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## THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

12 July 1961 TOP SECRET

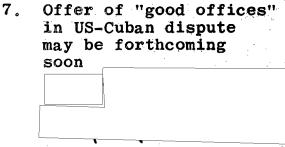
1.	Chinese Nationalist step up planning for para- military operations against mainland	Chiang Ching-kuo has ordered that selection of a 200-man force to be 50 dropped in South China be completed by mid-July. We believe the Nationalists are actively considering a number of other steps to increase tension in the Far East, which they hope would inhibit changes in US policy.
2.	Soviet pressure move on Berlin	Thompson reports that on Monday Deputy Foreign Minister Sobolev told the Canadian Ambassador that "if the US 50 reply to the Soviet memorandum was quite negative, the Soviets might move their proposed schedule forward in time."
<b>3.</b>	Possibilities for 14 July in Iraq	a) A big military parade and other ceremonies in Baghdad will give Qasim a chance to dramatize his leadership of Arab opposition to British presence in Kuwait. Possible further gestures would be to break relations with London, or to extend his claims even further down the 500 coast beyond Kuwait.
		c) Announcement of some move against the Iraq Petroleum Company; Qasim may be considering nationalization, but his experts will advise him strongly against

d) Since the British forces will remain in Kuwait over the weekend, an Iraqi attack also seems unlikely. (MAP)

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4.	Thailand planning for resistance operations in Laos		
		Minor military	7
-		skirmishing goes on.	50>
	strength figures	divisions, down 28 from its estimate prior to the demobilization announce in January 1960. Of these divisions	ed
		90 are considered combat ready at ab 70 percent of war strength, while the others are at less than 40 percent strength. Army personnel strength is estimated at 2,150,000.	out le

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7.	Offer of "good offices"			sEcuador, Br	



The sponsoring states--Ecuador, Brazil, and Mexico--are continuing their negotiations. They have invited, but not yet received, the support of Argentina, Uruguay and Chile. The Cubans are urging "immediate action".

8. Call for further UN action on Angola appears likely

The chairman of the UN subcommittee on Angola is scheduled to go to Portugal late this week to get permission for his subcommittee to visit Angola. If Portugal refuses, as seems probable, he will have to return the problem to the General Assembly or Security Council, opening the way to an Afro-Asian move for UN sanctions against Portugal.

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	NOTES
A.	We are so far unable to confirm reports of an outbreak against the Dominican government in Santiago.
В.	The Berlin Senate has asked Pan American to provide 50 charter flights next Tuesday and Wednesday for delegates to the All-German Protestant Church Congress. Pan Am will provide 20 and expects the rest to come from BEA and Air France if the three govern-
	ments approve.
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