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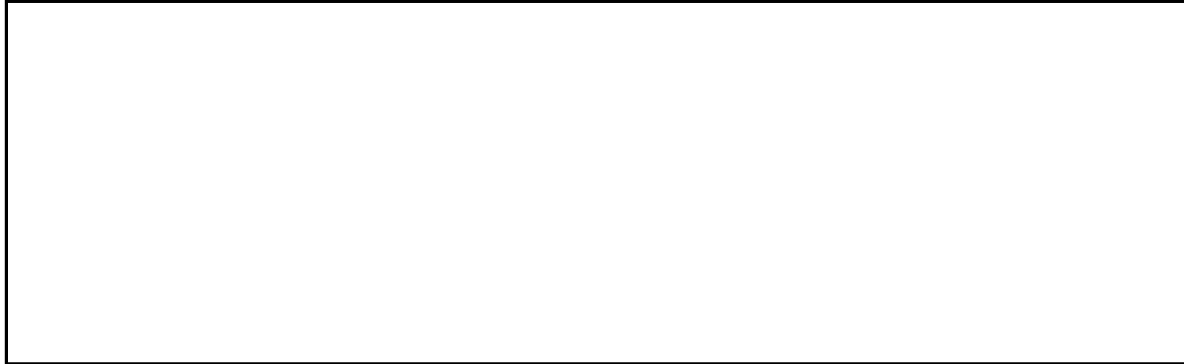
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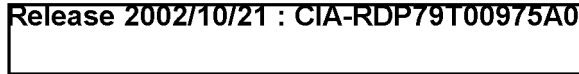
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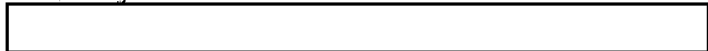
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Indonesian government officials appear to have embarked on a co-ordinated drive aimed at restoring national unity and carrying out President Sukarno's principles. Prime Minister Djuanda, accompanied by two cabinet ministers and two military officers, is touring Central and South Sumatra for talks with provincial administrators. He undoubtedly hopes these talks will lay the basis for a reconciliation with Djakarta.

President Sukarno made a major address in Central Java on 17 April in which he re-emphasized the need for the early establishment of a national advisory council and a national planning board to solve Indonesia's problems. Army chief of staff Nasution will preside at a three-day national conference in Djakarta, beginning on 26 April, which will include military and civil administrators from the dissident areas who will "discuss matters relating to the state of war and siege."

However, provincial officials--particularly those in Sumatra--show no sign of surrendering to Djakarta. While Lt. Col. Hussein, who controls Central Sumatra and who bypassed the last army conference in Djakarta, plans to attend the 26 April meeting, his chief objective reportedly is to get in touch with disaffected army leaders in East Indonesia who will also be present.



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The Sudanese cabinet's postponement on 21 April of acceptance of the Richards mission's offer of US aid "pending further study" is the result of opposition by three

cabinet members who belong to the pro-Egyptian People's Democratic Party (PDP) [Redacted] The Umma Party, the other major member of the government coalition, is reluctant to exert pressure on the PDP members for fear of breaking up the coalition before the forthcoming parliamentary elections. [Redacted]

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[Redacted] there is a fair chance that the cabinet will vote acceptance later and invite Richards to return. [Redacted]

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UN representative Jarring personally confirmed to US ambassador Lodge on 22 April that he had made no significant progress toward a settlement of the Kashmir problem. Nehru had demanded withdrawal of Pakistani troops from Kashmir and the creation of a proper atmosphere for negotiations before he was willing to enter into any talks. He had also rejected Jarring's suggestion that an arbitrator be appointed to determine when these conditions had been established. Pakistan had reluctantly accepted this proposal. Jarring stated that in his report to the UN Security Council, which he hopes to submit this week end, he would make no recommendations of any kind and that the report would neither improve nor worsen the situation. He would be "quite happy" if the Security Council took no action on it.

Pakistan apparently believes the Security Council will be unable to find a satisfactory solution and is preparing to try to take the case to the General Assembly.

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