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PRINCIPAL DEVELOPMENTS

On *Page 1*, we discuss the number of new Soviet missile silos identified in a preliminary analysis of photography from the current KH-9 mission.

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Chile's Central Bank is recommending an austerity program in place of the expansionary policies being pursued by Allende. (*Page 4*)



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Preliminary analysis of photography obtained from the second portion of the current KH-9 mission shows six additional new missile silos of the smaller type and one additional silo of the larger type. Forty nine of the smaller type and 18 of the larger type silos have now been identified. Several others have been tentatively identified.

Reconstruction of one of the two launch pads at the Tyuratam missile test center where SS-9s have been tested appears to be nearly complete. Testing of a missile for the larger silo could begin from this pad at any time.

Analysis of this photography is continuing, and the number of both silo types may change.

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The Soyuz 11 cosmonauts apparently died of asphyxiation resulting from a loss of pressure in their descent capsule during re-entry.

A report yesterday by Victor Louis, the Soviet-born Moscow correspondent for a London newspaper, indicates that the cosmonauts died from a lack of oxygen because they had not properly sealed the hatch on the capsule. Louis has provided accurate information in the past on some Soviet events and is used in various unofficial ways by the Soviet Government. The amount of technical detail in his report suggests that his information came from knowledgeable Soviet officials.

The report supports other evidence that the deaths were caused by a mechanical failure in the spacecraft and by human error rather than by the physiological effects of prolonged weightlessness or by the residual effects of the fire which earlier had been extinguished aboard Salyut.

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What effect the accident will have on the Soviet manned space program is not yet clear. If the problems are minor, future manned space flights are not likely to be significantly delayed.

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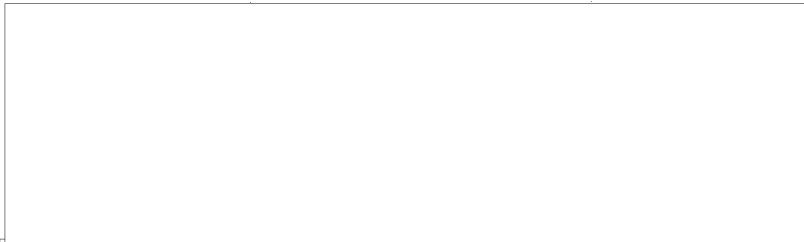
Most of the ships which supported the Soyuz 11 mission have departed their stations, indicating that another manned launch is not imminent. The Soviets evidently plan to use Salyut again because they have raised its orbit since the cosmonauts' return, thereby extending its life.

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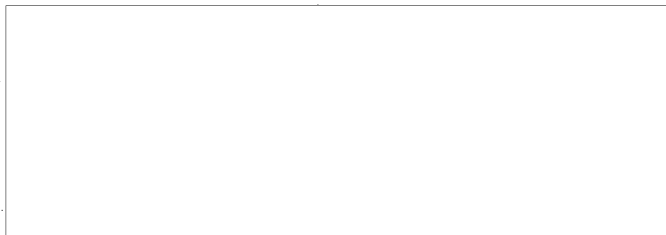


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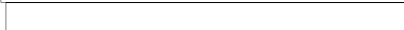
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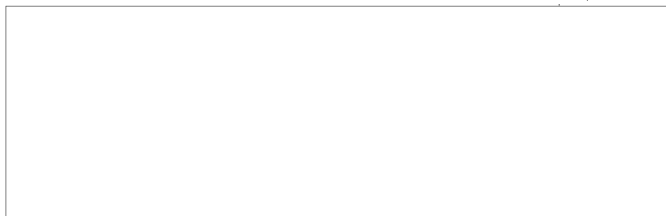
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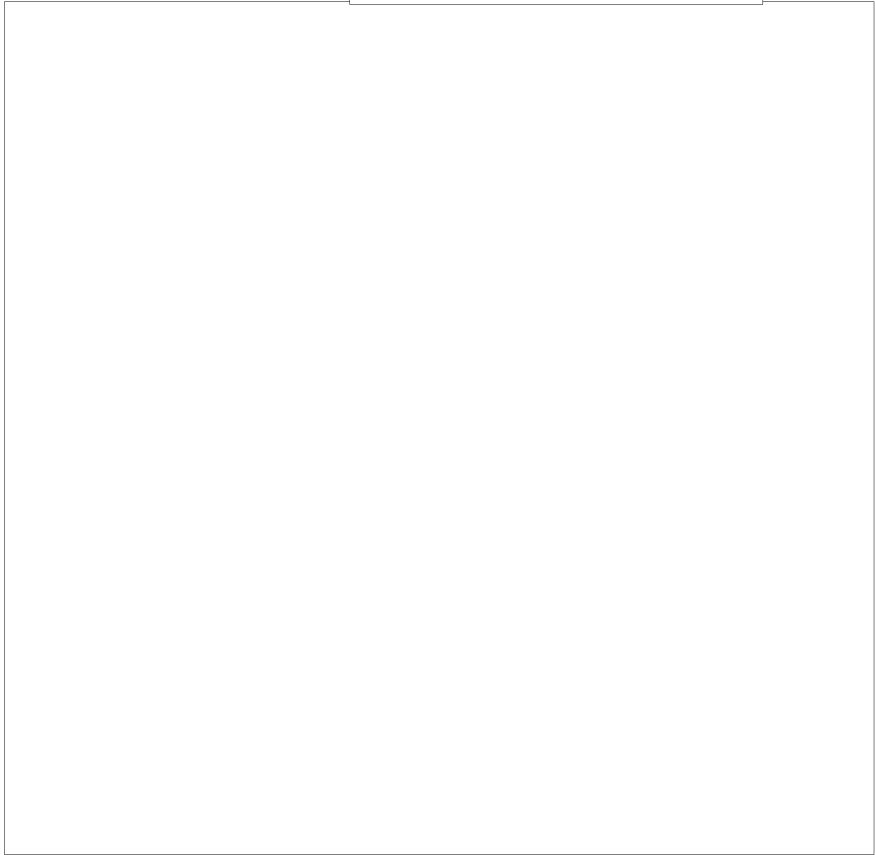
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The Central Bank has warned that foreign exchange reserves may be exhausted by the end of the year [redacted]. The bank recommends that the regime stop deficit spending, raise prices charged by nationalized enterprises, reassure private investors, devalue the escudo, and let prices for luxury goods rise.

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Industrial production is reported to be approaching capacity levels and will be hard pressed to meet heavy consumer demand, which continues unabated. As a result, prices are beginning to rise more rapidly despite price controls and increased imports. The administration apparently intends for the present to continue its expansionary policies even though Allende has said privately that Chile will soon be undergoing a "dollar crisis" and be forced to devalue.

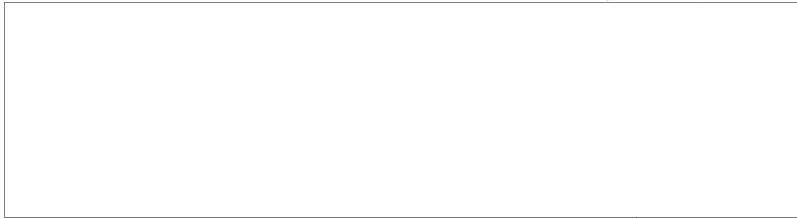
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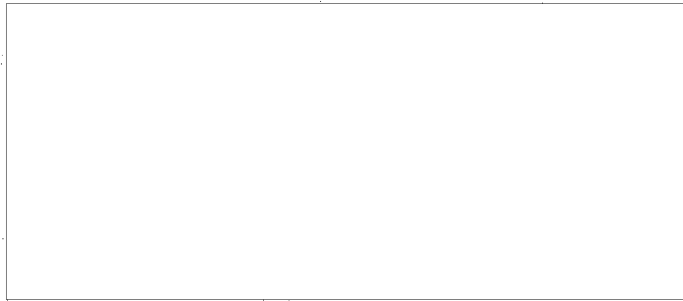
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