

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

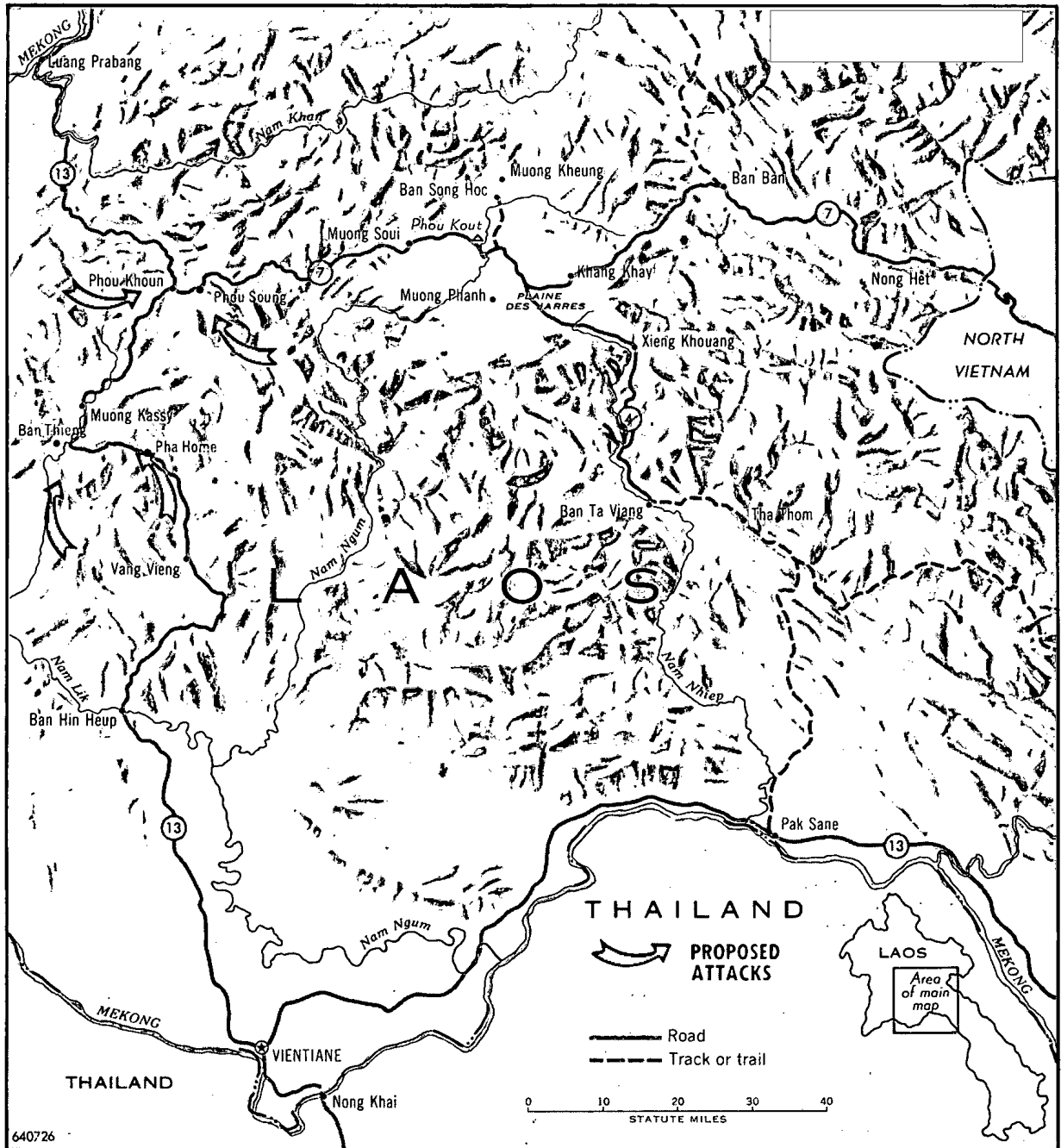
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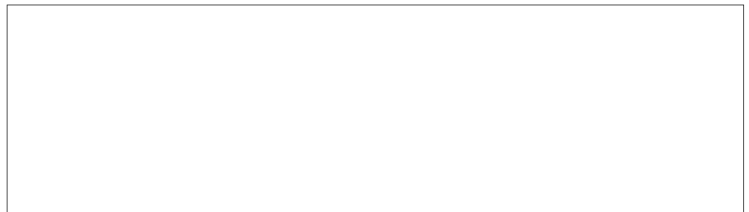
1. Laos

a. The Soviet call for a 14-nation conference next month may be partly designed to forestall a strong Communist reaction to the rightist-neutralist offensive.

b. Moscow probably prefers to see no increase in the fighting and may fear Hanoi and Peiping will back a strong Pathet Lao counterattack.



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e. One rightist column has already approached Phou Khoun and another has moved west from Muong Soui. Two other formations--one rightist and one neutralist--are threatening Ban Thieng, south of the Communist strongpoint at Muong Kassy.

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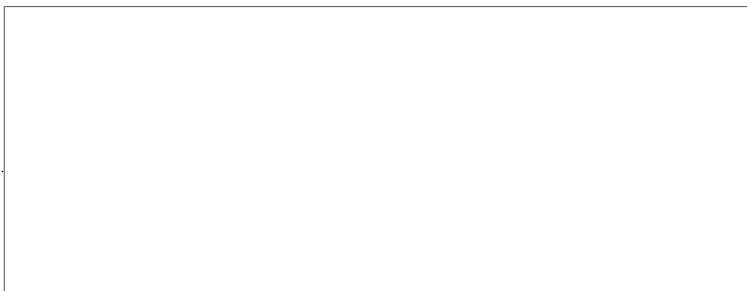
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2. South Vietnam

a. We may hear today what governmental changes, if any, are upcoming.

b. General Khanh is to see Ambassador Taylor, following a week end conference of the premier, cabinet, and top military commanders.

c. Meanwhile, there are some signs that Khanh and his colleagues are giving some tentative consideration to the possibility of a negotiated solution.



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e. Ambassador Taylor, in commenting on this reported development, says that in Khanh's present state of mind such a possibility cannot be excluded.

3. Cyprus

a. The Greek representative at Geneva has assured Dean Acheson that Papandreou now wants a negotiated settlement.

b. He describes the Greek premier as caught between opposing forces on this issue and looking to the Geneva negotiations as providing a way out.

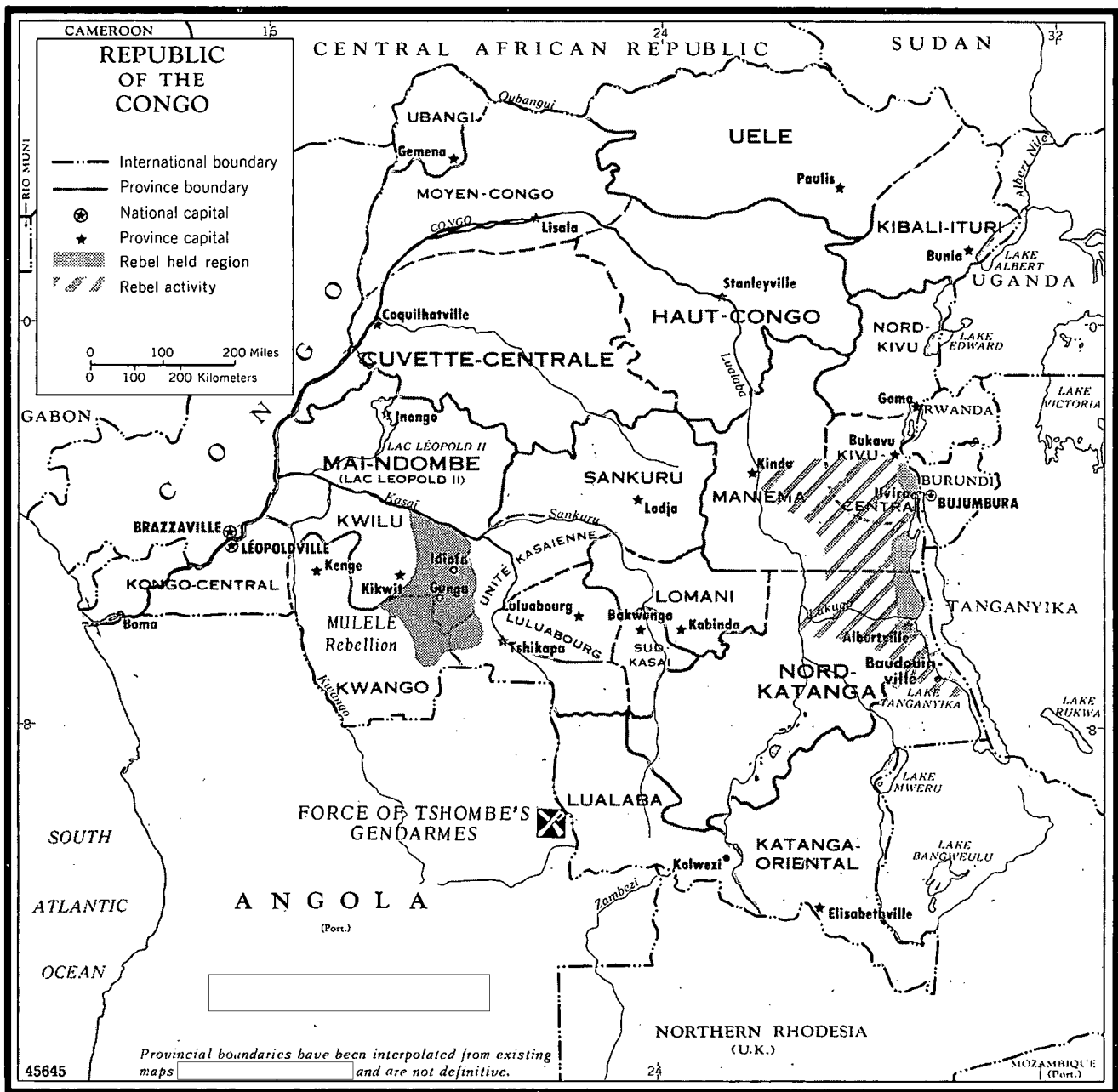
c. He also said that Papandreou is more than a little fed up with Makarios.

d. Meanwhile, the week end was exceptionally quiet on the island. Military convoys loaded with supplies continue to move inland from Limassol.

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have shown that the shipments have included 12 106-mm recoilless weapons.

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4. Congo

a. The military situation is still deteriorating.

b. The rebels have taken over Kindu and may be moving toward Stanleyville. Congolese Army units in the area are reported to be unreliable, and our consul in Stanleyville thinks that evacuation of dependents and unessential personnel may be necessary.

c. Tshombé gave a pep talk in Stanleyville yesterday.



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NOTES

- A. Tanganyika - Communist China The Tanganyikans are apparently trying to get military equipment from the Chinese Communists. The Tangan-

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- B. Haiti Haitian Chief of Staff General Constant, fed up with Duvalier's brutality, is reported plotting his overthrow.

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who claims to be in on the plot and wants a meeting with Ambassador Timmons. The ambassador, who has serious doubts about Constant's prospects of success, is waiting to see what additional

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- C. Lebanon [REDACTED] President Shihab has [REDACTED] decided to run for a second term. [REDACTED]

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- D. Communist China - North Vietnam

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