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1. Cyprus

a. There was fighting again this morning in the village of Ktima, near Paphos, scene of a sharp clash on Saturday.

b. Generals Gyani and Carver had arranged a cease-fire Sunday, but the Greek Cypriots, taking the view that such arrangements could not be used to protect Turkish "insurgents" from punishment, launched what was described as an all-out attack on Turkish Cypriot positions this morning.

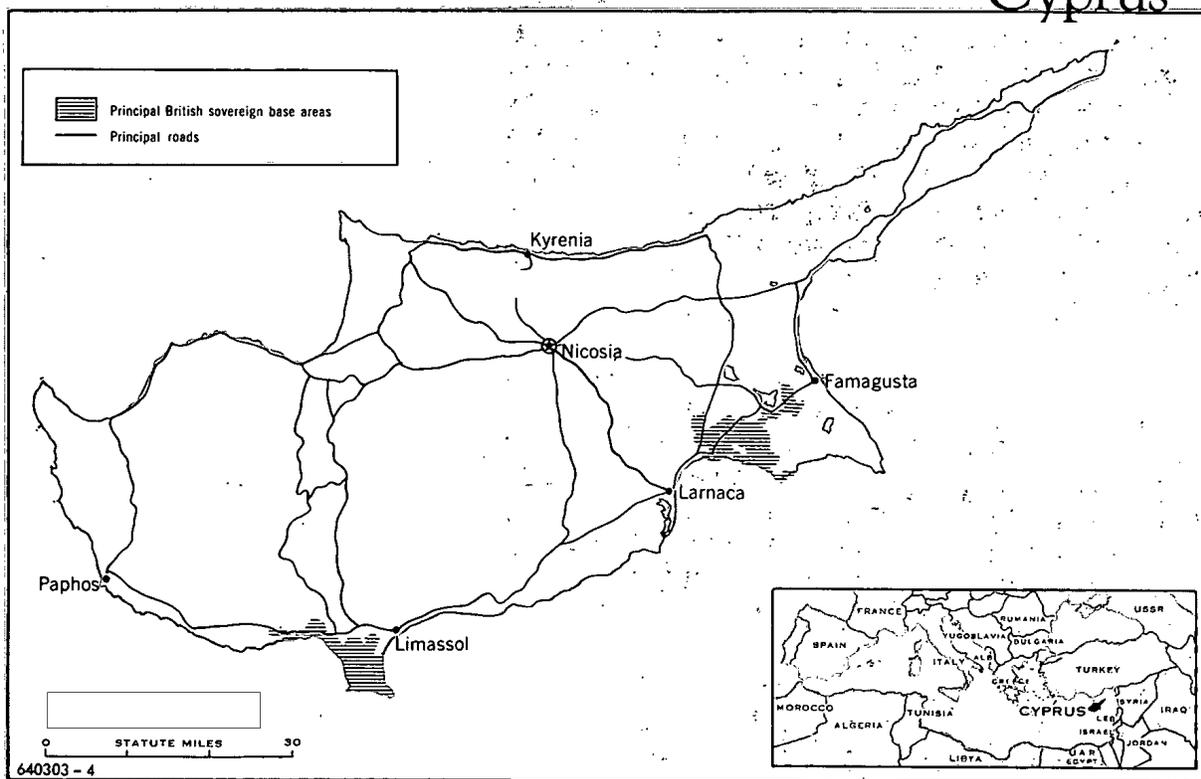
c. The gunfire this week end seems to have been an unintended result of Makarios' order to release "all" Turkish Cypriot hostages. When only 49 were turned loose, the Turks, who believe that over 200 had been taken, were shocked and reacted violently. In attacks on Ktima, considerable numbers of Greek Cypriot hostages were seized.

d. The fighting has spread to other spots on the island. The Turkish side this morning asked for British help in evacuating 700 Turkish Cypriots who were surrounded in a village near Kyrenia.

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e. These actions will certainly postpone and possibly prevent the Turkish Cypriot leaders from following Ankara's advice to begin taking part once again in the deliberations of the Cyprus Government. The Turks have boycotted all government meetings since December.

f. Ankara feels it has been treated shabbily by the UN. The Turks object to General Gyani on the grounds that he has failed miserably to "enlighten" U Thant about the true situation on the island. They do not like the idea of Rolz-Bennett as mediator.

g. Thant, after issuing a general appeal for funds, is trying to push ahead on his peace-keeping force. One of his military advisors alerted the US that help may be requested to airlift, in about a week's time, 370 Brazilians and an equal number of Swedes who can be spared from the UN Emergency Force in Gaza.

h. The Cypriot mission in the USSR is due to fly to Sochi today for talks with Khrushchev.

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**2. Indonesia-
Malaysia**

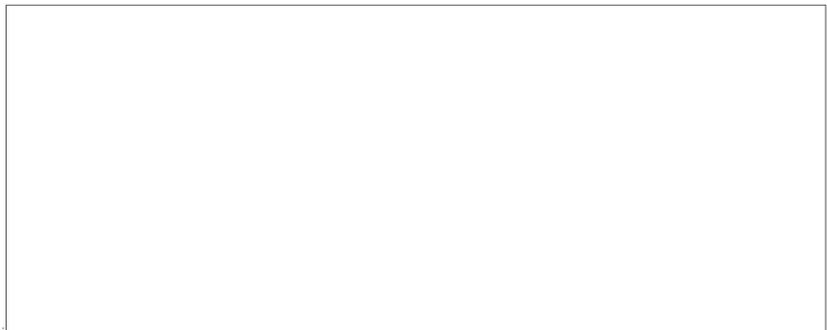
a. Neither Malaysia nor Indonesia seems disposed at present to resume the interrupted Maphilindo foreign ministers' meeting.

b. Sukarno wants to march directly to a summit,



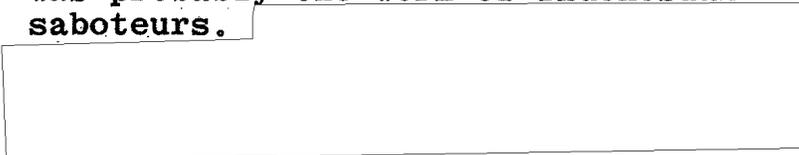
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c. The Malaysians want no further talks at all prior to their elections late in April.



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f. The explosion Saturday night at the Raffles Hotel in Singapore was probably the work of Indonesian saboteurs.



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g. Press reports yesterday on military preparations in the Philippines growing out of the explosive Borneo situation turn out to have been the invention of Philippine military public relations types in the interests of their budget.

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3. USSR-Cuba

a. [Redacted]

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Havana expects to take over control of SAM installations early this spring.

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4. Libya

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5. Poland

a. Gomulka faces the strongest challenge to his authority since 1956.

b. We have gotten wind that a pamphlet violently attacking him has been making the rounds of the Polish party. It apparently originated in the left, or "hard-line," wing of the party.

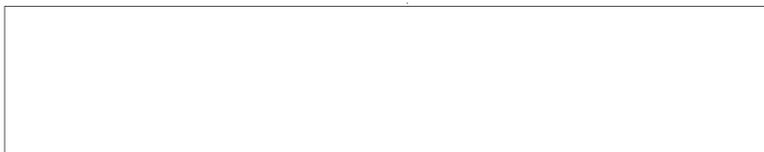
c. The tract seems designed to rally opposition to Gomulka's economic retrenchment policies among party groups which have been especially hard hit by these policies.

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d. It would appear that the pamphleteers are trying not to unseat Gomulka--there is no logical replacement--but to force him to return to orthodoxy.



6. Zanzibar

a. Nyerere has called for a meeting of East Africa's "big three" in Dar-es-Salaam today. Karume has been invited.

b. The object, according to Tangayikan Defense Minister Kambona, is to concert on ways and means of helping Karume. It is feared that he will be shunted aside unless more effective counterweights to the many extremists in his regime are found.

c. Karume has within the past few days had to revoke orders from various of these elements to prevent Sandys from visiting Zanzibar, to expel British High Commissioner Crosthwait, and to nationalize all cinemas as well as a number of other businesses.

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d. In this situation Sandys has let it be known that the British would be willing to intervene to save Karume, if he asks them to and if other East African leaders are agreeable.

7. Dominican Republic

a. Coup rumors, common enough at any time, were especially plentiful in Santo Domingo this week end.

b. Most of them involved an effort by one or another group of disgruntled politicians to restore ex-President Balaguer to power.

c. Claims of the plotters of support in the armed forces--without which no coup attempt has a chance--do not square well with repeated pledges of loyalty by the top military in the past few days.

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NOTES

A. France A new wave of strikes in nationalized enterprises, which lies just ahead, could lead to some ministerial shifts. The chief damage, however, is likely to be to De Gaulle's pitch at home and abroad that he has found a unique way to national economic strength and, thus, to international independence.

B. Congo The Congolese Army has been taking a more active role in rebellious Kwilu. This has coincided with a lull in terrorism there, but Mulele's bands still control most of rural Kwilu. [redacted]

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C. Indonesia-Timor [redacted] recruits are being assembled for "operations training" in Indonesian Timor. [redacted]

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D. Kashmir With the Security Council about to take up the question once again, the atmosphere along the ceasefire line is charged and new incidents are a distinct possibility. [redacted]

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E. Mexico - Communist China Presidential aspirant Diaz Ordaz, who has every reason to expect to be Lopez Mateos' successor, [redacted] will not recognize Communist China unless there is some profound change in the world situation. For his part, Lopez Mateos [redacted] will not take this step either.

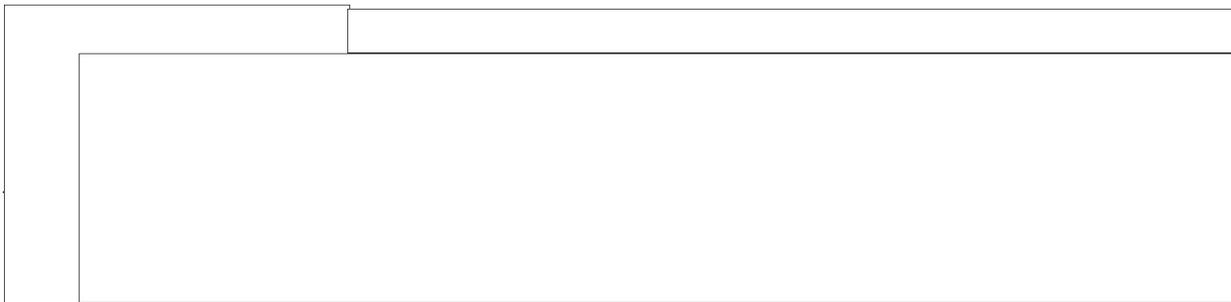
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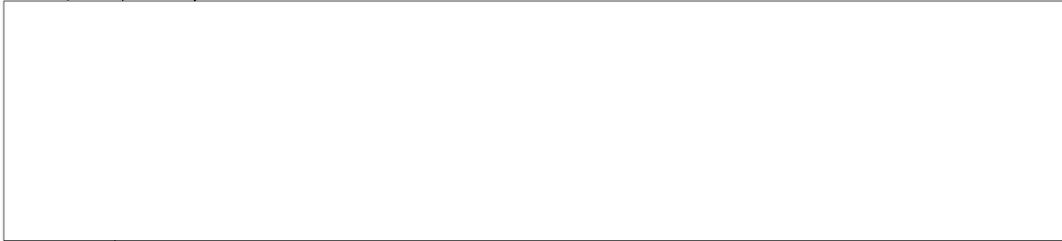
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