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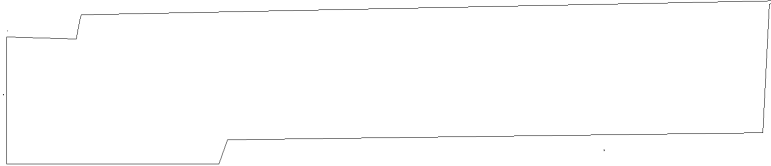
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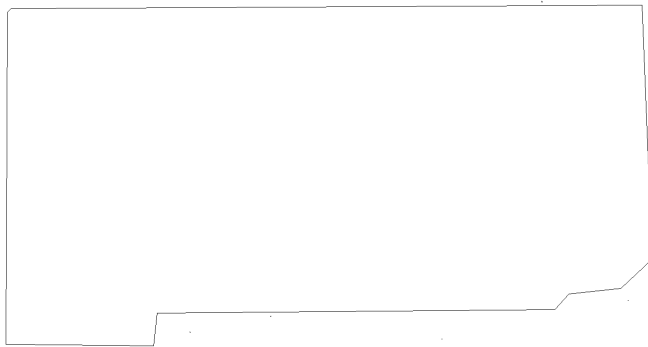
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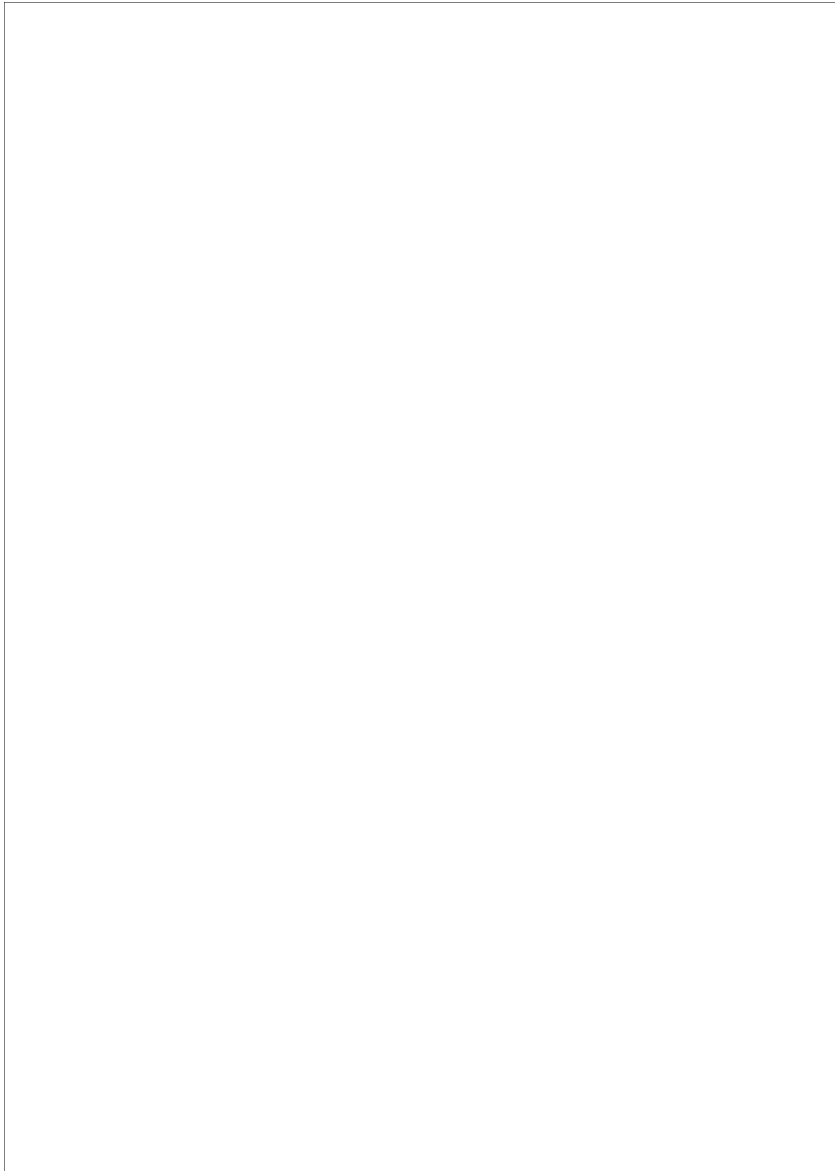
IRAN

The government is taking extraordinary precautions against possible terrorist actions during the two-week-long celebrations commemorating the 2,500th anniversary of the Persian monarchy beginning on Monday. The broad publicity to be given to the festivities provides an opportunity for dissident elements to advertise their cause by seeking to embarrass the government with assassinations or kidnappings. To counter this threat, the government has put all military, police [redacted] on 24-hour alert, posted guards at key installations throughout the country, and stepped up patrol of the Iraqi border area. Suspected troublemakers have already been arrested.

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*There have already been some terrorist acts, including an unsuccessful attempt to kidnap Prince Shahram, the Shah's nephew. Police last week fought a running gun battle in Tehran with a group described as Maoist guerrillas. Unidentified groups around the country have for weeks been defacing statues of the Shah.*

*Government security forces appear able to prevent large-scale disruptions. Terrorists are capable of staging some isolated incidents, however.*

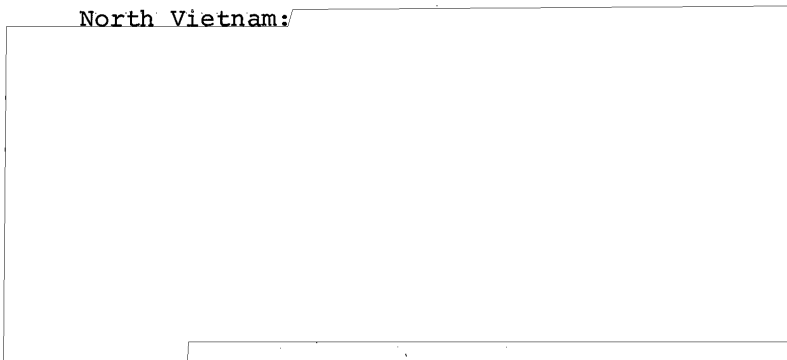


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Libya: Premier Qadhafi yesterday publicly admitted that the reports of his having resigned last month were true. The cause, he said, was the apathy of the Libyan people and not quarrels in the Revolutionary Command Council, as was widely reported. Qadhafi did not say what had induced him to return, but declared that he would not stay on the job if he failed to get full cooperation from the people. Qadhafi obviously is seeking to arouse popular support for his programs, but his statements also open the door for still another retirement.

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