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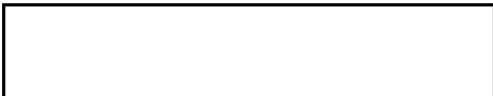
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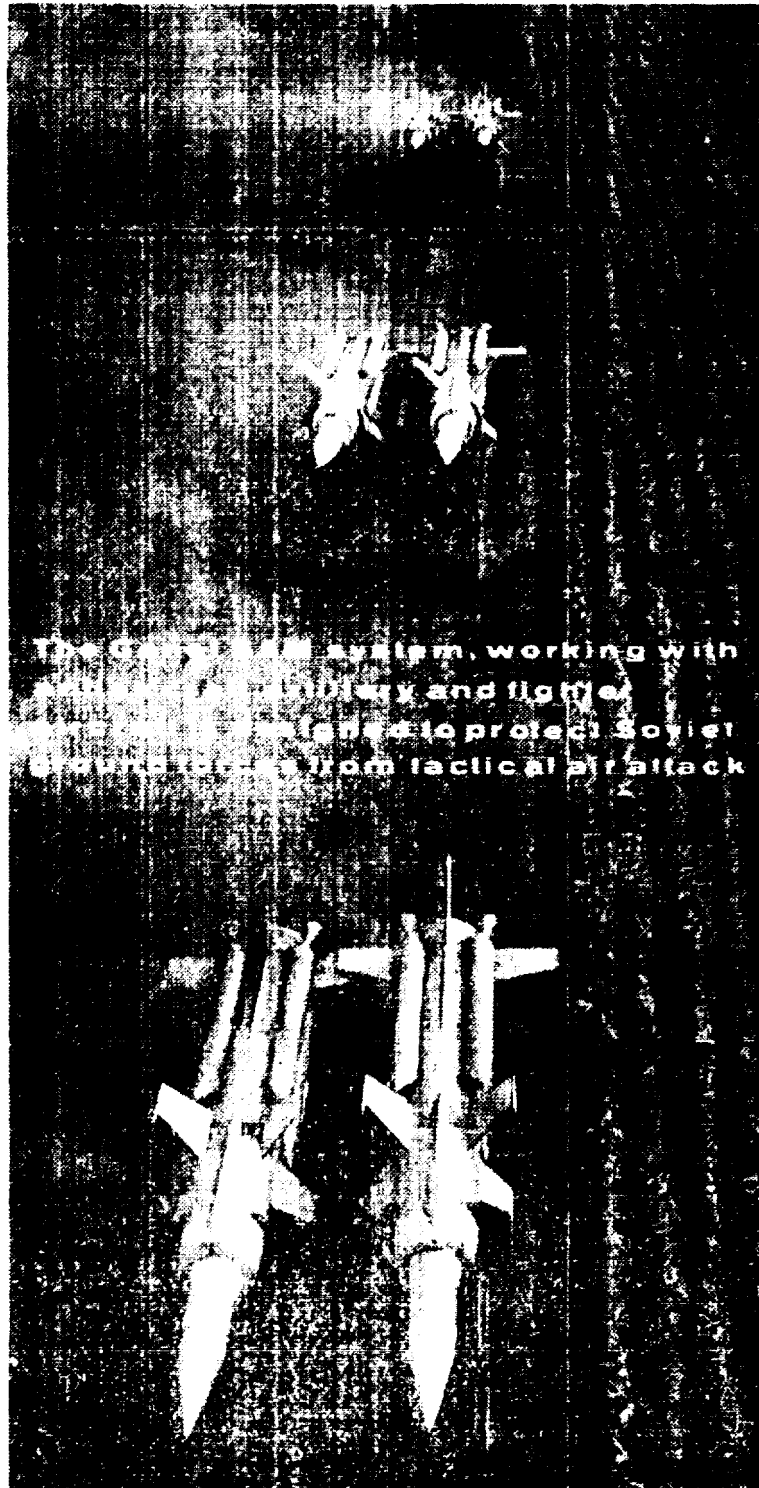
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SA-4 GANEF AIR DEFENSE MISSILES ON MANEUVERS



USSR: The SA-4 Ganef surface-to-air missile (SAM) system is now apparently being deployed to Soviet ground forces.

Press reports of a large Soviet military exercise held last week indicate that the Ganef is being used on large-scale maneuvers. The system is intended to provide greater mobility to missile forces defending Soviet ground troops. In previous Soviet military exercises, notably the Carpathian exercise in 1961, SA-2 SAM units assigned to protect ground forces were unable to keep up with fast-moving units in the field and were plagued by resupply problems.

Ganef missiles are twin-mounted on tracked transporter-launchers that give the system good mobility. The large AN-22 assault transport can airlift the transporter-launchers with the missiles attached. The ram-jet - powered Ganef reportedly has an effective range of about 27 nautical miles and probably can hit aircraft flying as high as 65,000 feet. [REDACTED]

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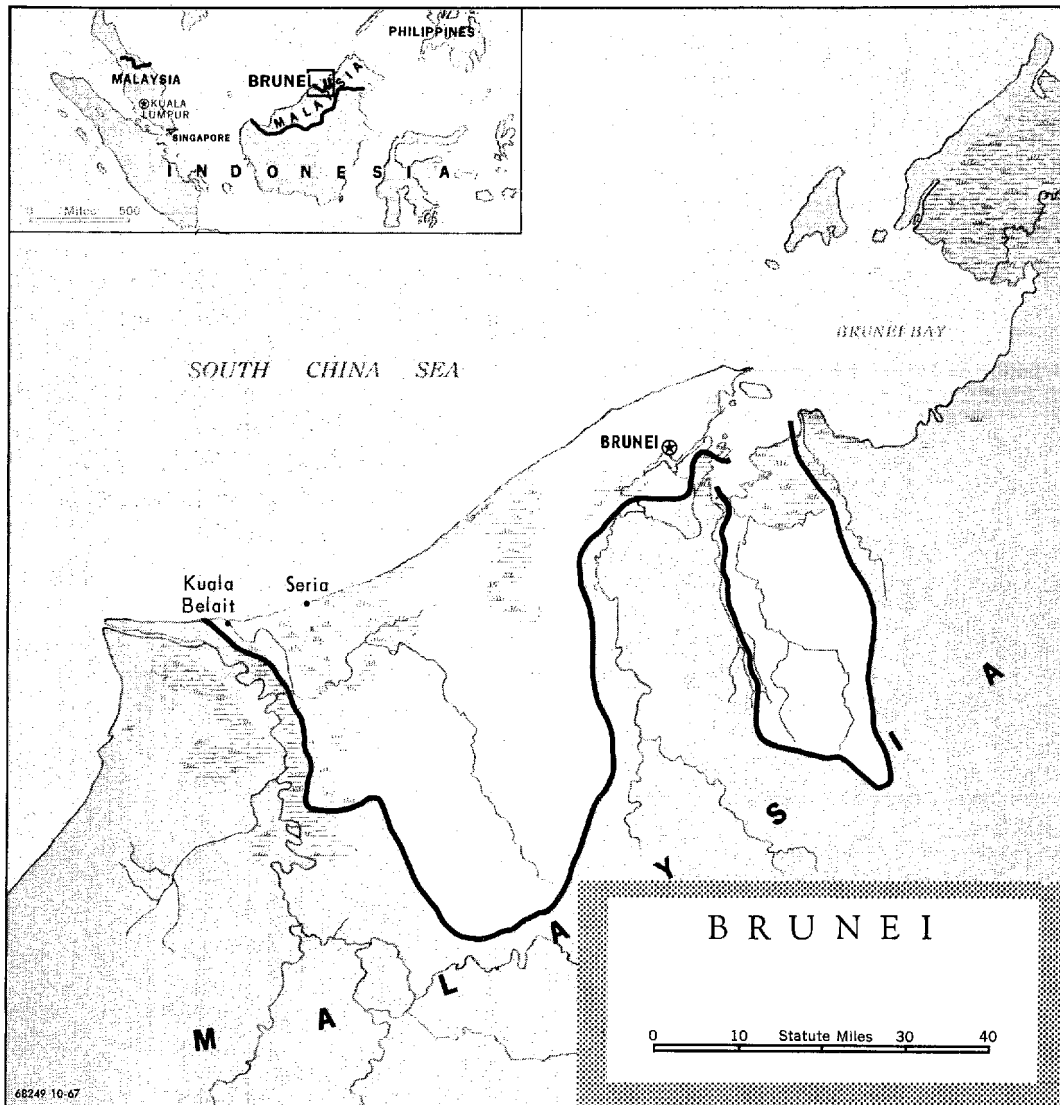
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Brunei: The abdication of the Sultan may hasten political reform and independence.

The Sultan, who stepped down on 4 October in favor of his eldest son, has been the major stumbling-block in recent years to British desires to lead the oil-rich protectorate toward responsible self-government and eventual independence. London's decision to withdraw its Gurkha battalion next year may have contributed to the Sultan's decision to abdicate.

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Malaysia has long wanted to incorporate Brunei into the federation for economic as well as political reasons. It is doubtful, however, that the new ruler would consider sharing with Kuala Lumpur his oil revenues, which give Brunei the highest per capita income in Southeast Asia.

Dissident political elements, remnants of those which staged an abortive rebellion in December 1962, are unlikely to use the transfer of power to create disorders, since they will benefit from any move toward democratic government. The presence of the Gurkha battalion and the indigenous Brunei Malay Regiment in any case would assure the maintenance of security. (Map)

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Brazil-France: Negotiations for the sale of [redacted] French-built supersonic jet fighters to Brazil are being stepped up.

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Some French officials already are in Brazil and an active-duty air force general representing the French Government is expected in Rio de Janeiro on 21 October to continue negotiations with the Brazilian Air Force.

[redacted]

A possible package deal may be in the making, including a French agreement to establish an aircraft factory in Brazil. This prospect is particularly attractive both to the Brazilian Air Force, which has long sought to establish such a capability, and to the government, which is pushing to expand the national industrial base.

Brazil is eager to modernize its equipment and has attempted to purchase US-made F-5 supersonic jets. If the US-Brazilian discussions on this subject do not begin soon, the deal with the French may be concluded. [redacted]

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Peru-Chile: Peruvian charges that Chile recently acquired guided missiles and other military hardware from the Soviet Union are false.

A Peruvian congressman claimed on 2 October that in addition to guided missiles, Chile recently purchased supersonic fighter aircraft and tanks from the Soviet Union. He also alleged that a \$500 million credit deal was being negotiated for additional Soviet military equipment. The Peruvian press has played up the congressman's statements.

None of Chile's military armament is of Soviet origin. The only missile in its inventory is the British-made Sea Cat--a destroyer-mounted antiaircraft weapon with limited range.

The congressman's charges may be designed to justify Lima's purchase from France of tanks and of [Redacted] supersonic Mirage-V aircraft--a simplified version of the Mirage-III. [Redacted]

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NOTE

USSR-Pakistan: The communiqué issued on 4 October at the end of President Ayub's ten-day visit to the USSR contained nothing unexpected. The Soviets promised increased economic and technical assistance, but there is no sign that Ayub persuaded Moscow to give him the arms he says he needs against an Indian threat. The Soviets continue to tread carefully in the area of Pakistani-Indian relations; Premier Kosygin publicly offered Moscow's blessings to bilateral efforts in this field. [REDACTED]

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