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THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

12 JULY 1962
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2. Laos

Souvanna plans to leave Paris for his US visit in two weeks (25 or 26 July). He plans to be here four days (three official, one private) and to return home via Tokyo and Hong Kong. He has been invited to address the Council on Foreign Relations. His son will accompany, but not his wife.

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4. USSR - South Vietnam

Soviet delegate Pushkin took the initiative at a private lunch with Gov. Harriman yesterday to discuss South Vietnam. He evidently was taking preliminary soundings before Gromyko brings the subject up with Secretary Rusk. His pitch, of course, was that we should dump Diem.

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USIB WATCH COMMITTEE MEETING

11 July 1962

1. On the basis of the report of its Watch Committee concerning the Taiwan Strait situation, the United States Intelligence Board concluded that:

No significant change in Chinese Communist military dispositions in the Taiwan Strait area has been noted since our last report. We see no indication that the Chinese Communists intend to launch an assault against the major Offshore Islands in the immediate future.

2. The Board concluded that no Sino-Soviet Bloc country intends to initiate direct military action in the immediate future.

3. In its report, the Board noted the currently high level of Soviet naval exercise activity and normal seasonal training activity in the Soviet air forces. The Warsaw Pact exercise reportedly scheduled to take place in Eastern Europe is not yet underway. The Board sees no fundamental change in Soviet attitude toward East-West problems, but noted that during recent weeks various Bloc spokesmen have been expressing an interest in a step-up in negotiations with the West and possibly an eventual Summit meeting. [REDACTED]

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- C. The Nationalists are dropping hints that we should provide them with more advanced jets in view of the Communist air buildup along the coast.

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- F. The Viet Cong claim that South Vietnamese offensives are being mounted on the basis of information supplied by released US prisoners. A Viet Cong broadcast warned that further use of released persons for this purpose can only make more unhappy the lot of those US prisoners still detained.

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