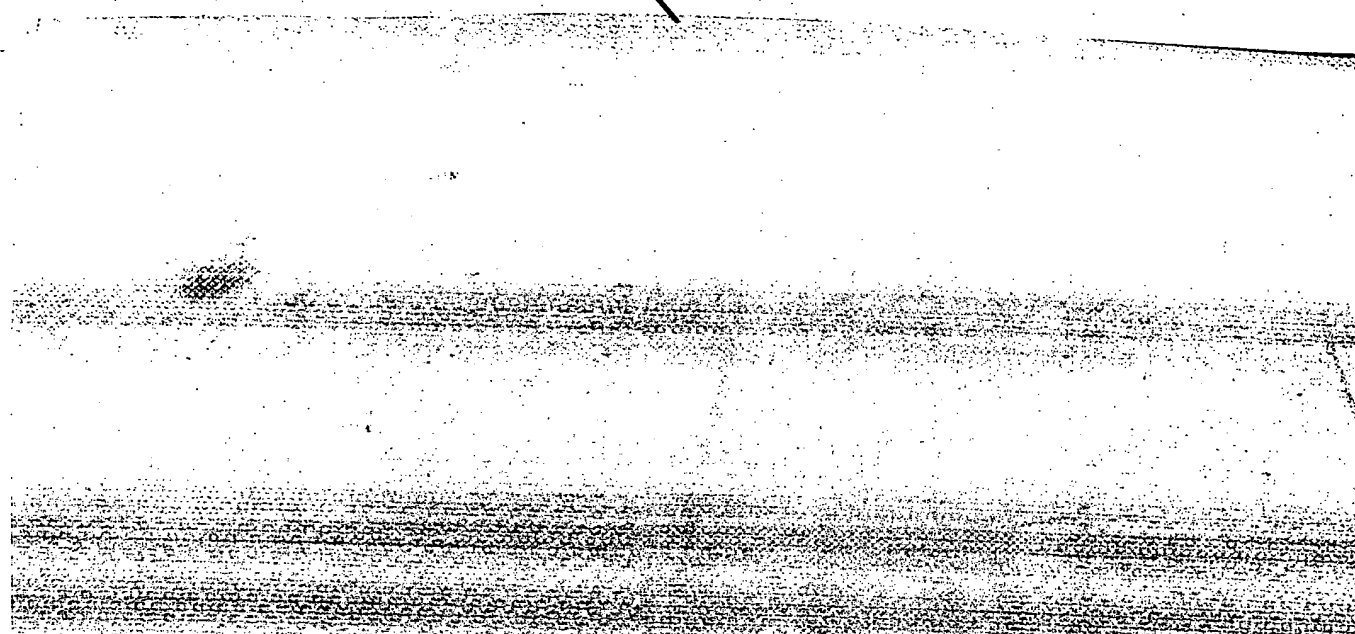


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3. ITALY: Possible Communist violence--
[redacted] believes that: (a) if the prospects for a strong Popular Front plurality in the April elections continue, the Italian Communists will not attempt any violence until

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after the elections; and (b) if the likelihood of such a plurality strongly decreases, serious pre-election violence by the Communists is definitely a possibility. [redacted] further believes that if the Leftist bloc receives a large plurality in the elections and if the Government maneuvers to exclude the Communists from governmental participation, a resumption of violence and strikes will occur.

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