

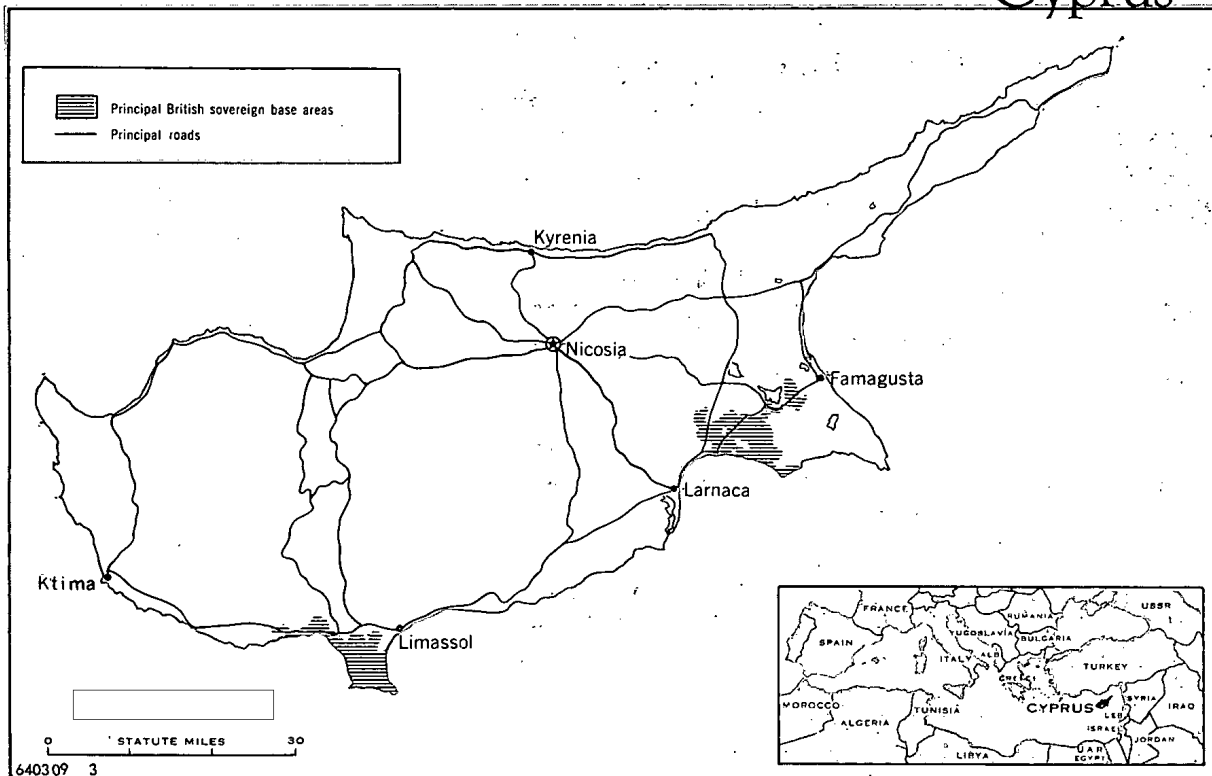
THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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1. Cyprus

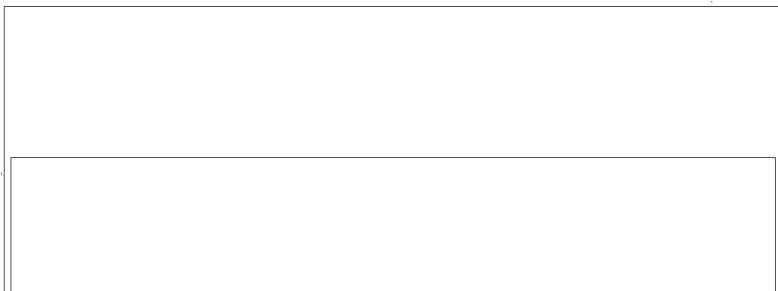
a. Greek Cypriots seem determined to use any degree of force necessary to disarm the Turkish Cypriots.

b. The superior fire power of the Greek Cypriots is forcing the Turkish Cypriots to surrender several key areas, and new clashes appear imminent in Nicosia, Limassol, and Larnaca.

c. British troops apparently are no longer able to restrain the Greeks.

d. Turkish Cypriots, disillusioned by Ankara's failure to protect them, have begun to demonstrate against Turkey.

e. In this situation, the pressure on Inonu's government to intervene is at a peak. Foreign Minister Erkin told Parliament yesterday that the "necessary measures" would be taken.



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g. Signs so far are that the Turks are engaging in another show of force. However, Ankara may believe that it is now or never if the Turkish Cypriot community is to be saved.

h. The prospect of a UN peace-keeping force seems, meanwhile, to be receding. Britain, Canada, Sweden, and Finland are the only likely sources of troops, and the latter two countries have indicated a period of training will be required after agreement on financing and terms of reference is reached.

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2. Cambodia

a. A large mob in Phnom Penh this morning attacked the US and British embassies. Windows were smashed, cars destroyed, the USIS library gutted, extensive damage was done to the first floor of our embassy, and our flag was torn down. It was a two and one half hour demonstration. Government sponsorship was obvious.

b. Police stood by watching until after the mob made its point, then moved in and sealed the area off. US personnel were unhurt.

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c. Sihanouk says he will offer apologies and indemnity, that he, like all Buddhists, deploras violence, but that he can understand the rage of Cambodia's people.

d. He can indeed. He whipped it up in a harangue Monday night in which he charged our latest proposals were an "immense deception," insulting to Cambodia.

e. It "proved," says he, that we and our "lackeys" plan to carve his country up. He again threatened to negotiate with the North Vietnamese, the Pathet Lao, and the Viet Cong ("the forces of the future"), and if Cambodia were attacked, his Chinese Communist friends would come to his rescue.

f. There are reports Sihanouk will meet with Ho Chi Minh and Chou En-lai soon.

g. A high-level Cambodian military mission is now in Peiping being given red-carpet treatment.

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h. Even with all this, Sihanouk's intentions remain unclear. In his comments to the press following the attack on the embassy, he expressed "hope" that a quadripartite conference will normalize relations and achieve peace in Southeast Asia.

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3. East Germany -
US Plane Incident

a. The Soviets have arrested the three crewmen of the US RB-66 plane they shot down over East Germany yesterday.

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4. Cuba

a. The Cuban Air Force seems plagued with maintenance problems.

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5. ^{Libya}~~Libya~~-US

a. The Libyans have now asked us formally to agree to renegotiate the Wheelus base agreement, in view of "changed circumstances."

b. At the same time, Prime Minister Muntassir announced to Parliament that we and the British were being asked to talk about the future of bases in ~~Libya~~.

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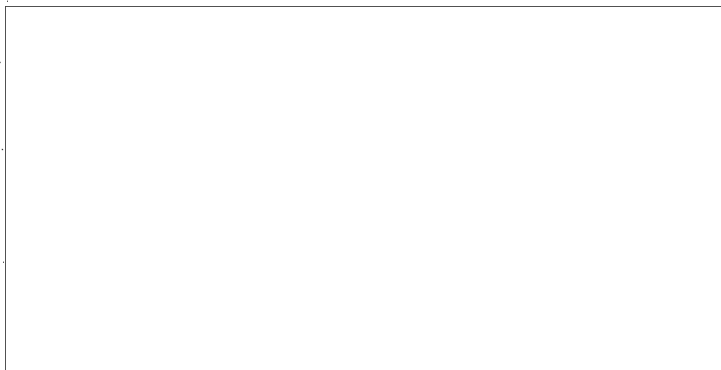
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c. In neither case was the statement made that the object was to get us to leave sooner rather than later, but it is fairly clear that this is what the Lybians have in mind.

6. Congo-Angola

a. Though the Portuguese deny it, we are fairly sure they have been abetting Tshombé's efforts to build a quasimilitary force in Angola out of some 3,000 Katangan "refugees," many of them former gendarmes.

b. Lisbon probably sees this, in part at least, as a counterweight to the sanctuary which Leopoldville is providing Holden Roberto and his Angolan dissidents.



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- A. Sino-Soviet Dispute Press reports out of Budapest this morning say that a party summit meeting of the Soviet bloc will be held in Budapest during Khrushchev's visit there in early April.

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- C. USSR-Somalia The first major Soviet delivery of military equipment to Somalia apparently is on its way and will arrive on schedule [Redacted]

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- D. Bolivia Paz' party adherents have scheduled a rally for today to demonstrate mass support for Bolivia's "nationalist, anti-Communist creed." The intention is to strike back at the anti-Paz alliance of rightists and Communists. It will mark the first time Paz' party has assumed a clear cut anti-Communist position.

- E. Zanzibar Apparently the flamboyant Okello has been out maneuvered. After refusing him entry and accompanying him back to Dar-es-Salaam yesterday, President Karume returned to Zanzibar alone. [Redacted]

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F. West Germany - West Berlin West German parliamentarians are challenging, in a subtle sort of way, Allied opposition to holding a Bundestag plenary in Berlin. This week, 25 Bundestag committees and all three party parliamentary groups are holding meetings in Berlin, with the reconstructed portion of the Reichstag the main assembly point.