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(NOTED IN SLANTS. REMAINING INFO RELEASABLE TO LIAISON)

1. CONGO: LARGE AGITATION HAS DIED DOWN AT LEAST TEMPORARILY
IN FACE OF STRONG ACTION AGAINST UNICE LEADERS BY THREE-PARTY "EMERGENCY
COMMITTEE" WHICH SEEMS TO BE BACKING LINDOLVILLE GOVERNMENT. ROLE
OF FORMER AGORA IN THIS MOVEMENT IS CIRCUMSTANTIAL. IT IS KNOWN THAT
MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE DO NOT CONSIDER AGORA WORTHY ENOUGH FOR THE
SITUATION AND IT APPEARS THAT HE IS BEING LARGELY IGNORED AT THE
MOMENT, AT LEAST AS FAR AS DOMESTIC AFFAIRS ARE CONCERNED. DEFENSE
MINISTER ARAU IS THE TOP MAN OF THE COMMITTEE, BUT IF AGORA WERE
REMOVED, A NEW STRUGGLE FOR LEADERSHIP ALMOST CERTAINLY WOULD FOLLOW.

2. DROMETRY: THE NEW MOVEMENT LEADED BY ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF
COULO IS TRYING TO STABILIZE THE SITUATION AND ESPECIALLY TO AVOID

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SERIOUS CLASH BETWEEN BASICALLY ANTIIMPERIALISTIC NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN SECTIONS OF THE COUNTRY. ~~RECENTLY~~ EX-PRESIDENT MAQA IS THEREFORE ~~BEING~~ ~~REMAINED~~ IN THE GOVERNMENT, EVEN THOUGH LARGE UNION LEADERS HAD EARLIER FORCED HIM OUT. THE ORIENTATION OF THE NEW LEADERSHIP IS STILL TOWARD THE WEST BUT MAQA'S OVERSTAY IS ANOTHER CLUE TO THE ~~MAKA~~ ~~ORIENTED~~ ~~AND~~ ~~MAKAS~~ ~~UNION~~. ALREADY CHAOS BY THE UPSET IN KRAVAVILLE LAST AUGUST. (CONT)

3. INDONESIA-MALAYSIA: //INDONESIAN COVERT OPERATIONS AND PROPAGANDA AGAINST MALAYSIA CONTINUE UNABATED WHILE THE FEDERATIONS ~~CONTINUE~~ ARE RALLYING POLITICAL AND MILITARY SUPPORT. IN SARAWAK AND SARAWAK AREAS EACH SIDE IS ENHANCED IN REINFORCEMENTS AND LARGER CLASHES ARE LIKELY ALONG THE BORDER. IN SINGAPORE, HARDEST MALAYSIAN AREA HIT BY INDONESIA'S TRADE ~~CRASH~~, STATE MINISTER LEE IS CONFIDENT HE CAN HANDLE THE UNEMPLOYMENT AND ATTENDANT POLITICAL PROBLEMS. SOME OF CHINESE BUSINESS COMMUNITY ARE WORRIED AND APPARENTLY WOULD LIKE TO SEE AN ACCOMMODATION WITH SINGAPORE, BUT ON THE OTHER HAND ~~INDONESIAN~~ ~~PRESSURE~~ SEEMS TO BE HAVING A UNIFIED EFFECT IN MALAYSIA.//

4. SOUTH VIETNAM: //NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATIONS ON 21 OCT PASSED

WITHOUT MAJOR INCIDENT BUT AROUND BOUTING ~~RECENT~~ ~~AND~~ ~~CONCERN~~

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AMONG THE MILITARY OVER NEWS POLICY TOWARD NORTH VIETNAM ARE INDICATIVE
OF CONTINUING UNEASE. THE REGIME EVIDENTLY CONTINUES TO BRACE ITSELF
FOR A REDUCTION OF US AID. VIET CONG ACTIVITY DURING THE PAST TWO
WEEKS HAS INCREASED SLIGHTLY BUT CASUALTIES ON BOTH SIDES -- AND
GOVERNMENT WEAPONS LOSSES -- ROSE SHARPLY AS A RESULT OF THE BATTLE
AT LOC HIEH IN THE DELTA ON 19 OCT. //

3. ALGERIA-MOROCCO: THE CEASE-FIRE AGREEMENT REACHED AT RANAKO INVOLVES NO BASIC PROBLEMS BEHIND THE BORDER DISPUTE ALTHOUGH TEMPORARILY IT MAY SAVE FACE FOR BOTH BEN BELLA AND KING HASSAN. THE AGREEMENT, WHICH BECAME EFFECTIVE 2 NOVEMBER, IS ALREADY SUBJECT TO DIFFERENT INTERPRETATIONS, SINCE MOROCCO STILL INSISTS ON SPECIFIC NEGOTIATIONS ON THIS PARTICULAR BORDER PROBLEM, WHILE THE ALGERIANS WANT THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY TO DISCUSS ONLY GENERALITIES AND PRINCIPLES. THE OAU PREVIOUSLY PROCLAIMED ITSELF IN FAVOR OF EXISTING BOUNDARIES AS DRAWN BY THE EX-COLONIAL POWERS. BOTH SIDES NEVERTHELESS WILL CONTINUE TO LOOK FOR FOREIGN MILITARY ASSISTANCE -- MOROCCO FROM FRANCE AND THE WEST, ALGERIA FROM EGYPT, GUBA, AND THE USSR -- AND EACH WILL REMAIN BASICALLY SUSPICIOUS AND HOSTILE TOWARD THE OTHERS PROPOSED OBJECTIVES.

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6. FRANCE: THE NATIONWIDE 24-HOUR RAIL STRIKE ON 23 OCTOBER WAS A MAJOR PART OF THE TRADE UNION'S EFFORTS TO PRESS THE GOVERNMENT TO LIBERALIZE ITS WAGE POLICY. THE GOVERNMENT HAS RAISED COST-OF-LIVING INCREMENT FROM THREE TO FOUR PERCENT THIS YEAR BUT LABOR IS RESTIVE AND THE MUCH-HERALDED STABILIZATION PLAN IS IN JEOPARDY. THE CURRENT UNREST IS GREATER IN NATIONALIZED ENTERPRISES--I.E. AMONG RAILWAY AND MINE WORKERS AND CIVIL SERVANTS. (CONF)

7. BRAZIL: NEW LABOR TROUBLES IN BRAZIL ENDED THE RELATIVELY QUIET PERIOD FOLLOWING PRESIDENT GOULART'S SHORT-LIVED DRIVE TO ESTABLISH A STATE OF SEIZURE OCT. THE POTENTIALLY CRITICAL SITUATION IN SAO PAULO RAISES POSSIBILITY OF SHOWDOWN BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND ANTI-GOULART FORCES. THE LATEST REPORTS ESTIMATE 30 PERCENT OF SAO PAULO INDUSTRIAL WORKERS ARE ON STRIKE AND SYMPATHY STRIKES HAVE BROKE OUT ELSEWHERE.

8. CUBA: THE VATICAN IS LIKELY TO RECEIVE A CAUTIOUSLY OPTIMISTIC VIEW OF PROSPECTS FOR A MODERATE VIVENDI BETWEEN CASTRO REGIME AND CATHOLIC CHURCH FROM MONSIEUR LACCHI CHAIRMAN OF THE HOLY SEE'S DELEGATION IN HAVANA SINCE 1962. BUT IN 1965, MONSIEUR LACCHI

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BELIEVES HIS EFFORTS TO PROMOTE MORE COOPERATIVE CHURCH-STATE RELATIONS COULD BE SUCCESSFUL AND THERE IS NO REASON WHY THE CHURCH CANNOT FULFILL MORE EFFECTIVE RELIGIOUS MISSION IN CUBA. HE SEES AS SO STUMBLING BLOCK THE IRRECONCILABILITY OF THE CHURCH'S LONGER RANGE GOALS AND THE REGIME'S IDEOLOGY.

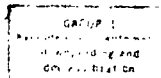
9 ITALY: DIFFICULT NEGOTIATIONS ON CABINET POSTS AND ON A LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM ARE IN PROSPECT AS SOCIALISTS (PSI) AND CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS (CD) BEGIN TO FORM A CENTER-LEFT COALITION. OPPONENTS OF SUCH AN ALLIANCE HAVE A WIDE RANGE OF TACTICS AVAILABLE TO TRY TO BLOCK IT. SOCIALIST PIETRO LENNI'S NEGOTIATION PRESTIGE IS LIMITED BY LEONARDO ROSSARDI'S CONTROL OF 16 OF THE LENNI FACTION'S 59 SEATS ON PSI'S RECENTLY-ELECTED 101-MAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE. THIS WEEK'S SOCIALIST CONGRESS RESOLUTIONS INCLUDE FOREIGN POLICY RESERVATIONS AT WHICH CD OPPOSITION MAY BALK. (CONF)

10. DENMARK: PRIME MINISTER BRAGS SOCIALIST-RADICAL-LIBERAL COALITION GOVERNMENT-- A GENERALLY MODERATE POLITICAL COUPING--MAY BE FORCED TO CALL EARLY ELECTIONS. THE GOVERNMENT HAS DEFEATED A SERIES OF NO-CONFIDENCE MOTIONS IN RECENT WEEKS BUT ITS MARGIN OF

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VICTORY DECLINED TO ONE VOTE IN THE MOST RECENT TEST ON 23 OCT
OPPOSITION IS MADE UP ENTIRELY OF HOME CONSERVATIVE PARTIES BUT
ALSO INCLUDES EXTREME LEFTIST SOCIALIST PEOPLES PARTY. A RECENT
GALLUP POLL SHOWS SOME DECLINE IN SUPPORT FOR THE GOVERNMENT. (CONF)

11. BRITAIN AND THE COMMON MARKET: //THE 25-26 OCT MEETING
AT THE HAGUE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS OF BRITAIN AND COMMON MARKET DID
LITTLE TO ADVANCE PROSPECTS OF BRITAIN'S EVENTUAL PARTICIPATION IN
THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY BUT MAY HAVE REOPENED AVENUES OF DISCUSSION
CLOSED SINCE DEGAULLES VETO OF BRITAIN'S MEMBERSHIP NINE MONTHS AGO.
DISCUSSIONS WERE COMPREHENSIVE BUT ONLY DECISION REACHED ON NON-
EUROPEAN TOPICS WAS TO FURTHER EXPLARE POSSIBLE COORDINATION IN WED
OF EUROPEAN POLICY TOWARD LATIN AMERICA. SHARP DIFFERENCES OF VIEW
WERE EVIDENT ON GENERAL QUESTION OF FURTHER WESTERN PRObing OF SOVIET
INTENTIONS.// (CONF)

12. BYED-SOVIET RELATIONS: THE SOVIET LEADERS APPEAR TO HAVE
DECIDED ~~ABOUT~~ A NEW WORLD COMMUNIST CONFERENCE IN THE NEAR FUTURE.
WHY MY GIVE BEEN PREPARED IN CONSULTATION WITH FOREIGN COMMUNIST

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LEADERS THAT THE DISRUPTIVE EFFECTS OF A FORMAL CONDEMNATION OF THE CHINESE BOTH BY SOME FOREIGN COMMUNIST PARTIES AND IN THE MOVEMENT AS A WHOLE WOULD OUTWEIGH ANY ADVANTAGES MOSCOW MIGHT DERIVE FROM SUCH A CONFERENCE. (CONF)

13. COMMUNIST CHINA: FRIPING WHOSE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE IN PAST YEARS HAS BEEN EXTENDED PRIMARILY IN ASIA IS NOW OFFERING INCREASED AID ELSEWHERE. SO FAR THIS YEAR ALL OF CHINA'S OFFERS TOTALING \$90 MILLION HAVE BEEN EXTENDED TO MIDDLE EASTERN AND AFRICAN COUNTRIES -- ALGERIA, SYRIA AND THE SOMALI REPUBLIC. SOME OF THESE AS WELL AS EARLIER AID OFFERS TO OTHER COUNTRIES MAY HAVE BEEN MOTIVATED BY DESIRE TO MAINTAIN CHINESE "PRESENCE" IN THE FACE OF SOVIET AID OR TO EXPLOIT WHAT THE CHINESE BELIEVE TO BE FAVORABLE LOCAL CONDITIONS.

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