



# CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

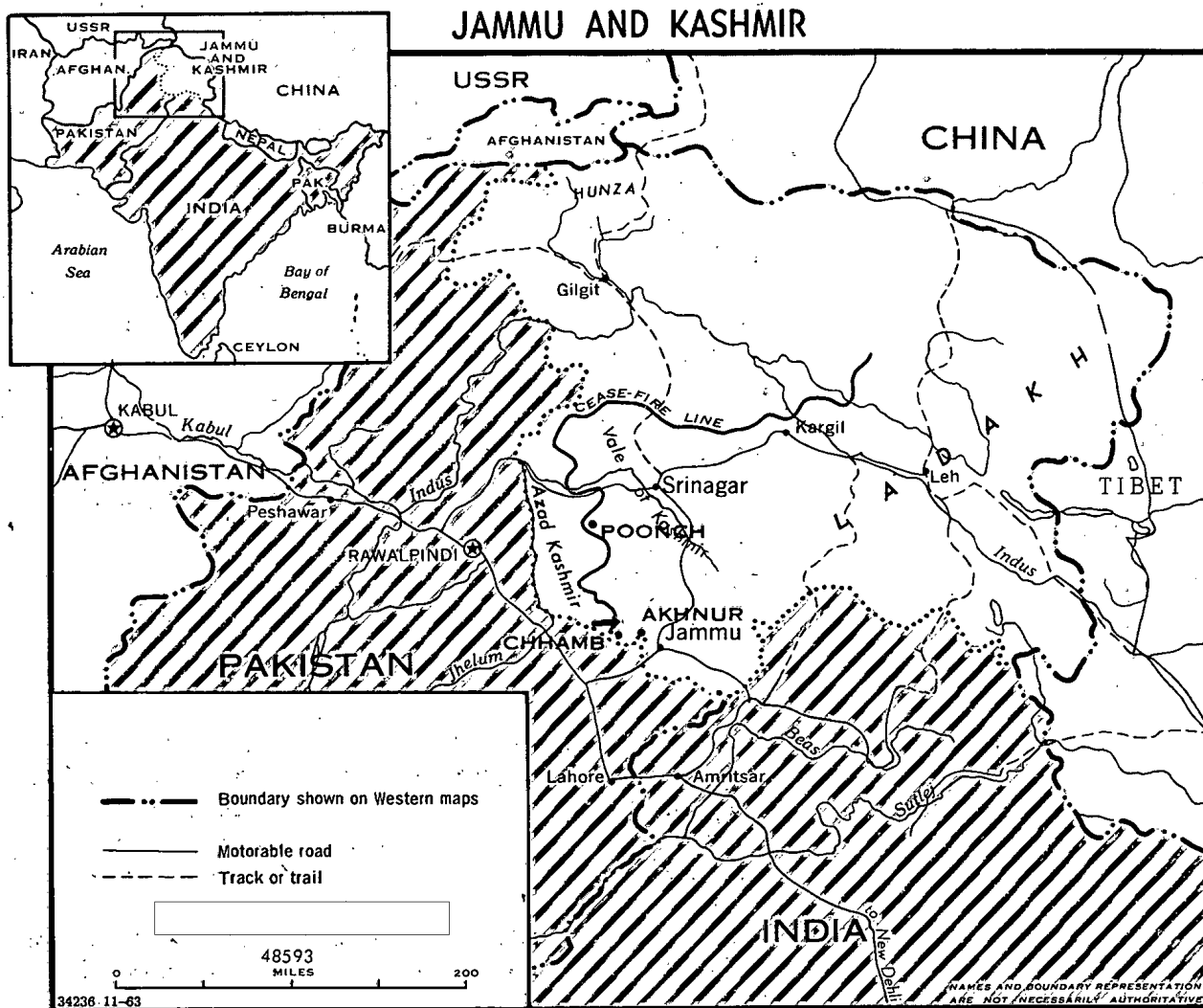
## THE PRESIDENT'S DAILY BRIEF



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1. Kashmir

The Pakistani attack in the Chhamb area has apparently been blunted. [redacted]

[redacted] the drive has stalled short of its goal-- the capture of Akhnur and the interdiction of the main road from Jammu city to Poonch.

In a broadcast to the nation, Shastri has told his people to expect Pakistani air raids. Some civil defense measures have been taken in New Delhi and Calcutta.

Pakistani forces in the Punjab area are reported to be on alert, but are not expecting an imminent Indian drive. The Pakistanis, however, have apparently dispersed vehicles and supplies in anticipation of Indian air attacks.

In the aerial encounters so far, Pakistani planes have downed Indian aircraft at a rate of about three to one. Rawalpindi claims eight kills; the Indians have apparently shot down two and possibly four planes.

2. Colombia

Colombian labor leaders are now considering a general strike and public demonstrations to protest the government's economic reform policies. Successful moves in this direction might force the government to back away from some of the reforms, which are in effect a last ditch effort to restore the Colombian economy.

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3. France

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[redacted] Gromyko and the French had begun talks in Paris about the possibility of launching a French satellite with a Soviet booster. Discussions have apparently continued in Moscow and a Soviet delegation is now set to go to Paris later this month to work out details.

It is unclear whether the negotiations involve a joint launching in the near future, or are concerned with longer term cooperation on communications satellites.

4. USSR

The long-expected meeting of the party Central Committee may in fact take place next week. This conclusion is supported [redacted]

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[redacted] by talk passing along the Moscow grapevine.

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5. Iran

The Shah is trying to emphasize the independence of his foreign policy.

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[redacted] the Shah told his cabinet last week to avoid either firmly supporting or attacking any foreign government. Economic ties should be maintained with as many countries as possible so long as no strings are attached.

The Shah has also ordered that all information on a recent Soviet offer to build a steel mill in Iran should be kept from US officials.

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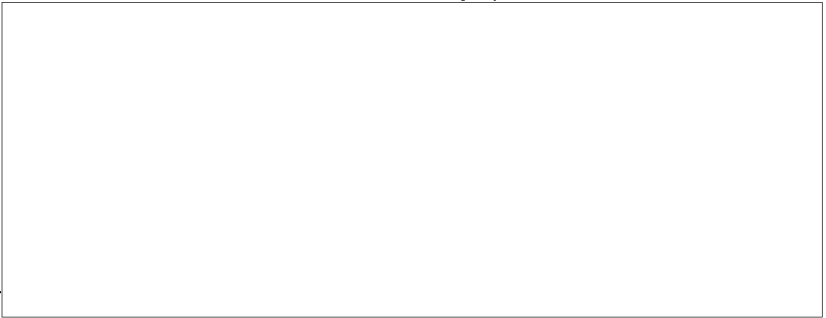
6. The Communist World      Agricultural prospects this year for the major Communist countries now look like this:

- Soviet wheat production will probably be down 10-20 percent below last year. The quality of bread may suffer, but food shortages on the scale of 1963-64 are unlikely. Livestock and vegetable production are expected to be good.
- The Chinese Communist early rice crop was above average, but insufficient to compensate for the very poor harvest of winter grains. Prospects for the more important fall crop are mixed; growing conditions are good for rice, but the outlook for other late grains is unsatisfactory.
- In Eastern Europe, the total harvest will be about 5 percent below last year's good crop. Bread-grain production has increased, but the quality of wheat will be low in the northern countries. Shortages of bread and hoarding of flour have been reported in some areas.

Communist countries will probably import about 20 million tons of grain from the free world through June 1966.

7. South Vietnam

The cancellation of yesterday's student rally in Hué is further evidence that the current antigovernment agitation has lost momentum.



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8. Vietnam

Photography taken in late August shows considerable quantities of anti-aircraft and conventional artillery as well as other materiel at the rail transshipment point near the China-Vietnam border. The materiel is clearly en route to North Vietnam, but it cannot be established whether it is of Soviet or Chinese make.

A special Soviet military transport landed at Hanoi today. [REDACTED]

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Peking has unleashed a new flood of propaganda deriding as a "swindle" US offers to negotiate on Vietnam and reiterating its demand for a bitter-end struggle against the US in Vietnam and elsewhere.

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