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1. CUBAN READOUT CONFIRMS EIGHT AND PROBABLY NINE SAM RPT SAM SITES UNDER CRASH CONSTRUCTION. EIGHT OF NINE SITES NOTED WILL BLANKET ENTIRE WESTERN HALF OF ISLAND. NINTH IS ON EAST COAST AND WE EXPECT OTHERS WILL BE BUILT TO COVER ENTIRE COUNTRY CONSTRUCTION PROCEEDING SO QUICKLY WE LOOK FOR SOME TO BE OPERATIONAL WITHIN NEXT WEEK OR TEN DAYS. READOUT ALSO SHOWED EIGHT TORPEDO BOATS WITH DUAL, RADAR-GUIDED, MISSILE LAUNCHERS. SUCH MISSILES HAVE ESTIMATED RANGE OF ABOUT 15 MILES FOR A 2,000- POUND HI-EXPLOSIVE PAYLOAD WITH GOOD ACCURACY. PRESUME YOU KNOW OF WEEKEND COMMUNIQUE IN WHICH MOSCOW CLAIMS RIGHT TO EXTEND MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO CUBA WHILE DANGER OF INVASION PERSISTS. ALL THIS CREATES NEW ATMOSPHERE. PRINCIPALS MEETING WITH PRESIDENT TODAY TO DISCUSS WHITHER NOW, AND WITH HILL LEADERSHIP AT WHITE HOUSE THIS AFTERNOON.

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2. DONOVAN IS BACK FROM HAVANA WITH NEW PRICE LIST FROM FIDEL. LATTER WILL SETTLE FOR THREE MILLION CASH AND 25 MILLION IN FOOD AND MEDICINE. DONOVAN TO CONFER WITH HURWITZ AND ATTY GEN BEFORE RETURNING TO HAVANA LATER THIS WEEK. WORD WE HAVE IS THAT FIDEL WANTS TO COMPLETE ALL ARRANGEMENTS QUICKEST, WITHIN TEN DAYS. OUTLOOK IS FOR AGENCY TO BE ASKED TO HELP OUT. WE WILL INSURE CLEARANCE ON THE HILL PRIOR TO ANY INVOLVEMENT.

3. ANOTHER SOVIET TRY AT VENUS PROBE NIGHT OF 31 AUGUST-1 SEPTEMBER WAS REPEAT OF EARLIER FLOP. PROBE GOT INTO ORBIT ABOUT EARTH, BUT SOVIETS FAILED TO EJECT IT INTO TRAJECTORY TOWARD VENUS.

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5. MOSCOW HAS REGISTERED STRONG PROTEST OVER INTRUSION BY AIR FORCE U-2 IN SOVIET FAR EAST ON 30 AUGUST. FACT IS THE U-2, PART OF AN OPERATION INVOLVING AN RB-47 TESTING SOVIET AIR DEFENSE REACTIONS, DID STRAY AND INADVERTENTLY INTRUDED. PRESS CARRIES OFFICIAL WASHINGTON RESPONSE TO THE PROTEST.

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7. INDIANS HAVE TOLD CHICOMS THEY WILL WELCOME EMISSARY FROM PEIPING FOR PRELIMINARY TALKS ON BORDER PROBLEMS YOU RECALL SOVIET EFFORTS TO CONVINCING INDIANS SUCH TALKS WOULD BE WORTHWHILE.

8. IN LAOS, MEOS ARE STILL BEING PRESSED BY PL AND VIET MINH FORCES. AMB UNGER HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO LAY ON EMERGENCY RESUPPLY OF MEO FORCES UNDER ATTACK. SOUVANNA

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TOLD UNGER HE EXPECTS PRESSURE ON MEOS TO END SHORTLY.
SOVIET AIRLIFT HAS COME TO AN END IN PAST WEEK.

9. DESPITE TSHOMBE "ACCEPTANCE" OF UN RECONCILIATION PACKAGE, WE NOT READY TO CONCLUDE THERE WILL BE EARLY SOLUTION. AMBASSADOR GULLION HAS BEEN WARNING US ADOULA MAY NOT BE ABLE TO SURVIVE INTERNAL PRESSURES IF TSHOMBE CONTINUES TO PROCRASTINATE AND GET AWAY WITH IT.

10. REVISED DRAFT LEGISLATION FOR EARLY RETIREMENT HAS BEEN GIVEN TO VINSON COMMITTEE, BUT VINSON ADVISES THERE WILL BE NO ACTION THIS SESSION.

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