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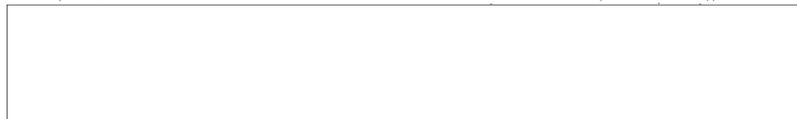
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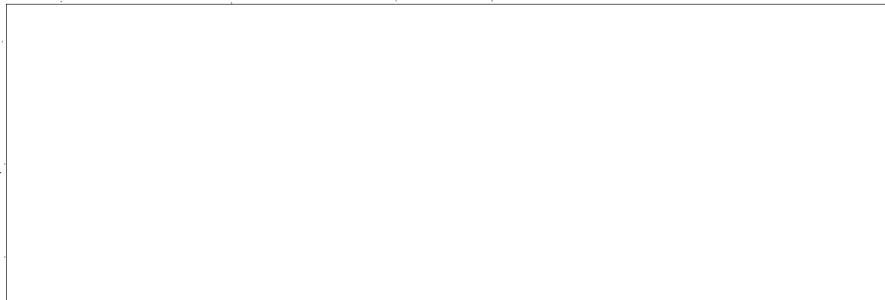
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PRINCIPAL DEVELOPMENTS

Israeli officials are threatening more raids against the fedayeen, while Palestinian leaders continue their plans to attack US officials and installations in the Middle East as a means of inducing the US to curb the Israelis. (Page 1)

The Soviet delegation in Vienna has formally presented its proposal to solve the Hungarian participation dispute. (Page 2)

In Cambodia, the military situation has improved along Routes 1 and 4, but the over-all picture remains grim. (Page 3)

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ISRAEL-FEDAYEEN

Israeli officials are threatening more raids against the fedayeen.

--Defense Minister Dayan says Lebanon is responsible for the activities of the fedayeen within its borders and warns of preemptive strikes if the Palestinians do not stop using Lebanon as a base.



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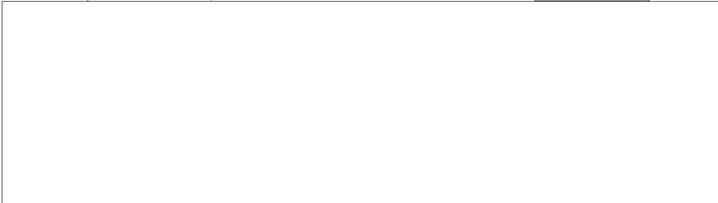
--Other military officials have broadened the threat to include any Arab state supporting the terrorists.

Palestinian leaders meanwhile intend to attack US installations, officials, and businesses in the Middle East. They aim to induce the US to put some curbs on the Israelis.

--In Beirut, they are biding their time, waiting for security to be relaxed 

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Fedayeen propaganda continues to stress US-Israeli complicity in a "war against the Palestine resistance," and calls for destruction of US military bases and personnel. Except in Jordan, government-controlled Arab media have taken their cues from such broadcasts.

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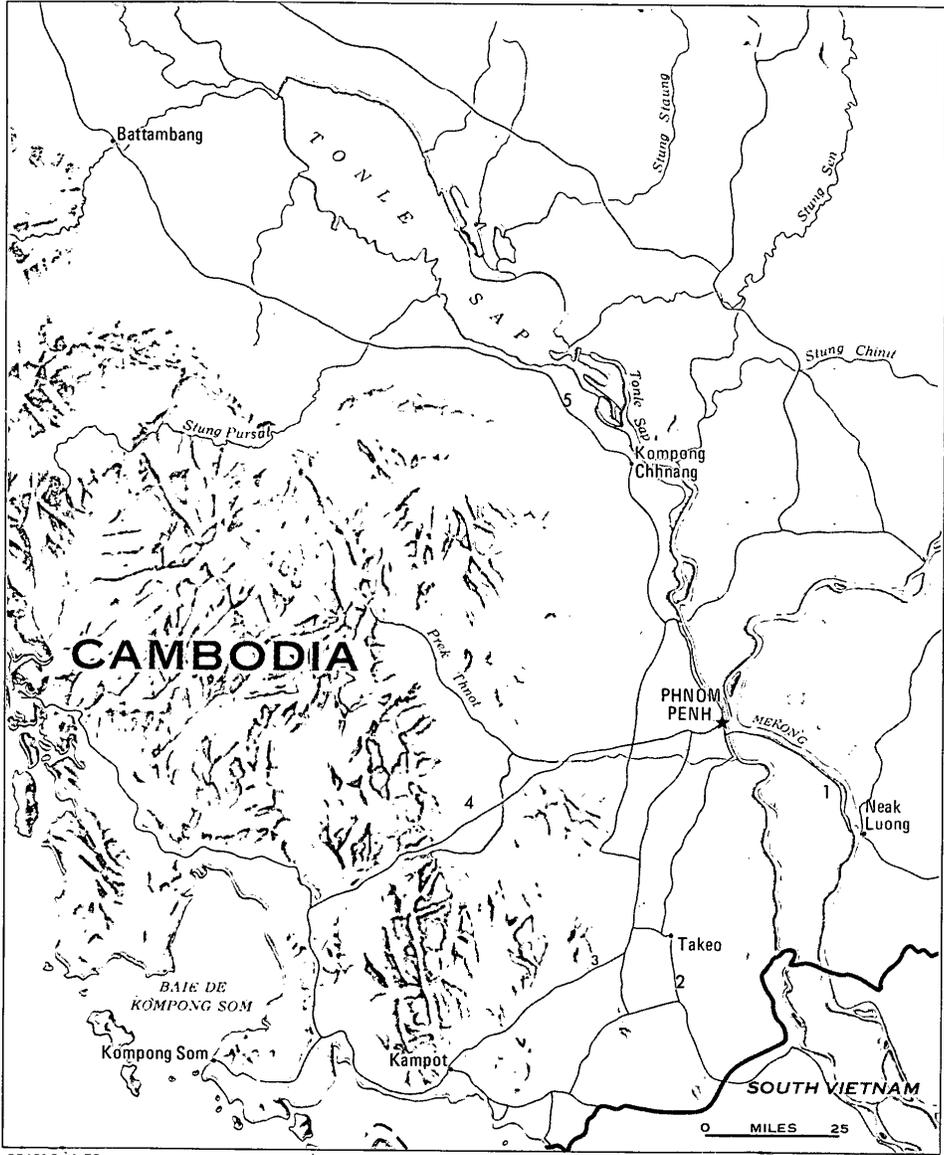
The Soviet delegation on April 13 formally presented its proposal to solve the Hungarian participation dispute. The USSR suggests that Hungary, along with Italy and six other countries, be listed as "special participants," and offers a formula for enlarging the number of direct participants.

At the Allies' insistence, the Soviets have agreed that each side issue a formal statement setting forth its views on Hungary's status. The final form of these statements, however, has yet to be negotiated.

The US and Dutch representatives, who have been negotiating with the Soviets and Hungarians on behalf of the Allies, believe the Soviets have gone as far as they can at this time.

The Western side, however, has been negotiating on the basis of the agreed NATO position that Hungary's status should be left in abeyance, and not everyone is satisfied with the Soviet proposal. Although most Allies will probably find the proposal bearable when the North Atlantic Council meets on Wednesday, the British may not. They have not yet decided on their strategy in the Council, but they have made it clear that they are unhappy with the Soviet proposal. The British attitude could activate the lingering doubts of other Allies and further postpone a solution of the problem.

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CAMBODIA

Route 1 has been cleared between Phnom Penh and Neak Luong, and truck convoys are again moving supplies up Route 4 from the port of Kompong Som to Phnom Penh. Route 5, which links the capital to the rice-rich northwest, however, is still closed south of Kompong Chhnang city.

In the south most of Route 2 between Phnom Penh and the South Vietnam border is under Khmer Communist control. The provincial capital at Takeo remains isolated and under pressure. The local commander believes he can hold with the aid of air support, but Khmer Communists estimate, according to an intercepted message, that they can overrun Takeo by early May "at the least."

Other Khmer Communist forces are still operating along the Mekong corridor. An intercepted message indicates that they are planning another round of attacks in the near future against both the shipping channel and Route 1.

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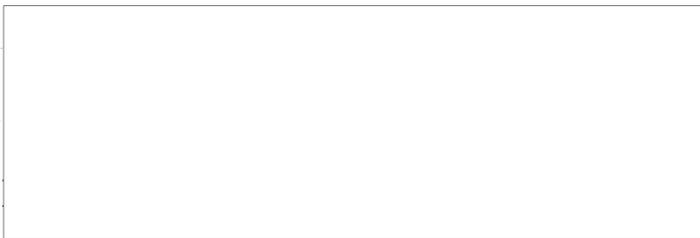
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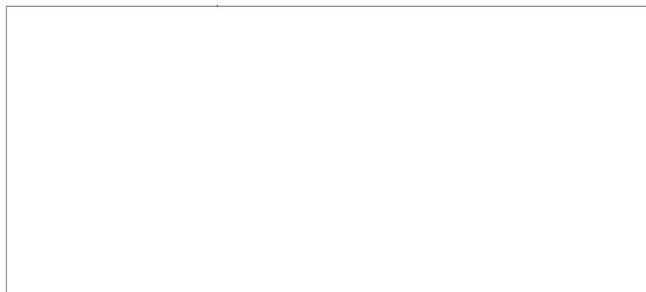
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NOTE

Japan: The Foreign Investment Council will recommend this week that foreigners be allowed to wholly own new ventures in all but 50 or 60 industries. The 25 percent limit on foreign ownership of existing firms may also be raised. As a result of such moves, direct foreign investment in Japan should increase. Until now, such investment has been small, totaling, for example, only \$170 million in 1972.

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