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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

The Indonesia Situation
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1. President Sukarno yesterday called in several cabinet ministers to state once more his dissatisfaction with the army's continuing anti-Communist campaign. His statement to this effect was made public by third deputy prime minister Chaerul Saleh. Despite Sukarno's statement, several thousand youths paraded in Djakarta today demanding the dissolution of the PKI.

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3. The army is also continuing its purge of leftist civil authorities. The Home Affairs Minister, Major General Sumarno, today announced the dismissal of five mayors of major Javanese cities and eight Javanese administrative district heads. The Indonesian Minister of Maritime Affairs announced today that he has fired 1370 employees from his ministry.

4. In another move against Communist influence in Indonesia, the Minister of Education ordered today that all school textbooks written by members or affiliates of the PKI be withdrawn from use. Books on Marxism by other authors may be used if they are in "accord with state philosophy."

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5. Army commander Suharto stated to newsmen today that Brigadier General Sugiharto is not replacing Foreign Minister Subandrio as head of the Central Intelligence Bureau (BPI) as earlier rumored, but has been named first assistant army commander for intelligence. Suharto did state, however, that ultimately the BPI would be "coordinated" with the Supreme Operations Command (KOTI) under the supervision of Sugiharto.

6. Suharto also stated today that the situation in Central Java is improving with large numbers of rebel forces surrendering. One unconfirmed press report has claimed that about 3000 Communists have surrendered to military authorities near the Central Javanese city of Jogjakarta. This figure is probably exaggerated.

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