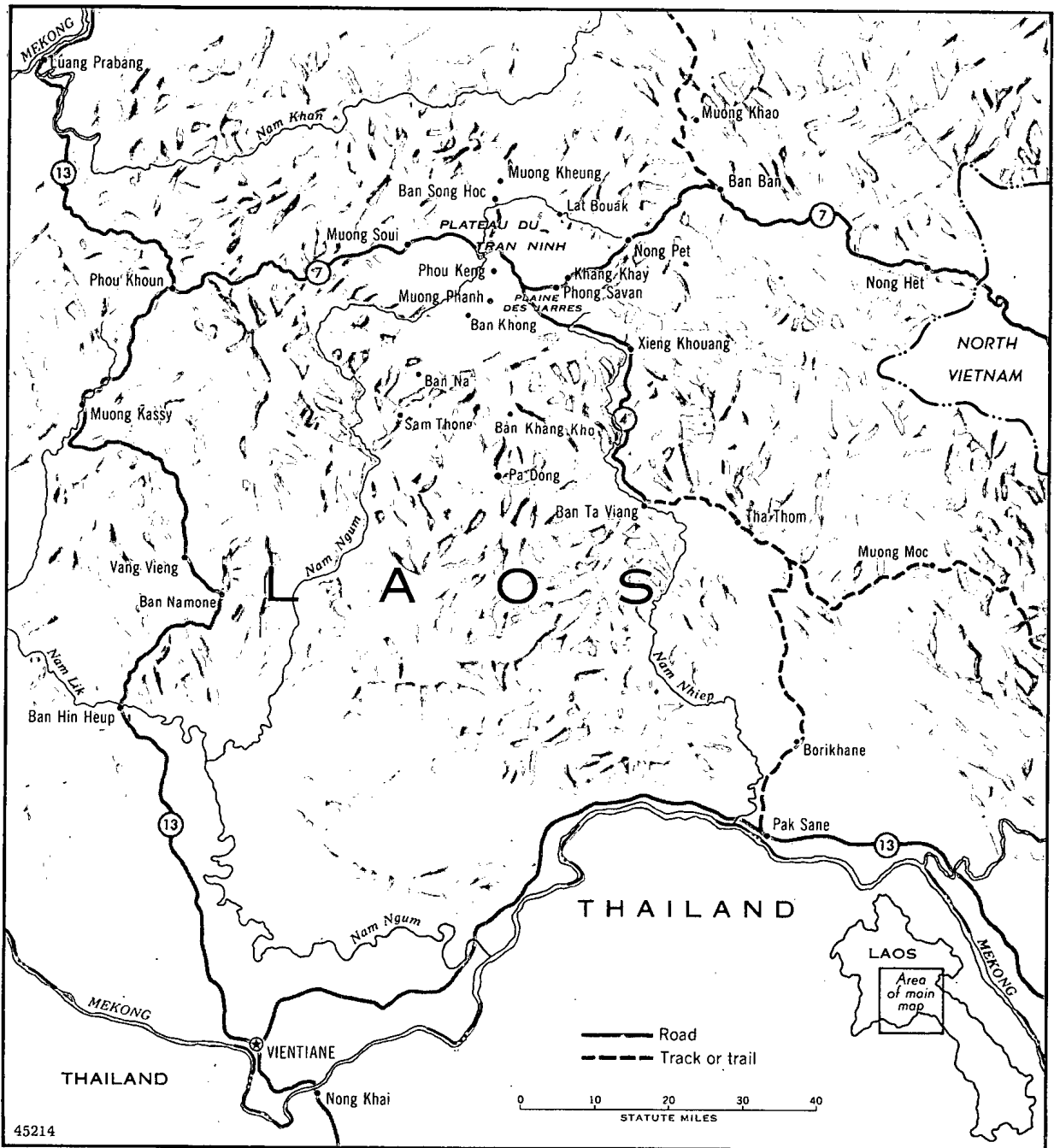
THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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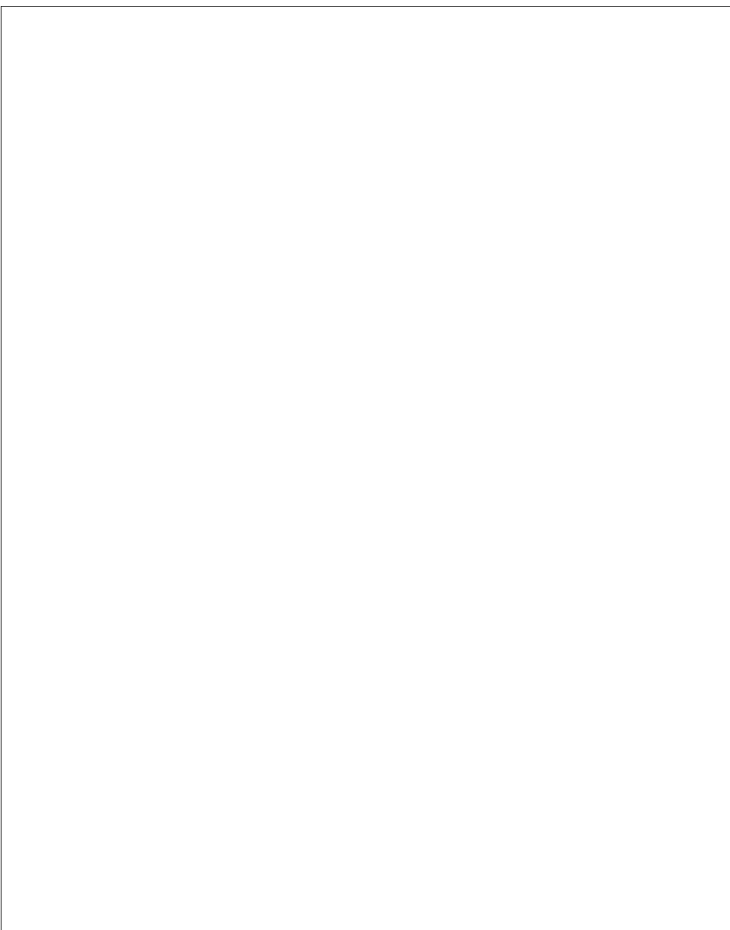
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1. Laos

a. As expected, the Soviets have jumped at the French proposal for a new conference on Laos. They suggest it be convened next month in Geneva.

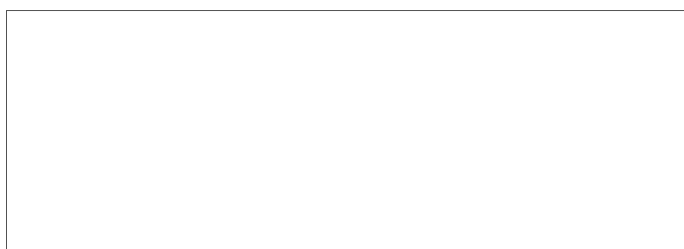
b. The Soviets say they are responding not only to the French proposal but to Souvanna Phouma's request for consultations as well.



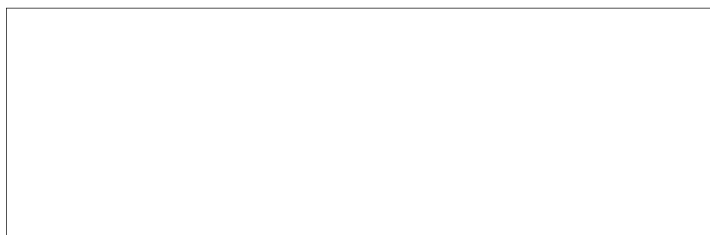
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2. Cuba-US



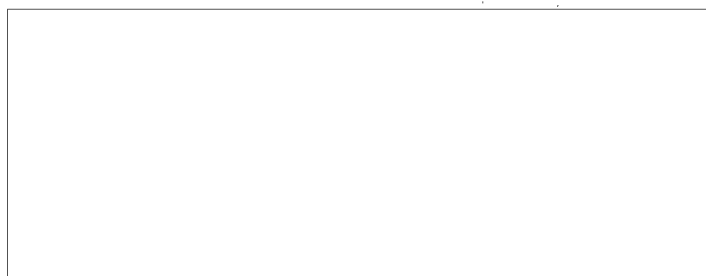
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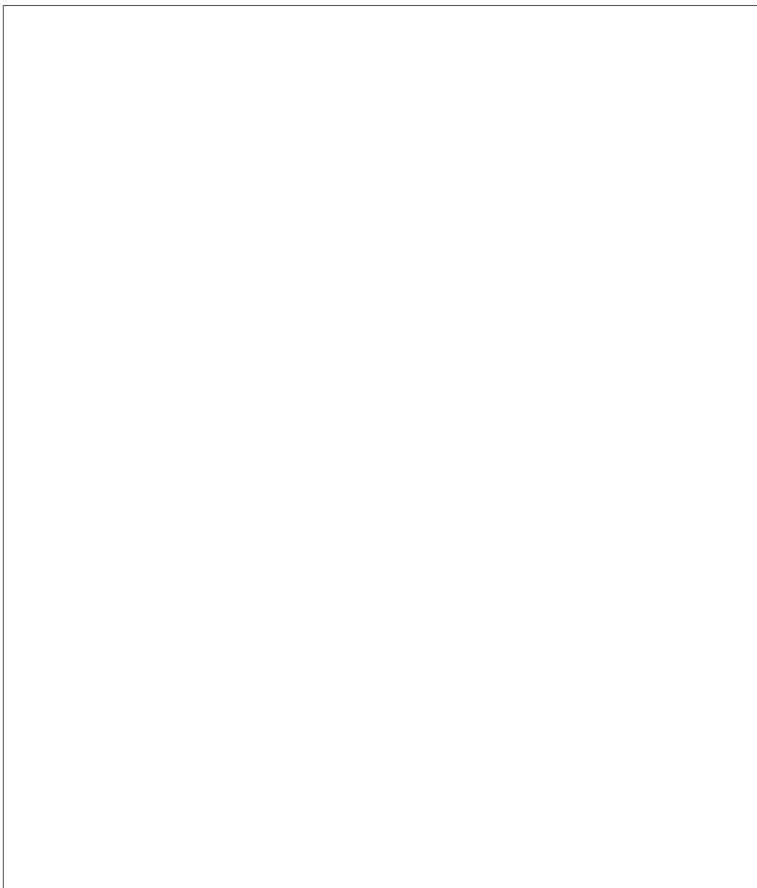
3. Indonesia-
Malaysia



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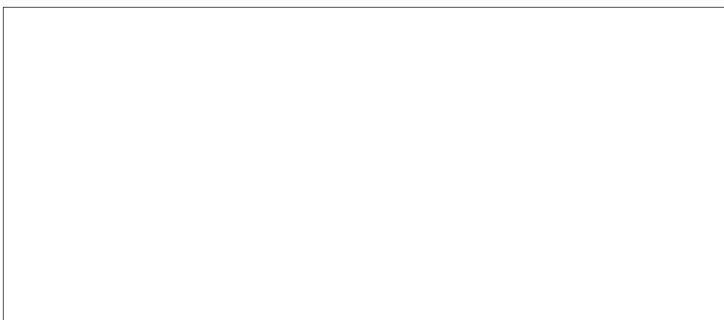
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4. **France-Israel**

a. The US air attaché in Paris has heard that the first test firing of the Israeli surface-to-surface missile, being developed by the French firm of Marcel Dassault, is now set for July.

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b. This timing would mean that the development program is about on schedule.



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5. Cyprus

a. Makarios has now candidly admitted, as has been obvious all along, that he cannot control Greek Cypriot extremists.

b. He has in fact made only desultory gestures in this direction, despite arguments by UN officials and others that Cyprus is drifting into anarchy and that the process will inevitably involve the overthrow of Makarios.

c. As matters now stand, the island is fairly quiet, but things could get worse in a hurry.

NOTES

- A. Congo To ginger up the lethargic Congolese Army response to the growing rebel threat in Kivu, Adoula has dispatched Defense Minister Anany and acting commander Lundula to the scene. Adoula is still trying to lure General Mobutu back from his European tour to take charge.
- B. India Ambassador Bowles had another chat with Nehru on Tuesday and found the Indian feeble. He talked with painful slowness, but impressed Bowles as taking in most of what was said to him.
- C. Poland We now expect that Gomulka, who has been under attack from several outspoken party groups, will manage to dominate the Polish party congress next month. He will probably not be able, however, to restore full unity to his faction-ridden party.
- D. Rumania - The West A 24-man Rumanian mission, including the minister of heavy industry and the vice minister of planning, arrived in Brussels last week, probably to discuss the acquisition of Belgian industrial plants on credit. Belgium has already built several plants for the Rumanians.
- E. Bolivia Paz seems again to have outmaneuvered his opposition and his re-election now looks like a sure thing. Paz himself is confident that the 31 May election will come off smoothly by Bolivian standards. He does not discount the prospect of scattered violence.

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