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since the prime minister of the netherlands in his statement of the sixteenth of december called the attention of the council to the very serious state of affairs in indonesia cma the situation there has further deteriorated to such an extent that i have been instructed by my government to make another statement on this subject to the council stp

the political chaos and the disastrous financial and economic consequences of the policy of spoliation directed against netherlands interests by the indonesian government lead us to fear cma more acutely than ever before cma that the dangers of at least java falling into communist hands is not too distant stp whether in such an event the outer islands will be able to remain outside the communist sphere cma will depend on many factors that cannot for the present be foreseen stp

one of the moderates cma the governor of the bank of indonesia cma sjafruddin cma recently wrote from sumatra cma in an open letter to president sukarno cma that he had left djakarta subquo because he was not willing to die in vain or to become the victim of wild animals in the form of human beings subunquo stp djakarta cma he says cma quo is now a battlefield of conflicting interests and powers stp there is no opportunity to ekspress one s opinion freely stp under such anarchical conditions democratic elements are forced to remain idle stp they are in need of protection by a strong government stp unquo recalling in his letter that thirty to forty percent of the indonesian economy was dependent on the activity of netherlands firms cma mr sjafruddin warned that the economic consequences

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of measures taken against these firms would stimulate the desintegration of the indonesian state and encourage separatist movements stp

i may add here that this warning does not seem eksaggerated when one looks at the facts dbbpnt cummuni cations between the various indonesian islands cma both by sea and by air cma have nearly come to a stand still cma with the result that there are shortages of rice in several densely populated regions stp eksports have dropped steeply and the rate of ekschange of the indonesian rupiah is falling daily stp

have the indonesian government cma in the light of these circumstances cma made any effort to undo some of the anti netherlands measures which are cutting deeply into their own flesh and indeed threaten the very eksistence of the indonesian state vrgtkn or have they at least taken steps to stop this suicidal process and to prevent any further deterioration of their relations with us and with the west in general vrgtkn on the contrary cma not only have they stated that the quo point of no return unquo has been reached cma but they have deliberately and in spite of the counsels of moderation given by other governments cma continued farther down the road which can only lead them to chaos stp

you may have read in the london times yesterday that the indonesian authorities have now annulled important oil concessions in sumatra and confiscated the wells and installations thereon pntcma the company which has worked these oilfields for years is siksty percent dutch and fourty percent british owned stp

the facts speak for themselves dbbpnt
aa all netherlands firms and enterprises are now under military management and their rightful owners have been deprived of any measure of control over them stp

bb the public and private discrimination against netherlands nationals in indonesia has deprived them of their means of eksistence or made life other wise unbearable for them stp their faith in indonesia has been severely shocked and the majority of them feel that there is no future for them in this country any more stp almost all of my fourty siks thousand compatriots there cma including those who have not been ordered to leave cma now wish to repatriate as soon as possible in view of the distressing circum stances in which they live stp

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this massive de facto deportation cma for which the indonesian government are responsible cma started on the first of december last year stp thus far cma about fifteen thousand men cma women and children have left indonesia stp they were forced to leave the greater part of their personal belongings behind and their bank accounts were blocked stp cc the indonesian government have ordered the netherlands diplomatic mission at djakarta to close its radio transmitter by which it communicates with the ministry of foreign affairs at the hague stp this means of communication had been agreed upon by the two governments in nineteen fifty-one on a reciprocal basis stp

indonesian officials have often done their best to give foreign representatives the impression that they are willing to have talks with the netherlands stp actually cma however cma the indonesian government provide no basis for such talks as they insist cma as a pre condition cma that any negotiations should aim at transferring the sovereignty of netherlands new guinea to indonesia stp the indonesian leaders have repeatedly made this clear both in public state ments and in private conversations with the netherlands and other diplomatic representatives stp and when prime minister djuanda declared in his interview of the twenty eighth of december that quo if the dutch want to retain their hold on west irian the current measures will be continued until all their interests in indonesia will be liquidated unquo cma he did not speak the truth stp for as he stated publicly a few days ago cma quite apart from the question of new guinea cma the cma what he called cma quo dominant dutch interests unquo were to be liquidated anyway the revolution had to be quo implemented unquo stp this theory is supposed to justify every unlawful act cma every injustice stp

in the committee of political advisers we have requested our nato partners to abstain from delivering certain types of arms and other strategical materials to indonesia and to consult with us directly whenever they receive indonesian requests for arms stp in doing so cma the following two aspects of this problem have been foremost in our mind dbbpnt

in the first place we oppose the delivery of certain categories of arms in view of our responsibility for the defence of netherlands new guinea stp

the second aspect is a much wider one stp we

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think that it would be contrary to the general interest of the west to provide a country where chaotic conditions prevail and which is in danger of coming under communist control cma with arms and strategic material cma the more so as in the case of indonesia these weapons might be used by java against the outer islands cma where conditions are more orderly and the communist danger is less immediate stp

as you will be aware cma indonesia has recently succeeded in concluding an agreement with yugoslavia on the purchase of arms to the amount of ten million dollars stp if communist countries deem it advisable to arm indonesia cma it can hardly be in the interest of the west to add more fuel to an already explosive situation stp u n q u o t e

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