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CONCLUSIONS OF SPECIAL USIB SUBCOMMITTEE ON BERLIN SITUATION

The USIB has noted the following conclusions reached by its Special Berlin Subcommittee which reviewed the situation for the period 7 March 1961 through 10 April 1961:

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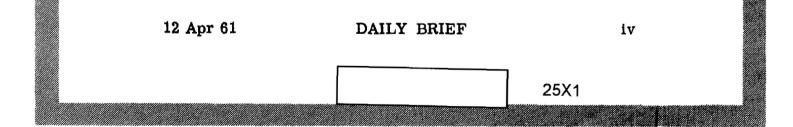
1. We have no indications that the USSR plans to increase tensions over Berlin at this time.

2. There have been no significant developments with regard to access to Berlin and East Berlin during the period covered by this report.

3. Over the past month the bloc has devoted increased attention to the German and Berlin issues. Soviet propaganda commentary, statements by high-level East German and Soviet officials, and the 30 March Warsaw Pact communiqué have all stressed the necessity of concluding a peace treaty and solving the Berlin problem, but without any suggestion of deadlines.

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