## **Aide Says JFK Sought** Family in Cuban Crisis

P. AT 11/9/11 NEW YORK, Nov. 7 (AP) Former Presidential adviser President, Schlesinger says: Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr. says that during the height of the toward his family . . ."

"Cuba: To the Edge of the lem could be reopened after Nuclear Abyss."

that fateful week, in intervals litical blow. between high-level meetings, Kennedy's mind turned more Russians must have supposed and more toward his family that we would not respond, and "through them to children Kennedy said, "They thought everywhere in the world."

writes that if Russian Premier dead. If we reacted, they Khrushchev had not backed hoped to put us in an exposed down in his Oct. 27 letter, the position, whether with regard for "some action against Cuba U.N.'" the next week." That letter The gave Russian agreement to tary of Defense Robert McNanegotiate settlement for re- mara with first suggesting a moval of Soviet missile bases naval blockade, which was the from Cuba.

In a later meeting with the "I asked why he thought Cuban missile crisis President Khrushchev had done such an Kennedy "sought out his wife amazing thing. He said that, and children as if the immi-first, it might draw Russia nence of catastrophe had turn- and China closer together, or ed his mind more than ever at least strengthen the Soviet position in the Communist Schlesinger gives an account world, by showing that Mosof the October 1962 crisis in cow was capable of bold ac-Life Magazine's fifth install- tion in support of Communist ment of his forthcoming book, revolution; second, it also "A Thousand Days." The mag-azine article is entitled, ting in which the Berlin probthe election; third, it would Schlesinger says that during deal the U.S. a tremendous po-

"When I remarked that the they had us either way. If we Schlesinger, an historian, did nothing, we would be United States was prepared to Berlin or Turkey or the

> The historian credits Secrecourse eventually followed.