

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

ISSUED BY THE
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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1. South Vietnam

a. Our UN delegation believes we must be prepared for a sharp and extensive debate in the General Assembly on Vietnam which will go well beyond the human rights question.

b. It expects, as do we, that the special UN mission will be cut off from contact with "real" Buddhists and will hence be obliged to submit an unfavorable report.

2. UK-Cyprus

a. Britain is going to try its hand at keeping the Cyprus situation under control.

b. The UK will attempt: to dissuade Makarios from taking unilateral action to change the constitution; to persuade Turkey some changes are necessary; and to encourage the Greek Cypriots to formulate proposals which are "fair and reasonable" to Turk Cypriots.

c. The Commonwealth Relations Office will then endeavor to promote an informal meeting of the Greek, Turkish and Cypriot foreign ministers to approve the constitutional proposals.

3. Indonesia

a. Sukarno has told Ambassador Jones that if President Kennedy does not visit Indonesia it will have a most unfortunate effect on US-Indonesian relations.

b. General Nasution has said that before visiting the US he will go to Moscow to discuss the rollback of Indonesia's debt to the USSR and to Paris to discuss buying tanks.

c. [redacted]
[redacted] the USSR will provide economic assistance to Indonesia

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d. [redacted]
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Malaysia was adopting an anti-Communist posture, the USSR had no choice but to oppose it and to assist Indonesia.

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4. Morocco-Algeria

a. There was only minor activity along the border yesterday with both sides still marking time. However, defensive preparations and reinforcement of troops continue.

b. Our Embassy in Rabat thinks that efforts of the Algerian government and exiled Moroccan opposition leaders in Algeria and Egypt to topple King Hassan have little chance of success.

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c. The largest opposition party is deeply nationalist, monarchist, and anti-Algerian. Most of the left-wing opposition would either retreat in confusion or side with the monarchy if forced to choose between it and Algerian "super-national socialism."

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f. In Moscow, a Ministry of Foreign Trade official has said that Minister Patolichev will head a trade delegation to Algiers in the near future.

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5. Somali Republic - USSR

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MIG aircraft will be sent to Somalia in the first consignment under the recently concluded [REDACTED] Soviet military aid agreement.

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b. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Somali army commander Daud watched Somali pilot trainees fly practice sorties in MIGs during his recent visit to the USSR.

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c. Last August Egypt sent Somalia [REDACTED] Vampire jet aircraft and [REDACTED] will furnish [REDACTED] more jet fighters of unknown make next month.

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A. USSR [redacted]
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B. Cuba [redacted]
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