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1. REPORTED SIGHTING OF UNUSUAL AIRCRAFT IN USSR

The following is an excerpt from a cable received from the US Air Force:

Three reliable US observers, Senator Richard Russell, Lt. Col. E. U. Hathaway, Army, Mr. Ruben Efron, visited Prague 12-13 October. Arriving direct from Kiev, via Baku, Tiflis, Dnieper Petrovsk, Black Sea Area, they reported following to USAIRA and USARMA:

On 4 October 1955 at 1910 hours between Atjaty (Alyat Station) and Adzhijabul (Kazi Magomed, 40-02 N, 48-56 E), 10 minutes by rail after departing Atjaty in Transcaucasus Region, two mound (as received) and circular unconventional aircraft resembling flying discs



or flying saucers were seen taking off almost vertically one minute apart. Disc aircraft ascended near dusk with outer surface revolving to the right slowly and with two

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lights stationary on top near middle part. Sparks or flame seen coming from aircraft. No protrusions seen on aircraft which passed over observers' train. Both flying disc aircraft ascended relatively slowly to about 6,000 then speed increased sharply in horizontal flight both on northerly heading. Flying attitude of disc remained same during ascent as in cruise, like a discus in flight. Two operating searchlights pointing almost vertical seen near take-off area located about 1-2 miles south of railroad line. After sighting, Soviet train men became excited and lowered curtains and refused permission to look out windows. US observers firmly believe these unconventional aircraft are flying saucer or disc aircraft.

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3. FRENCH RESIDENT GENERAL ACCUSES SPAIN OF AIDING MOROCCAN REBELS

Resident General Boyer de Latour told Assistant Secretary of Defense Burgess on 12 October that Spain is permitting Moroccan rebels to obtain

supplies and to fire on French troops from Spanish territory. According to the commanding general of the Fez region, the Spanish are also jamming French military radio communications.

Boyer de Latour said he would use artillery and planes against rebel positions in the Spanish zone if such aid continued.

The American consul general in Rabat believes that the French campaign is not going too well and says there is evidence of bickering among French commanders over responsibilities and operational methods.

CommentOther reports also indicate that aid
for the rebels is being received throughSpanish Morocco despite Spain's assurances of co-operation
with France.

Any Spanish encouragement to the rebels is probably designed to force France to seek Madrid's agreement to any future reforms in the French zone and to further Spain's long-standing policy of enhancing its own prestige in the Arab world.

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4, TASS CORRESPONDENT FINDS YUGOSLAVS COOL TOWARD USSR

Commenting on Yugoslav policies, a TASS correspondent in Belgrade declared that the Yugoslav attitude toward the Soviet Union is still cool,

if not actually hostile.

The correspondent said Soviet first vice premier Mikoyan had hoped to talk "business" during his recent visit to Yugoslavia, but the Yugoslavs were "waiting for the arrival of US deputy under secretary Murphy." To a suggestion that perhaps the Yugoslavs do not care for Mikoyan, the TASS man replied, "They don't care for anybody but themselves. They think they are a great power."

Comment The Yugoslav government probably feels it is now opportune to curb any impression in Moscow that the USSR holds a privileged position in Belgrade. Tito has recently rebuked several Yugoslav editors for a too pro-Soviet slant taken by Yugoslav journalists. Presumably Belgrade has also tightened up its official contacts with Soviet bloc press representatives.

The Yugoslavs have also recently exhibited some concern over Western suspicions that Yugoslavia may have entered too close a relationship with the USSR.

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5. PERONISTAS REPORTED PLANNING STRIKE FOR 17 OCTOBER ANNIVERSARY

Peronista elements will try to create trouble on 17 October, the anniversary of the day labor demonstrations forced Peron's release from jail and return to power in 1945. Pamphlets are being distributed warning persons not to attempt to work on this day at the risk of being shot.

The director of national security has issued a communiqué warning against possible disorders and advising that energetic measures will be taken against disturbers of the peace.

Comment Under Peron, 17 October was a legal holiday marked by mass loyalty rallies under the auspices of the General Confederation of Labor (CGT), which had won out over anti-Peron military leaders in 1945. The military leaders now in power in Argentina appear capable of preventing a repetition of the events of 1945, but the CGT has not announced allegiance to the new government.

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