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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

The India-Pakistan Situation (Report #104 - As of 6:00 A.M. EDT)

- 1. The United Nations India-Pakistan Observer Mission Commander is seeking local agreements to move back Indian and Pakistani troops who are now sometimes only 15 or 20 yards apart, a situation he thinks makes incidents unavoidable.
- 2. Editorials in several Indian newspapers have charged that the US is using PL 480 wheat as a weapon to force India to give up Kashmir. According to one paper the "US is mistaken if it thinks that it can force India through starvation to bow down before the Paks."
- 3. Pakistan is no friendlier. On 4 October, a newspaper story datelined Washington claimed that the State Department instructed the US pless to play down Indian defeats in an effort to make Congress think India could stand up to China.
- 4. Foreign Minister Bhutto reportedly will leave Karachi today for talks in Moscow and New York, and possibly Paris and London.
- 5. President De Gaulle said that India could not be asked to give up all of Kashmir, and that U Thant's proposal for a four power commission would not work because Peking is not included. The French have been opposing a commission in UN discussions.

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7. Yesterday, India and China exchanged protest notes, citing intrusions across the Sikkim-Tibet border on Monday. The two countries are probably referring to the same incidents although their accounts differ greatly.