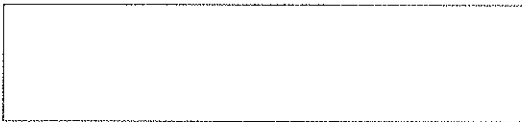


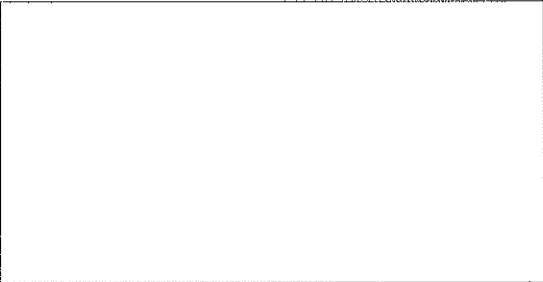
THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST



26 MAY 1962
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1. Soviet ballistic missile launched from submerged submarine



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observed the launching of a ballistic missile from a submerged submarine in the Barents Sea on April 26. This gives us our first solid indication that the Soviets have such a capability. 50X1

[redacted] also saw traces of a similar launching on April 16. Firings on both dates 50X1

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another launching on May 15, possibly to a distance of 2,000 nautical miles. We believe that these activities represent the initial operational testing of a new weapons system. [redacted]

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2. East-West German trade proposals



The East Germans have made overtures to Bonn for credits, on the order of some \$700 million, for the purchase of West German goods. Our mission in Berlin, somewhat chagrined at Bonn's apparent slowness in grasping the political implications of these overtures, calls attention to the possibility of linking the East German needs to Berlin access and increasing the dependence of East on West Germany. 50X1