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1. BERLIN/EAST GERMANY/USSR

A. OUR MISSION IN BERLIN EXPECTS THE SOVIETS AND THEIR EAST GERMAN MINIONS TO TRY A VARIETY OF PROBES AND CAUTIOUS HARASSMENTS IN THE COMING WEEKS. AMONG THESE, THE INSINUATION OF EAST GERMAN OFFICIALS INTO OPERATIONS AT CONTROL POINTS ALONG ALLIED ACCESS ROUTES TO WEST BERLIN COULD PROVE MOST TROUBLESOME. THE MISSION NOTES THAT THE EAST GERMANS HAVE ALREADY REORGANIZED AND CENTRALIZED BORDER CONTROLS, STAFFING ALL CHECK POINTS GOVERNING NON-ALLIED TRAFFIC TO AND FROM WEST BERLIN WITH TESTED SECURITY (INSTEAD OF CUSTOMS) PERSONNEL. THIS WOULD BE A LOGICAL FIRST STEP TO GRADUALLY SUBSTITUTING GERMAN FOR SOVIET CONTROLLERS AT ALLIED CHECK POINTS. THE MISSION BELIEVES THE START OF ANNUAL FALL MANEUVERS IN SEPTEMBER WOULD BE A LIKELY TIME TO COMMENCE THIS KIND OF HARASSMENT.

B. AMBASSADOR THOMPSON AND HIS BRITISH COLLEAGUE ARE AGREED THAT IF THERE IS NO MOVEMENT ON BERLIN BY THE END OF AUGUST, KHRUSHCHEV WILL PROBABLY GO AHEAD WITH HIS TREATY PLAN. THE SOVIET LEADER IS ALREADY LETTING IT BE KNOWN HE WILL MAKE AN "IMPORTANT TRIP" THE LAST WEEK OF AUGUST AND FIRST FEW DAYS OF SEPTEMBER. OUR INFORMATION IS THAT THE SOVIETS ARE CURRENTLY BUSY TRYING TO LINE UP AS MANY NEUTRALS AS POSSIBLE BEHIND THE SEPARATE PEACE TREATY IDEA, WITH YUGOSLAVIA SO FAR THE ONLY ONE THAT IS SURE TO GO ALONG.

C. WORK CONTINUES ON STRENGTHENING THE INTERSECTOR BORDER IN BERLIN BUT IT IS GOING BEYOND WHAT WOULD BE NEEDED MERELY TO DISCOURAGE FIRE FIGHTS BETWEEN POLICE; IT IS BEGINNING TO LOOK MORE AS IF THE COMMUNISTS WANT TO MAKE SURE THEY COULD CONTAIN ANY BREAKOUT ATTEMPT BY THE EAST GERMAN POPULATION IN THE EVENT OF A CRISIS.

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D. [REDACTED] STEP-UP IN SOVIET DELIVERY OF  
ADVANCED FIGHTER AIRCRAFT TO THE EAST GERMAN AIR FORCE. [REDACTED]

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- A. TENSION IS INCREASING BETWEEN PHOUMI'S FORCES AND PATHET LAO-KONG LE DETACHMENTS; SERIOUS INCIDENTS COULD OCCUR IN VIENTINE AND LUANG PRABANG AS PHOUMI CRACKS DOWN ON THE ACTIVITIES OF OPPOSING FORCES IN RETALIATION FOR BEING DENIED ACCESS TO THE PLAINE DES JARRES. [REDACTED]
- B. TO GET SUKARNO OFF THE HOOK, THE INDONESIANS NOW HOPE THEY CAN SELL THE IDEA THAT ALL THE UN HAS TO DO IS "BEGIN" TO TRANSFER ADMINISTRATION OF WEST NEW GUINEA ON 1 JANUARY.
- C. EVIDENTLY THE 26 JULY ANNIVERSARY AFFAIR IN CUBA WAS JUST ABOUT AS DULL AS THE MAY DAY AFFAIR. CASTRO'S SPEECH CONTAINED NO SURPRISES; AS EXPECTED, GUANTANAMO CAME IN FOR HEAVY PLAY.