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Mediterranean Trouble Spots

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Pointing an accusing finger at continued Communist plotting in the Middle East, Soviet armoured equipment and heavy tanks are displayed in Israel.

They were captured during the recent Sinai and Gaza campaigns - together with large quantities of bombs - presumably intended for air raids on Israel.

Other captured equipment included Soviet M.I.G. fighters.

Getting a first-hand impression of current Israeli-Arab problems - Mr Aneurin Bevan spent a week as guest of the Israeli government. Visiting settlements on the Gulf of EILATH, Mr Bevan gained much information about another Middle East trouble spot...

Across the border, in Jordan, King Hussein's courageous stand against international communism has not been impaired by the downfall of Premier Khalidi's government.

And though in Amman, the Capital, agitators whipped up demonstrations against the United States - (despite generous offers of economic help), King Hussein's loyal Bedouin troops have, so far, kept an explosive situation in check.

At the other end of the Mediterranean, rebel activities continue in Algeria. French troops cordoned off the Casbah area of ALGIERS, searching for arms and ammunition.

The search proved successful. Among the haul were time bombs, guns and automatic weapons. But with the rebels reported planning a Spring offensive - Algeria faces further unrest and bloodshed..