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Strikes against Phuc Yen air base caused extensive damage and should further reduce North Vietnam's fighter capabilities. Hanoi's massive propaganda in support of antiwar demonstrations in the US suggests that it believes such protests are an important but not determining influence on US policy.	25X1
PEKING MODERATES CONTINUE TO PUSH TOWARD NORMALCY	6
The drive by central authorities to restore normal conditions continues to meet some resistance from militant Red Guards, although order has been re-established in much of the country. The moderating trend continues to be reflected in foreign policy as well.	25X1
INSURGENT ACTIVITY IN THAILAND	8
Communist insurgency has increased in several areas which had been relatively free from such activity in the past.	25X1
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The rate of North Korean incidents along the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) has declined in recent weeks, but this relative lull may be short-lived.	25X1

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JONAH RIDES THE SOVIET NUCLEAR-POWERED ICEBREAKER LENIN	<del>12</del>
The world's first nuclear-powered surface ship has been plagued by technological problems since it began operating in 1960. <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 300px; height: 15px; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	25X1

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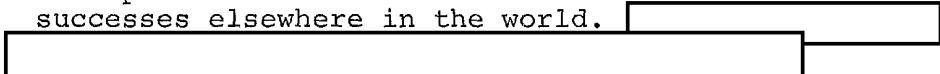
USSR CELEBRATES GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY OF BOLSHEVIK REVOLUTION



The jubilee celebrations in Moscow, Leningrad, and the capitals of the 14 Republics will play up the achievements of the last five decades as evidence of the effectiveness of Communist rule. The stress is expected to be on domestic affairs, historic attainments and national goals, with plaudits to the military establishment and to space accomplishments. The average Soviet citizen is approaching the celebration with some degree of cynicism inasmuch as improvements for him have been spotty. In the light of recent events abroad, the Soviet leaders will be hard pressed to make credible claims of Communist successes elsewhere in the world.

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CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY LEADERS INDECISIVE ON ECONOMIC REFORM

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Economic reform continues to be a source of dispute within the regime because of its potentially weakening effect on the authority of the party and on the personal power of party officials.

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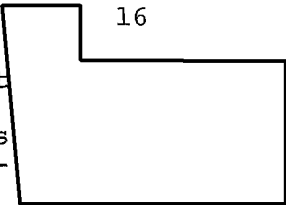
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MIDDLE EAST TENSIONS HEIGHTEN

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The destruction caused by Israeli shelling of the two refineries at Suez was a major blow to the Egyptian economy, but may not be enough to satisfy the desire for revenge. Israel may strike against units of the Egyptian Navy responsible for sinking the destroyer Eilat. The United Nations adopted a compromise resolution condemning all cease-fire violations and demanding that both sides prohibit further military activities.



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POLITICAL INSTABILITY STILL BESETS DAHOMEY

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Disputes have erupted between President Soglo's military government and the army's watchdog committee, and the long-standing quarrel between Soglo and the army chief of staff has intensified.

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NIGERIAN ARMY KEEPS UP THE PRESSURE ON BIAFRA

Action in the Nigerian civil war slowed somewhat last week, and federal officials again tried to allay Ibo fears of being massacred. Peace talks have so far failed to materialize.

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INDIA BUYS MORE SOVIET MILITARY AIRCRAFT

Indian officials have agreed to purchase 127 SU-7 fighter-bombers and 12 trainers from the USSR, which is now the leading supplier of arms to India.

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Western Hemisphere

THE WEEK IN PERSPECTIVE

GUYANESE-VENEZUELAN BORDER DISPUTE FLARES AGAIN

The Guyanese have become alarmed by reports that Venezuela plans to turn a disputed border island into a military base and they may bring the whole issue before the UN.

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ARIAS SEES HIS ELECTION PROSPECTS IN PANAMA IMPROVED  
Arnulfo Arias, twice elected president and twice ousted for authoritarian excesses, expects support in next May's presidential election from several parties now in the government coalition.

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PERONISM A DECLINING THREAT IN ARGENTINA

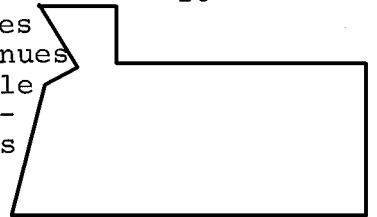
The failure of last week's Peronist demonstrations to draw much support from even the die-hard leadership of the Peronist movement is a manifestation of the internal squabbling that has almost destroyed the movement as a threat to Argentine security.

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CHILEAN LEFTISTS CONTINUE SQUABBLING

Disagreements within and among the leftist parties is becoming increasingly evident as debate continues about the efficacy of revolutionary armed struggle in Chile. This disunity has so far prevented effective exploitation of President Frei's troubles with his own party.

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