

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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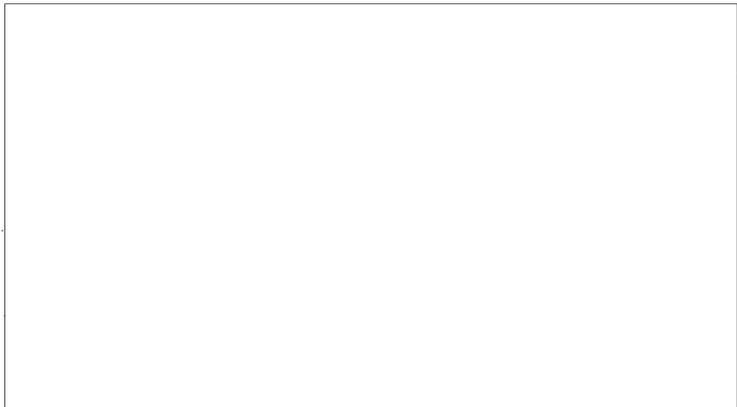
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1. Cyprus

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c. As expected, Makarios was tough in Athens, rejecting out of hand the proposals which Acheson has advanced to the Greeks.

d. The Greek foreign minister now tells us he does not see how an agreement can be reached with the Turks which the archbishop would accept.

e. He suggests the best tactic may be a secret Greek-Turkish understanding, to be put into effect only after achievement of enosis, which would eliminate the Cypriot government as a party to negotiations and thus presumably tie Makarios' hands.

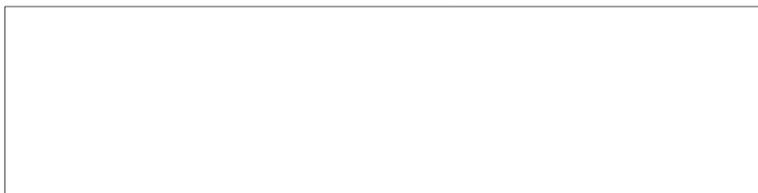
f. Meanwhile, we have been told by the Greek minister of defense that Makarios admits he has ordered four motor torpedo boats from the USSR.



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2. Laos

a. The government offensive is moving ahead, albeit slowly. Pathet Lao troops are reported pulling out under pressure from rightist guerrilla and regular forces.



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c. The situation in the Muong Soui area is unchanged



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e. Butler reports that Khrushchev is serious about getting the USSR out of the Laos mess, but the foreign office apparently feels the Soviet premier will not move "precipitously" to withdraw from the co-chairmanship.

3. South Vietnam

a. [redacted]

[redacted] the Khanh government may be at least toying with the idea of a negotiated settlement.

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b. Khanh's minister of state, Le Van Hoach [redacted] has been in contact with the Viet Cong. [redacted]

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[redacted] Khanh does not know it.

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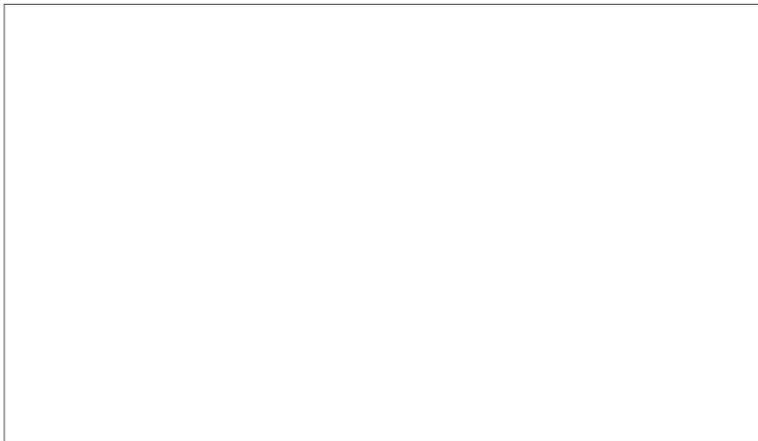
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c. Hoach, who is not an influential member of the government, may really be working on his own.

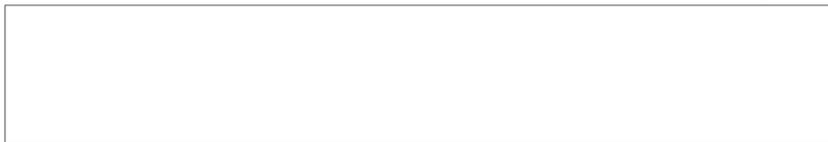
d. It is also possible, however, that Khanh has used this approach to test our reaction.

4. USSR

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5. Israel - East Africa

a. The Israelis are developing an ambitious military training program in East Africa.

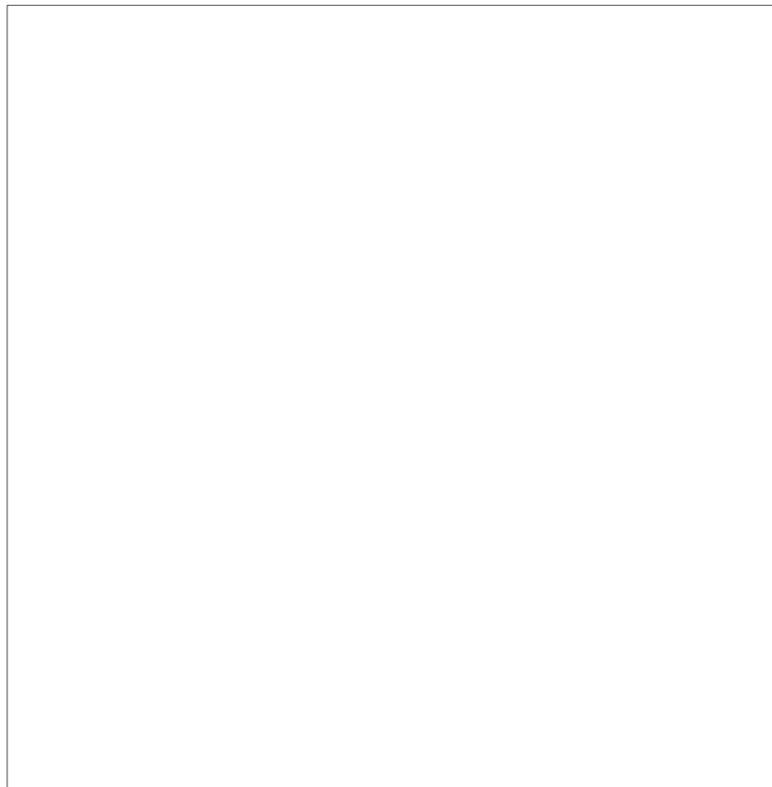
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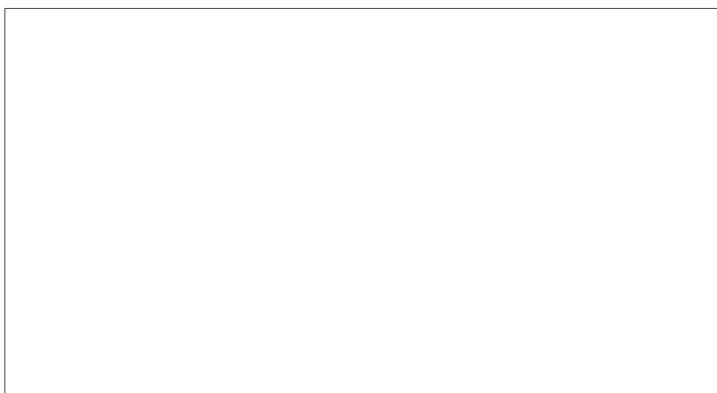
b.



, the goal is to pre-empt the military aid field from the Soviets and Chinese Communists, whose presence always enhances Egyptian prestige.

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6. Tanganyika-
Zanzibar



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 Soviet and Chinese military advisors are still deeply dug in in Zanzibar.

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c. In this connection, the East Germans continue to ignore Dar-es-Salaam's order to reduce their Zanzibar embassy to a consulate.

d. Some Tanganyikan officials think Karume may be growing to like the idea of union, but he has done nothing positive to prove them right.

7. Cambodia -
South Vietnam

a. The Cambodian Foreign Ministry has followed up Sihanouk's charges by giving our embassy a very strong note accusing the US and South Vietnam of dropping "poison powder" on Cambodian villages.

b. The note says Cambodia cannot accept US denials of participation or refusal to accept responsibility. It demands that the US cease "this barbarous new form of aggression" and offer apologies and compensation.

c. The Phnom Penh press and radio are giving the alleged incidents full play.

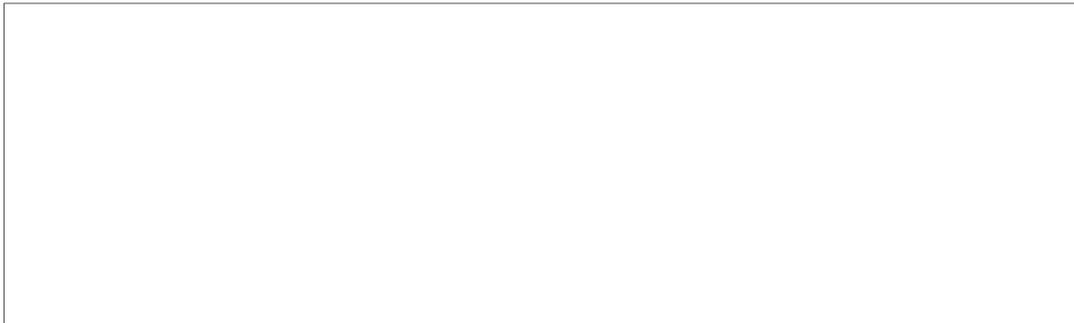


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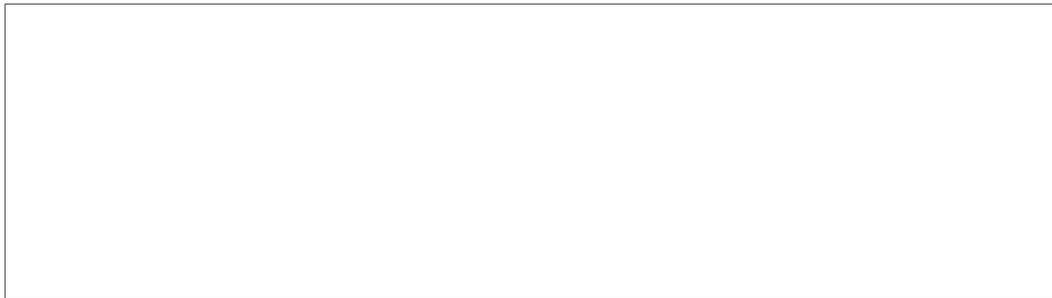
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NOTES

- A. UK-Libya London is ready to offer the Libyans a package deal which would give the British continuing transit and staging rights at El Adem air base in return for pulling their garrisons out of Tripoli and Benghazi. If they work out something like this, it will probably make our own negotiations over Wheelus more difficult.



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E. Venezuela The Venezuelan Communist Party has set [redacted] for renewing terrorist activity. [redacted]

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F. USSR-UN Butler has found no "give" in the Soviet attitude toward paying its arrears to the UN. Gromyko told him the USSR would pay "not one shilling, not one penny, not one kopek."