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GENERAL

1. Czech and Soviet military plans to be integrated--US Ambassador Steinhart has been reliably informed that in spite of an anticipated 25 billion crown budget deficit, the Czechs plan to spend a considerable sum to integrate their military plans with those of the USSR.

EUROPE

2. GERMANY: Soviet attempt to influence Berlin Assembly--Acting US Political Adviser Heath in Berlin reports that the Soviet Chairman of the Berlin Kommandatura independently advised the Berlin Assembly that members of the city Assembly and of the Magistrat are all subject to Kommandatura approval. The US, UK, and French Kommandatura representatives have protested this action. The US representative has taken the stand that under the Berlin Constitution, the citizens are authorized to choose whomever they wish to operate the city government and has indicated that the US will not countenance continuation of a puppet regime. He intends to make it clear to the Berlin government and the political parties that the chairman's communication represented only the personal view of the Soviet representative.
3. GREECE: Tsaldaris trying to broaden delegation to UN--Prime Minister Tsaldaris has told US Ambassador MacVeagh that he is still uncertain about going to New York to present his case to the UN. He emphasized, however, that he is trying his utmost to persuade Opposition members, including the Liberal leader Sophoulis, to accompany him.

FAR EAST

4. INDOCHINA: Vietnam Government believed aided by Moscow--US Ambassador Caffery reports from Paris that a high French Foreign Ministry official has stated that the Foreign office is particularly concerned over the present Vietnam situation in view of "positive proof" that Ho Chi Minh (President of Vietnam) is in direct contact with Moscow and "is receiving advice and instructions from the Soviets."

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5. **SIAM: Sino-Siamese relations strained by Ambassador's speech--US Minister Bangkok reports that the Chinese Ambassador's 20 November speech has further strained the tense relations between Siamese and Chinese residents of Siam. The Ambassador said that the Chinese could not forget the repressive legislation of the Phibun regime or the anti-Chinese riots of September 1945, and stated that friendly relations between Siam and China would be possible only after the eradication of Siamese suspicion and hostility towards resident Chinese.**

THE AMERICAS

6. **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC: Government reports anti-Trujillo plot--The Dominican Foreign Minister has informed US Ambassador Butler that the Dominican Government "intends to take most drastic measures" to frustrate a reported plot on the part of "Dominican exiles, Cubans, Spanish Republicans, and US aviators" to overthrow the Trujillo regime. The report, in which the Dominican Government places "enough credence" to be concerned, also alleges disaffection in the Dominican army. Ambassador Butler warns that the report may be a move to prepare the US for drastic repressive measures against all political opposition to Trujillo.**

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