

# THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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~~TOP SECRET~~

1. Berlin

a. A Westbound British convoy is still being held up by the Soviets at the Babelsberg checkpoint outside West Berlin.

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d. The Soviets are apparently taking advantage of the confusion on procedures to probe for weak points in Allied solidarity on the access issue. In any case, regardless of whether our troubles last week began accidentally, the move against the British is almost certainly deliberate.

e. Our own eastbound convoy today, also of non-dismount size, passed Marienborn without incident at 0645 Berlin time. We have no report yet on its treatment at Babelsberg.



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**2. Algeria-  
Morocco**

a. The Algerians counter-attacked at Tinjoub and Hassi Beida late yesterday.

b. Reports of their success conflict. The Moroccans intend to hold these border posts

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c. Ben Bella's propagandistic call of all veterans to arms has whipped feeling up to a fever pitch. The Algerian public is all too ready to accept rumors that US pilots are flying Moroccan reinforcements to the front. We have denied this with little effect.

d. Both sides continue to re-inforce, but their ability to sustain a military effort in the present area of fighting is extremely limited.

e. We are looking for signs that the fighting might spread to the north, where larger forces can be deployed and where the two sides can really hurt each other. Our Consul in Oran has confirmed Algerian troop movements toward Marnia and Tlemcen.

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f. Negotiations, meanwhile, are apparently not going well. Ben Bella's emissaries returned to Algiers yesterday with King Hassan's terms for settlement. They return today to Marrakesh with Ben Bella's answer, which we do not believe has any give in it.

3. South Korea

a. Opposition candidate Yun Po-sun has conceded the election to General Pak, according to late press. Yun has gone into hiding, however, and we have no information on his real attitude.

b. The election was ostensibly very close, with Pak's margin running somewhere under 50,000.

c. Yun was at times in the lead and appeared to be gaining, but, curiously enough, Pak kept pulling back ahead.

4. Congo

a. The political situation has boiled up again. Several top ministers, formerly among Adoula's closest supporters, plan to have President Kasavubu declare a "state of emergency" under which they would take over in Adoula's place and govern as a committee.

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b. This group, generally pro-Western, has for some time been critical of what it considers to be Adoula's lack of forcefulness and failure to act firmly against leftist and ultra-nationalist agitators.

c. More recently, with the fate of Brazzaville's former President Youlou in mind, these officials are worried by the growing power of labor and the possible consequences for them of a threatened general strike.

d. Army chief Mobutu may be supporting the move. He also has become disillusioned with Adoula.

e. Hurry-up calls for Adoula's return from New York have gone out.

5. Pakistan-India

a. Senior Pakistani military officers met in Rawalpindi late last week with leaders of Pakistani-held Azad Kashmir.

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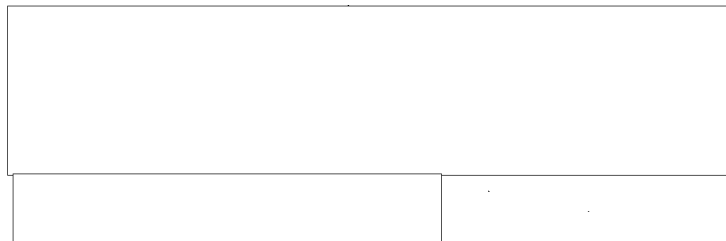
b. Their purpose was to consider what could be done to discourage the Indians from any plans to link the Indian-held portion of Kashmir more closely with India proper.

c. In the current emotional atmosphere in Pakistan the Pakistanis might provoke clashes along the cease-fire line or organize some guerrilla operations in the hope of generating new international pressure for a settlement.

6. UK-Indonesia-Malaysia

a. The British are convinced that any further concessions to Sukarno would be taken as a sign of weakness and that only strong action will deter him from his course against Malaysia.

b. They intend, among other things, to protect Malaysian shipping to the point of direct engagement if necessary with Indonesian naval craft.



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7. Dominican Republic

a. The Imbert and Amiama duo is reported to have combined with Bosch's party and the leftist 14 June movement in plotting a coup which they plan to carry out today or tomorrow.

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b. We do not doubt the plotting, but do not believe the assets are there yet to make a move against the triumvirate stick.

c. More likely there will be calls, only partially successful, for a general strike.

d. [redacted] student protest march on the palace is [redacted] scheduled [redacted] If it takes place it will almost certainly cause trouble.

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A. USSR We have another indication [redacted] that a space spectacular of sorts is planned to precede the Soviet anniversary celebrations on 7 November. Signs do point to another Soviet space effort soon, but it would be the wrong time of the month for the expected moon shot. [redacted]

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C. Czechoslovakia [redacted] Rudolph Barak, former Czech Minister of Interior will soon be reinstated to a top job in the government. [redacted]

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D. Panama-US We will soon be in for some more pressure from Panama to negotiate revisions to the 1903 Canal Treaty. President Chiari's problem is that he must make a move in this direction to keep the initiative away from his opponents as presidential elections, set for next May, approach.

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**E. East Germany - Berlin** The Ulbricht regime [redacted] will not take the action it had been planning to take to incorporate East Berlin more formally into the East German government structure. The city will still only send observers to the East German government assembly. Apparently, the Communists are afraid they would give the West Germans an opening for closer relations between West Germany and West Berlin. [redacted]

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**F. Angola** Holden Roberto, [redacted] is currently infiltrating a group of [redacted] trained troops into northern Angola. [redacted]

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