Lumumba Is Arrested, To Be Tried as Rebel
Ex-Premier Is Captured in Jungle
As His Police Terrorize Towns

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Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo, Dec. 1—Police arrested Patrice Lumumba, former premier of the Democratic Republic of Congo, and sent him to the capital for trial on charges of treason. The arrest came as Lumumba was preparing to return from a visit to the United States, where he had sought refuge from the police. The police had been searching for Lumumba for weeks, and his arrest was seen as a major victory for the government of General Mobutu Sese Seko. Lumumba's trial is expected to begin soon, and it is unclear whether he will be granted bail. The arrest of Lumumba was met with international condemnation, with many countries expressing support for his right to a fair trial. The arrest also raised questions about the future of democracy in the Democratic Republic of Congo, where political opposition is often met with violence and intimidation. The government has denied allegations of human rights abuses and has promised a fair trial for Lumumba. However, many observers remain skeptical of the government's commitment to upholding the rule of law. The arrest of Lumumba is likely to have far-reaching implications for the region, with implications for trade and security.