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The Special Assistant for Intelligence, Department of State, proposes the following changes in SE-51: The Significance of the New Indonesian Government:

State
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para 4.

Paragraph 4. As long as the present cabinet remains in power, the Communists will be in a position gradually to increase their influence. Although on the basis of present indications, the Communists may be able over an extended period of time are not likely to achieve a dominating position in Indonesia through a gradual increase of strength we do not believe on the basis of present indications during the expected life of this cabinet, either through armed force or political action. during the next twelve months

Paragraph 17. (strike final sentence). ~~On the other hand, if this cabinet remains in power for an extended period of time, the Communists may ultimately be in a position to dominate Indonesia.~~

Paragraph 18. ~~It is impossible to estimate with confidence the probable future trends in Indonesian political developments. On balance, however, we believe, As long as the present cabinet remains in power, the Communists will be in a position gradually to increase their influence. On the basis of present indications, the Communists are not likely to will increase their influence but will not achieve a dominating position in Indonesia during the expected life of this cabinet, either through armed force or political action. during the next twelve months.~~

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of A 18 to be sub'ed for 4 as req

On the basis of pres. indic, we believe that the
Cists will increase their influ as a result
of the ~~tenure~~ ~~of~~ the present cabinet, but will
~~during the next 12 mos~~
not achieve a dom. posit in O/N etc--

12 months
[A 18 thus also]

cf for from st
The SA (R) believes
~~we believe~~ that this ev shd be confined
to the est'ed ~~dom~~ ~~in~~ life of the present
cab. He feels therefor that this A shd
read: (cf State)

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indications, we believe that as a result of the tenure of this cabinet, the Communists will increase their influence ~~but will not~~ but will not achieve a dominating position in Indonesia, either through armed force or political action during the next twelve months. *

(State footnote. State feels that this estimate should deal only with the expected

~~_____~~
left of the cabinet and
should deal with general
~~_____~~

developments which may
occur subsequent to this
cabinet's tenure.)

TP 18. [Identical
with TP 4 + footnote]

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JAKARTA, INDONESIA (AP)--COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER ABIKUSNO TJOKROSUJOSO RESIGNED LAST NIGHT FROM INDONESIA'S SIX-WEEK-OLD RADICAL NATIONALIST GOVERNMENT. HE WAS THE SECOND CABINET MINISTER TO QUIT WITHIN A WEEK.

FOUR DAYS AGO NATIONAL WELFARE MINISTER SUDIBIO QUIT THE CABINET. THEIR STEP-DOWN WAS NOT EXPECTED TO THREATEN THE LIFE OF PREMIER ALI SASTROAMIDJOJO'S ADMINISTRATION, HOWEVER. BOTH RESIGNATIONS FOLLOWED PERSONAL WRANGLES BETWEEN THE MEN AND THEIR UNITED MOSLEM PARTY.

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