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1. Arab States

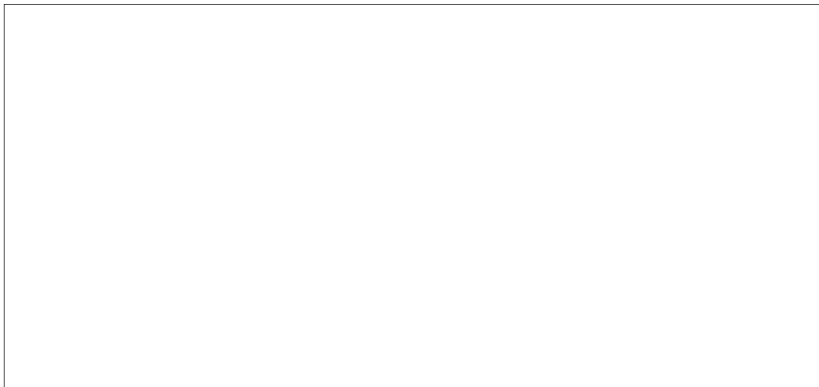
Wednesday's emergency session of the Arab Defense Council in Cairo is sure to be a shouting match between Jordan and Egypt. After some hesitation, King Husayn agreed to send a delegation headed by his prime minister--a personal target for much of the Arab antagonism against Jordan.

Demonstrations broke out again today in west Jordan after several days of relative calm. It looks suspiciously like a provocation by Husayn's enemies designed to bring new pressure on the King on the eve of the Cairo meeting.

2. Rhodesia

Lingering hopes of a last-minute settlement seem to have finally been put to rest today. Prime Minister Wilson has dispatched George Brown to New York to request an early meeting of the UN Security Council on the question of mandatory sanctions.

3. Panama

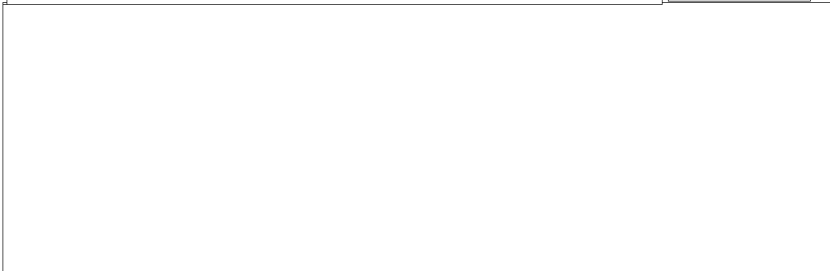


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4. Egypt

Nasir is getting nowhere in his effort to have the Soviets bail out the Egyptian economy. He sent his first vice president to Moscow recently and, from all accounts, the result was more hard-nosed Soviet advice to economize and work harder.

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5. Guatemala

The army has been making some headway in recent weeks against the Communist guerrillas. Troop morale has risen and the wind has been knocked out of rightist allegations that the government is soft on Communism.

It will still be a long fight ahead, though. Guerrilla attacks took place last week in new areas of the countryside. The terrorist network in the capital city remains very active. Last weekend the government extended its emergency powers for another thirty days.

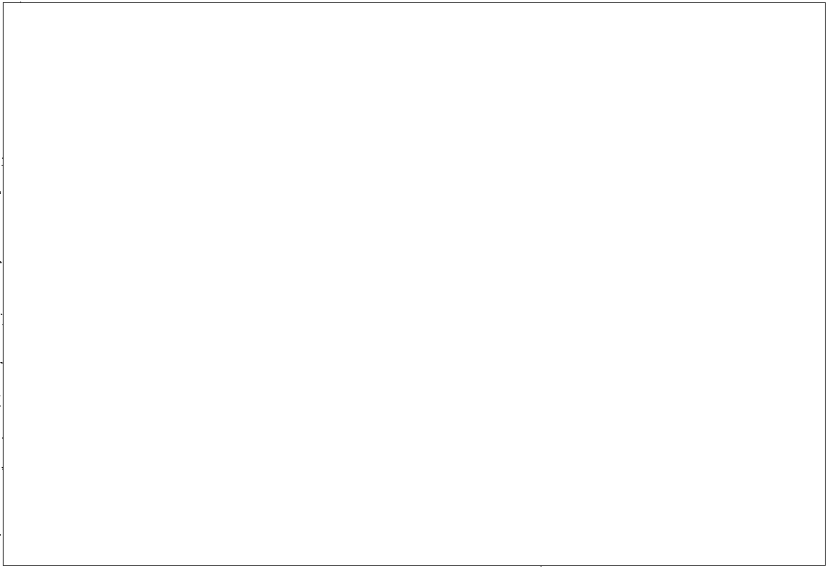
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6. Cuba

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