

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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~~**TOP SECRET**~~

1. Panama

a. Panama is outwardly quiet for the moment and the laggard National Guard is moving to establish firmer control.

b. [redacted]

[redacted] this air of calm may be deceptive. Agitators were still in the streets last evening trying to keep tensions alive, and only a small spark is needed to set off a new round of violence.

c. Panama radio continues its inflammatory broadcasts.

d. Nationalist groups and his own official family are putting pressure on President Chiari to continue to insist on a substantial revision of the 1903 treaty. [redacted]

e. Typical of these pressures was the declaration yesterday by his foreign minister that relations with Washington will not be resumed until the US gives "concrete indications" of a willingness to negotiate a new treaty.

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f. [redacted]

[redacted] a move may be afoot to oust Chiari in the present confusion.

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g. Thelma King, a member of the Panamanian National Assembly

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has called for the establishment of a leftist government by any means possible.

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2. Zanzibar

a. The new African-led regime has clamped a night time curfew on the island in an effort, so far not entirely successful, to restore order.

b. An individual styling himself "field marshal" has been issuing radio bulletins on behalf of the new authorities. Among these was a warning to Arab youths to stay off the streets or be shot.

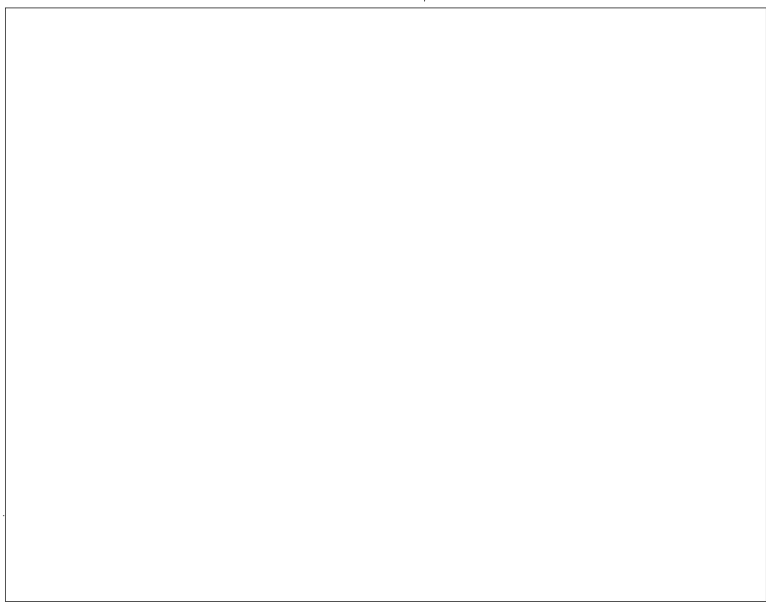
c. Ministers of the ousted Arab-dominated government are under arrest and will not be permitted to leave the island for at least three months.

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d. Kenya and Uganda have recognized the new regime. Kenya even refused to let the deposed Sultan land at Mombasa.

e. The Manley took 54 US citizens, including NASA personnel, off the island yesterday. All have been landed safely in Dar-es-Salaam.

3. France - Communist China



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4. Mexico

a. President Lopez Mateos has double pneumonia and [redacted] is [redacted] seriously ill [redacted].

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b. Should he die, an interim president would be chosen to serve out the remaining months of the Lopez Mateos term.

c. Diaz Ordaz, a political moderate who is the presidential candidate of the ruling party and a certain winner in the July elections, would presumably have a strong voice in the selection of a man to serve until he takes office in December.

5. British Guiana -
Ghana

a. Nkrumah has offered to send a delegation to British Guiana next month to help feuding political groups there to join in a united front and press London for early independence.



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c. The proposal may [redacted] get on the agenda of the Caribbean "summit" conference now under way in Jamaica. [redacted]

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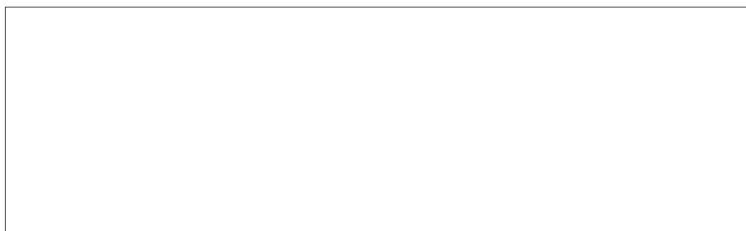
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6. Algeria

a. Opposition to Ben Bella, never far below the surface, is becoming increasingly vocal.

b. There were open antiregime demonstrations last week which grew out of his failure to cope with the country's economic difficulties. More are expected.

c. Following these disturbances, Ben Bella declared that he would "break the backs" of all the "animals" who oppose him, using the firing squad as needed.



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e. He is now in Cairo for the Arab summit, leaving the reins in Algiers in the hands of Defense Minister Boumedienne, who has been critical of Ben Bella's softness on this score.



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7. Cuba - Western Europe

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NOTES

- A. India-Pakistan Some improvement has been noted in the situation in riot-torn Calcutta as a result of a round-the-clock curfew and stringent efforts by the Indian Army to keep Hindus and Muslims apart.
- B. USSR We have no evidence that the Soviets have in fact begun cutting back their troop strength as Khrushchev and other high officials have claimed in recent public statements.
- C. Morocco-Cuba King Hassan's government has decided to resume relations with Havana, which were broken off last November as a result of Havana's supplying Ben Bella with arms during the border crisis.
- D. Philippines-Malaysia [redacted] Macapagal is trying to arrange a meeting with Tunku Rahman "to balance" the recent Macapagal-Sukarno talks. [redacted] they might meet in mid-February after Ramadan, perhaps in Bangkok.

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