

Zorin Asks U.S. to Postpone Testing Military Orders Guido To Suppress Peronists

GENEVA (AP) — The Soviet Union launched an 11th-hour campaign yesterday to block projected U.S. atmospheric nuclear tests in the Pacific. Their maneuvers, foiled at the outset, may keep the 17-nation disarmament conference in session through the Easter weekend.

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Valerian A. Zorin tried various procedural devices to get a Western promise to hold off the test series.

A SIMILAR SENTIMENT was expressed in a statement from Moscow by the Soviet news agency Tass.

U.S. Ambassador Arthur H. Dean said the United States will not accept an unpoliced moratorium on testing under any circumstances — not even during the Easter recess.

"We will not be burned twice by the same fire," he said, referring to the Soviet Union's violation of a gentlemen's agreement with a series of tests last fall.

Both Dean and British Minister of State Joseph B. Godber told Zorin the test series will go ahead unless the Soviet Union promptly accepts an internationally controlled test ban treaty providing for compulsory on-site inspections. The tests, on Christmas and Johnston islands in the Pacific,



VALERIAN A. ZORIN

... thunder of explosions

are expected to begin next week.

ZORIN, DEAN and Godber spent more than five hours in acrimonious procedural haggling in a plenary session of the conference and a subsequent meeting of the three-nation test ban subcommittee. The argument remained unresolved.

Delegates who had packed their bags in hope of leaving for their Easter recess were notified there will be another plenary meeting today.

Zorin made it clear that he intends to keep the conference in session unless he gets a Western promise to refrain from testing at least during the recess. This the West refused to give.

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — Armed forces chiefs bore down heavily on President Jose Mario Guido's three-weeks-old government yesterday with demands that Peronist and Communist political activity be suppressed with an iron hand.

Argentine political leaders in and out of the government appeared to despair of maneuvering a compromise.

THE ARMY ordered reinforcements to Buenos Aires and industrial suburbs and reported it was keeping half its troops in barracks—despite the usual leaves for Holy Week—as a precaution

against possible Peronist and Communist demonstrations.

About 400 soldiers left Bahia Blanca by train for the capital, and a number of troops also were on their way. A marine regiment at Puerto Belgrano was under orders to move into Buenos Aires before May 1.

Roberto Echepareborda, appointed by deposed President Arturo Frondizi as federal interventor in Buenos Aires Province, ordered all Peronist committees to end their activities, after he consulted with police and military leaders.

ECHEPAREBORDA was one of the five interventors named by Frondizi in provinces where Peronists elected governors in elections last March 18.

The army, navy and air force chiefs banished Frondizi to a prison island, charging he had blundered by allowing the Peronists to resume political activity.

They are now demanding that Guido appoint interventors in all 17 provinces, void Peronist victories in five governorship and 45 House of Deputies races and outlaw the Peronist and Communist parties.

Balance of Payments Deficit Falls Sharply to \$2.5 Billion

WASHINGTON (AP)—The U.S. balance of payments deficit dropped sharply in the first three months of 1962, it was learned yesterday. The annual rate of the deficit fell from \$6 billion to less than \$2.5 billion.

The precise amount of improvement as compared with the unusually bad fourth quarter of 1961 is not yet figured. Officials are working with sketchy preliminary figures.

While the official statistics will not be available for about a month, federal experts saw reason to hope that the annual rate for the first quarter might be significantly

below \$2.5 billion. However, they said it was certain to exceed the \$1.4-billion rate of the January-March period last year.

These sources expressed cautious optimism that, for all of 1962, the deficit might be no greater, and perhaps a bit less, than last year's total of \$2.5 billion.

The deficit represents the difference between the amount of money leaving the country—to pay for travel, imports, foreign aid, investment and military programs—and the lesser amount being received from foreign sources.

Skybolt Test Successful

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—Skybolt, the air-launcher ballistic missile design to increase the nuclear strike range of United States and British bombers, was fired successfully on its maiden test flight yesterday.

U.N. Forces Praised by Tshombe After Congolese Troops Block Flight

ELISABETHVILLE, Katanga, the Congo (AP)—President Tshombe returned to his secessionist capital yesterday with high praise for the United Nations, whose forces almost had blocked his departure from Leopoldville for 24 hours.

Two Congo fire engines barricaded the runway as Tshombe's U.N.-chartered plane was taxiing for takeoff from Leopoldville, where the secessionist leader had been holding unity talks with Congo Premier Cyrille Adoula for more than a month.

THE UNITED NATIONS rushed in Nigerian troops, who occupied the control tower and set up mortars while 150 Congolese reinforcements occupied the main terminal building and the road fronting the airport.

The Nigerians took positions surrounding the runway and prepared to land and down the strip as Tshombe's plane took off.

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The United Nations had guaranteed Tshombe's safety and freedom to return to Elisabethville if he would go to Leopoldville for talks on ending Katanga's secession.

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