

THE WHITE HOUSE

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1. CYPRUS:

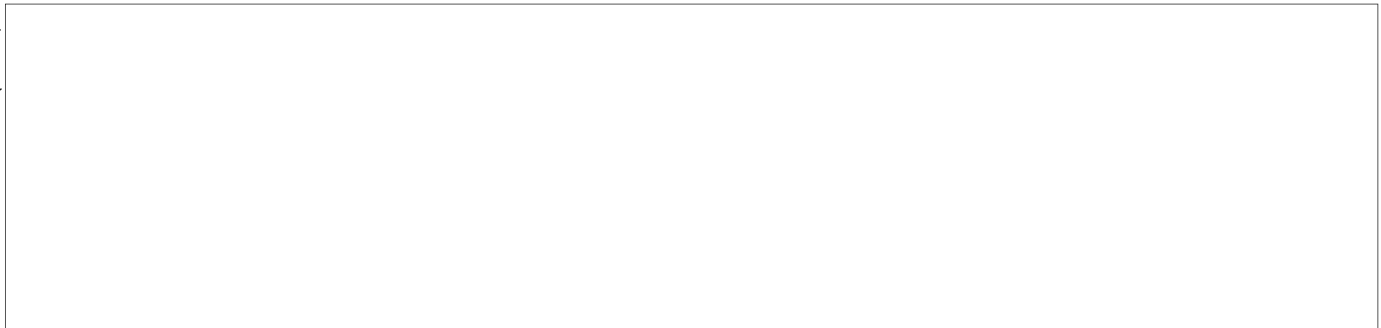
THE SITUATION IS MOVING TOO FAST TO SUMMARIZE AND STILL BE UP TO DATE. SECURITY ON THE ISLAND THREATENS TO COME APART MOMENTARILY AND TURKISH INTERVENTION COULD OCCUR AT ANY TIME.

IN THE CURRENT SITUATION WE ALSO DO NOT RULE OUT SOME SOVIET MILITARY PRESSURE ON TURKEY'S NORTHERN BORDER DESIGNED TO DETER THE TURKS THOUGH WE HAVE SEEN NOTHING OF THIS SORT TO DATE.

IN ANY EVENT WE DOUBT THAT THIS ACTIVITY WOULD DISSUADE THE TURKS ONCE THEY MAKE THEIR MINDS UP. THEY ARE CERTAINLY AT THE READY.

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2. CUBA:



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SIGNS POINT TO ANOTHER SOVIET SPACE EVENT SOON. WE ARE INCLINED TO RULE OUT A MANNED ORBIT AND SPECULATE THAT A VENUS OR MARS PROBE MAY BE IN THE WORKS. CONDITIONS WOULD BE RIGHT FOR A VENUS PROBE ON SATURDAY. PREVIOUS SOVIET ATTEMPTS TO REACH THESE PLANETS HAVE NOT BEEN SUCCESSFUL

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4. SOUTH VIETNAM:

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ARMY MORALE HAS FURTHER

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DETERIORATED AS A RESULT OF THE LATEST COUP.

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MIDDLE-GRADE OFFICERS, SEEING PRO-

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MOTIONS AND PRESTIGE ACCRUE TO COUP PARTICIPANTS, MAY BE THE NEXT GROUP TO TRY TO SEIZE POWER.

OUR EMBASSY BELIEVES THE RECENT TERRORIST BOMBINGS IN SAIGON WERE MADE EASIER BY A DECLINE IN THE QUALITY OF THE POLICE FORCE. EXTENSIVE RESHUFFLING AND PURGES HAVE OCCURRED IN THE FORCE WHOSE COMMAND HAS CHANGED THREE TIMES SINCE THE NOVEMBER COUP.

5. MAPHILINDO TALKS:

TUNKU RAHMAN'S TALKS IN PHNOM PENH WITH MACAPAGAL ENDED WEDNESDAY WITH THE STATEMENT BY BOTH THAT THE "AIR HAD BEEN CLEARED OF MISUNDERSTANDING." HOWEVER, THE TUNKU HAD NO SUCCESS IN MOVING MACAPAGAL IN HIS DIRECTION.

IT IS NOT CLEAR WHETHER MALAYSIA AND THE PHILIPPINES WILL PROCEED NOW TO SET UP CONSULAR RELATIONS OR MERELY BEGIN TO CONSIDER DOING SO.

6. CAMBODIA:

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THE CAMBODIAN DEFENSE MINISTER,

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ACCOMPANIED BY SEVERAL SENIOR OFFICERS AND SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE FRENCH MILITARY MISSION, WILL BE OFF FOR PEIPING SOON

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TO TALK MILITARY AID.

THE WORD IN PHNOM PENH IS THAT THE DELEGATION HAS SIHANOUK'S BLESSING TO CONCLUDE A MILITARY AID AGREEMENT AND THAT THE CHINESE WILL FURNISH WHATEVER IS NEEDED. HOWEVER, THE WORD IN PEIPING MAY BE DIFFERENT.

SIHANOUK, MEANWHILE, CONTINUES TO MAKE ANTI-AMERICAN REMARKS AT THE DROP OF A HAT.

7. FRANCE:

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8. TANGANYIKA:

NYERERE, HAVING FIRED HIS ARMY AND PURGED HIS POLICE, IS TRYING TO EDGE AWAY FROM COMPLETE DEPENDENCE ON BRITISH ARMS.

HE HAS ASKED NIGERIA, ALGERIA, AND ETHIOPIA TO CONTRIBUTE TO A FORCE TO KEEP THE PEACE IN TANGANYIKA. NIGERIA SAYS IT COULD PROVIDE A BATTALION. NYERERE'S PLAN HAS BEEN INDORSED BY THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNION MEETING IN DAR-ES-SALAAM.

9. CONGO:

THERE IS A LULL IN THE FIGHTING BETWEEN CONGOLESE GOVERNMENT TROOPS AND LEFTIST INSURGENTS IN KWILU PROVINCE, BUT WE EXPECT THE REBELS TO EXPAND THEIR AREA OF ACTIVITY SOON.

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OF THE NEIGHBORING PROVINCE SYMPATHIZES WITH THE REBELLION.
THE ARMY GARRISON AT LULUABOURG, FARTHER EAST, IS SAID TO
BE "IN FAVOR OF MULELE," THE LEFT-WING RADICAL WHO HEADS
THE UPRISING.

IN LEOPOLDVILLE, [REDACTED] DISCONTENT 50X1
IN THE ARMY WITH A GROUP OF OFFICERS AGAIN TALKING ABOUT
A COUP AGAINST PRIME MINISTER ADOULA.

10. GHANA:

PARLIAMENT MEETS NEXT WEEK TO ENACT THE CONSTITUTIONAL
AMENDMENTS APPROVED IN LAST MONTH'S REFERENDUM. IN THIS
MANIPULATED VOTE, GHANAIS ENDORSED A ONE-PARTY STATE.

NKRUMAH WILL SOON HAVE DISCRETION TO FIRE AT WILL
TOP-ECHELON MEMBERS OF THE FORMERLY INDEPENDENT JUDICIARY.
REPLACEMENT OF SEVERAL BRITISH-TRAINED JUDGES WILL PROBABLY
SOON FOLLOW.

11. ETHIOPIA-SOMALIA:

THE AFRICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS CURRENTLY MEETING IN
DAR-ES-SALAAM WILL PROBABLY HANDLE THIS BORDER DISPUTE
IN THE SAME WAY THAT THE ONE BETWEEN ALGERIA AND
MOROCCO WAS RESOLVED, I.E., A CEASE-FIRE FOLLOWED BY A
COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE AND REPORT BACK. HAILE
SELASSIE MAY DRAG HIS FEET HOWEVER.

12. YEMEN :

DESPITE THE PRESENCE IN THE COUNTRY OF 35,000 EGYPTIAN TROOPS, YEMENI ROYALIST ACTIVITY HAS PICKED UP A BIT RECENTLY. DISSIDENT TRIBESMEN, SOUTH OF THE CAPITAL AT SANA, ARE HARASSING ROAD TRAFFIC. THIS SECTOR HAS BEEN QUIET FOR SOMETIME.

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13. BOLIVIA :

LECHIN'S DECISION TO CHALLENGE PRESIDENT PAZ IN BOLIVIA'S JUNE ELECTIONS WILL PROBABLY USHER IN ANOTHER PERIOD OF TENSION AND SPORADIC VIOLENCE.

BOTH THE LECHIN AND PAZ FACTIONS HAVE SUBSTANTIAL PARAMILITARY FORCES WHICH ARE RELATIVELY UNDISCIPLINED. THE BOLIVIAN COMMUNIST PARTY HAS ALREADY ANNOUNCED ITS SUPPORT OF THE LECHINISTS.

14. PANAMA :

THE COMMUNIST-GUIDED "COMMITTEE FOR THE RESCUE OF NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY" HAS SCHEDULED A RALLY FOR TOMORROW TO MAINTAIN POPULAR PRESSURE ON THE CHIARI GOVERNMENT TO STAND FAST ON THE CANAL DISPUTE. THEY PROBABLY ALSO WANT TO IMPRESS THE OAS INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE CURRENTLY IN

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PANAMA.

[REDACTED] **LEADERS OF**
THE VANGUARD OF NATIONAL ACTION (VAN), THE CASTRO CONTROLLED
REVOLUTIONARY GROUP, ARE GOING AHEAD WITH PLANS FOR TERRORIST
ACTION IN RURAL AREAS. THEY HOPE TO BEGIN TRAINING GUERRILLA
UNITS SOON.

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15. PERU:

THE GOVERNMENT, ALREADY FACED WITH CONSIDERABLE UNREST
IN RURAL AREAS, MAY SHORTLY BE CONFRONTED WITH AN ORGANIZED
PROGRAM OF TERRORISM AND GUERRILLA ACTIVITY.

[REDACTED] **GROUPS OF PRO-CASTRO**
LEFTISTS HAVE DECIDED TO BEGIN "REVOLUTIONARY ACTION"

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