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NORWEGIAN AMB WHO DINED WITH ME LAST NIGHT WAS FURIOUS OVER HIS TREATMENT BY KHRUSHCHEV. HE SAID HOWEVER THAT KHRUSHCHEV HAD A POINT WHEN HE REFERRED TO OUR BOMBER ALERT AND ASKED WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED IF SOVS HAD EMPLOYED SAME SYSTEM WHEN THIS PLANE CAME OVER FRONTIER. HE THEREFORE THOUGHT OVERFLIGHTS SHOULD BE STOPPED. HE IS CONVINCED KHRUSHCHEV IS ACTING UNDER PRESSURE ALTHOUGH HE AND SEVERAL OTHER COLLEAGUES HAVE REMARKED THAT KHRUSHCHEV IS BEGINNING TO BE REMINISCENT OF HITLER. BELIEVE GUNDERSON HAS CONSIDERABLE INFLUENCE IN NORWEGIAN GOVT AND NET RESULT OF KHRUSHCHEV'S BEHAVIOR TOWARD HIM WILL BE TO OUR ADVANTAGE. IN COURSE OF ARGUMENT GUNDERSON SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO INTERVIEW PILOT. KHRUSHCHEV REPLIED THIS MIGHT BE POSSIBLE LATER.

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