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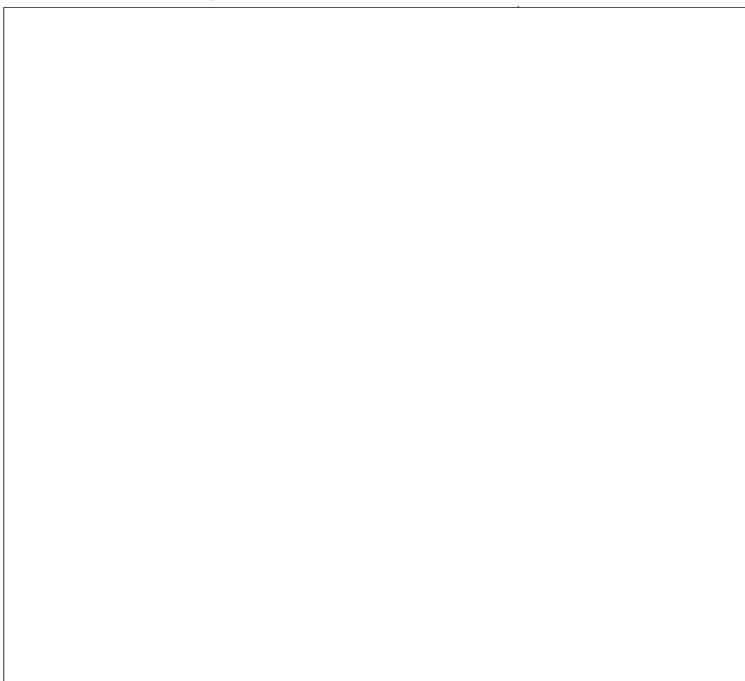
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1. Venezuela



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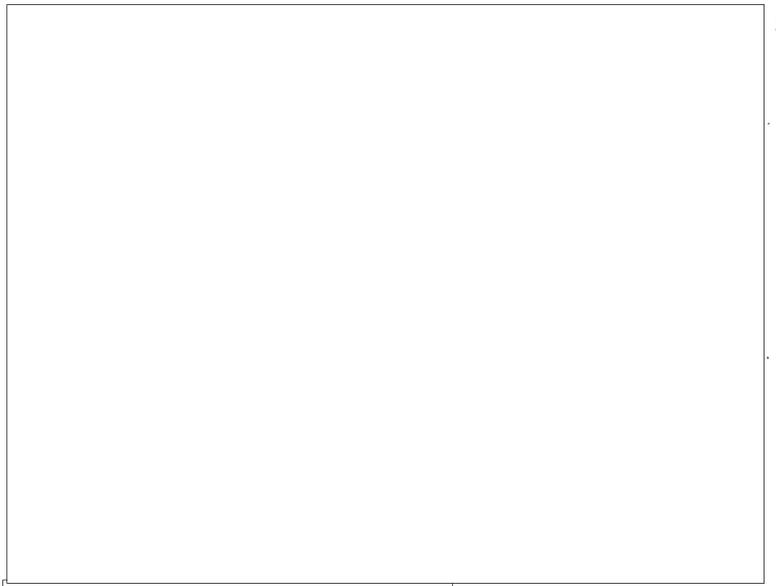
d. Ambassador Taylor advises from Saigon that the execution of the Viet Cong terrorist whose life the FALN allegedly would trade for Lt. Col. Smolen is set for 15 October. Taylor is asking the Vietnamese to stall any announcement.

2. Iraq

a. The atmosphere in Baghdad is uneasy, and an internal blowup over union with Egypt could be in the offing.

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3. Congo

a. Tshombé



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has
come out of the affair smelling
like a rose back home in the Congo.

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b. Both the US and UK embas-
sies report a swelling of outrage
and indignation among the Congolese
at the "Arab slave traders from
the north."

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c. Meanwhile the Burundi regime is claiming that Congolese planes attacked Burundi on Wednesday and is calling for OAU intervention.

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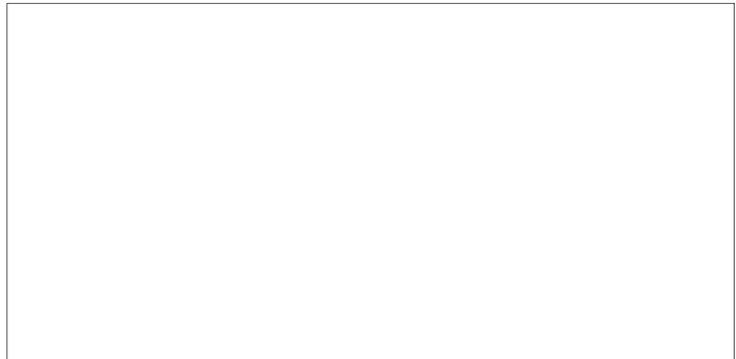
d. US officials in the area are trying to sort out the story. So far it appears that Congolese troops nearing the Burundi border after the capture of Uvira returned fire from rebels across the border --the precise location of which has long been in dispute. Congolese aircraft, operating in the area at the time, apparently carefully refrained from firing into Burundi.

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4. Indonesia

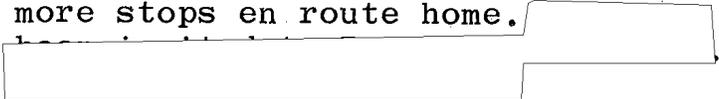
a. The Indonesians continue their private pitch for a political solution to their quarrel with Malaysia.



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d. The Indonesian claimed that new restrictions on trade with Hong Kong, word of which is beginning to leak out in Djakarta, would be "nominal" and enforced only loosely.

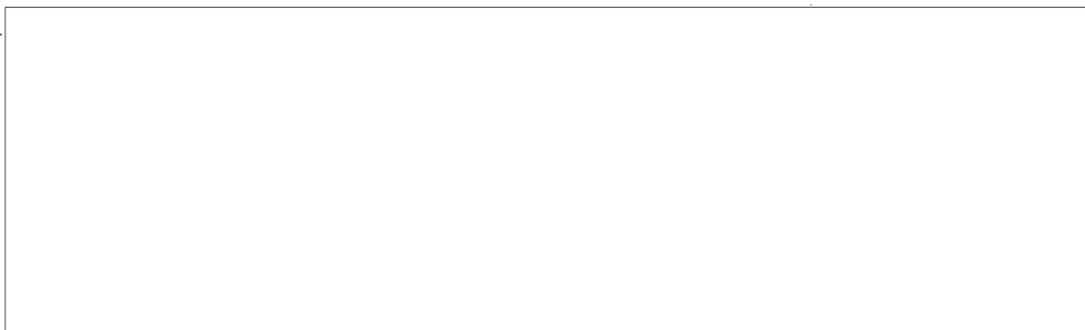
e. Meanwhile, Sukarno, who has been taking a hard line at the Cairo conference, may make even more stops en route home.



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NOTES

- A. Israel-Syria Border tension has moved up a notch following the shooting incidents of Wednesday and Thursday in the Southern Demilitarized Zone. The Israelis and Syrians both are moving forward more troops and hardware here and along the Northern Demilitarized Zone as well.
- B. Communist China - Cambodia Sihanouk states the Chinese will give him arms for some 22,000 men, enough to equip up to one fourth of Cambodia's regular and paramilitary forces. Earlier this year Peiping had provided enough for two or three infantry battalions.



- D. Brazil-USSR Under a new contract, the USSR is to provide about one third of Brazil's crude oil imports next year--4 million metric tons, or more than double the 1964 schedule. Traditional suppliers, who recently accepted a stretch-out in Brazilian payment of large arrears, will react sharply to this.

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E. Cuba President Dorticos is to visit Moscow, as well as Algiers, on his way back to Havana from the Cairo nonaligned conference.

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