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4. Communist East European information media have continued a systematic anti-US presentation of the incident--occasionally offset by balanced, factual reporting. Some reports attack US credibility by drawing parallels between the Pueblo incident and the Tonkin Gulf "setup" in 1964, while others claim the Pueblo's capture was part of a US plan to exacerbate tension in Asia and justify the mobilization of US reserve forces. A few commentaries have linked the Pueblo with such other "aggressive US global policies" as the Vietnam war, Cambodian frontier invasions, and the hydrogen-bomb patrols which have crashed in Greenland and Spain.

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6. In Seoul, the government and ruling party met again today to review domestic and international issues stemming from last week's Pueblo seizure and presidential assassination attempt and to discuss ways of dealing with the problems.

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