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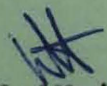
helicopter flights as most serious and potentially dangerous element in situation and continues to urge Allies to take counter-measures, such as resumption US helicopter flights over East Berlin. (Privately, number of West Berlin politicians, editors and others go well beyond such suggestions and advocate that we force down East German helicopters caught over West Berlin.)

It is our impression that, for present, general public here regards situation more calmly than West Berlin press. So far we have seen no evidence of real anxiety. However, there are indications of growing ~~concern~~ concern and increasing impatience with Allies for apparent failure to resist violations of Allied rights. While at this stage it would be gross exaggeration to speak of crisis of confidence, there is risk that present developments, coming not long after events of early April and affecting Allied rights more directly, will have effect of reducing ^{confidence in} ~~credibility of~~ Allied ~~determination~~ determination in eyes of West Berliners.

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