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4. ALGERIA-UAR-CUBA //UAR PRESIDENT NASIR REPORTEDLY

AN EGYPTIAN DIVISION OF 12,000 MEN WILL BE SENT TO ALGERIA

AT THE SAME TIME CUBA IS INCREASING ITS AID TO THE ALGERIAN

A ~~VERY~~ FAIRLY RELIABLE SOURCE KNOWN BY NASIR TO BE IN CONTACT

WITH US OFFICIALS, CLAIMS NASIR TOLD ONE ON 20 OCT HE HAD CANCELLED

A PREVIOUS ORDER BARRING EGYPTIAN PERSONNEL FROM COMING TO AL

GERIA BECAUSE OF AN APPEAL FROM BEN BELLA FOR "TROOPS, WEAPONS

AND A MILITARY COMMAND."

SOURCE REPORTED ON 17 OCT THAT NASIR WANTED TO AVOID HEAVY INVOLVEMENT IN THE ALGERIAN-MOROCCAN CONFLICT AND INTENDED TO UCM FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT.

PRIOR TO ALGERIAN INDEPENDENCE THE CUBAN GOV WENT OUT OF HIS WAY TO CREATE A SENSE OF IDENTITY BETWEEN THE CUBAN AND ALGERIAN

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REVOLUTIONS.

190 CUBAN CIVIL AIR TRANSPORTS ARE KNOWN TO BE HAVE LEFT
CUBA FOR ALGERIA ON 21 OCT WITH MORE THAN 200 PASSENGERS AND
CREWMEN PASSENGERS INCLUDED BIG PILOTS, MECHANICS, AND RADAR
OPERATORS. THE CUBAN CONTINGENT WAS SAID TO HAVE BEEN MET
BY COMMANDANT XENY JUAN ALKIDA FIRST DEPUTY MINISTER OF THE
CUBAN ARMED FORCES AND CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF CASTRO. SEVERAL CUBAN
MERCHANT VESSELS REPORTEDLY ARRIVED OR ARE ON ROUTE TO ALGERIAN
PORTS WITH MILITARY EQUIPMENT INCLUDING TANKS //

2. LEBANON-SYRIA-EGYPT: //THE 19 OCT BORDER INCIDENT IN
WHICH FOUR LEBANESE SOLDIERS WERE KILLED BY A SYRIAN ARMY PATROL
APPARENTLY HAS CONVINCED RE LEBANESE GOVT IT MUST CURTAIL EGYPTIAN
INTEL ACTIVITIES IN E LEBANON. LEBANESE AUTHORITIES WHO HERE-
TOFORE HAVE WITNESSED AT SUCH E EGYPTIAN OPERATIONS INTO SYRIA FROM
LEBANESE BASES REPORTEDLY PLAN TO ARREST AND KIDNAP AS MANY
EGYPTIAN AGENTS AS CAN BE LOCATED AND APPREHENDED.//

3. MOROCCO-ALGERIA: THERE HAVE BEEN FURTHER SKIRMISHES
ALONG THE BORDER AND MEDIATION ATTEMPTS APPEAR TO HAVE COMED

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EXPERIENCE WHILE SMOOTHER HAS GONE TO TUNISIA FOR ANOTHER
ALMOST CERTAINLY WILL DEAL WITH THE PROBLEMS OF BOTH THE
MAGASAT AND BEN BULLA TO REPLY TO THE PROPOSED COORDINATION

ALGERIA IS NOW CALLING FOR AN "EMERGENCY" MEETING OF
OF FOREIGN MINISTERS OF ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY AND
SUGGESTED SUCH A MEETING MIGHT BE HELD IN THE FUTURE, BUT
AFRICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS ARE ATTENDING THE MEETING BOTH
AND ALGERIA HAVE APPRISED THE UN SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE
TIONS, BUT BOTH ARE INCLINED TO KEEP THEIR DISPUTE OUT OF THE CHANNELS.
ALGERIANS APPARENTLY ARE ATTEMPTING TO RETAKE HASSI BEIDA AND
TINJOCO, TWO POSTS HELD SINCE 14 OCT BY MOROCCAN FORCES. ALGERIANS
CLAIM TO HAVE RECAPTURED HASSI BEIDA, BUT THIS SEEMS UNLIKELY IN
VIEW OF MOROCCO'S MILITARY SUPERIORITY IN THAT AREA. ALONG THE
REST OF THE FRONTIER, FORCES OF EACH SIDE SEEM MERELY CONTINUING
TO IMPROVE POSITIONS.

THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN THE TWO COUNTRIES' ATTITUDES
WARD PEACE EFFORTS. MOROCCO IS STILL WILLING TO AGREE TO A CEASE-
FIRE PROVIDED IT RETAINS THE DISPUTED FRONTIER POSTS AND ALGERIA

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AGREES TO NEGOTIATE THE FRONTIER PROBLEMS. ALGERIA'S
REAGG'S CONDITIONS FOR NEGOTIATIONS, BUT WILN TO
TO SIT DOWN WITH THE MOROCCANS WITHOUT ANY AGREED

BEN BELLA'S STATEMENT OF 24 OCT THAT THE MARYLIE
HAVE JOINED FORCES WITH THE ALGERIAN GOVERNMENT TO FIGHT
CANS IS PROBABLY FALSE. LIMITED ANTI-GOVERNMENT GUERRILLA OPERATIONS
ARE LIKELY TO CONTINUE IN THE EASTERN / SOUTHERN MOUNTAINOUS AREAS.
REPORT DISSENTING IS ALSO WIDESPREAD WITHIN THE POLITICAL
CAUSE FOR OF ECONOMIC DISORGANIZATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT.

4. CONGO: THE ARREST OF THE THREE TOP LABOR LEADERS
24 OCT MAY PROVOKE DEMONSTRATIONS AND DISTURBANCES BY DAY OF
AND NITE.

THE ARRESTS WERE ORDERED BY THE THREE MAN "EMERGENCY COMMISSION"
HEADED BY MINISTER OF DEFENSE ARMY AFTER WHAT APPEARED TO BE
INCREASINGLY SUCCESSFUL EFFORTS TO HALT THE STRIKE OF CIVIL
SERVANTS FOR PAY RAISE AND TEACHERS FOR SALARY ADVANCE.

PRESUMABLY THE COMMITTEE CONCLUDED THAT THE CONTINUED
OF THE LABOR LEADERS WHO HAD BEEN CALLING FOR A NEW GOVERNMENT

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REPRESENTED A POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS SITUATION. THE ARMY DISORDER
A CRISIS OFFICIALS FELT THAT POWER HAD BEEN TAKEN FROM THE GOVERNMENT
WOULD BE THE FIRST THING WHICH MIGHT CAUSE THE GOVERNMENT TO
THE GOVERNMENT IS PRESENTLY BEING CONSIDERED AS A
SURGE OF ANTIGOVERNMENT PLOTTING BY ANTI-STATE FORCES WHICH
MIGHT RESULT IN DISORDERS WHICH THE ARMY COULD NOT BE ABLE TO
CONTROL. TO MEET THE THREAT, A REGIME OF QUANTITATIVE CONTROL
BEEN ESTABLISHED UNDER A THREE-MAN EMERGENCY COMMITTEE CHAIRED
BY MINISTER OF DEFENSE ABAND AND BEING RAISED TO ABSENCE OF GENERAL
MURU.

//THERE ARE SOME 5,000 CONGOLESE GENDARMERIE AND ARMY TROOPS
IN THE LISOPOLVILLE AREA.// THEIR SUPPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT
FOR A SHORT PERIOD IS LIKELY BUT WOULD PROBABLY BE WEAK IN
EXTENDED DISORDERS. 68-

//THERE IS ALREADY SOME EVIDENCE THAT ANTIGOVERNMENT LEFT-
WING "NATIONALIST" ELEMENTS HAVE HAD SOME SUCCESS IN INFLUENCING
GENERAL BOBOTO'S SUPPOSEDLY ELITE AND MOST Loyal PARACHUTE
UNITS.//

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1. The following information is being furnished to you for your information and for the use of your office in connection with the investigation of the activities of the National People's Party (NPP) in the United States.

2. It was reported during the parliamentary session of the National Assembly that a member of the assembly was involved in a murder case. It was also reported that the member of the assembly was alleged to have been involved in a case of harassment. On 28 July 1964, a member of the assembly was reported to have been involved in a case of harassment.

3. There have been reports of increased organizational activity among unions and organizations among lots of unemployed in the area. One report indicates labor demonstration planned coincide with return from foreign tour of duty on 26 Oct.

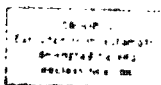
4. Reports of demonstration leaders suggest that the NPP is planning to target of arrests probably with assembly press airplane assembly vice press division and large leader facilities.

5. Further information and action believed capable handling minor unrest. Serious disorder could erupt from those who have trouble in dealing with people like those they recently faced in Congress.

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