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THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

Brazill - Goodloe cables

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1. Indonesia - West
New Guinea

The Van Roijen-Malik talks are making considerable progress, but could reach a serious snag if Malik does not get his government's permission to drop the demand that the Dutch agree to a direct transfer of administration. Meanwhile, Indonesian preparations for military action continue at a pace giving rise to suspicions that Sukarno is not placing all his eggs in the Bunker basket.

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3. Laos

a. If Phoumi is suffering from a bad case of despondency, as the Thais say he is, he gave no hint of it in his first contact with Ambassador Unger on Saturday. He seemed, on the contrary, eager to press on with a program to mobilize all non-Communist Laotians for the political battle with the Pathet Lao which lies ahead.

b. Meanwhile, the plan for posting composite battalions (composed of one company from each of the factions) in Vientiane, Luang Prabang and Khang Khay has hit a snag as the Pathet Lao is holding up clearance for Phoumi's troops to enter the Plaine des Jarres.

c. In Geneva, the conference is tentatively scheduled to meet on Wednesday for an editorial clean-up session. Gromyko, both Pushkin and Zorin tell us, will be arriving later this week to be on hand for the wrap-up proceedings.

4. Nationalist China

Taipei's propoganda about launching a "counter-attack" appears to have undergone something of a metamorphosis in recent weeks. There has been an upsurge of commentary on the bad conditions prevailing in Communist China and disparagement of the Soviet military commitment to Peiping, virtually displacing the old theme that a Nationalist attack is prerequisite to a successful popular uprising on the mainland. Nationalist officials are now emphasizing the need for military, economic, and political measures to permit an appropriate response when the right moment comes.

5. Peru

The political situation moved ponderously toward a climax over the weekend. On Friday, the military served President Prado with an ultimatum demanding annulment of last month's elections, but they seem to have been temporarily thrown off balance when he put the ball back in their court by refusing to go along. However, prospects for a military take-over rose again last night when negotiations to promote an Aprista-Odriista agreement to support Odria for the presidency broke down.

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B. Soviet farm managers, already hard-pressed to meet demands for increased production, were dealt another blow last week when the Kremlin decreed a drastic cut-back on the number of industrial workers that will be released this year to help with the harvest.

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D. Six Soviet TU-16 jet medium bombers were delivered in Cairo today thereby raising the UAR's inventory of this type of aircraft to twenty. [REDACTED]

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DOCUMENTS OF INTEREST

I. Harriman-Pushkin conversation.

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