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SUMMARY OF TELEGRAMS

SOVIET UNION: Our Embassy in Moscow suggests that the Soviets will make a strong case at the forthcoming General Assembly for the "representative" character of the Soviet-dominated North Korean government, allegedly forced on the heels of a mandate from the people of all Korea, as compared with the reactionary and non-representative character of the South Korean government formed under general US supervision.

On the Greek question our Embassy in Athens feels that the Soviets will attempt to divert attention from the question of satellite aid to the guerrillas with a strong attack on the internal policies of the Greek government, perhaps proposing as one approach to the guerrilla problem a "cease fire" order along the lines adopted by the United Nations in the Palestine case.

GERMANY: The three Western representatives in Moscow last night reached preliminary agreement with Stalin and Molotov on (a) a directive to the four military governors in Berlin to settle within one week conditions governing the removal of transportation restrictions and the introduction of the Soviet currency under quadrilateral control and (b) a joint communique on the whole Berlin situation to be issued by the four powers upon completion of a satisfactory agreement in Berlin. These drafts have been referred to the US, UK and French governments for final approval.