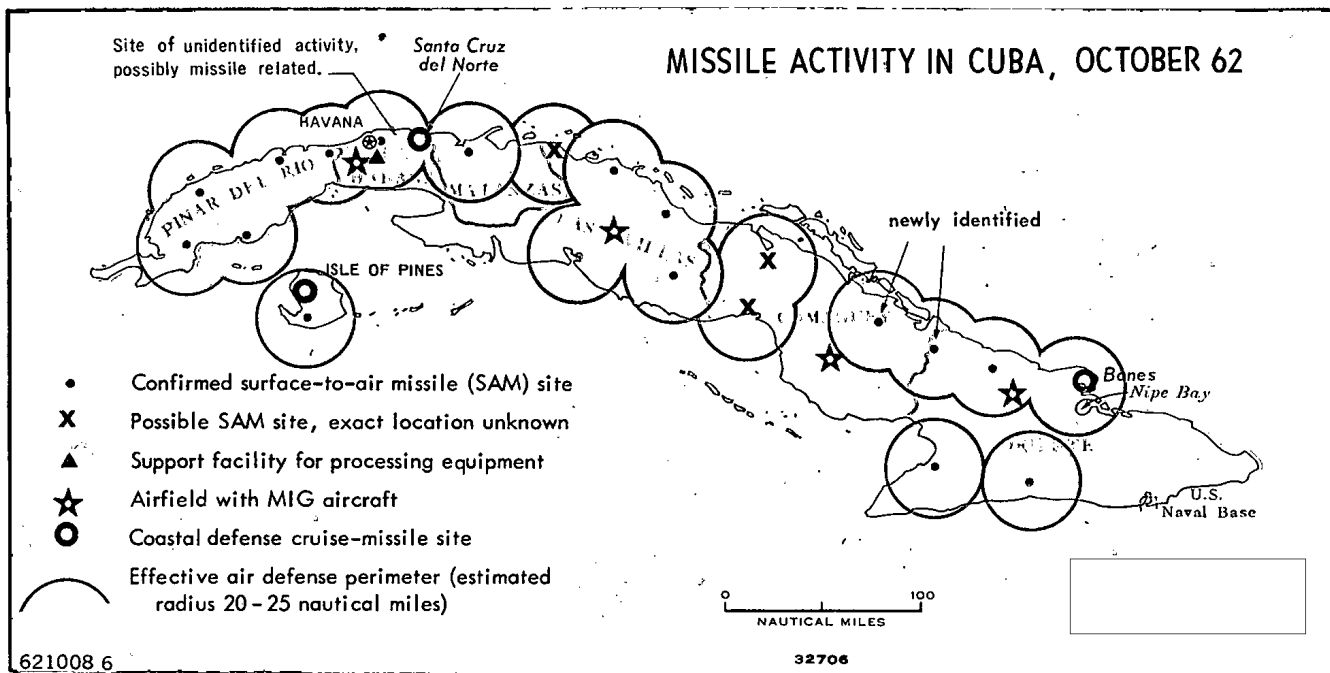


# **THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST**

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1. Cuba

a. [ ] more SAM sites, [ ]  
along the north coast [ ]  
[ ] They will close one  
of the few remaining gaps in missile  
coverage of the island [ ]  
[ ]

b. The Cubans are sowing the  
suggestion among at least some of  
the neutralists--and not in vain,  
it seems--that they have qualms  
about falling into a Soviet and  
Chinese stranglehold and would wel-  
come help in bringing about better  
US-Cuban relations.

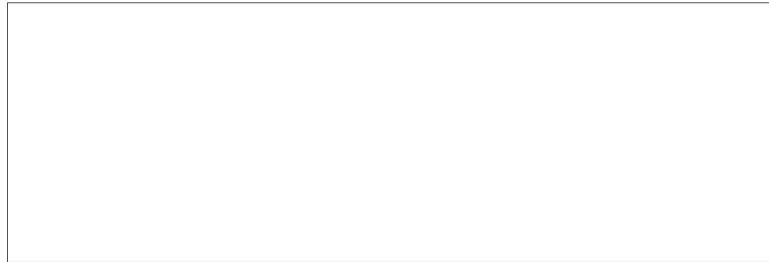
c. So Ghana's delegate to the  
UN was told by the Cuban foreign  
minister during his visit to Havana  
in August. So also, judging from  
the comments of the Algerian foreign  
minister, is the thought which Ben  
Bella will carry with him to Wash-  
ington and Havana.

2. Saudi Arabia -  
Yemen

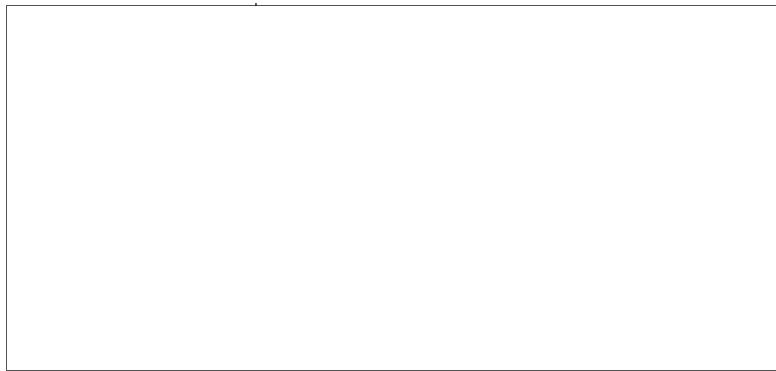
a. Prince Hasan may now be on  
Yemeni soil. [ ]  
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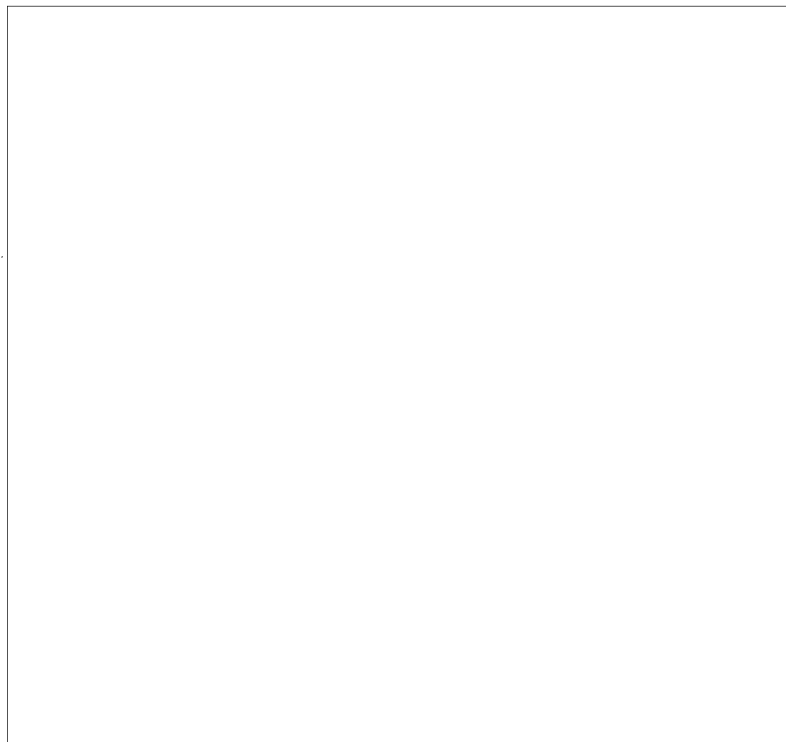


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**3. France**



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4. Venezuela

a. The Betancourt government, moving to combat the terrorist epidemic, has suspended some constitutional guarantees and a police roundup of Communists is under way. It is surveying further ways and means of getting at the prime movers behind the extremist outburst [redacted]

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b. [redacted]

[redacted] Betancourt still has the backing of the armed forces, the labor unions and the coalition parties. [redacted] however, [redacted] he will lose some of these assets unless he quickly succeeds in curbing the terrorism.

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NOTES

- A. Congo Tshombé this morning let loose a new blast at the UN charging a provocative deployment of its forces in Elisabethville during the night. We do not know how much substance there is in his allegations, but they are all too reminiscent of past tactics and do nothing to improve the prospects for movement toward reintegration.
  
- B. Chile President Alessandri's decision to carry out the currency devaluation urged by the International Monetary Fund has put him in deep political trouble. The largest of the three parties in his coalition government is threatening to withdraw in protest, taking with it the key to the government's working majority in the legislature.
  
- C. Brazil Returns from Sunday's voting announced so far show Janio Quadros falling behind in his comeback run for the governorship of Sao Paulo state.

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