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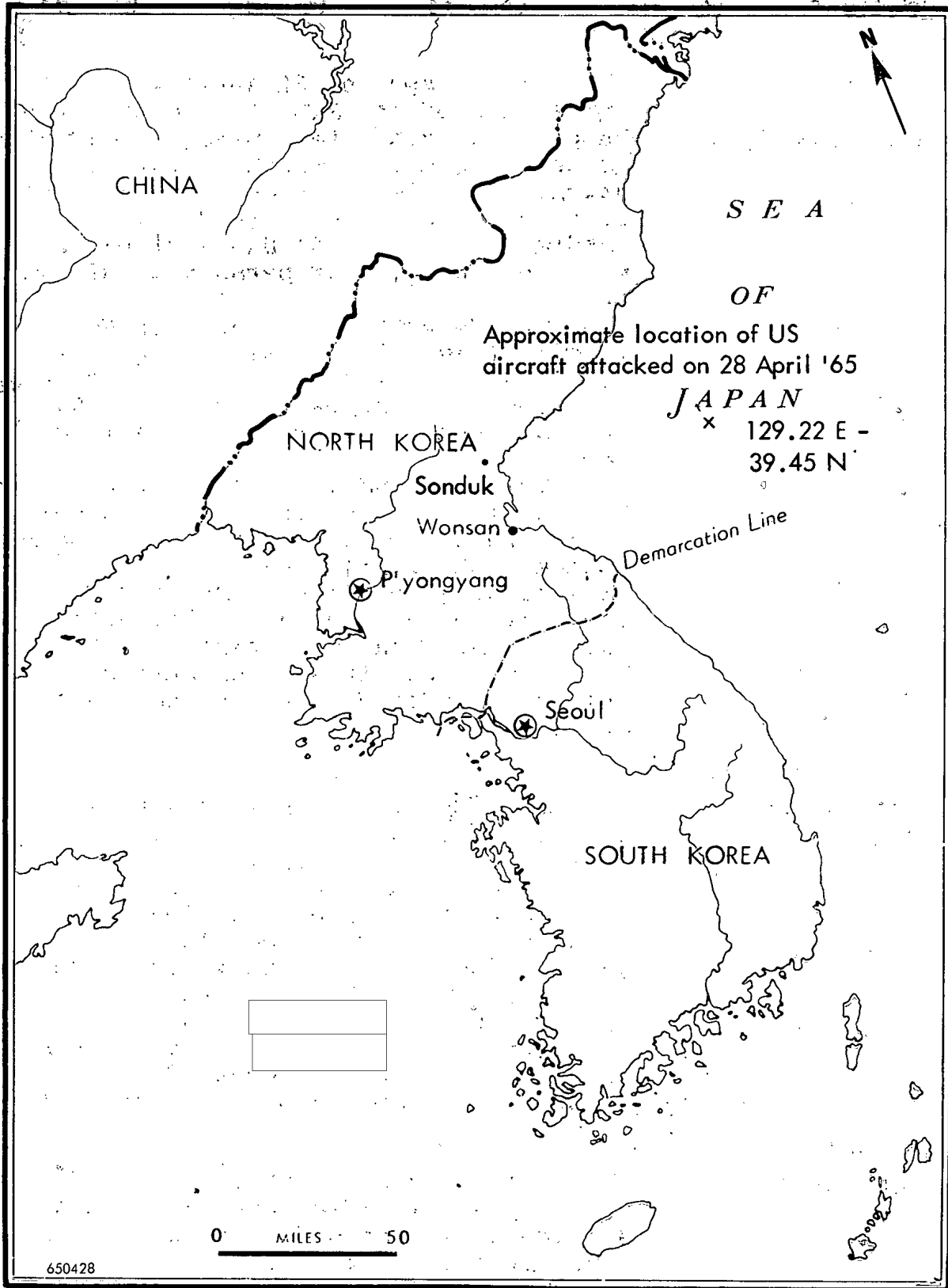
Dominican Republic

The issue is again in doubt.

Armed Communists and other extreme leftist elements have successfully resisted today's attacks by Wessin y Wessin's loyal troops.

It is not clear how much the leftist success stems from confusion and lack of coordination and how much from unexpected strength on the part of the Communists. At the least, Wessin faces a bitter house-to-house struggle to clear out Santo Domingo. At the most, he could be faced with a sudden collapse of his own forces. At last report, loyal forces were tiring and they may throw in the sponge before this is read.

In any event, it has become increasingly clear during the day that leadership of the rebels has passed to the left with some befuddled military among them, and Juan Bosch's supporters have lost control. As Ambassador Bennett has pointed out, "a victory for the rebels in this situation will mean that the country has been taken over by the extreme left."

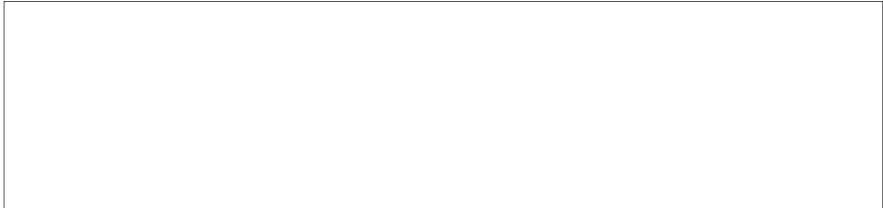


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1. Vietnam

Photography of 22 April showed the revetments of the SAM site southeast of Hanoi to be complete. Other construction is unfinished but probably sufficient to accommodate missile equipment whenever it is received. No further evidence regarding the arrival in Hanoi of either missile equipment or personnel has come in.

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There are no significant changes in the attitude of the Communist nations toward negotiations. The Chinese have attacked the Indian suggestion for stationing an Afro-Asian force along the boundary between North and South Vietnam. Gromyko has maintained to the French that US air strikes must stop before a conference on Vietnam could be held.

2. North Korea

Last night's attack on a US RB47 by North Korean jet fighters some 40 miles off the east coast culminates a growing North Korean edginess about foreign aircraft over the Sea of Japan

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This is the fifth time since 7 April that North Korean fighters have been scrambled to check on US offshore reconnaissance flights. There is no other evidence of recent unusual North Korean military activities.

3. Yugoslavia

Tito is soon to visit Moscow for talks--possibly after his visit to Norway 10-14 May

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Vietnam and the future of the Communist movement are said to be on the agenda.



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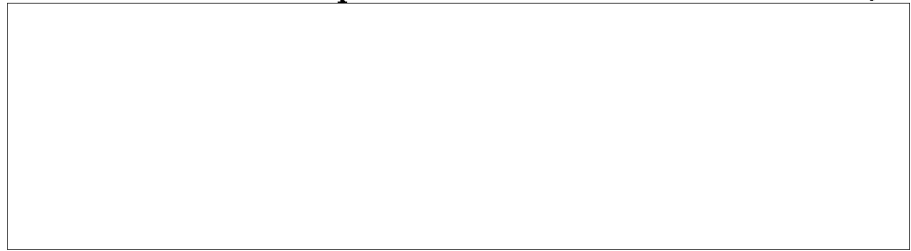
4. Cambodia

Cambodia has raised charges of another South Vietnamese air attack just over the Cambodian border, resulting in one Cambodian death. Sihanouk, in the present anti-American atmosphere he has fostered, will undoubtedly raise another storm. He has often threatened to break relations with the US in the event of another such incident.

5. India

British officials in New Delhi said today that Indian leaders have indicated their conditional readiness to accept a cease-fire in the Rann of Kutch tomorrow. There is no word as to whether the Pakistanis have accepted the Indian conditions.

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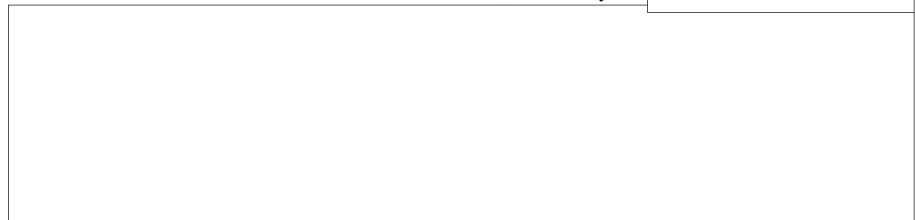


6. Panama

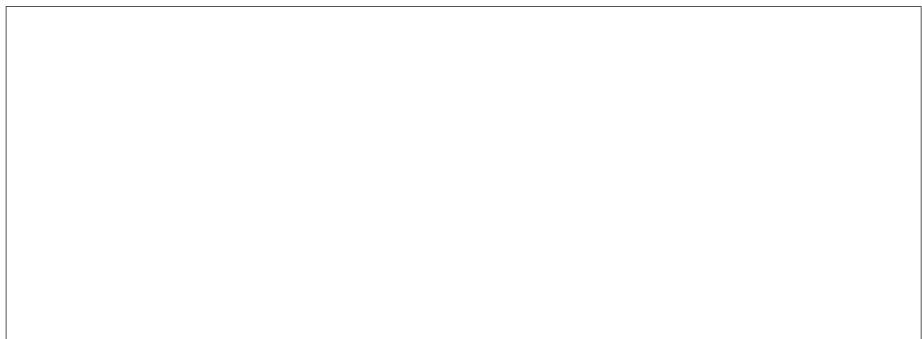
President Robles is getting concerned over the extent of domestic dissatisfaction with his administration.

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7. Ecuador



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