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PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

1. SOVIET PARTY CONGRESS -- INTRABLOC PROBLEMS:

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A. KHRUSHCHEV'S ATTACKS ON THE ALBANIAN LEADERSHIP HAVE PRECIPITATED A CRISIS IN INTRABLOC RELATIONS WHICH HE PROBABLY DID NOT EXPECT. THE ALBANIAN PARTY YESTERDAY, APPEALING TO THE RADICAL FACTION IN THE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT OVER THE HEADS OF ITS LEADERS, BITTERLY DENOUNCED KHRUSHCHEV. IT CHARGED THAT HE AND "HIS FOLLOWERS" HAD "SERIOUSLY ENDANGERED" THE UNITY OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNISM BY ANTI-MARXIST ACTIONS AND PRAISED CHOU EN-LAI FOR HIS REBUKE OF KHRUSHCHEV THE DAY BEFORE. THE ALBANIANS CLAIM THEY WILL DOCUMENT THEIR CHARGES.

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B. THE ALBANIAN RESPONSE PUTS THE CHINESE IN A DIFFICULT POSITION: THEY MUST EITHER PUBLICLY HUMBLE THEMSELVES BY ABANDONING THE ALBANIANS, OR SHATTER THE CAREFULLY REBUILT FACADE OF SINO-SOVIET UNITY -- THIS TIME PERHAPS FOR GOOD -- BY A BITTER POLEMIC WITH KHRUSHCHEV ON THE MOST CONSPICUOUS ROSTRUM AVAILABLE IN THE COMMUNIST WORLD. ANOTHER MEETING OF COMMUNIST PARTIES AFTER THE CONGRESS APPEARS TO BE REQUIRED.

C. MIKOYAN AT YESTERDAY'S SESSION QUOTED ALBANIAN PREMIER SHEHU AS SAYING THAT STALIN MADE ONLY TWO MISTAKES: HE DIED TOO SOON AND HE FAILED TO DESTROY THE PRESENT SOVIET LEADERSHIP.

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A. KHRUSHCHEV RENEWED HIS ATTACK ON THE ANTIPARTY GROUP PARTLY BECAUSE HIS CENTRAL COMMITTEE REPORT COVERS DEVELOPMENTS SINCE THE LAST REGULAR PARTY CONGRESS IN 1956; THE ABORTIVE ATTEMPT TO OVERTHROW HIM IN 1957 WAS PERHAPS THE PRINCIPAL DOMESTIC POLITICAL EVENT OF THE PERIOD. SIMILAR ATTACKS BY LESSER RANKING PARTY OFFICIALS AT THE CONGRESS SUGGEST HOWEVER, THAT THE REAL INTENT IS TO DEMONSTRATE AGAIN--AND MORE VIVIDLY-- HOW MUCH BETTER OFF THE SOVIET PEOPLE HAVE BEEN UNDER KHRUSHCHEV THAN UNDER STALIN. THE VARYING DEGREES OF VIRULENCE PROBABLY REFLECT THE INDIVIDUAL SPEAKERS' DESIRE TO CURRY FAVOR WITH KHRUSHCEV.

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B. IT SEEMS UNLIKELY THAT ANY MEMBERS OF THE ANTIPARTY GROUP WILL BE BROUGHT TO TRIAL FOR THEIR PAST CRIMES, ALTHOUGH MALENKOV AND KAGANOVICH AT LEAST WILL PROBABLY BE DEPRIVED OF THEIR PARTZ CARDS--THEIR LAST REMAINING VESTIGE OF RESPECTABILITY. INITIATIVES TAKEN BEFORE A CONGRESS, HOWEVER, CAN BUILD UP A MOMENTUM OF THEIR OWN, AS THE "SECRET SPEECH" OF 1956 LED TO THE EVENTS IN HUNGARY AND POLAND LATER THATYEAR, AND WE WOULD NOT RULE OUT THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE INVECTIVE OF THE LAST FEW DAYS COULD DEVELOP INTO MORE WIDESPREAD ACTION AGAINST OFFICIALS WHO SERVED UNDER MALENKOV.

3. NOTES:

A. THE NUCLEAR DEVICE TESTED YESTERDAY AT NOVAYA ZEMLY, [REDACTED] MAY HAVE BEEN DELIVERED BY A MEDIUM OR SHORT-RANGE MISSILE [REDACTED]

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B. WE ARE BEGINNING TO GET INDICATIONS THAT ALGERIAN MOSLEMS ARE PREPARING FOR MAJOR DEMONSTRATIONS ON 1 NOVEMBER. THESE MIGHT BREAK OUT AS EARLY AS TOMORROW, HOWEVER, IN REACTION TO FRENCH SUPPRESSION OF ALGERIAN RIOTS IN PARIS THIS WEEK. [REDACTED]

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D. EMBASSY DJAKARTA SPECULATES THAT SUKARONO MAY HAVE CHOSEN TOGO TO VIENNA FOR TREATMENT IN ORDER TO MEET DUTCH EMISSARIES THERE FOR DISCUSSION OF WEST NEW GUINEA. [REDACTED]

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E. PERU'S CALL FOR FORAD OAS ACTION AGAINST CASTRO IS GETTING A COOL RECEPTION IN LATIN AMERICAN. [REDACTED]

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F. PORTUGAL IS BUILDING UP MILITARY STRENGTH IN MOZAMBIQUE IN ANTICIPATION OF TROUBLE AFTER TANGANYIKA BECOMES INDEPENDENT ON 9 DECEMBER. ALMOST HALF THE PORTUGUESE ARMY IS NOW STATIONED IN ANGOLA AND MOZAMBIQUE. [REDACTED]

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G. COMMUNIST CHINA HAS NOT SHELLED THE OFFSHORE ISLANDS SINCE 12 SEPTEMBER, ONE OF THE LONGEST LULLS SINCE 1958. PEIPING PROBABLY HAS THE UN VOTE IN MIND. THE NATIONALISTS HAVE DONE A MODERATE AMOUNT OF SHELLING IN THE SAME PERIOD. [REDACTED]

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H. EMBASSY ACCRA, REPORTING ON SENATOR GORE'S CONVERSATION WITH NKUMAH, SUGGESTS THAT THE LATTER HAS BEEN "POSSIBLY SOBERED, AT LEAST TEMPORARILY," BY DELAY OF VOLTA PROJECT. [REDACTED]

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TWO LATE ITEMS

A. SUKARNO HAS ANNOUNCED A GENERAL AMNESTY FOR INDONESIAN REBELS [redacted] 50X1  
CAPTURED SINCE THE 1958 UPRISING. THIS [redacted] INCLUDE POPE, [redacted] 50X1  
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B. DISTURBANCES CONTINUE IN MOST CITIES OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.  
THE BALAGUER REGIME IS REACTING STRONGLY, BUT THE DIRECTION OF EVENTS  
IS STILL UNCLEAR.

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*But an official spokesman was noncommittal*

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