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# CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS TURNS INTO BLINKING CONTEST

**THE WORLD held its breath last night as the Cuban Missile Crisis developed into a blinking contest between US President John Kennedy and Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev.**

American Defence Secretary Robert McNamara told the world's press yesterday that whoever blinked first would lose.

He added: "The ground rules have been drawn up by a combined sub-committee comprising the Executive Committee of the National Security Council and a Politburo delegation headed by General Pliyev

"If Soviet Premier Khrushchev blinks first then he has agreed not to deploy any MRBMs and ICBMs on Cuban soil.

"But if our own President blinks, and believe me he can keep his eyes open for a hell of a long time, then Soviet missiles will be deployed on Cuba and 15 Jupiter IRBM missiles that we deployed in Turkey will be removed."

He then took questions

from the floor and when our man on the spot asked him if this was all a bit childish he said: "It's as childish as Khrushchev claiming the ships currently heading towards Cuba carried nothing more than Cuban cigars and vodka.

"Anyway, at least our leader doesn't have a girls first name."

Prime Minister Harold McMillan was monitoring the situation with growing concern.

The last time a blinking contest was put forward as a way of resolving conflict was by then Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain on the eve of Germany's invasion of Poland.

His overtures were turned down by Hitler who had a sty at the time.

The drama has caused people in Britain to panic buy tins of Spam which ran

out at 1.42pm yesterday. In the event of a catastrophic atomic holocaust Mr McMillan told the British public: "In the event of an air attack warning people will have four minutes to wrap themselves in tin foil and hide under their kitchen table.

"If they do this they have nothing to fear from an atomic explosion. Remember, you have never had it so good."



McNamara



## Nasa chiefs' panic at President's 'MOON BY DECADE' vow

NASA bosses last night reacted with disbelief after President Kennedy vowed to Congress that the agency would put a man on the Moon before the decade was out.

Responding to Soviet advances in the Space Race, the President dramatically raised the odds in the superpower struggle for the Heavens.

But NASA chiefs were caught on the hop by President Kennedy's promise to the nation.

"He said WHAT?"

splattered NASA director James E Webb when told of the President's hubristic pledge.

"We've only just put a man in orbit. Now this kid from the Hamptons has announced this cockamimie idea that we're on track for the Moon.

"The end of the decade? That's - SWEET BABY JESUS! - that's just seven years away. How the hell are we going to do that in time?"

"I've gotta get in the office and start work straight away. Call

everyone, I want them to be at Misison Control in two hours."

Mr Webb was particularly angered at the President's assertion that putting a man on the Moon was "not rocket science".

The NASA bigwig exploded: "Of course it's bloody rocket science - how the Hell else does Kennedy think we're going to send a man to the Moon? On a Greyhound bus?"

"Has the President been on his goddammed happy pills again?"



## Spaceship beams first show to Britain...and it's a repeat

**THE era of transatlantic satellite television dawned last week when a repeat of I Love Lucy was shown on the BBC.**

Millions tuned in to watch the momentous first broadcast of the Telstar satellite, commemorated with a specially-composed tune by top pop combo The Tremeloes.

But anticipation turned to disappointment when all that emerged from the United States via space was a 1955 episode of I Love Lucy.

TV critic Bernard Levin wrote in The Times yesterday: "I thought that TV from America would feature dramas about scheming Texan oilmen or a comedy based group of friends living in a New York brownstone.

"As it is, this cutting edge technology has brought us yet more of the antics of Ms Lucille Ball."



## HUGE CATHOLIC REFORMS AT SECOND VATICAN COUNCIL

- Condom machine put in Vatican toilets
- Pope John XXIII "comes out" as gay

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## CHINA-INDIA START BORDER WAR

- Billions of Asiatics go toe-to-toe
- "Let's leave the swarthy fellows to it"

- Macmillan

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