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LATE ITEM

Dominican Republic

The political stalemate continues. The Imbert regime yesterday formally withdrew its offer to turn over Radio Santo Domingo to the Organization of American States. This suggests that Imbert and Alejandro Zeller, now clearly the number two man, mean to put on a radio propaganda campaign against "foreign intervention." Imbert can probably get the station operating in a day or so, even without the US equipment presently in use.

A group of business and farming people from Santiago consulted the US ambassador yesterday in quest of political alternatives. They fear that things will get worse if the stalemate continues, and particularly fear possible rebel violence in the countryside.

The rebel government sponsored a demonstration yesterday in downtown Santo Domingo which drew an estimated 1,000 to 1,200 people despite a downpour of rain. A leading member of Bosch's party also spoke. Prominently participating were a number of Communists, including several ranking leaders.

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1. North Vietnam

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four large and nine small aircraft flew from Communist China to Hanoi today in five separate flights.

The small planes were probably MIG fighters, possibly high-performance MIG-19s, but it is too early to determine their exact designation. The flight characteristics of the larger aircraft suggest Soviet-made IL-28 bombers. All the aircraft in these flights are presumed to be Chinese, not Soviet.

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2. South Vietnam

Saigon is still waiting for some break in the Suu-Quat confrontation over cabinet changes.

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the planned meeting today of the military delegation and Suu. There is some chance that the National Legislative Council may vote "no confidence" against the two cabinet ministers Quat wants to oust. This might satisfy Suu's constitutional demands.

The US Embassy says that Buddhist and Catholic leaders are thus far keeping their followers in line. The generals appear at present to be watching from the sidelines.

3. Bolivia

La Paz is quiet, and no significant new political developments have been reported.

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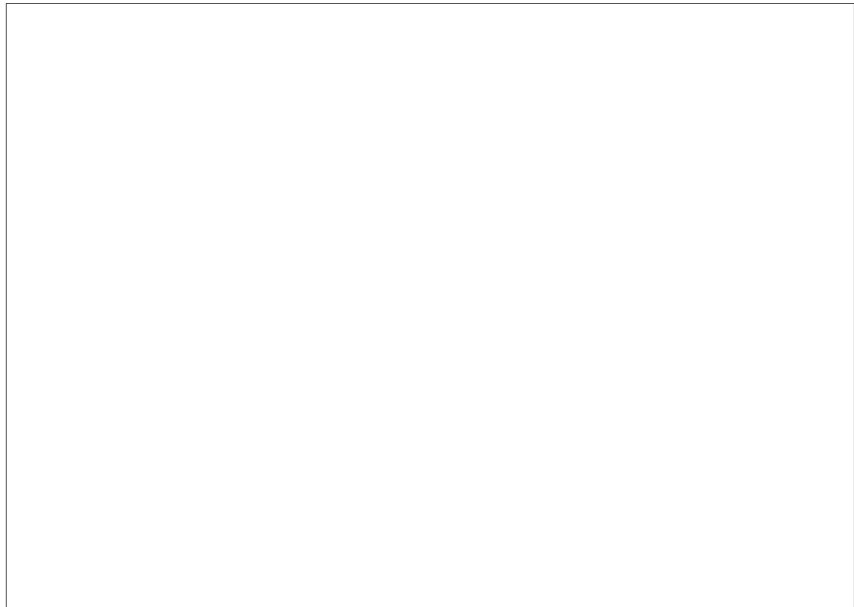
4. Cuba

The Castro regime's ideological mentor, Che Guevara, is apparently in trouble.

Guevara has not been seen in public since last March. Rumors abound on his present status and whereabouts, but nothing solid has been reported.

The most likely explanation is that Guevara's hard-line Marxism has at some point come into conflict with Castro's less orthodox approach to policy matters. There is no evidence, however, that a dispute has assumed such fundamental proportions as to shake the stability of the regime.

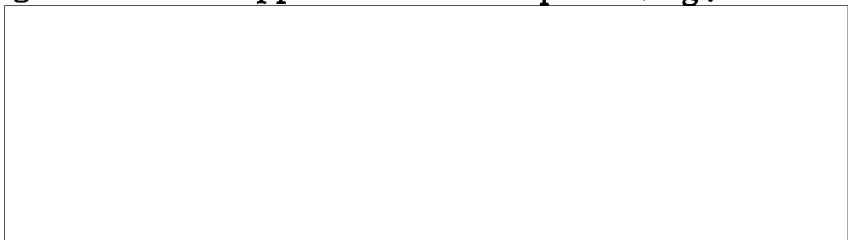
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6. Argentina

Military plotting against the Illia government appears to be spreading.



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Thus far, coup preparations of all groups remain in the talking stage.



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