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***Dominican Republic:** The Council of State that came to power constitutionally on 1 January was restored to power last night by the armed forces. Two days ago the military had backed an attempt by General Rafael Rodriguez Echarria to replace the Council with a militarily dominated junta. General Rodriguez had earlier entered into discussions with members of his regime with a view toward returning power to the former Council when it became apparent that the group he put in power was opposed bitterly by the majority of Dominicans and probably would not be acceptable to most of the Western Hemisphere countries. Rafael Bonelly, formerly first vice president of the Council, has succeeded Balaguer as President and as commander in chief of the armed forces. Balaguer's resignation has been accepted by the reinstated Council.

President Bonelly announced this morning that General Rodriguez is under arrest and will be subject to trial. [REDACTED]

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Iraq-UK: Iraq continues its efforts to discourage international recognition of Kuwait as an independent state. Iraqi Foreign Minister Jawad has suggested to the new British ambassador in Baghdad that he might be expelled unless Britain downgrades its embassy in Kuwait. [Redacted]

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Iraq is concentrating its pressure on this issue on countries with ambassadors residing in Kuwait--Jordan, Saudi Arabia, and Great Britain. It is possible, however, that a similar tactic will be tried with the United States, whose ambassador to Kuwait, resident in Jidda, presented his credentials on 6 January. The Iraqi minister has already suggested that his government might consider withdrawal of its ambassador from Washington. [Redacted]

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Cambodia: The recent arrest of 14 alleged agents of the Cambodian Communist party is probably designed primarily

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to underscore Cambodia's neutrality, and possibly to ease Phnom Penh's strained relations with South Vietnam and Thailand. Prince Sihanouk has announced that the accused were carrying documents which "revealed plans for general subversion" and showed that the agents had been collecting information, "mainly military, for the use of foreign Communist circles."

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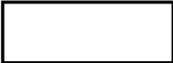
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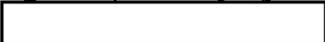


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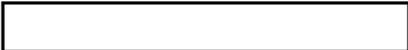
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