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NOTES

<u>Sierra Leone</u>: Prime Minister Margai, after several days of indecision, finally placed under house arrest eight army officers allegedly involved in coup plotting uncovered a week ago. At the same time he announced to the out-going Parliament that he was abandoning his proposal to set up a one-party state-a plan that has been strongly resisted by opposition elements. By appearing to be both firm and conciliatory, Margai has enhanced his party's chances in the general elections coming up within two months.

Aden: A general strike called for tomorrow is likely to be marked by violent demonstrations and more terrorism. The strike was called by the Egyptian-backed Front for the Liberation of Occupied South Yemen (FLOSY) against the South Arabian Federation Government. FLOSY will probably try to paralyze Aden in an attempt to regain ground lost to a rival anti-British organization which on 19 January called a successful general strike without FLOSY participation.

Indonesia: The anti-Sukarno resolution passed yesterday by Parliament paves the way for Congress, which includes Parliament, to take formal action to oust Sukarno. Public demands for congressional action against Sukarno have been increasing, and early this week General Nasution, the chairman of Congress, promised that the demands would be implemented. The latest move was designed primarily to increase the pressure on Sukarno to resign before 6 March, when Congress is scheduled to meet.

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