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Indonesia: A cabinet re-shuffle yesterday further improves the position of the Communists in the Sukarno regime.

Trade Minister Adam Malik, leader of the banned anti-Communist "Sukarnoist" movement, was shifted to what appears to be a meaningless post. He has been a major Communist target for some months, and had already lost some of his responsibilities. An army officer has been appointed to replace Malik.

Chaerul Saleh, who was also involved in "Sukarnoism," remains third deputy prime minister, coordinating minister for development, and minister for oil, but has lost some other functions.

Saleh's responsibility for mining--not a field of great importance in Indonesia except for the government-owned tin industry--has been incorporated in a new portfolio which has been given to one Armunanto, an active pro-Communist and possibly a secret party member.

Although these changes individually do not appear to be of great significance, they add up to another step in the gradual expansion of Communist influence at the national level.

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USSR: Soviet moves to defer a resumption of the Geneva disarmament talks indefinitely suggest that Moscow feels such negotiations would be incompatible with its unyielding public posture on the Vietnam crisis and would invite further Chinese allegations of Soviet "plotting" for peace talks.

(Since the initiation of US air strikes against North Vietnam, the Soviets have indicated privately that the time is not propitious for disarmament talks.)

In order to avoid a completely negative stand, [redacted] however, a Soviet Foreign Ministry official/informed the British ambassador/on 30 March that the USSR favors disarmament discussions in a "more representative" body than the 17-nation Geneva committee. He proposed a meeting in the next two weeks of the UN Commission for Disarmament, composed of all UN members, to work out recommendations for further steps.

This may be a formula for protracted maneuver and delay, since there will be procedural difficulties in convening the UN commission when the General Assembly is in recess. [redacted]

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Egypt: The controlled Egyptian press is taking on an even sharper anti-US and anti-Western tone.

Slanted headlines and selective editing are being used to attack US policies and actions, especially in Vietnam. USIS Cairo points out that this press tactic is more damaging than direct editorial comment, because it purports to give an objective presentation of the situation and gets wider readership.

At the same time that it is attacking the US, the Egyptian press is prominently reporting that Zulficar Sabry, Nasir's trusted diplomatic trouble shooter, is leading a UAR delegation to North Vietnam and Communist China to strengthen ties with these countries.

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Rhodesia: [Prime Minister Smith's call for a general election next month is another move in his campaign to obtain Rhodesia's independence from Britain while ensuring white control.]

[Smith's party probably will win an overwhelming election victory. The prime minister has a safe legislative majority now, but lacks the two thirds required to entrench white supremacy by special legislation.]

[Smith still says that he is not contemplating a unilateral declaration of independence, but that he wants to strengthen his hand in negotiations with Britain. The Wilson government has maintained that it cannot grant independence until the Africans, who outnumber the whites almost 20 to 1, are given greater representation in government.]

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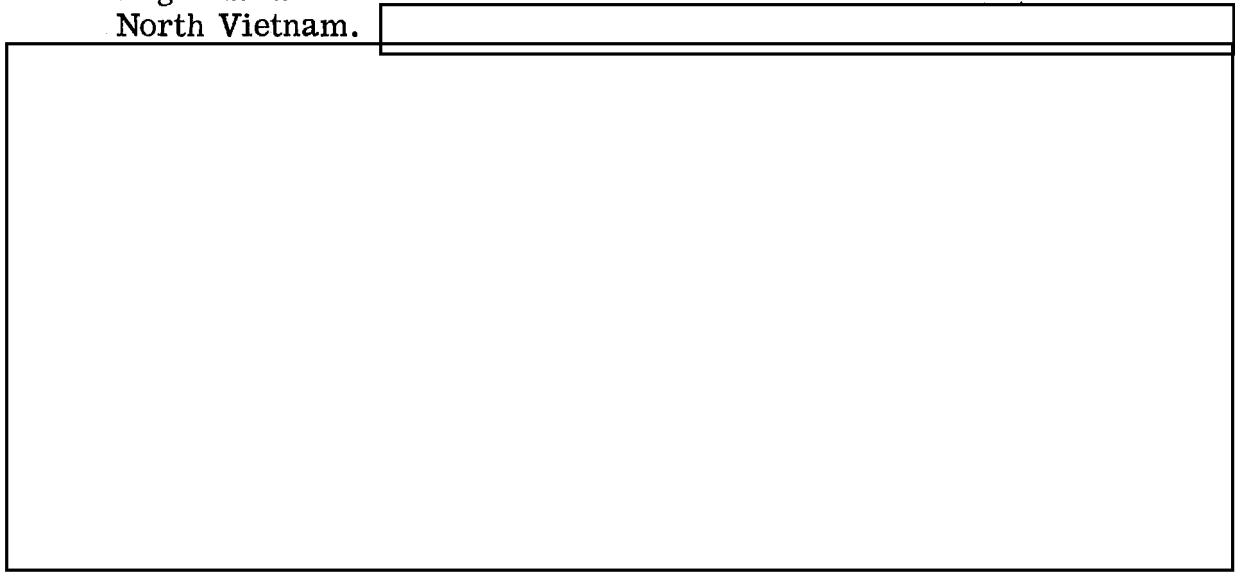
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Communist China - Thailand: The Chinese Communists appear to be stepping up their efforts to encourage subversion in Thailand and to exert pressure on Bangkok. A Chinese broadcast on 26 March identified a Thai national now in Peiping as the "liaison representative" of the Thailand Independence Movement and reported that he was guest of honor at a banquet given by a senior Chinese official. Chinese propaganda has been charging that the Thai Government is permitting Thailand to be used as a "base for attacks" on North Vietnam.

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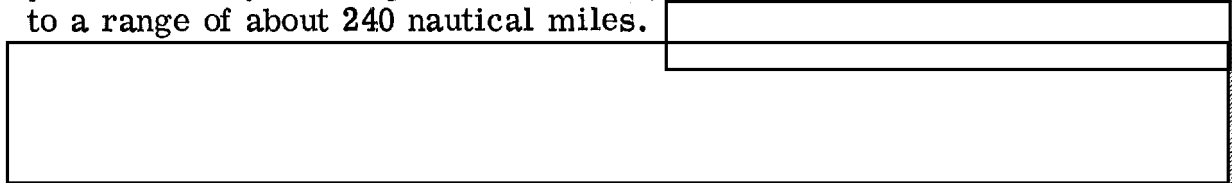
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Eastern Europe: The Soviet Union is continuing to improve air defense coverage of the Warsaw Pact countries. There are now eight Tall King early warning radar sites confirmed in Eastern Europe, three of which were added this year. The Tall King, the most widely deployed Soviet long-range radar, provides early warning detection at 40,000 feet and to a range of about 240 nautical miles.

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Brazil-Uruguay: Renewed friction between Brazil and Uruguay may follow last week's armed attack by a band of leftists in Rio Grande do Sul State. Brazil is likely to demand stricter control of the activities of Brazilian exiles in Uruguay, as it is convinced that the group acted under orders from Leonel Brizola, now in Uruguay under mild security restrictions. Most of the insurgents involved in this incident have been apprehended, [REDACTED]

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Venezuela: The Communist Party of Venezuela (PCV) plans to lead other leftist groups in a demonstration in downtown Caracas today--its first large-scale urban operation since the terrorist campaign of 1963. The purpose is to protest a recent decree banning such demonstrations and to test the government's determination to prevent them. Anticipating violence, the PCV intends to use high school students and other youthful sympathizers as the vanguard of the mob. [REDACTED]

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NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE ESTIMATES

The United States Intelligence Board on 31 March 1965 approved the following national intelligence estimates:

- NIE 32-65, "The Prospects for Pakistan" [redacted] 25X1
- NIE 36.1-65, "Problems and Prospects of the United Arab Republic" [redacted] 25X1
- NIE 24-65, "Italy" [redacted] 25X1

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