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## THE PRESIDENT'S DAILY BRIEF



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1. Indonesia

The round of meetings of top officials in Djakarta is still going on, presumably leading up to the session between Sukarno and provincial officials of all kinds scheduled for tomorrow.

A spate of announcements is coming out of these meetings. Some of them, such as the transfer of control of press, radio, and television from the army back to the Information Ministry, suggest that Sukarno is regaining some initiative. Others, however, appear to reflect that the army's determination to pursue the Communists still runs strong.

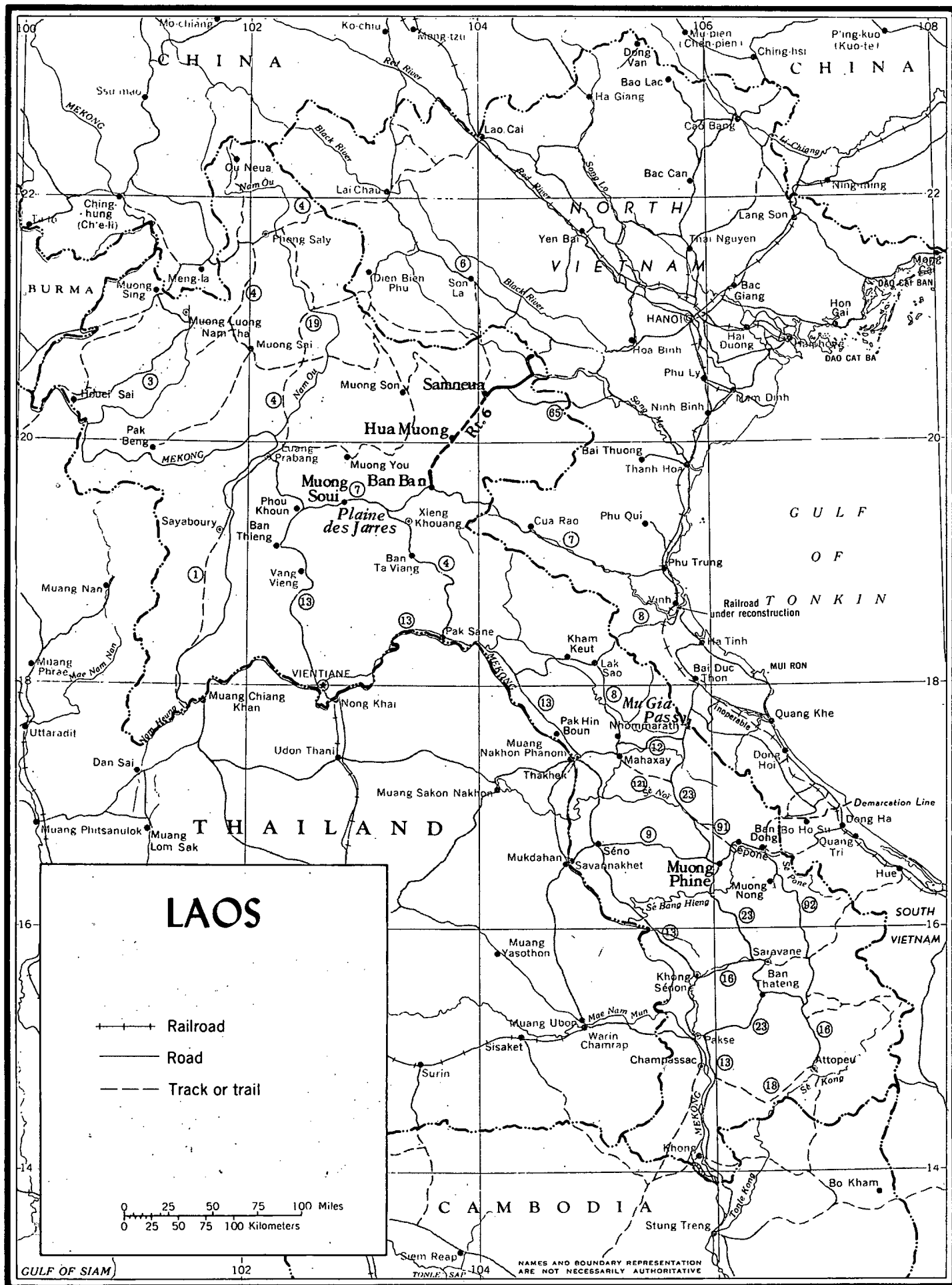
General Nasution's aide has asked our military attaché to be ready to help Nasution leave Djakarta if the situation turns sour.

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2. Communist China

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3. Vietnam

There are signs pointing to the imminent resumption of truck traffic on the roads through Laos used to funnel supplies to Communist units in southern Laos and South Vietnam. Truck convoys in this area have been suspended since the summer rains began.

Photography taken last week shows evidence of vehicular activity in the Mu Gia Pass area and to the south (see map) [redacted] friendly Laotian guerrillas on roadwatch in the pass area recently came under heavy enemy pressure. Similar military activity preceded the first post-monsoon truck convoys last fall.

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Since last year the Communists have built or improved over 200 miles of road in Laos flanking the South Vietnam border.

4. India-Pakistan

The Pakistani representative in New York yesterday asked for a Security Council meeting on the ground that India is preparing a new attack.

The Indian Army chief of staff, however, has assured our embassy in New Delhi that he will take no military action for the present, at least in Rajasthan, the area which the Pakistanis seem most worried about at the moment.

5. Cyprus

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The Cyprus dispute is under discussion again in the United Nations [redacted]

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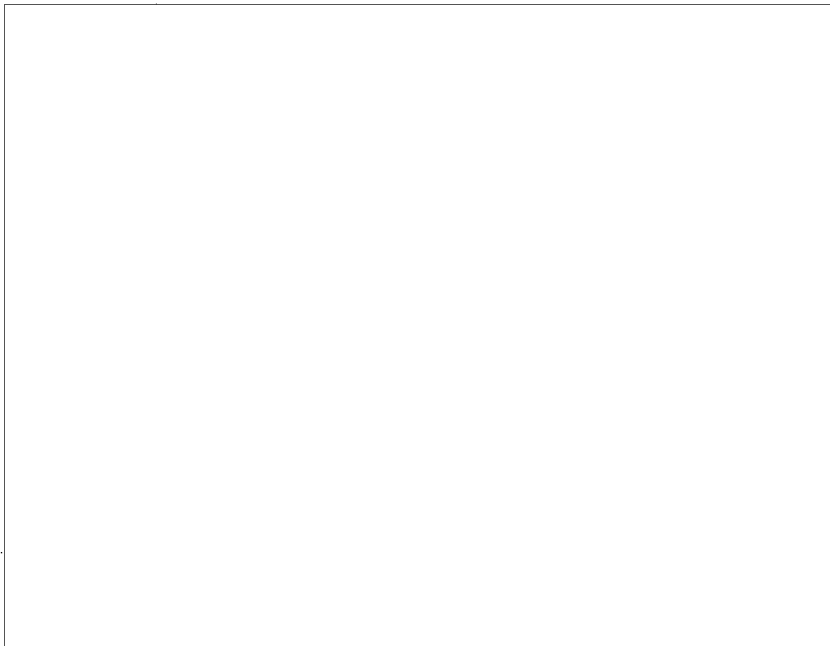
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The latest word from Athens meanwhile confirms that the weakness of the Stephanopoulos government precludes any significant constructive movement in that quarter.

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6. USSR



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7. Afro-Asian  
Conference



the Chinese have officially informed Afro-Asian representatives there that Communist China will not participate if the Second Afro-Asian Conference opens in Algiers on 5 November "despite everything."

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Algeria is not likely to call off the conference because of this.

If soundings the Algerians are making now show that the bulk of the Afro-Asians still want the conference, as many seem at the moment to do, they almost certainly will go ahead.

The occasion for an announcement one way or another will be the next meeting of the conference preparatory committee, scheduled for Sunday.

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8. Rhodesia

Prime Minister Wilson is now scheduled to arrive in Salisbury Monday for his next round with the Rhodesians.

Wilson's trip may have delayed an independence announcement.

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The Organization of African Unity session in Ghana began arguing about Rhodesia yesterday. Nkrumah predictably called for an immediate discussion of the issue, while Prime Minister Banda of Malawi and President Kuanda of Zambia equally predictably urged caution and delay.

9. Burundi

The reaction has begun against the tribal elements who favored the coup attempt last Tuesday.

More than 100 Hutu tribesmen are reported to have been arrested, and some 30 soldiers and police suspected of being in on the plot have been executed. Prominent Hutu leaders still at large are in flight or hiding.

Drastic repression of this kind seems likely to produce further violence and turmoil. Fear of the Hutu, who make up a majority of Burundi's population, is one of the factors that has led some members of the Tutsi tribal minority to look to the Communist Chinese for support in keeping control of this strategically located country.

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## 10. Dominican Republic

A pro-forma arms collection is reported to have started belatedly this afternoon. The military apparently did not participate in the operation in the rebel zone.

Last night and today Garcia Godoy was subjected to further demands from the rebels and "advice" from his leftist advisers. The principal demand was for the dismissal of the present military chiefs, especially Defense Minister Rivera Caminero.

Although ex-President Bosch reportedly taped a speech this morning in support of the arms search, we have not yet heard of a broadcast.

The net effect of the delay and confusion in carrying out the arms collection would seem to be a further <sup>diminution</sup> of Garcia Godoy's prestige. The regular military are likely to feel even more strongly than before that Garcia Godoy's performance is unsatisfactory.

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