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1. Cyprus: For Cyprus, it has been quiet the past week. Both Greek and Turkish Cypriots have, however, gone right on improving their capacity to fight and have been helped in this by Greece and Turkey.

Thus the situation is as explosive as ever. A new ingredient has been added in the person of former Greek Cypriot guerrilla hero, Grivas, who surfaced himself on Wednesday.

We are by no means certain just how he will affect events. He is cordially hated by the Turkish Cypriots and his activities could provoke them.

On the other hand he may be able to curb armed Greek Cypriot extremists, a thing which Makarios was unable or unwilling to do. Grivas is also a fanatic anti-Communist and presumably will try to prevent the local Communists from arming themselves.

The most immediate potential for trouble is the refusal by Greek Cypriot authorities to issue import permits for the resupply of the Turkish regiment.

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2. Congo: Former Katangan strong man Tshombé is in Leopoldville for talks with government leaders. He is doubtless angling for a top job.

Both Kasavubu and Adoula have seemed inclined in recent weeks to include him in a broadened government, though they may not agree with Tshombé on just how high a job he should get.

In Brussels yesterday, Tshombé told Ambassador MacArthur that the only solution to the vexed Congo problem lies in "national conciliation"; that is, a broadly based government which includes dissident and exiled Congolese like himself.

He would disband the discredited Congolese Army and rebuild it with Belgian help in training.

There is wide agreement among Congolese political and military to these general propositions but wide discrepancy as to precisely how they are to be carried out.

The situation out east is still most uneasy and further flare-ups seem in the cards.

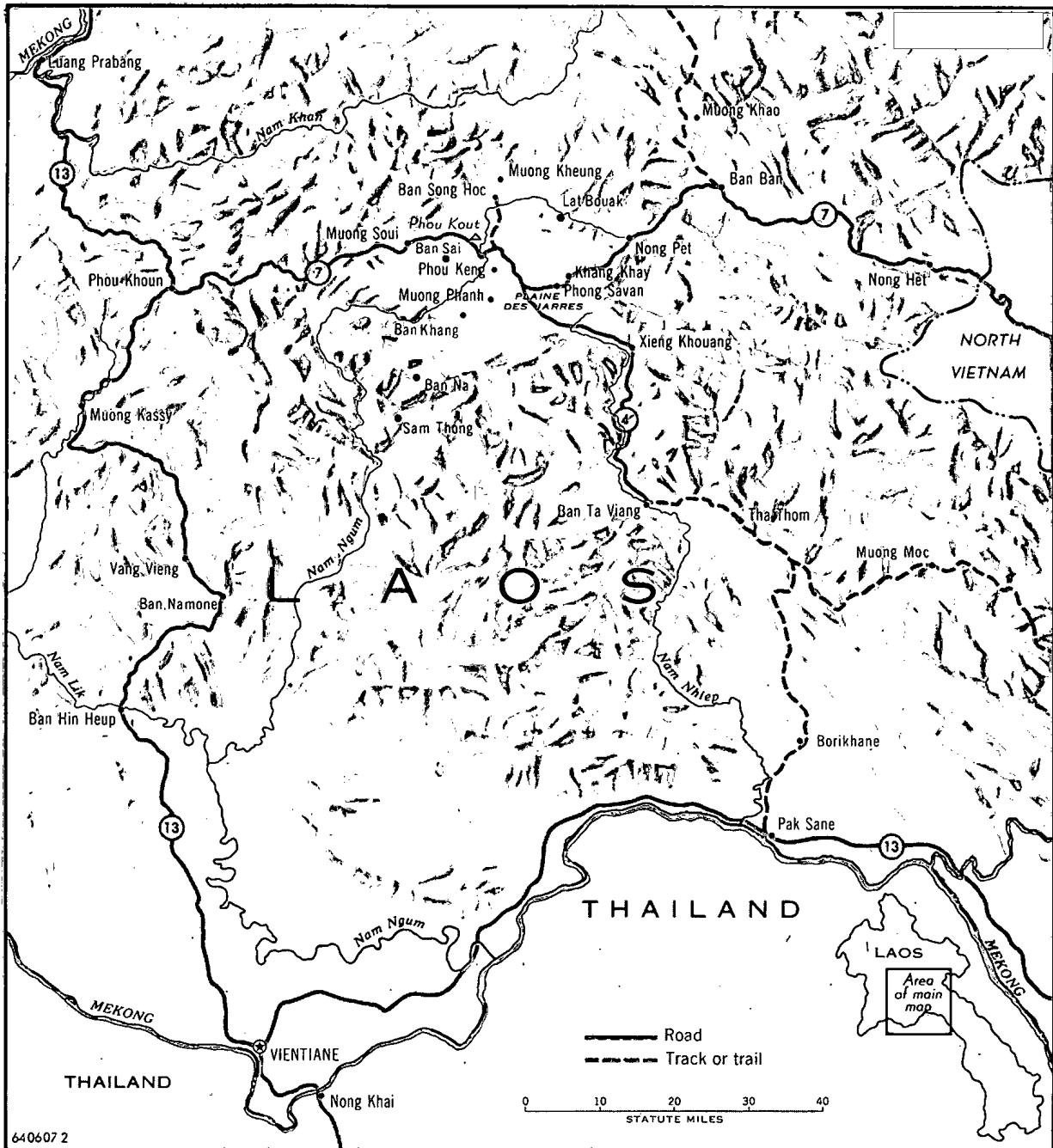
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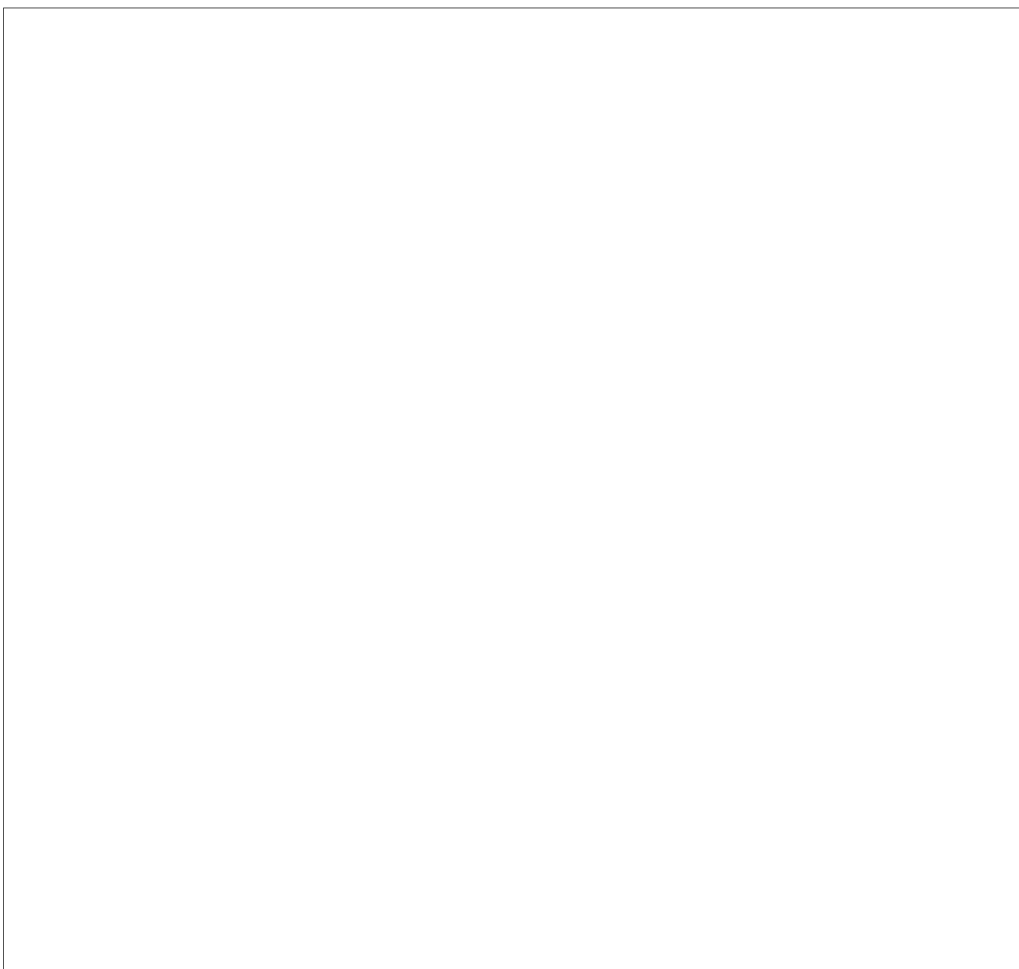
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4. Communist China - Indochina: We suspect that Chinese Communist and North Vietnamese bigwigs have been in conference this past week. The most likely topic--Indochina.

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There has been a considerable amount of breast-beating on Indochina by Peiping during this period. In all this, however, the Chinese have been careful not to commit themselves to a specific course of action.

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We think that what they would like most just now is a full-dress Geneva conference.

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5. Communist China: Activity seems to be picking up at Peiping's advanced weapons test sites in northwestern China.

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6. Indonesia-Malaysia: To no one's surprise Sukarno has laid the blame for the failure of the Tokyo summit at the Tunku's doorstep. He intimated to Ambassador Jones that he was prepared to sit tight until the Malaysians demonstrate they "really want a meeting."

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He added that the US ought "to twist the Tunku's ears, not just talk to me." Later in the day he was exhorting a big rally in downtown Djakarta to "crush Malaysia."

The Indonesians in fact are stepping up their guerrilla and sabotage effort within Malaysia.

Meanwhile, Mikoyan is in Djakarta [redacted]

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[redacted] We doubt that he will press the case very hard or that the Indonesians will be at all receptive.

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7. UAR - Yemen - Saudi Arabia: [redacted]

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9. Cuba: Cuban security forces, using hundreds of men, finally located and killed rebel leader, Mario Bravo, Thursday. Bravo's group, operating in central Cuba, had harassed the Castro regime for several months.

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10. Brazil-Cuba: Not content with breaking diplomatic relations, the Brazilians now plan to ask Che Guevara to give back a high decoration presented to him in 1961 by Janio Quadros. This would be an unprecedented affront, and we are told that a great majority of Brazilian officers heartily approve.

11. British Guiana: East Indian terrorists are out waylaying Africans again, and for the first time they are using automatic weapons.

This makes it look as if Jagan's apparatus has pulled itself together following arrests of its top planners.

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Jagan still wants badly to force postponement of elections, or to promote foreign intervention, by stirring up widespread racial violence.

More killings, especially with automatic weapons, could send the Africans on a rampage at any time. This would be most likely to happen in Georgetown itself.

12. Argentina: The sit-in campaign by Peronist labor may end this weekend. So far it has failed to produce much in the way of fireworks.

The campaign is, however, serving to draw attention to the failure of Illia's do-nothing government to deal with the limping Argentine economy.

Politicians are trying to translate this into pressure on Illia to sweep the deadwood from his cabinet. Coup rumors are beginning to spring up once again.

13. Venezuela: The Communist-led strike of university students in Caracas has been called off after 13 days without concessions by the authorities. This is a major setback for the extreme left.

14. Mexico: Alleged US inaction on the water salinity problem will be one of the principal targets at a big political rally the Communists and their leftist allies plan to hold in Mexico City on Sunday. We hear they expect to turn out the largest crowd to date in their presidential campaign.

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USSR: On closer examination, Keyhole Mission 1006 photography discloses what appears to be a new Soviet ICBM complex, the 19th, about 80 miles southeast of Semipalatinsk.

The complex now consists of two single-silo launch sites, and possibly a third. All are in the early stages of construction. Work apparently got underway sometime late last year.

This marks the end of a hiatus in new ICBM launcher starts since mid-1963 and signals the first deployment of ICBMs in a single silo mode.

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