

# *The President's Daily Brief*

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DAILY BRIEF  
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1. Arab States -  
Israel  
(As of 5:00 AM EDT)

Diplomatic maneuvering and pronouncements continue to hold center stage. There have been no significant troop movements in the last 24 hours, but Egyptian, Syrian, and Israeli forces remain ready to spring.

Israeli hawks are muttering about the government's "inaction,"

and a general sense of frustration and puzzlement is said to have developed since Eshkol's temporizing statement Sunday night. Sentiment is growing for the inclusion of Moshe Dayan, the army's 1956 hero, in the cabinet. The tactics of the present leadership are likely to prevail, however

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The Soviets continue to avoid taking a clear-cut position on the Gulf of Aqaba question. Moscow is meeting Egypt's urgent military needs

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We still have no confirmation of press reports that an American ship was fired on near the Gulf of Aqaba. The only warning shot we know of was directed at a Danish freighter Sunday. The ship was subsequently permitted to enter the gulf.

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2. Jordan



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3. North Vietnam



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4. Dominican Republic

The political turbulence of early May has subsided considerably. Bosch's old left-of-center party has ended its boycott of the legislature



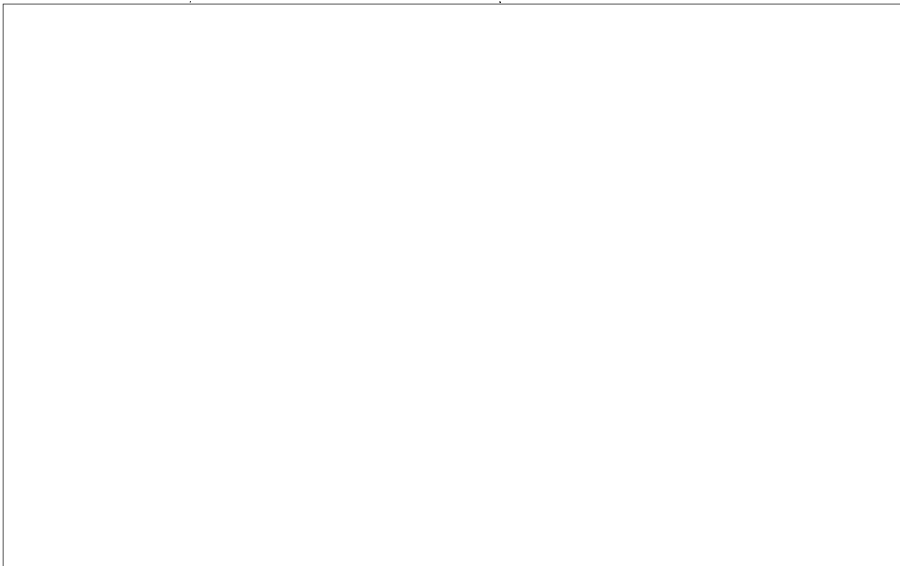
Nevertheless, all the causes of the recent uneasiness are still around.

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5. Greece



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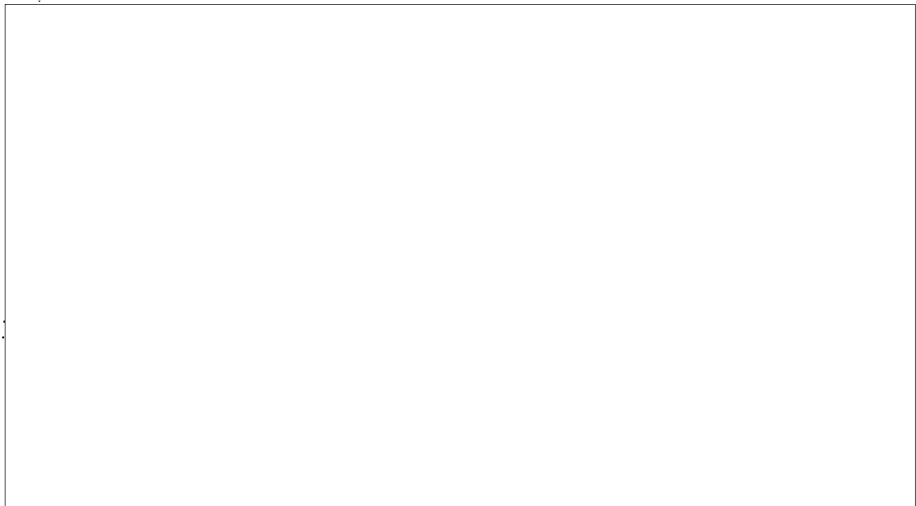
6. Nigeria

The Eastern Region has just announced its secession, and disintegration of the Federation is probably not far behind. We do not expect either event to produce an immediate general breakdown of order, but localized violence may create hairy experiences for some of the 7,000 Americans in the country.

7. Haiti

A series of military and civilian shakeups has intensified the aura of fear and suspicion that pervades Haiti. Almost anything produces rumors--and hopes--of the regime's downfall, and Ambassador Timmons feels that Duvalier's power base has in fact eroded of late.

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