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REF DA 1.

A. Army:

Sharp hostile atks in Co str preceded by arty and mortar fire during late afternoon and early evening 31 Dec were followed by hvy atks varying in str up to Regt size along 50-mile stretch of western portion of UN front during night. These atks which portend expected Communist gen offensive were launched between Hapo, N of Munsan and Kosong, N of Chunchon. Atk by 2 hostile Bns disorganized 12th Regt 1st ROK Div and penetrated aprx 7 mi to vic of Sangsu. "C" Btry of 9th FA Bn lost 4 155mm hows during this penetration. 6th ROK Div repts only slight loss of grd; however, 1 of its Regtl CP's was repts under atk by hostile Bn near Yongam, aprx 8 mi in rear of Div front lines. 24th US Divs 19th Regt held against 3 en atks prior to mid-nite but results of other atks launched AM 1 Jan have not been recd. Left and center Regts 2d ROK Div recd atks by 1st and 2d en Bns respectively; results not repts. Right Regt repts CCF Regt moving up to its immediate front. Oplr of 2 Regts of 5th ROK Div each were penetrated by en Regt; further results not aval. Delayed repts indicated elms II and I ROK Corps were engaged with 5 separate hostile grps varying up to 3,000 in str in area Kwanggan-Dong to E Coast on 30-31 Dec. Elms 3d ROK Div and 2d US Div joined forces on Hongchon-Hoengsong Hwy; however, sizeable hostile grps were still repts in gen area.

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17th US Inf is en route to Chechon while remainder 7th US Div remained in Yongchon. 1st US Mar Div and 3d US Div held from atch X US Corps and placed under opnl control Army Eight.

FLASH : Effective at once Army Eight withdraws with strong delaying action to Seoul bridgehead line.

B. Air:

During 24 hr pd endg 312400 I, UN acft under FEAF control flew 496 sorties inclg 292 transports, 16 recon, 1 lflt drop, 22 ftr control 165 cmbt of which 8 by RAAF, 15 by SAAF, 1 by ROKAF. Of 23 close spt sorties, 15 in I Corps, 4 in IX Corps, 4 in III ROK Corps sector. 61 armed recon acft atkd mil tgts in 24 areas inclg Kunchon, Chorwon and Kang-Dong BU 4836. Two counter air sorties flew escort. (34 nite intruder acft atkd mil tgts in 29 areas inclg Hamhung, Pyongyang, Sinanju and Koto-Ri CV 5660).

FEAF Bom Com flew 28 eff sorties: 12 acft 19th BG vis bbd military tgts at Wonsan and Sariwon with exc results. 12 acft 307th BG vis and with radar assist bbd mil tgts at Chaeryong and Wonsan with unobsd to exc results. Three acft 91st Recon Sq accomplished surveillance, BDA and photo with poor to exc results. One acft 98th BG on nite leaflet drop with unreptd results.

FEAF COCARGOM's 292 sorties airlifted 857 pas, 140 evacs and 1139.7 tons freight.

FEAF Bom Com today dispatched 25 acft. 21 acft 98th BG vis bbd mil barracks area BU 5424 with poor to exc results. (1 acft 98th BG on nite leaflet drop with results unreptd.) Three acft 91st Recon Sq conducted surveillance with good results.

FEAF claims en losses for pd: Pers 22, vehs 43 and 12, sup carts 1, POL dump 1 and 1, brdg 1 and 1, pack animals 14, gun psns 2, CP's 3 and 10, RR cars 3 dam.

Opns planned for 2 Jan 51: B-29: 67 cmbt ready (CR), 0 to be employed (TBE). BOMCOM auth to stand down for preparation of maximum effort of 3 Jan 51. Lite bmsr: 65 CR, 47 TBE. Ptrs: 264 CR, 262 TBE. Transports: 155 CR, 126 TBE.

C. Navy: Korea East Coast:

Air: No rept recd from TF 77 for 31 Dec.

Surgace: Massey and Forrest Royal expended 69 rds of AA common at gun in cave and hwy intersection on coast vic Kyongsong; direct hits observed on gun. Lind relieved Sperry on gun fire support duty at Chosan-Ni sector. Sperry en route Sasebo; Hank on duty with Sperry. Gloucester and Gallup secured ASW patrol off

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Pusan; en route Sasebo. Mainstay, Redhead, Pelican, Tawakoni, LST Q 012 en route Pusan for rendezvous with Osprey, Mockingbird, Chatterer, thence proceed vic Yangyang for minesweeping. Marsh arrived Pusan for power sup duty; Foss at Ulsan, Wiseman at Masan, also on power sup duty.

Mines: Floating mine repta at 33-43 N 127-30 E.

Japan Sea:

Mines: Another mine found 311520 I Dec on beach between Wiu and Sugahama West Coast of Honshu, aprx 35-43 N 135-58 E, near place where 2 mines were found 28 Dec.

Korea West Coast:

Air: TG 96.8 acft under direction of 25th Div Air Controller provided close support SE of Kumchon; burned 60% 3 villages: 60% 3 villages: Killed 42 trps; Destroyed 1 concrete blockhouse and damaged another; Destroyed 3 fld pieces at mouth of tunnel. Armed recon of Kumchon, Sariwon, Chinnampo road areas revealed no activity. Also no activity on Ongjin, Haeju, Chinnampo, Onsei-Ri. Afld with 3 500 lb bombs. Total sorties, 50.

Korea West Coast:

Surface: No change in disposition of Naval vessels except Charity and Athabaskan departed Sasebo, en route Inchon. Bass with UDT 1 aboard returned to Inchon from Kunsan.

Mines: None repta.

Formosa Strait: No unusual sightings repta.

La Perouse Strait: No significant sightings repta.

D. Soviet participation: Nothing to repta.

E. Weather:

Summary for pd 311800 I to 011800 I: Korea, brkn to ovcast low clds N of 36 degs until 010300 I, then becoming scd low clds remainder of pd. Vis restricted to 3-5 miles in haze and snow showers to 010300 I. Then becoming 8 miles.

Fcst 011800 I to 021800 I: Korea, clear to scd low clds thruout Korea. Vis good. Min temp battle area 12 deg F.

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A. Ground opns past 24 hrs:

1. Points of contact: CT 1000, CT 1406, CT 1507, CT 1401 to CT 1801, CS 2197, CS 2192, CS 2393, CS 2692, CT 2208, CT 2807, CT 3208, CT 3807, CT 3808, CT 3906, CT 4105, CT 4108, CT 4207, CT 4306, CT 4406, loc several contact pts in 2d ROK Div sector unk, CT 8005, CT 8607, DS 2396, DS 3194, DS 3489 and DS 5085.

2. Ident and OB: Negative.

3. US Army. Adv CP Seoul. Eff 31 Dec, US 1st Mar Div and US 3d Inf Div reld from atchmt US X Corps and reverted in place, to Opn control US Army Eight as Army Res.

(a) I US Corps: CP vic Nokpon-Ni CS 1864.

25th US Div sector: CP vic CS 1272. Agents reptd obsvd: Aprx 900 NK trps mvg S to BS 9796 on 28 Dec; est 1000 NK trps vic BS 9997 on 29 Dec; est 1000 NK trps mvg E twd CT 0301 night 28-29 Dec. Air obsvd 200 en vic BS 9797 and atkd est 400 en mvg S and SE out of Kaesong (BT 8505) inflicting undet nbr cas 31 Dec. No en contact reptd. Units cont occupation of def psns. US 24th and 35th RCTs along gen line from BS 9785 to CS 0491 to CS 1097. US 27th RCT in Div Res vic Wijon-Ni CS 0585.

1st ROK Div sector: Ptrls reptd fol en locations, believed CCF, AM 31 Dec; Bn vic CT 1206, co vic CT 1406; 2 cos vic CT 1447, co vic CT 1505; plt vic CT 1506. Est 200 en w/d fr vic CT 1446 after engaging 2 friendly cos in 2½ hr fire fight ending 311530 I. Shortly after, this en gp reinfd by est en co atkd same vic causing slight friendly w/d. En co atkd friendly co vic CT 1507 at 311300 I; fight ceased at 311930 I when friendly unit w/d S of river. High vel GP or tk fire recd by 17th FA Bn vic CT 1802 and mortar fire reptd falling vic CT 1905 and CT 2405 at 311800 I. Est en bn reptd mvg E vic CT 1905 and en co located vic CT 1705 at 311845 I; both units S of river. En co S of river vic CT 2208 atkd elms 12th ROK Regt at 311935 I; atk repulsed 1 hr later and en co mvd E to CT 2407. Large en conc reptd vic CT 1206 and 4-5 en tks reptd (unconf) vic CT 1806, both locations N of river. Atk by est 2 en bns at 311930 I drove wedge into friendly lines to vic CT 1701. Atk reptd contained by 312200 I; however, hvy pressure by same en force early AM 1 Jan caused 12th ROK Regt w/d to vic CS 2488. En penetrated 13,000 yds to CS 2192. Elm regrouping vic CS 2488. Elms 11th ROK Regt repulsed attempt by est en bn to cross river vic CT 1000 at 312230 I. Grd sources reptd en undet str crossed river vic CT 1503 and CT 1905 at 312200 I. Undet nbr en infiltrated S and engaged

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friendly elms vic CS 2197 at 010130 I. 2 bns 15th ROK Regt last reptd heavily engaged with est 2 en bns along line CT 1401 to CT 1801. En atkd Btry C, 9th FA Bn while w/d vic CS 2393 at 010300 I resulting loss 4 friendly arty pieces. ROK 11th Regt reformed def psns along gen line from CT 1100 to CT 1401. 1st Bn ordered to atk en penetration; results not reptd.

29th Inf Brig Group (UK): Cont in Corps Res; patrolled in rear areas.

(b) IX US Corps: CP Seoul. 6th ROK Div sector: Elms 19th ROK Regt repulsed en atks of undet str vic CT 3807 and CT 3906 at 311200 I; slight loss psn latter location. Est CCF co atkd friendly elms vic CT 3808 at 010005 I; results unreptd. En atks in co str vic CT 3208 and CT 2807 repulsed at 010305 I; no change psns. Ptrls reptd large column en trps marching S from CT 3215 to CT 3111 at 010300 I. Est en bn atkd ROK Regt CP vic CS 2692 at 010415 I; rslts unreptd. As of 011045 I, 19th ROK Regt reptd right flank psns w/d slightly under atk from 3 directions by undet nbr en. ROK 7th and 19th Regts along gen line from CT 2506 to CT 3208 to CT 3605. 2d Bn, ROK 2d Regt moved to def psns on div left flank; 1st Bn moved to blocking psns on div right flank; 3d Bn cont in div res vic CT 3201.

24th US Div sector: Fwd CP vic CS 2760. En arty and mortar fire began falling along div front at 311800 I at rate 1 rd every 10 min. Est en co broke thru oplr on div left boundary and adv to vic CT 3906 at 312120 I; fighting in progress as of 010010 I. 19th Inf held against en atks undet str vic CT 4207, CT 4306 and CT 4406 at 312200 I; small en grp infiltrated S during atks. Elms 19th Inf reptd being under en atk vic CT 4105 at 010250 I; results unreptd. US 19th and 21st RCTs in def psns along gen line from CT 3605 to CT 4207 to CT 4904. US 5th Inf RCT (-) in div res vic Songu-Ri CS 3788; 1st Bn en route to vic Sinyu-Ri CS 4296.

US 1st Cav Div (Inf): CP Seoul. Units cont to establish and maintain blocking psns along Seoul-Kapyong CS 6987 axis. US 7th Cav RCT vic CS 4063. US 8th Cav RCT vic Masogu-Ri CS 5168. Elms of US 5th Cav RCT closed vic CS 4955 and CS 5771. 10th BCT (Philippine) closed vic CS 5148. Greek Inf Bn vic CS 3864.

27th Br Com Inf Brig: Remained in Corps Res vic Uijongbu CS 2878; units patrolling rear areas and protecting Han River bridges in Corps sector.

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(a) Army forces, ROK: CP at Taegu.

ROK III Corps: CP at Yangpyong CS 6749.

2d ROK Div sector; elms 32d ROK Regt repulsed en atk undet str at 311900 I. 17th and 31st ROK Regts each reptd recvg aprx 30 rds arty and/or mortar fire at 311930 I. En atk caused 17th ROK Regt outpost to w/d at 312155 I. Est 3 CCF Bns obsvd mvg to front

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opposite 31st ROK Regt gen vic CT 7307 during night 31 Dec-1 Jan. 32d ROK Regt under atk by est 2 en bns and 17th ROK Regt under atk by est en bn; time presumably early AM 1 Jan. ROK 17th, 32d and 31st Regts in def psns in order from left to right along gen line CT 5104 to CT 6606 to CT 7705.

5th ROK Div sector: 36th ROK Regt oplr penetrated by est en regt vic CT 8005 and 35th ROK Regt oplr likewise penetrated by est en regt vic CT 8607. ROK 36th, 35th, and 27th Regts cont in def psns in order from left to right along gen line from CT 7704 to CT 8404 to CT 9405.

ROK 8th Div: ROK 16th Regt cont in def psns along line from CT 9505 to DT 0006. ROK 10th Regt cont in def psns along gen line from DT 0006 to DT 1005. ROK 3d Regt, atchd from ROK 7th Div, cont in def psns from DT 0008 to DT 0707. ROK 21st Regt (-) in Div res vic DT 0101, 1st Bn on gen line from DT 0504 to DT 0605.

ROK 7th Div (-): ROK 8th Regt cont in def psns vic CS 9496 and along gen line from DT 0400 to DT 1000. ROK 5th Regt closed vic CS 9263 and atkd east; contacted en grp vic CS 9463.

ROK II Corps: CP at Wonju DS 0733.

3d ROK Div sector: 18th ROK Regt ptrls reptd est 3000 en vic DS 2192 and DS 2190 at 311600 I. Est 200 en reptd in contact with elms 22d ROK Regt vic DS 2396 at 311600 I. ROK 18th Regt last reptd vic DT 1103 and DT 1403. ROK 22d Regt (-) in psns vic DT 1901 and DT 2201. 1st Bn in psn along gen line from DS 1491 to DT 2000. ROK 23d Regt (-) in div res vic Hongchon DS 0372; 2d Bn en route to vic DS 0361.

I ROK Corps: CP at Kangnung DS 9177.

9th ROK Div sector: 2d Bn 29th ROK Regt in contact with est 400 en vic DS 3489 as of 301800 I. 1500 en reptd mvg E vic DS 2981 (time unreptd). Est 1000 en engaged with 28th ROK Regt vic DS 3194 at 301400 I; 178 en KIA, 26 PWs from 12th NK Div captd. ROK 28th Regt (-) along gen line from DS 3091; 2d Bn on gen line from DS 3388 to DS 3586. ROK 29th Regt (-) in def psns vic Hupyong-Ni DS 3693 and DS 3490; 1st Bn en route to vic DS 5588. ROK 30th Regt (-) vic Changchon-Ni DS 4780; 1st Bn vic DS 5588.

Cap ROK Div sector: 3d Bn 26th ROK Regt reptd engaged with est 1000 en vic DS 5085 at 302200 I; 70 en KIA. ROK 1st Cav Regt vic Osongjon-Ni DS 7099, DS 5589 and along gen line from DT 5504 to DT 6205. ROK 1st Regt (-) along gen line from DT 5706 to DT 6014 to DT 6818; 3d Bn along gen line from DT 6806 to DT 7311. ROK 26th Regt (-) en route to vic DS 5588; ROK 1st and 2d Secty Bns; no reptd change.

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ROK 11th Div: Div (ROK 3d, 5th, 6th and 7th Scty Bns etchd) cont patrolling and sweeping opns in sector.

(b) US X Corps: CP Kyongju EQ 1967. Released opns control of US 1st Mar Div and US 3d Inf Div to US Army Eight.

US 7th Inf Div: CP Yongchon DQ 9479. Div (-) in assy area vic Yongchon; US 17th RCT en route to Chechon DS 3010 area.

(c) US 2d Inf Div: CP opened Wonju DS 0733. Div cont mvmt to Wonju-Hongchon DS 0372 area. Elms US 23d RCT cleared en roadblock during adv to vic DS 0262, in contact with en in vic.

(d) US 187th Abn RCT: Remained in Army Res vic Suwon CS 2427.

(e) US 3d Inf Div: CP vic Tongbang-Ri EQ 2362. Cont in assy area vic Tongbang-Ri.

(f) New Zealand Arty Fld Regt: Closed Pusan 31 Dec 50.

(g) US 1st Mar Div: CP vic Masan DP 6197. Units cont reorganization and tng vic Masan.

(h) Canadian Inf Bn: Cont in assy area vic Miryang DQ 7827.

5. Activities in rear areas:

(a) En rear areas: During night 30-31 Dec, air obsvd total 322 vehs of which 207 were southbound (includes 66 in prev SITREP), main axis this mvmt was from Huichon (BV 6749) to Sariwon (YC 4065) and along E coast.

(b) Friendly rear areas: 23d ROK Regt reptd undet nbr en mvg SE vic DS 2748 as of 311115 I. Friendly engr co in contact with est 200 en vic CS 8955 (time unreptd). 5th ROK Regt reptd in contact with est 500 en vic CS 8864 and est 100 en vic CS 9463 at 311000 I. ROK Police reptd 260 en vic CS 9757 at 310400 I and undet nbr en vic DS 2848. Rdblock defended by est 300 en reptd vic CS 9263 at 311300 I. 23d US Inf adv N to DS 0360 and eliminated rdblock (believed prev reptd 1 at DS 0758); 15 en KIA, 25 PWs capt. Est 2 en plts atkd friendly installation vic CS 6067 at 312200 I; results not reptd. Est 500 en reptd in contact with 3d Bn 23d US Inf vic DS 0262 AM 1 Jan.

B. Air opns past 24 hrs (see sit in brief).

C. Navy opns (see sit in brief).

D. Discussion of en capabilities:

1. Frontal atks against Uijongbu-Seoul area: Ens offensive opns presently being conducted against UN psns make this capability one of immediate concern. Currently a force of 6 CCF divs from 38th and 42d Armies (Corps) are disposed opposite 2 main corridors leading into this objective area; 3 additional divs from 40th CCF Corps, believed to be immediately in rear of 38th Corps, and at least 2 divs

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(one each from 39th and 66th Corps) could be quickly employed to exploit initial gains. Already en has initiated hvy atks astride the Yonchon-Seoul corridor with penetration of more than 7 miles reptd in area of ROK 1st Div. It is important to note that atks in this corridor, as well as along other sectors of UN line, obviously were well planned for maximum exploitation of initial thrusts. Practically without exception, en has sought out and directed his atks against always weak areas along Corps and Div boundaries. In addition, in Yonchon-Seoul corridor, en is making his strong atks along high ground flanking main road in obvious effort to bypass strong road defenses and strike deep to the rear.

Implicit in this capability of conducting frontal atk designed to seize Uijongbu-Seoul area is capacity to execute enveloping maneuver either to east or to west in order to block off elms of US IX or I Corps respectively. Of these two courses of action, envelopment of I Corps would offer better opportunity of success, based on present dispositions and road nets in area.

2. Envelopment along Imjin River: En as now disposed could utilize forces totaling at least 5-6 divs for a coordinated CCF-NKA attack against UN left flank positions along the Imjin River. Sufficient time has elapsed since UN occupation of the Imjin River line to permit all necessary reconnaissance and supply requirements to be satisfied, and both terrain and road nets in the area are suitable for such employment of these divs. The Imjin River is definitely a barrier to vehicles, heavy equipment and armor; however recent reports of the freezing of the river reduces the effectiveness of this barrier against foot troops. Should the enemy elect to launch such an attack, it could be either in coordination with a front attack (discussed in 1 above) or as a separate operation designed to weaken or cut off the defending forces north of Uijongbu. Based on current operations, this attack would probably produce best results if utilized under latter condition.

3. Envelopment in direction of Hongchon-Wonju: This capability has been acknowledged in previous issues of the daily intelligence summaries; however, increasing activity coupled with a definite shifting of units eastward in this sector has added considerable strength to such an operation. By constant movement of units, local patrol actions, and small scale unit attacks, the enemy has apparently succeeded in infiltrating considerable numbers of troops through front line positions for assembly in rear areas. These particular often-used tactics have served the enemy well in supporting many of his earlier attacks through disruption of rear areas and blocking of withdrawal routes. Undoubtedly, these forces will again be used to strengthen guerrilla forces and to coordinate their efforts

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against rear areas. Should the enemy coordinate this wide envelopment of the Seoul area with the frontal attacks presently being conducted in the Yonchon-Seoul area, the threat imposed to further successful withdrawals to the south would be significant. Wonju is an important road and rail center, dominating east-west movement immediately in rear of present Army Eight positions. Also, it is only 25 miles distant from Chungju, and Ichon; the seizure of either place would limit southward movement of the bulk of UN forces to one major route.

4. Operations along the east coast: Another of the component sectors of the UN MLR which the enemy has the capability of penetration and envelopment is at the extreme eastern end. Hostile strength in this area is indicated by reports of both concentration and infiltration. Recent reports of probing action being conducted by elms of bn size lend considerable significance to this sector. While the coastal road and paralleling railroad bed, the normal avenues for the enemy to use in such an endeavor, are subject to continuous interdiction effort by UN Naval craft, the ability of the enemy to accomplish forward displacement without resorting to established lines of communication is definitely accepted. Army Eight SITREP Nbr 447 reports 1000 enemy engaged by elms of ROK Cap Div and 1000 by elms of 9th ROK Div in areas sufficiently deep in the UN line to indicate a definite plan is afoot to try and flank the eastern part of the line. Further logic is added to this conclusion by reports of the southward displacement of the CCF and NK forces recently released from missions contiguous to Hungnam. This force, consisting of at least 4 CCF Armies (Corps) and one NK Corps, poses a potential which must be considered for possible use in this sector. Enemy success in such an action would:

- (1) Release sizeable guerrilla forces for employment elsewhere;
- (2) Assist attacking forces reported infiltrating south from Yongpo toward Wonju.

E. No info.

F. Completed air drop 30 Dec Chinese anti-morale lflts (270,000 Serial 7021, 450,000 Serial 7022) and Korean anti-morale lflts (200,000 Serial 1038 and 50,000 Serial 9008).

G. Nothing to rept.

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No significant developments to rept.

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Folg ident and ob from Eight Army SITREP Nbr 448 endg  
011500 I Jan: 1 Chinese PW captured on 31 Dec by US 19th Regt,  
ident the 342d Regt, 114th Div, 38th CCF Army. 1 Chinese PW  
captured in 5th ROK Div sector on 1 Jan claimed unit to be  
1st Bn, 326th Regt, 109th Div, 37th CCF Army (indep), 3d Fld  
Army. This is 3d PW to be taken from this Army. 1st PW  
captured vic Unsan YE 4028 on 5 Nov ident his unit as 11th  
Div, 37th CCF Army and 2d PW taken vic Singnang Ni BU 5565  
on 30 Nov claimed to be a member of 37th CCF Army (Div Unk).

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Ident and ob: An off PW from the 3d Regt, 6th NK Div  
stated that his div consisting of about 9,000 trps, together with  
the 25th Regt, 10th NK Div, 2CCF Regts, and 3 guer units  
was located in the vic of Inje (DT 1117) on 25 Dec. (A)

Comment: It is believed that the 10th NK Div has  
subsequently moved S toward Chunchon.

2 PWs from the 3d Regt, 38th NK Div stated that their  
Div departed Kokson 25 Dec for the vic of Chunchon (CS 8890). (A)

Coincident with the shift on the V and II NK Corps to the  
E, there has been a definite displacement of NK forces southward.  
Ident NK Divs that have moved S are the 2d, 10th and 12th  
NK Div.

A ROK Intelligence rept indicates the possibility of the  
presence of a Chinese Regt in the vic of Odae San (DS 5982).  
Further info obtained by interrogation indicates that 3  
Chinese Divs crossed the Yalu Riv 13 Dec. The units split  
after crossing the Yalu, and according to the informant, 1  
unit went to Haeju, 1 to Kaesong and 1 to Kachon (SC 9811).

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A PW captured in the vic of Hachowon-N1 (DS 0458) on 31 Dec stated that he was from the 3d Regt, 12th NK Div, 2d NK Corps. The PW stated that AF of 20 Dec, the mission of the Div was to break through UN Lines, join active guer bands, and conduct guer warfare. As of 26 Dec, the Div mission was to seize Wonju. 2 more prisoners captured in the vic of Hoengsong claimed that the entire 12th NK Div was in that vic and was cont to move to the W. (C)

Repts obtained by the 22d ROK Regt from KWS repta that the entire 10th NK Div comprising aprx 4,000 trps was located in the vic of Togwan N1 (DS 2290) and was preparing to move S. (C)

(A) Eight Army SITREP Nbr 445.

(B) COMNAVFE 18386.

(C) Eight Army SITREP Nbr 477.

A CCF PW from the 196th Div, 66th Army, captured by the 31st ROK Regt claimed that the 66th CCF Army was deployed with 2 Divs on line opposite the W flank of the 2d ROK Div. The PW further stated that according to a fld order given verbally on 27 Dec, the 196th Div was to spearhead the atk of the 66th CCF Army. Further that the 42d CCF Army was deployed on the W and the 50th CCF Army on the E of the 66th CCF Army.

A Chinese prisoner from the 113th Div, 38th CCF Army stated that the 38th, 40th, and 42d CCF Armies were to atk on the nite of 31 Dec-1 Jan. The atk was to be in depth, spearheaded by the 42d, followed by the 38th and 40th respectively.

A CCF PW taken in the Chunchon Area (CS 8792) 1 Jan 51 claims that his unit is the 109th Div, 37th CCF Army.

Comment: The 109th and 111th Divs of the 37th CCF Army were prev repta (DIS 3027, 3026) to be in Korea in the NE sector. However this is the 1st prisoner taken from this Army. It may indicate that some of the units prev in contact with X Corps in the Hamhung Area have succeeded in displacing southward to the Eight Army front. 37th CCF Army is tentatively accepted.

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A. CCF Arty: Repts recd during past few days indicate increased tempo in mvmts of tks and Arty, and it is believed that CCF on the Eight Army central front has succeeded in massing a relatively hvy conc of Arty to support their impending offensive.

B. Latest PW repts partially confirmed by past Air and ground observations, and info from other usually reliable sources indicate gen eastward shift of major elms of the II and V NK Corps. Prev PWs have indicated that mission of 2d and 12th NK Divs, with aggregate str of aprx 8,000 trps, is to infiltrate UN lines and conduct guer warfare. 1 PW from 12th NK Div captured 28 Dec 50, stated his div located generally between Odae San (DS 5282) and Taegi San (DS 3761). Agent rept 17th Regt, 2d NK Div, II NK Corps headed toward Wonju (DS 0634). On 1229 Dec (probably means 1200 on 29 Dec) adv elms 300 trps located in vic of 5 kilometers NE of Hoengsong (DS 1149).

Air and grd repts confirm the presence of en trps in str within the indicated area, is equivalent to str of above 2 units. ROK returnee has reptd (hearsay) mission of V NK Corps was to adv to Chungju (DR 0591) thru Wonju, and sever UN lines of comm. Mission of 6th NK Div was to seize Wonju. PW indicated 6th Div and elms of 10th NK Div have shifted eastward from front of III ROK Corps to the Inje Section, and are in position to exploit any break in UN lines along Inje-Wonju. At present, total est str of ident units in gen area of Hwachon and east, is 42,500. Of this possible total 8,000 and an additional 3,500-7,500 guerrillas are presently believed operating behind the Eight Army E front.  
(END FEC-6)



INFORMATION: COMMANDER IN CHIEF, CHIEF OF STAFF, G-1, G-2, G-3, G-4, DIPLOMATIC, FEAFF, COMNAVFE

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31 Dec 50

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PARTICIPATING HQ : WASH AND CINCPAC

NR : DA TT 4183

SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

Present Washington:

Brig Gen J Weckerling

Col G C Daeson

Capt J M Ocker

Mr H H Heintzelman

Mr J W Lydman

Lt Col C A Curtis

Lt Col R L Goerder

Lt Col M F Gilchrist

Maj W Morgan

Capt C C Quigley

Lt D J Kutchera

Lt Col H E Brown Jr

G-2

G-2

ONI

CIA

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JIG

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G-3

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SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

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PARTICIPATING HQ : CINCFE AND WASH  
NR : DA TT 4183  
SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

Present Tokyo:

Maj Gen C A Willoughby	G-2
Col P Cooper	G-2
Col T R Hannah	G-3
Lt Col K N Heyne	G-1
LCDR H R Fleck	COMNAVFE
Maj P J Corso	G-2
Capt J G Polk	DI FEAF
Capt M M Ferguson	G-3

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A. Army:

Hostile activity in Yongpo Area for past several days has now clearly developed into large-scale infiltration SW toward Hongchon-Wonju corridor. Air and ground repts indicate large en grps and hundreds of refugees are moving S and SW along axis of penetration. Two strongly defended en roadblocks have been repta between Hongchon and Hoengsong. 2d Bn 23d ROK Regt moving S from Hongchon and Bn from 2d US Div moving N from Wonju are attempting to eliminate these road blocks; no rept of progress. Regt of 9th ROK Div was repta in contact with an equal size hostile unit 5 mi SW of Yongpo. Situation not clear as to exact en locations in 9th ROK Div Sector. On remainder of front, action was limited to 3 scattered patrol clashes; however, air repts indicated marked increase of hostile activity opposite ROK 1st and 6th Divs. Most significant sightings included large nbr of

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various caliber arty pieces; aprx 35 of these en weapons were destroyed or damaged by air stks. As of 302400 I, all pers and 94 per cent equip of 3d US Div closed in assembly area vic Tongbang (EQ 2362). 7th US Div now preparing for mvmt to Chechon (DS 3010) area.

FLASH: En intentions in Yongpo Area are somewhat clarified by PW repts which state the 2d and 12th NK Divs, with an aggregate str of 8,000 were assigned mission of infiltrating thru UN Lines twd Wonju to conduct guerrilla opns.

B. Air:

During 24 hr pd endg 302400 I, UN Acft under FEAF control flew 758 sorties inclg 253 transport, 26 recon, 1 leaflet drop, 48 ftr control, 430 combat of which 2 by RAAF and 14 by SAAF. Of 153 close spt sorties, 65 in I Corps, 41 in IX Corps, 2 in I ROK Corps, 17 in II ROK Corps, 28 in III ROK Corps Sectors. 152 armed recon acft atkd mil tgts in 85 areas inclg Sukchon, Ichon, Kujang-Dong, Oro-Ri and Yonghung. 44 counter air sorties of which 33 CAP and 11 escort. 17 nite intruder acft atkd mil tgts 13 areas inclg Sariwon, Pyongyang and Kaesong.

FEAF Bom Com flew 27 eff sorties: 11 acft 19th BG vis bbd mil tgts at Chorwon, village (CT 4236) and RR bridge (BA 7753) with fair to exc results. One add acft landed Itazuke W/results unreptd. 11 acft 307th BG vis bbd Chorwon and RR Bridge (YD 4995) W/fair to exc results. Three acft 91st Recon Sq accomplished surveillance and pinpoint photography of NK Sup Centers. One acft 98th BG on nite leaflet drop W/unreptd results.

FEAF COCARCOM's 253 sorties airlifted 1,172 pas, 421 evacs and 830.6 tons freight.

FEAF Bom Com today dispatched 29 acft. 12 acft 19th BG vis bbd Sariwon and Wonsan W/exc results. 12 acft 307th BG vis bbd Choeryong and Wonsan W/exc results. One acft 98th BG on nite leaflet drop W/results unreptd. Four acft 91st Recon Sq flew surveil.

16 F-86 acft were atkd by 4 waves of MIG-15s, est total of 36 at 301515 I near Sinuiju (XE 1840). F-86s engaged by en acft from Sinuiju to aprx 10 mi N of Pyongyang. Unassessed pilot claims account for 2 MIGs dam and negative dam reprd to friendly acft.

FEAF claims en losses for pd: Pers 415, MIG-15 acft 1 and 3, tks 3 and 2, vehs 51 and 52, sup carts 34 and 32, en occ bldgs 417 and 390, sup dumps 2, POL dumps 6 and 1, ammo dump 1, fld

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pieces 19 and 32, pack animals 122, half-tracks 1 and 9, loco 1, RR cars 6, RR trestle 1, sp gun 1, fuel tk 1, village 4, tents 25, bridge 1 dam, barge 1 dam.

Ops planned for 31 Dec 50. B-29: 67 combat ready, 23 to be employed. 98th BG: W/22 acft atk mil barracks area at EU 5424, W/1 acft conduct leaflet drop over en trps. Light bmbrs: 65 CR, 47 TBE. Ftrs: 252 CR, 250 TBE. Transports: 154 CR, 125 TBE.

C. Navy:

Korea East Coast:

Air: Prevented by weather from flying AM 30 Dec, TF 77 acft flew 32 close support, interdiction, and recon sorties in afternoon in area S and W of Hwachon Reservoir: Damaged 2 bridges; inflicted over 300 trp casualties, receiving an exceptionally well done from air controller; damaged extensively 4 villages containing trps.

Surface: Massey and Forrest Royal expended 180 rounds of anti-acft common on railroad and highway areas near Kyongsong and Nanam. Hank and Sperry expended 157 rounds of anti-acft common in interdiction of roads and bridges N of Chosan-Ni. Doyle Thompson, and Endicott checksweeping into 20 fathom curve for Hank and Sperry gunfire support ops. ROK Navy Intelligence delayed rept stated: Possible Chinese Regt at Odaesan DS 5982 advancing toward Mukhojin ES 1056. Motor boats and 32 junks will transport 800 refugees from Mukhojin to Koje-Do DP 7557.

Mines: None repta.

Korea West Coast:

Air: TQ 96.8 cancelled all flights 30 Dec due to weather.

Surface: No change in gunfire support ships at Inchon and NW Korea surface patrols. Carmick en-route Sasebo. ROK Navy Intelligence delayed rept stated POW interrogation rept indicates that 3 Chinese Divs crossed Yalu River 13 Dec; divided into 3 parts--1 part at Haeju, 1 part at Kaesong, 1 part at Kachon in vic XC 9811. Organization and equip: Four sections in 1 platoon, 3 platoons in 1 co; 1 bn estimated contain 4,000 men and have 6 59 MM guns, 8 hvy trench mortars, 12 hvy machine guns, 9 light machine guns; 40 per cent of men have Jap 38 Rifles; remainder have various types. Police Chief at Yonan BS 5099 repta 4 jet planes of unk nationality atkd Yonan 27-28 Dec at 1600 I; losses -- 11 killed, 50 wounded, 20 houses burned. ROK JML 302 operating in this area contacts police at Yonan and Chongdan YC 5805 for info.

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Mines: None reptd.

Formosa Strait: No unusual sightings reptd.

La Perouse Strait: No significant sightings reptd.

D. Nothing to rept.

E. Weather:

Summary for pd 301800 I to 311800 I: Korea, clear throughout Korea until 310600 I then brkn to overcast low and middle clds north of 37 N, scd low clds south of 37 N visibilities good until 310600 I then restricted in haze and snow showers to 3-6 miles.

Fest 311800 I to 011800 I: Korea, brkn to overcast low and middle clds throughout NK becoming scd low clds after 010600 I. Southern Korea brkn low and middle clds throughout pd. Scd snow showers and early morning haze to reduce visibilities to 3-5 miles. Min temps in battle areas 20 degs F.  
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MILITARY SITUATION

A. Ground ops past 24 hrs.

1. Points of contact: CT 2813, CT 3009, CT 7007, DS 1901, DS 2398, DS 2597, DS 3091 to DS 3291, DS 2782, DS 2379, DS 0362.  
2. Ident and OB: 38th NK Div and 3d NK Brig accepted opposite III ROK Corps. 8th NK Div tentatively accepted in reserve on UN right flank.

3. United States Army.

(a) US Army Flight: Adv CP Seoul.

US I Corps: CP via Nalpon-Ni CS 1864. 25th US Div Sector: CP via CS 1272. No en contact reptd. Air atkd 2 T-34 tks via BT 7814 at 301515 I, results undet, and en conc via CT 0203 at 301800 I inflicted sizeable nbr casu. Units cont occupation of def pans. US 24th and 35th RCT's along gen line from BS 9785 to CS 0491 to CS 1097. US 27th RCT in Div res via Wajon-Ni CS 0585. 1st ROK Div sector: Air reptd: Dest 5 arty pos via CT 0918 at 291530 I; atkd undet nbr canou arty pos and possibly tks via CT 0918 at 291605 I; dest 2 arty pos via CT 2541 at 291920 I. Patrol reptd contact with small CCF grp via CT 2813 at 300450 I. During early AM 30 Dec, ptrls obsvd fol: CCF co via CT 2315; reinf CCF co via CT 2412; CCF co via CT 2413; CCF plt via CT 2628. Reptd that 2 CCF bns mvd fwd to front of 12th ROK Regt 30 Dec; no contact. Imjin River along div front reptd well frozen. On 30 Dec, air reptd: Dest en tk via CT 0915; atkd tks via CT 0815 and via CT 1038; atkd 4 arty pos via CT 1910 and others via CT 1510; atkd 30 wens towing arty via CT 1109; atkd numerous arty and sups via CT 1015, atkd tks, arty pos, large nbr tops and sups via CT 1508, atkd en top conc via CT 2210. CCF reptd adv to key terrain pans N bank of Imjin River opposite div lines AM 31 Dec. ROK 11th and 12th Regts cont in def pans along gen line from CS 1097 to CT 1103 to CT 1603 to CT 2507. 3d Bn, ROK 15th Regt in pans along line from CT 1701 to CT 1903 to CT 2002. 29th Inf Brig Grp (UK): Remained in Corps res; patrolled in rear areas.

IX US Corps: CP Seoul. 6th ROK Div sector: Est CCF co caused 7th ROK Regt ptrl w/d from opsr via CT 3010 at 302035 I and remained in contact via CT 3009. Air reptd: Dest 5 lvy arty

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pos and 14 light arty pos vic CT 2828 midafternoon 30 Dec; dest 4 arty pos vic CT 3817 and obsvd 8-10 other arty pos same area at 301635 I. Units maintained blocking pos and patrolled. ROK 7th and 19th Regts along gem line from CT 2506 to CT 3107 to CT 3605. Em stnd cplr vic CT 3010; friendly plat w/d to vic CT 3009. ROK 2d Regt in div res vic CT 3201. US 24th Inf Div: Fwd CP vic CS 2760. US 19th and 21st BCT's cont in def pos along gem line from CT 3605 to CT 4207 to CT 4904. US 5th Inf RCT in div res vic Songu-Ri CS 3788. US 1st Cav Div (Inf): Units maintained blocking pos along Seoul-Kapyong CS 6987 axis. US 7th Cav RCT vic CS 4063. US 8th Cav RCT vic Masogu-Ri CS 5168. US 5th Cav RCT vic Sangchon-Ni CS 6381 and Kuan-Ni CS 5770; elms moved to vic CS 6286 to assist elm ROK 2d Div engaging guerrillas in area; results not reptd. 10th BCT (Philippines) cont in assy area vic Suwon CS 2427. Creek Inf Bn moved to vic CS 3864. 27th Br Com Inf Brig: Remained in Corps res vic Uljongbu CS 2878; units patrolling rear areas and protecting Han River bridges in Corps sector.

US X Corps: CP Kyongju BQ 1967. US 7th Inf Div: CP Yongchon BQ 9479. Units cont reorganization vic Yongchon; elms preparing to move to vic Chechon DS 3010. US 3d Inf Div: CP vic Tongbang-Ri BQ 2362. Cont in assy area vic Tongbang-Ri. As of 302400 I, 100% pers and 94% equip of div closed in assy area. US 1st Mar Div: CP vic Masan DP 6197. Units cont reorganization and trg vic Masan.

Army separate units.

2d US Div sector: CP vic Chungju DR 0592. Air obsvd est 600 em movg W vic DS 1357 at 301430 I. ROK source repted est 400 em defending rd block vic DS 0260 at 301700 I and additional 700 em approaching same vic fr E and NE. Em of undet str reptd located aprx 2,500 yds W this rd block. ROK source also reptd est 300 em at rd block vic DS 0758 (Comment: This grp believed accounted for in above 700).., est 100 em established rd block vic CS 9462 as of 301800 I. Em disrupted tel comm between Hongchon (DS 0272) and Hoengsong (DS 1149) at 301930 I. Earlier in day, undet nbr em drove ROK police fr town vic DS 1455. Hundreds refugees reptd movg into Hoengsong fr E and NE thence S towd Wonju (DS 0733). US 23d BCT (-) and French Inf Bn vic Wonju DS 0733, 2d Bn en route to engage em grp vic DS 0260. Other elm of div enroute to Wonju, Hongchon DS 0372 area. US 72d TK Bn closed Kunchon BQ 2197, en route to vic Uljongbu CS 2878 to be atchd to US IX Corps upon arrival.

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Canadian Inf Bn: Closed in assy area vic Miryang DC 7827.

US 187th Abn RCT: Remain ~~TELECON~~ Army res vic Suwon CS 2427.

Japan Log Comd: No change.

Army Forces, ROK: CF at Taegu.

ROK III Corps: CF at Yangpyong CS 6749.

2d ROK Div sector: 150 guer prev reprd vic CS 6286 now surrounded by div elms and elms 5th US Cav Regt, results not reprd. Ptrls reprd obsvg 500 en vic CT 7011, 300 en vic CT 6611 and 100 vic CT 4909 on 29 Dec; no en acty obsvd between these grps. Elms 31st ROK Regt atkd CCF ptrl vic CT 7007 at 301100 I; 3 CCF off KIA, 1 CCF off capt.

ROK 17th, 32d and 31st Regts cont in def psns in order from left to right along gen line CT 5104 to CT 6606 to CT 7705.

ROK 5th Div: ROK 36th, 35th and 27th Regts cont in def psns in order from left to right along gen line from CT 7704 to CT 8404 to CT 9405.

ROK 8th Div: ROK 16th Regt cont in def psns along line from CT 9505 to DT 0006. ROK 10th Regt cont in def psns along gen line from DT 1005. ROK 3d Regt, atchd from ROK 7th Div, cont in def psns from DT 0008 to DT 0707. ROK 21st Regt (-) in div res vic DT 0101, one bn on gen line from DT 0504 to DT 0605.

ROK 7th Div (-): ROK 8th Regt cont in def psns vic CS 9496 and along gen line from DT 0400 to DT 1000. ROK 5th Regt en route to assy area vic CS 9263.

ROK II Corps: CF at Wonju DS 0733.

3d ROK Div sector: Undet nbr en ambushed several vehs vic DS 0260 at 300900 I. Air reprd obsvg est 1,500 en in fire fight with ROK trps this vic at 301430 I; further details unreprd. Ptrls reprd fol en concs as of 292000 I; 500 vic DT 1901; 200 vic DS 2398; 700 vic DS 2597; 300 vic DS 2696; 350 vic DS 2578; 300 vic DS 2779; 380 vic DS 2981; 500 vic DS 2782; undet nbr vic DT 2801, DS 2896, DS 2592 and DS 2379. Air reprd: Obsvd est 1,000 en mvg S fr DS 2874 to DS 2155 and many en trps marching 2 abreast between DS 2874 and DS 3977 (dir mvmt unreprd) morn 30 Dec; atkd numerous en trps, pack animals and supplies vic DT 1416 and DT 1218 at 301000 I. Agents reprd (delayed) est 3,000 CCF mvd thru DT 0454 at 232100 I and est CCF regt passed thru same area 24 Dec all mvg S twd Yanggu (DT 1117). Elms 22d ROK Regt reprd est 2,000 en vic DS 2793 and another grp of 2,000 en vic DS 2697 at 302140 I; no contact reprd.

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ROK 18th Regt advancing N from psns vic DT 1103 and DT 1403.  
ROK 22d Regt advancing N from psns vic DT 1901 and DT 2201. Elms  
ROK 23d Regt cont en route to engage en rd block vic DS 0260; re-  
mainder of regt remained in div res vic Hongchon DS 0372.

ROK I Corps: CP at Kangnung DS 9177.

9th ROK Div sector: Civ repts est 1,800 en vic DS 3874 at  
290100 I but ptrls unable to contact, or contact prev repts 5,000  
en vic DS 5286 on 30 Dec. Est en regt in contact with 1st and 3d  
Bns 28th ROK Regt vic DS 3091 to DS 3291 as of 291800 I. Div elms  
repts lge conc CCF and NK trps vic DT 4000 on 30 Dec. Sit not  
clear as to exact en locations in div sector as of 301500 I.  
Air sightings indicate en continues to infiltrate S and SW in lge  
nbrs.

2d Bn on gen line from DS 3388 to DS 3586. 1st Bn, ROK 29th  
Regt vic Chongdo-Ri DS 5588; 2d and 3d Bns vic Hupyong-Ni DS 3693.  
1st Bn, ROK 30th Regt occupied psns vic DS 5588, 2d and 3d Bns vic  
Changchon-Ni DS 4780. ROK 1st and 2d Scty Bns atchd to Div; bns  
cont scty missions.

Cap ROK Div sector: 2,000 en prev repts vic DS 7585 could  
not be located by ptrls of 26th ROK Regt as of 291800 I. 1st Bn,  
ROK 1st Cav Regt vic Osongjon-Ni DS 7099; 2d Bn vic DS 5589, atkg  
to destroy en grp vic DS 5588; 3d Bn adv to psn on gen line DT 5504  
to DT 6205. ROK 1st Regt (-) along gen line from DT 5706 to DT  
6014 to DT 6818; 3d Bn along gen line from DT 6806 to DT 7311.  
Elms ROK 26th Regt along gen line from DS 6984 to DS 6887 and from  
DS 8287 to DS 8589; 3d Bn vic DS 5589, atkg to destroy en grp vic  
DS 5588.

ROK 11th Div: Div (with ROK 3d, 5th, 6th and 7th Scty Bns  
atchd cont ptrlg and sweeping opns in sector. ROK 7th Scty Bn  
cont organization and tng vic Tongnae EP 0895.

Activities in rear areas: Air repts: Photo as of 302300 I  
revealed 1500 en mvg SE vic CT 7488; obsvd 66 southbound vehs during  
night 30-31 Dec plus numerous vehs mvg S vic Sinanju (YD 2584)  
and Pyongyang (YD 3820).

B. Air.

Air opns past 24 hrs: (See situation in brief).

C. Navy.

Navy opns (see situation in brief).

D. En intentions and capabilities.

(1) Penetration and envelopment of Army Eight. En forces  
opposite the Army Eight front cont in the advance stages of pre-  
paration for an all out offensive. In Par 2 D TT 4165, the role

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When the weather might play in supporting an en atk on UN forces was discussed and the conclusion reached that 1 or 2 days of bad weather was sufficient to allow the en to mv to fwd assy areas and subsequently launch his all out offensive against UN main def pns. In the regard, the flwg 5 day weather rept for the pd beginning 1 Jan has been received from the Tokyo Wea Central: "Good flying weather on the 1st. A cloud deck will appear on the 2d at 2500 feet and remain and lower thruout a frontal passage expected the morn of 3d. Frontal passage will be accompanied by snow showers. Good flying weather will prevail thruout the rest of pd." The conditions predicted 2-3 Jan represents the longest continuous pd of bad weather which has occurred since mid-Dec and may well be used to advantage by the en to provide air protection for his forces massing for the atk.

(2) En logistical problems: It has previously been determined by analysis of PW interrogations, that the NK div requires about 50 tons of military supplies per day in combat, and it can be assumed that a CCF div has similar requirements. This tonnage is broken into the flwg aprx proportions:

- (1) Food stores-5 tons;
- (2) Forage-3 tons;
- (3) POL 2 tons;
- (4) Munitions-40 tons.

From this it can be seen that the main difficulty for the CCF to overcome involves the single item of munitions. Though it is the habit of the CCF to forage for food in the local area, which source is considered being rapidly depleted in earth-scorched frozen NK, it is now nec to transport the bulk of the food from Manchuria. POL, though a minor item in tonnage, is more difficult to transport, due to the requirement for special packaging. There are no evidences of crippling shortages in POL supplies affecting CCF. The requirements of the CCF are estimated to be 100 freight car loads per day which could be transported on 7 15-car trains. Assuming that air interdiction has reduced the normal capacity of 20 trains per day by 2/3, the bulk of this requirement could still be transported by rail through expedients of emergency repair, off-loading and transshpnt at temporary breaks in the line. Other expedients include use of carts, a limited nbr of trks, and animal and human transport, which are apparently being fully utilized by the CCF. Moreover, unk nbrs of small fishing boats and other coastwise craft are undoubtedly being used to alleviate the logistical problem. Trk transport is difficult for the en to operate

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in extreme cold, due to the relatively poor resources for veh maintenance and opn. Poor quality fuels and lubricants, lack of antifreeze, and the shortage of skilled drivers and mechanics make the full exploitation of his limited motor transport fac impossible. Moreover, these vehicles must operate over extremely poor and disrptd rds, which slows the rate of munt and speeds attrition. This problem is becoming more important to the en, due to the necessity of providing draft for increasing mtrs of arty weapons. To moderate the losses incurred by UN air destruction of supply dumps, the en has been forced to disperse them in small lots, further adding to soty and distribution problems. Even in the face of these difficulties, it is concluded that the en is currently solving his logistical problem and will be able to pursue his military objectives by confining intensive combat to short periods.

E. Nothing to rept.

F. Completed air drop 29 Dec Chinese anti-morale lfts (225,000 Serial 7021, 540,000 Serial 7022) and Korean anti-morale lfts (200,000 Serial 1038 and 50,000 Serial 9008).

G. Nothing to rept.

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Nothing to rept.

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Army Eight SITREP Nbr 445. Endg 311500 I Dec 50 repts folg:  
Units on Army Eight front: Probable location west to east Elms  
tentatively ident 50th CCF Army (Onjong-Ni) BT 5623; 40th  
CCF Army (Ichon CT 1662). 42d CCF Army (Pyongyang CT 5152).  
In contact with friendly units are Elms 7th, 9th and 43d NK  
Rifle Divs, reconstituted 3d NK Rifle Brig, 8th, 17th and  
47th NK Rifle Divs, Elms 39th CCF Army (Uichon BT 9436) and  
Elms 38th CCF Army (Yonchon), facing Elms ROK. 1st and 6th  
Divs and Elms US 24th and 25th Divs: Elms 66th CCF Army  
(Kwangdong-Ni CT 6617), 38th NK Rifle Div, Elms 27th NK  
Rifle Div, reconstituted 4th NK Rifle Div, and Elms 8th  
NK Rifle Regts (Sep), facing ROK 2d, 5th and 8th Divs:  
Reconstituted 31st NK Rifle Div, Elms 15th NK Rifle Div  
and Elms 33d and 34th NK Rifle Regts (Sep), facing ROK  
3d Div; and reconstituted 6th and 12th NK Rifle Divs and  
Elms 2d and 15th NK Rifle Divs facing Elms 9th ROK Div.

Reserves capable of intervention: Uncommitted Elms  
tentatively ident 30th, 32d Armies; uncommitted Elms  
accepted 20th, 26th, 27th CCF Armies; 105th Armd Div, 32d,  
36th, 77th Rifle Divs; reconstituted 1st, 3d, 5th, 41st  
Rifle Divs; tentatively ident 45th NK Rifle Div; and  
possible existing 11th, 14th, 24th NK Rifle Divs. It is  
expected that other NK units carried as unlocated, have  
been reconstituted to as least 50% of TO & E and therefore  
are not considered reserves



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capable of intervention.

38th CCF Army: Chinese PW captured by 7th ROK Regt Vic CT 3011 on 30 Dec ident his unit as 3d Bn, 339th Regt, 113th Div, 38th CCF Army (Corps). PW stated that 38th was to atk with 3 Divs abreast with 112th on left and 114th on right. Atk, to take place on or about 1 Jan, was to be coordinated with gen atk by 42d, 39th and 40th CCF Armies (Corps).

Misc: Latest PW repts partially confirmed by past air and ground obs and info fr other usually reliable sources indicate gen shift eastward of major Elm II and V NK Corps. Prev PWs have indicated mission of 2 and 12 NK Divs with aggregate str aprx 8,000 trps to infiltrate thru UN lines and conduct guerrilla activity. 1 PW fr 12th NK Div captured 29 Dec 50 stated his Div loc gen between Odae San DS 5282 and Taegi San DS 3761. Agent rept that 17th Regt 2d Div II NK Corps was headed twd Wonju DS 0634 on 1229 Dec (Comment: Probably 291200 Dec 50) adv Elm (300 trps) were loc vic 5 kilometers NE of Hoengsong DS 1149. Presence EN trps in str equivalent to above 2 units in indicated area have been confirmed by air and ground repts. ROK returnee has rept (hear-say) that mission of NK V Corps to adv to Cuungju DR 0591 (thru Wonju and sever UN lines of comm and that mission of 6th NK Div was to seize Wonju. PW have indicated that 6th Div and Elm 10th NK Div have shifted eastward fr front ROK III Corps to Inje Sec and are in psn to exploit break in UN lines along Inje-Wonju Axis. At present total est str of ident units in gen Hwachon Area and east is 42,500. Of this possible total of aprx 8,000 in addition 3,500-7,500 guerrillas are presently believed opr behind US Eighth Army East front.

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31 Dec 50 ref USAIRAT, Taipei radio cite CALHK 272, 30 Dec 50 to AFOIN relaying B-2 report that about 20 Russians appeared in Peking last week in CCAF uniforms consisting of long khaki colored overcoats with brass buttons and blue trousers and green or brown whipcord helmets with fur ear

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flaps. Source guessed these were ground crewmen rather than flying pers but commented this one of 1st times Russians seen in CCAF uniforms as previously Russians were in civilian clothes or Russian uniforms. FEC comment: Air Intelligence Digest Jan 50 reptd that Soviet Air Force had adopted new blue uniform. We have no info that CCAF has blue uniform. Possibility exists Soviet pers observed were wearing new SAF uniform.

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31 Dec 50 ref DA Note 1 TT 4158, 262300 Z Dec 50 referring to ALUSNA, Taipei radio 240117 Z and commenting "we doubt very much the presence of Soviet Div in CCF uniforms..." and requesting FEC comment. Also ref your radio to CINCPAC (Pass to Taipei for action) W 99927 relative to Soviet trps in CCF uniform. Possibility exists that observer mistook Soviet winter uniforms for CCF winter uniforms which are almost identical. Suggest you refer to DA Pamphlet 30-2 "the Soviet Army", pages 2 and 57.

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Ref Note 2 23 Nov 50:

Folw are figures presently avail on ports as indicated:

Dec 23	Inchon	Kusan
Gen cargo L/T	No rept	8070
Veh L/T		1310
pers		1653
Dec 24		
Gen cargo L/T	591	5625
Veh L/T	0	1105
pers	0	6091
Dec 25		
Gen cargo L/T	No rept	7735
Veh L/T		1287
pers		677

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Dec 26	Inchon	Pusan
Gen cargo	449	5229
Veh L/T	0	972
Pass	0	6264

Note: Unless otherwise directed, no further reports of tonnages discharged at ports in Korea will be submitted. Refer to TC-58 "daily port status report" for future info on Inchon and Pusan.  
(END FEC-7).

INFORMATION: COMMANDER IN CHIEF, CHIEF OF STAFF, G-1, G-2, G-3, G-4, DIPLOMATIC, FEAF, COMNAVPE



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31 DEC 50

PARTICIPATING HQ : WASH AND CINCPAC  
NR : DA TT 4182  
SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

Present Washington:  
B/Gen J Weckerling  
Col P G Cramer  
Col H O Patteson  
Col J E Thomas  
Mr J C Greely  
Mr W C Trueheart  
Lt Col M F Gilchrist NV  
Lt Col W M Hughes  
Cdr F Welden  
Cdr D C Deane  
Maj L A Turk  
Capt C C Quigley  
Lt H M Rolph

G-2  
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JCS  
APOIN  
CIA  
State  
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PARTICIPATING HQ : CINCPAC AND WASH

NR : DA TT 4182

SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

Present Tokyo:  
M/Gen C A Willoughby  
Col Paul Cooper  
Lt Col W F Northam  
Lt Col S A Young  
Maj W A Wood  
Capt J L Ehlinger  
Capt M M Ferguson

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AFIO COMNAVFE  
DI FEAF  
G-3

SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION  
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A. Army: The sit in 9th ROK Div sector near Yongpo was still obscure last 28 Dec as ea of 3 regts were reported in contact with sizeable en forces; exact locations of contact were unkn. As of 291700 I, a portion of previously lost psns apparently had been retaken; however, a number of large en grps remained behind friendly lines. Hvy refugee tfc mvg both N & SW behind 9th ROK Div psns adds confusion to the obscure sit. 2d US Div has been ordered to the Wonju-Hongchon area to block en mvmt to SE & to counteratk any hostile penetrations. On E coast, elms of Cap ROK Div were reprd engaged with aprx 2,000 en 10 mi NW of Kangnung & the 1st ROK Cav Regt atkd W twd Hachijon at 290600 I to link-up with elms 9th ROK Div. Results of these 2 actions have not been reprd. The 3d ROK Div advanced up to 3,000 yds in the Oron area without encountering hostile opposition. Elsewhere along the UN front, activity was confined to light probing

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atks & patrol skirmishes. A conc of 12 en tks was atkd by air near Hwachon, 7 mi in front of the 5th ROK Div; results were not determined. 3d US Div cleared Pusan at 291900 I.

B. Air. During 24 hr pd endg 292400 I, UN acft under FEAF control flew 721 sorties inclg 243 transport, 14 recon, 1 leaflet drop, 49 ftr control, 414 combat, of which 12 by USMC, 23 by SAAF, 10 by RAAF. Of 135 close spt sorties, 36 in I Corps, 51 in IX Corps, 15 in I ROK Corps, 27 in II ROK Corps, 6 in III ROK Corps sectors. 139 armed recon acft atkd mil tgts opport in 87 areas inclg Anbyon, Wonsan, Pyonggang, Pyongyang, Namchonjom, Taedong-Ni CV 6802 Yonghung CU 5079. 16 counter air sorties inclg 8 escort & 8 CAP. 35 night intruder acft atkd mil tgts 38 areas inclg Paekchon BT 6407, Sinanju & Chongju. 22 light bms atkd mil tgts 6 areas inclg Hwachon & Sunchon.

FEAF Bomb Comd flew 25 eff sorties: 22 acft 98th BG vis bbd Songjin M/Y with exc coverage; 1 acft flew night leaflet mission along en front lines with unrptd results. 2 acft 91st Recon Sq flew photo coverage NK with est good results.

FEAF COCAROM's 243 sorties airlifted 707 psgrs, 349 evacs, 742.6 tons freight.

FEAF Bomb Comd today dispatched 27 acft: 10 acft 19th BG vis bbd Chorwon CT 4335 with fair to exc results; 2 acft vis bbd RR bridges at BA 7573 with poor to good results. 8 acft 307th BG vis bbd Chorwon with exc results; 3 acft vis bbd RR bridge at Kunu-Ri YD 4995 with good results. 1 acft 98th BG on night leaflet mission, results unrptd. 3 acft 91st Recon Sq flew surveil & photo mapping with good to exc results.

8 F-86 acft obsd dust rising from Antung afd XE 0932 at 300830 I & at 300846 I engaged 4 MIG-15 acft vic XE 9050 at 23,000 ft. F-86 acft chased MIGs down to 1,500 ft obtaining hits on tail pipes, wing roots & wing tips. F-86 acft broke off atk at 1,400 ft & shortly thereafter 1 of the flts was atkd by 2 MIGs with no damage. After fight MIGs headed for Yalu River. MIGs armed with 3 cannons in nose firing 700 rds per min. Projectiles exploded at ranges of from 1200 to 1500 ft. MIGs flew very good finger tip formation, had apparently been vectored in by radar control, & alerted by early warning radar. Claims: 1 MIG dest; 1 dam. No friendly losses rptd.

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FEAF claims en losses for pd: 443 pers, tks 1 & 1, trks 2, vehs 31 & 25, boxcars 5, RR cars 5 & 10, sup stack 1 dam, sup carts 34 & 13, en occ/sup bldgs 607 & 431, sup dumps 2 dam, POL dumps 15 & 1, silo 1, ammo dumps 5, comd post 1, whses 5 & 8, RR bridge 1 dam, hwy bridges 5 dam, pack animals 85, gun pns 1 & 3, tunnels 1 dam, 30 ft boats 2, police station 1, jail 1 dam, fld pcs 7 & 21, road grader 1 dam, sawmill 1 dam, RR station 1, caissons 3.

Ops planned for 31 Dec 50. B-29; 69 combat ready (CR), 24 to be employed (TBE). 307th BG with 12 acft atk trp conc & sup cens at Chaeryong YC 2952. 19th BG with 1 TARZON acft atk RR bridge at Kanggye BA 9737; with 6 acft atk trp conc & sup centers at Pyonggant CT 5152; with 5 acft atk trp conc & sup cens at Sariwon YC 4065. Light bms: 65 CR, 58 TBE. Ftrs: 229 CR, 215 TBE. Transports: 157 CR, 117 TBE.

C. Navy: Korea E coast: Air: TF 77 planes flew 135 sorties 29 Dec near 38th Parallel: Burned village quartering en trps at DT 1315; burned 35% faejin-N1 full of en soldiers; destroyed pontoon bridge & 2 spans of 10-span bridge; atkd & destroyed trps, incldg 200 on ridge directly in front of friendly lines; burned 3/4 village at DT 5436 & central part of Sinanjung CT 8877; dmgd RR track DT 2987, rail bridge DU 0505 & rd bridge DT 5254, tunnel entrances. Armed recon against aflds at Hamhung & Wonsan revealed no en activity. P 2 V day recon planes reptd no unusual sightings in Japan Sea.

Surface: No change in disposition of Naval vessels. ROK Naval intelligence reptd 1 of their units had arrived at Mukhojin ES 0957 from Kosong; on S coast grps of 10 to 90 guerrillas operating in area of Mokpo BP 6052, Hampyong BP 7382, & Yongam BP 8952.

Mines: None reported.

Korea W Coast: Air: TG 96.8 planes flew 48 sorties 29 Dec, most of them under direction of air controller over Army Eight front lines: Atkd trp concs housed in bldgs in Kaesong & Kumchon, destroying by napalm 40 bldgs, & damaging 25; also scored 3 direct hits with 500 lbs bombs in same area; destroyed vic Yongpyong 40 bldgs; 2 sup dumps, damaged 20 bldgs; atkd trps in foxholes.

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Armed recon on Haeju & Ongjin afloats made 2 hits on Ongjin. Day P 2 W & night FBM recon planes rep'd no unusual sightings on Yellow Sea & Korean Bay.

Surface: No change in disposition of naval vessels. ROK PF 62 fired 206 rds 3 in at piers & whses along waterfront at Haeju & Yongdong-Po.

CTG 90.1 summarized at 292157 I the en-friendly sit W of Yesong-Gang BS 729B: No Chinese Commie forces are S of 38; an estimated 500 NK's raid Haeju nightly for supplies, dig in during day; friendlies in center of city; Ongjin still friendly, with ROK removing refugees to islands; area S of 38th from Yesong-Gang to Chongdan YC 5806 controlled by ROK Home Guard; most of this area, including Yonan, inspected by USN off on board ROK patrol craft; all islands S of 38th & along W coast Chinnampo still friendly, with ROK craft screening junks.

Formosa Strait: No unusual sightings reported.

La Perouse Strait: No significant sightings reported.

Mid-Pacific Ocean: Philippine Bear at 301044 I passed a floating mine at 3029 N, 17522 W.

D. No report.

E. Weather: Summary for pd 291800 I to 301800 I: Korea, acctd to clear; low clds thruout Northern Korea with occul brkn low clds in Northern mts; brkn to overcast low clds in Southern Korea to 290600 I then becoming acctd. Vis good.

Fcst 301800 I to 311800 I: Korea, mostly clear sky condns with patches of brkn clds in NE Korea mts areas. Vis good. Min temps in battle areas 16 degs F.

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Military situation.

A. (2d copy past 24 hrs.)

1. Points of contact: CF 0705, CF 1707, CF 1806, CF 2106, CF 4804, CF 5000 & DS 7585.
2. Ident & obs: Neg.
3. US Army.

(A) US Army flight: Adv CF Seoul.

(1) US I Corps: CF via Nohpor-NI CS 1864. US 25th Inf & 35th RCTs along gen line from BS 9785 to CS 0491 to CS 1097. US 27th RCT in Div res via Wilson-NI CS 0585. 45th Fld Regt, Royal Army, attached to Div from 29th Inf Brig GP (UK), closed via CS 0792. 1st ROK Div sector: Adv inflicted est 200 on us via CF 1106 & obs'd 200 on via CF 1413 at 290900 I. 11th ROK Regt pat'l engaged NK Eng Bn via CF 0705 on 29 Dec; results not rept'd. Recon co repulsed attempted envelopment by CCF Co fir via CF 1707 & CF 1806 at 291300 I. Friendly co disengaged & w/d S of rtr at 291600 I after inflicting 40 on us. Pat'l w/d at 291600 I after 4-hr fight with undet air on believed CCF via CF 2106. Pat'l rept'd on co via CF 1406, on co via CF 1507 & CCF Co slightly S of CF 1507 late 29 Dec. ROK 10th & 12th Regts cont in def pos along gen line from CS 1097 to CF 1103 to CF 1603 to CF 2507. 3d Bn, ROK 15th Regt occupied pos along line from CF 1701 to CF 1903 to CF 2002. 29th Inf Brig GP (UK) remained in Corps res; patrolled in rear areas.

(2) US III Corps: CF Seoul. ROK 6th Div: Units maintained def pos & patrolled. ROK 7th & 19th Regts along gen line from CF 2505 to CF 3107 to CF 3605. ROK 2d Regt in Div res via CF 3201. Pat'l rept'd fall mined CCF & NK units as of 290730 I; co via CF 2716; 2 cos via CF 2717; pat'l via CF 3001. Pat'l obs'd: CCF co in def pos via CF 3913 at 290600 I; est CCF Regt mg W via CF 3018 at 290800 I; 2 mixed CCF-NK Ptns via CF 2811 & CF 2712 at 290900 I; 2 NK cos via CF 3414 at 281700 I; NK co via CF 2815, CCF Co via CF 3013, mixed CCF-NK co via CF 3014 & smaller obs'g pos via CF 3011, CF 3013 & CF 3212 during afternoon 29 Dec. Adv inflicted undet air on us & killed 60 horses via CF 3020 at 291710 I. US 24th Inf Div: Fwd CP opened via CS 2760. US 19th & 21st RCTs cont in def pos along gen line from CF 3605 to CF 4207 to CF 4904. US 5th Inf

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RCT in Div res vic Songu-Ri CS 3788. Air atkd en sup dumps along line CT 4427-CT 5527 morn 29 Dec causing 5 large explosions. Arty fired on small en gp vic CT 4804. Air reptd evidence considerable en acty vic CT 3811, CT 4110 & CT 4810 afternoon 29 Dec. Two ROK returnees reptd CCF Div & some NK trps vic CT 4515 (time unreptd). US 1st Cav Div (Inf): CP Seoul. Units maintained blocking psns along Seoul-Kapyong CS 6987 axis. US 7th Cav RCT vic CS 4063. US 8th Cav RCT vic Masogu-Ri CS 5168. US 5th Cav RCT vic Sangchon-Ni CS 6381 & Kham-Ni CS 5770. 10th BCT (Phil) & Greek Inf Bn cont in easy areas vic Suwon CS 2427. 27th BR Com Inf Brig: Remained in Corps res vic Uijongbu; units patrolling rear areas & protecting Han Riv Bridges in Corps sector.

4. Army forces, ROK: CP Taegu.

(A) ROK Army

(1) ROK III Corps: CP Yangpyong CS 6749. 2d ROK Div sector: NK Co sptd by mortars caused friendly co-size ptrl w/d fr vic CT 5111 on 28 Dec. Est 150 guer engaged by ROK elms vic CS 6186 thruout 29 Dec. Regts cont in def psns along gen line from CT 5205 to CT 7206 to CT 7606. 5th ROK Div sector: Air atkd undet nbr en trps & 12 tks vic CT 8818 at 291020 I; results undet. ROK 36th, 35th & 27th Regts cont in def psns in order fr left to right along gen line from CT 7705 to CT 8908 to CT 9306. 8th ROK Div sector: Light en contact reptd on Div front. Air inflicted 200 en cas vic DT 0116 afternoon 29 Dec. ROK 3d Regt atchd to Div eff 282400 I. ROK 16th Regt cont in def psns along line from CT 9405 to DT 0105. ROK 10th Regt occupied psns along gen line fr DT 0105 to DT 1007. ROK 3d Regt occupied psns from CT 9907 to DT 0108 & fr DT 0507 to DT 0607. ROK 21st Regt in Div res vic DT 0101. ROK 7th Div (-): ROK 8th Regt cont in blocking psns NE of Chunchon CS 8893. ROK 5th Regt remained vic Chunchon. ROK 3d Regt atchd to ROK 8th Div.

(2) II ROK Corps: CP Wonju DS 0733. 3d ROK Div sector: Air obsvd large en conc in area CT 1507-CT 1723 at 290510 I. No en resistance encountered as Div elms adv up to 3000 yds during 29 Dec. En gp str undet reptd vic DT 1503 at 291245 I. ROK 18th Regt adv N aprx 3000 yds to psns along line from DT 1100 to DT 1103 & fr DT 1400 to DT 1403. ROK 22d Regt adv N aprx 1500 yds to psns along line fr DS 1999 to DT 1901 & fr DS 2299 to DT 2201. Elms ROK 23d Regt cont enroute to engage en gp vic Hasongchi DS 2177; remainder Regt remained in Div res vic Hongchon DS 0372.

(3) ROK I Corps: CP Kangnung DS 9177. 9th ROK Div sector: En atkd rear CFs 28th & 29th ROK Regts during nite 27-28 Dec disrupting tel comm which had not been restored at 291300 I.

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Est 2500 en reptd in contact with 28th & 29th Regts & 1500-2500 en in contact with 30th ROK Regt. Area of contact not established; however, en concs reptd as fol as of 281800 I; 5000 vic DS 5286, 2000 vic DS 3194, 3000 vic DS 2592 & 100 vic DS 4482. Air reptd est en Regt vic DS 3374 at 281120 I. At 290500 I, est 500 en reptd vic DS 2870. At 291700 I, air obsvd est 300 en & ox carts vic DS 2668, est 300 en vic DS 2559 & 1000 en mvg E fr DS 2874 to DS 3977. Air obsvd est 10,000 refugees mvg SW between DS 2874 to DS 1649 & est 1000 refugees mvg N vic DS 2478 at 291330 I. Est 2 en cos armed with mortars & MGs were obsvd by air vic DS 3674 at 291000 I. 1st & 3d Bns, ROK 28th Regt vic Paekcha-Dong DS 3294; 2d Bn vic Chingyo DS 3387; Regt to atk NW & establish pns on Army def line in W portion of Div sector. 1st Bn, ROK 29th Regt vic Chongdo-Ri DS 5588; 2d & 3d Bns vic Hupyong-Ni DS 3693; Regt to destroy en pocket vic Sangnam-Ni DS 3492, cont adv & establish pns on Army def line in E portion of Div sector. ROK 30th Regt establishing blocking pns in sector; 1st Bn vic DS 4883; 2d & 3d Bns vic Changchon-Ni DS 4780. Cap ROK Div sector: Est 2000 en atkd by 1st Bn 26th ROK Regt vic DS 7585 at 280700 I; results unreptd. 1st Bn, ROK 1st Cav Regt vic Osongjon-Ni DS 0799; 2d Bn maintained blocking pns along line fr DT 5402 to DT 5404; 3d Bn atkd W fr vic DT 5400 toward obj at DT 4800. ROK 1st Regt (-) along line fr DT 5706 to DT 6014 to DT 6818; 3d Bn along gen line fr DT 4526 to DT 4727. Elms ROK 26th Regt along gen line fr DS 6984 to DS 6887 & fr DS 8287 to DS 8589; 3d Bn atkd SW fr vic Puyon-Dong DS 6889 to link up with elms ROK 9th Div vic DS 5585. ROK 1st & 2d Scty Bns: Cont scty missions.

(4) ROK 11th Div: Cont patrolling & sweeping opns. 2d Bn, ROK 9th Regt moved to vic Sanchong CQ 9718. 2d Bn, ROK 13th Regt moved to vic CQ 8469; 3d Bn moved to vic CQ 7645. ROK 6th Scty Bn moved to Ulsan EQ 2934; cont securing Pusan-Kyongju EQ 1967 MSR. ROK 7th Scty Bn closed at Tongnae EP 0795. Div assumed control of ROK 3d Scty Bn eff 19 Dec 50; ROK 2d Scty Bn passed to control of ROK I Corps eff 19 Dec 50 (delayed rept).

(5) US X Corps: CP Kyongju EQ 1967. US 7th Inf Div: CP Yongchon DQ 9479. Units cont reorganization vic Yongchon. US 3d Inf Div: CP Tongbang-Ri EQ 2362. Units cont assembling vic Tongbang-Ri. As of 292400 I, 63% pers & 76% equip of Div closed vic Tongbang-Ri. US 1st Mar Div: CP Masan DP 6197. Units cont reorganization & tng vic Masan.

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(6) Army separate units. US 2d Inf Div: CP Chungju DR 0592. US 23d RCT & French Inf Bn closed vic Wonju DS 0733. 1st Bn, US 38th RCT moved to Chechon DS 3010; 2d Bn vic Yongju DR 6775; 3d Bn vic Punggi DR 5879. 1st Bn, US 9th RCT in pens vic DR 2189. Sinsang-Ni DR 3228 & Potong-Dong DR 3917; 2d & 3d Bns vic Chungju. Netherlands Bn vic Mungyong DR 2165. Div prep to move US 9th, 23d & 38th RCTs to Wonju-Hongchon area to block any en mvmt fr N & E. Div to move US 72d Tk Bn to area designated by US IX Corps; upon arr, Bn atchd to US IX Corps. Canadian Inf Bn: Cont enroute to Miryang DR 7827. US 187th Abn RCT: Remained in Army res vic Suwon CS 2427.

(7) Japan Logistical Comd: No change.

5. Rear areas:

A. En rear Areas: Air reprd: During nite 28-29 Dec, obsvd total 180 vehs of which 172 were mvg S; obsvd en tk vic YD 5367 at 291300 I; dmgd 7 arty pcs in BT 8380 area at 291430 I.

B. Friendly rear areas: 11th ROK Div sector: 20th ROK Regt engaged 568 en on 22-23 Dec in 3 separate actions killing 175. Elms 13th ROK Regt engaged est 110 en on 26 Dec in 2 separate actions killing 40.

B. Air opns past 24 hrs: (See sit in brief).

C. Navy opns (See sit in brief).

D. En intentions & capabilities. Penetration & envelopment of Army Eight, as the sit develops, additional indications point to the 9th Army Gp of the 3d CCF Fld Army (Hungnam forces) as the key to the time-table for future en opns. In Intell Summ 3024, 20 Dec, an article was presented wherein the following possible explanation for the en's delay in the resumption of the offensive was offered: "It can be logically argued, & past mvmt sightings support the fact that he (the en) has had sufficient time to re-organize, regroup & re-supply, & even shift his forces. He has had NK units probing our lines for well over a wk. Why then has he delayed in following up his initial successes? Ea day sees the strengthening of the UN main def position as additional units arrive on line. It is believed that the en was rather surprised at the success of his initial offensive in late Nov, but that this experience has made him cautious rather than foolhardy. The Chinese Communists in the past have frequently been known to delay an offensive until they had secured odds of 3 or 4 to 1 against the en. It is considered logical & possible that the en is delaying the resumption of an all-out offensive until his units engaged on the X Corps perimeter have been released from commitment on that front.

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Obviously, this force, believed to consist of at least the equivalent of 4 CCF armies (Corps) & 2 NK Corps, represents a sizeable reinforcement potential. It is quite possible that the en high comd is not convinced that NK units on the E flank can successfully execute an envelopment without reinforcement. With the other CCF units to the N & W, probably reserved for an all-out thrust against the Seoul-Inchon complex, the en may consider it imperative that these 2 NK Corps be backed up with CCF & NK units now in the X Corps zone as additional insurance against a possible NK bog-down or a UN counter-thrust." It has been estimated in past intell summaries that it would require aprx 2 wks to move this force to psns immed in rear of the en lines in the E coast sector. It is considered quite possible that, in view of the decreasing X Corps str at the time, some of the units from this force could have been relieved & ordered to proceed to the new forward assy areas as early as 18-20 Dec. Any units which left the X Corps perimeter on those dates could have arrived by now in the new area. It is estimated that the en, utilizing forced marches & other emergency measures, could close the bulk of the Hungnam force in the above mentioned assy areas by 3 Jan.

E. No Rept.

F. Following is summ of advance policy guidance (wkly plan) for 31 Dec thru 6 Jan. Part first: Korean tgt gps.

1: New Year's. Seasonal commentary contrasting normal significance new years with suffering which Communist aggression threatens for Korea this new year.

2: Soviet imperialism. Chinese & NK soldiers being used as Russian pawns. Russians give orders but non Russians do fighting & dying.

3: Economic exploitation is goal of Communist mil aggression. Russians first looted Korea of portable wealth, then drained off production for own use.

Part second: Chinese tgt gps.

1: New Year's. Seasonal themes with emphasis on separation from family, isolation without mail, hardships of Korean winter, shortage of food.

2: Food: stress food theme with units known to be short.

3: Die for Russia: Russians giving orders, but Chinese doing fighting & dying.

G. No rept.

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No significant logistical developments to rept.

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FROM PIO JLOOM TO OFFICE, PEO D/A.

Request info concerning origin, legendary meaning, and associated facts on the Army Eight shoulder patch.

(END FEC-4)

FEC-5

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Ref DA Note 3.

(1). Will ans when determined.

(2). Info req in Par 2 will be fwd to you when this interrogation is conducted, either by rad or separate technical intell TELECON.

(3). Arty used by the CCF in NE. No definite info is avail upon the nbrs, or over-all disposition of CCF and NE arty. CCF Arty that has been reptd to DAT comes from the following sources: Japanese WW II material; US weapons supplied to the CINA and captured by the CCF; US weapons captured from the UN Forces during the present war; Chinese manufactured items, and a limited nbr of Soviet weapons.

It is anticipated that the complete series of weapons of the former Japanese Kwangtung Army and of the Chinese Nat Army (including the Alpha Army) in the hands of the CCF will be encountered.

It is indicated that more and more Soviet weapons will be encountered in the hands of the CCF. To date the Soviet Divisional PA pieces have been reptd, and it is indicated that the Soviet Union will not hesitate to supply other types of arty to the CCF if required.

To date CCF utilization of arty has not been worthy of note, probably due to the UN air-supremacy.

The main arty that has been reptd is of Japanese and US origin. The Chinese and the USSR manufactured items are apparently in a state of short supply.

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Types encountered to date are as fols: Japanese: 47mm AT guns, 75mm gun type 38 (1905); 75mm gun type 90 or 92, 75mm Mountain gun type 41, 105mm howitzers type 91 or 99. USSR: 45mm AT, 76mm 02/30, gun, 76mm gun M 1942, 76mm mountain gun M 1938, 122mm howitzer M 1938, rocket launcher M 13, 152mm howitzers, 152mm howitzer M 1943. US. 75mm pack howitzer, 105mm howitzer, 155mm howitzer, 57mm AT gun. Chinese: 57 recoilless rifle, 102mm rocket surface, solid fuel, fin stabilized.

(END FEC-5)

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Ident and ob: 9th Army Gp in Korea: On or about the 24th of Sept, 3 Armies of the 9th Army Gp, 3d Fld Army, under the comd of Sung Shih-Lun were ordered to move to the area between Hsuchou, Kiangsu Province, and Tientsin, Hopeh Province along the Tientsin-Pukou RR. The purpose of this move was to facilitate the transfer of trps to Manchuria in the event of Chinese Communist participation in the Korean War. The mvmt of these trps to Manchuria was well underway by 11 Nov. At this time, the 9th Army Gp consisted of the 20th, 26th, 27th, and 30th Armies (Corps). Since the initial appearance of 3d Fld Army Units in NE Korea, the majority of the CCF Trps encountered have been these units from the 9th Army Gp. Although specific reference to the 9th Army Gp Hqs in Korea has not been recd it is reasonable to believe that Sung Shih-Lun is in Korea directing the opns of his trps.

Mvmt of III NK Corps: A usually reliable source stated that the III NK Corps, composed of the 1st, 3d, and 5th NK Divs (and possibly the 15th), has been ordered to move S from the Hamhung-Hungnam Area to the Yanggu Sector, where it will be employed against UN Forces. The 1st Div was to depart on 25 Dec, the 3d on 26 Dec, and they were due to close in the Hwachon-Yanggu Area on 1 and 2 Jan respectively.

G-2 Comment: Recent air sightings of southward tro mvmt along the E coast, further substantiates the above rept. With the withdrawal of US X Corps from the Hungnam Sector, it is reasonable to assume that the NK Units in that area are being displaced southward. The 5th NK Div, previously carried in the Yangdok Area and located furthestmost S in III NK Corps, probably will be the 1st of these units to be encountered in the Yanggu Area by UN Forces.

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NK Army Hq: NK Army Hq in the eastern coastal area is reptd to be at Hoeyang (CT 7884). Subordinate units are reptd to be located at Yanggu (DT 1217), Kumsong (CT 7853), Kumhwa (CT 6537), Hwachon (CT 8617) and Inje (DT 2813). (C-3).

G-2 Comment: With the exception of the new info of the location of the NK Army Hq the indicated loc of subordinate units corresponds in gen to locs of prev ident NK Units. This hqs may be in control of all NK units on the eastern front of the UN Forces.

CCF Armament: Occasional repts of sightings of small gps of CCF Trps have indicated that a substantial nbr of the CCF Trps within these gps were unarmed or inadequately armed. One rept from a refugee stated that he had seen numerous CCF and NKA Trps enroute from the Kaechon Area (YD 5595) and that the NKA Trps were well armed while only about 30% of the CCF were armed. Some of the CCF were carrying spears.

Source comment: If these repts concerning better armament among NKA trps than among CCF is true, it may be indicative that weapons are being drawn from CCF for reconstituted NKA Units and that the NKA is for the present going to carry the ball.

G-2 comment: Most of these sightings have occurred in rear areas, and any lack of weapons is believed to be due to the incomplete arming or rear area or service trps, rather than to the partial disarming of CCF units in order to resupply the NKA.

Army Eight SITREP Nbr 442. Endg 301500 1 Dec 50: Ident and Ob: 4 NK PW's, including one off, captured on 28 Dec, reptd prev, claimed their unit to be Corps Engr Bn, NK I Corps. Off PW stated he obs 47th NK Div vic 4 kilometers N of Kaesong on 26 Dec,; elms 7th NK Div vic Kumchon CT 7925 on 24 Dec; and elms 8th NK Div vic Hwangju YC 4282 on 21 Dec. Also stated NK I Corps composed of reconstituted 3d, 7th, 8th, 12th and 47th NK Rifle Divs: This rept confirms presence of NK I Corps on US Army Eight W Flank. Of foregoing units mentioned subordinate to North Korean I Corps 8th and 47th NK Divs accepted; reconstituted 3d, 7th and 12th NK Divs previously ident subordinate to 3d, 2d and 5th NK Corps, respectively and therefore not accepted. Accepted composition NK I Corps reconstituted 8th, 17th and 47th NK Rifle Divs. 2 PW's, including 1 off, captured vic CT 5610 by 17th ROK Regt on 29 Dec, ident 3d Regt, 38th NK Rifle Div. Document (notebook) taken from off stated mission 38th NK Div to seize Kanyong CS 6887. Based on this info, 38th NK Rifle Div now accepted, subordinate to NK 5th Corps. Documents taken from on dead vic CT 4109 ident signal Ⓞ, 5th Bn, 599th Unit. Numerical

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designation prev associated with NK 599th Mar Brig last reptd vic Changjin CA 4530 late Oct. Pending further confirmation, arr this brig on US Army Eight front not accepted. One Chinese PW captured by US 35th RCT vic CS 0597 on 28 Dec, ident 351st Regt, 117th Div, 39th CCF Army. 9 Chinese PW's captured 24 Dec by 1st ROK Div, reptd prev, claimed objective of 116th Div, 39th CCF Army, is Munsan-Ni CS 0591. 2 Agents who escaped from CCF captivity on 28 Dec repts as fols.

1. 1st CCF Div ~~deployed~~ between Changdan CT 0201 and Korangpo-ri CT 1106 as of 28 Dec 50:
2. CCF reinforcements expected to arr Kaesong either 28 or 29 Dec.
3. NK Gps (units ques) with CCF employed for intell and recon missions only and not for combat.
4. CCF have been ordered to atk before 1 Jan 51. 2 ROK escapees and 1 NK refugee reptd 3 CCF Regts vic 4 mi N Yongpyong CT 5308 as of 29 Dec and 10,000 CCF trps along Hantonchon Riv vic Chongja-San CT 4115 as of 271200 I.

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FROM SPEC PROJ, G-2.

1. A. 3 AN/UIQ-1 loudspeaker sets and 6 operating teams aval for psywar opns in Korea. 4 Additional AN/UIQ-1 and 2 AN/TIQ-7 loudspeaker sets were misrouted due to recent tactical developments but are being traced through logistical channels and will be shipped to 1st L and L Co in Korea.

B. AN-UIQ-1 is suitable for conducting combat loudspeaker opns, however, it would be more practical if the complete set could be made more powerful, compact and lighter so that it could be transported by 1/4 ton truck.

C. To date AN/TIQ-7 sets have not been used by psywar units in the fld.

D. C-47 acft mounted with PA Set currently undergoing thorough evaluation tests to determine effectiveness, limitations, capabilities, and modifications required, if any. Results of tests and recommendations will be sent you when aval.

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2. 1st L & L Co present str 5 offs, and 45 EM, procurement of additional pers continuing. 1st L & L Co furnishing 3 combat loudspeaker teams to tactical units for psywar opns presently. Additional opns contemplated when equip that had been misrouted reaches the unit.  
(End FEC-7)

INFORMATION : COMMANDER IN CHIEF, CHIEF OF STAFF, G-1, G-2, G-3, G-4,  
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DA-4

Wind No 155

Philippines (Secret)

US Ambassador, Manila, reports on 27 Dec, Col Florencio Selga  
reld Brig Gen Alberto Ramos as Chief of the Philippine Constabu-  
lary (PC). Col Selga had been CO of 2d Mil Area until last  
month, then appointed Deputy Chief of the PC. Gen Ramos desig-  
nated adviser to President on Police matters.

Comments:

Command changes part of recent reorganization of Philippine  
Armed Forces.

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Ref FEC 2, DA TT 4158, dtd 26 Dec 50. No info on Hsiang Ying  
and Teng Tzu-Ping.

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Ref FEC 3, DA TT 4158, dtd 26 Dec 50.

(1) The 64th and 65th Armies of the 1st Fld Army are  
believed to be in the Yenchi-Tumen area. These are the only  
armies identified in the area and not believed commanded by Ho  
Lung. Have recd several low-grade reports that Ho was commanding  
units in Manchuria or was to be appointed commander of CCP in  
Korea, but these not accepted here. Ho Lung is carried here as  
commander of the Southwest China Military Area. This posn also  
held originally by Liu Po-Cheng. Ho's appointment announced  
by New China News Agency, Peiping, on 22 Feb 1950, and confirmed  
by numerous subsequent reports.

(2) We carry Liu Po-Cheng as commander of the 2d Fld Army  
and concurrently Chairman of the Southwest Military and Political  
affairs committee.

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1. For purposes of coordination would appreciate the folg  
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info as of 1 Jan:

A. Your accepted Communist ob by unit, str and location in Korea.

B. Total NK PW's.

C. Total CCF PW's.

2. Ref your C 52227 of 28 Dec, pls advise earliest results of interrogation as to:

A. Current str and equip of 105th Armored Div.

B. Extent and manner of resupply of Armored equip to 105th Armored Div.

C. PW's observations in USSR with particular attn to reports of employment or tng of Japanese PW's in mil units or in other capacities.

3. From reports recd to date would appreciate your comments on types, numbers and disposition of both CCF and NK Arty presently confronting UN Forces.

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END AGENDA

INFORMATION : COMMANDER IN CHIEF, CHIEF OF STAFF, G-1, G-2, G-3, G-4, DIPLOMATIC, FEAF, COMNAVFE

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PARTICIPATING HQ : WASH AND CINCPAC  
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Present Washington:  
B/Gen J Weckerling  
Col W H Brunke  
Col R E Hommel  
Col H O Patteson  
Mr R M Nordbeck  
Mr E J Carroll  
Mr H H Heintzleman  
Lt Col W F Kaufman  
Lt Col B Rodier  
Maj G B Parks  
Maj W J Morgan  
Capt C C Quigley  
Lt W C Sherman

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29 Dec 50

PARTICIPATING HQ : CINCPAC AND WASH  
NR : DA TT 4179  
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Present Tokyo:  
Col Paul Cooper  
Col T R Hannah  
Lt Col R L Kolb  
LCdr T G Curtis  
Maj S S Harris

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AFIO NAVFE  
D/1 FEAF

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Prev reptd atk by 2 hostile regts against right flank elms of III ROK Corps NE of Chonchon was contained at 280945 I & by that afternoon 3d ROK Regt, counteratk to assist hard-pressed 21st ROK Regt, restored a portion of previously lost psns. By late afternoon 28 Dec, 2 en bns were observed w/d N & NW from this immediate front. Further E, sit was reptd somewhat obscure in 9th ROK Div sector generally S of Hyon. Delayed repts from this area on 27 Dec indicated elms of 2 regts were forced to w/d up to 10 kms under hvy pressure by 2 hostile forces each est at regtl str. Sit was further obscured as ground sources reptd 2 regtl size hostile forces near Hungjong (DS 4066) & S of Kwangwon (DS 285) & further atks on 28 Dec causing additional w/d. At last rept

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sit had stabilized. Otherwise along UN front, activity remained confined at patrol level. Indications of future hostile offensive opns became apparent as hostile units were observed bringing up bridging material vic Korangpo. Further indications of bridging Injin River were evidenced as a 1st ROK Div patrol engaged elms of NK Engr Bn near Changdong capturing 4 PWs incl an Engr off. Air dest 6 of 7 en tanks near Namchonjom & sighted 3 other tanks near Yonchon aprx 5 mi in front of 6th ROK Div pans.

B. Air

During 24 hr pd endg 282400 I, UN acft under FEAF control flew 755 sorties inclg 299 transport, 37 recon, 42 ftr control, 377 combat of which 13 by USMC, 20 by SAAF & 10 by RAAF. 67 acft flew close spt of grd opns. 213 armed recon sorties atkd mil tgts in 101 areas inclg Pyongyang, Kusong, Sariwon, Yongbyon & Kaesong. 14 counter air sorties & 21 light bmr sorties were flown. 36 night intruder acft atkd mil tgts in 23 areas inclg Won-ni, Sinanju, Wonsan, Hwangju.

FEAF Bom Com flew 28 eff sorties: 12 acft 19th BG vis bbd mil tgts at Namchonjom & Kumchon with exc results. 12 acft 307th BG vis bbd Sinmak & Chipori with exc results. 3 acft 91st Recon Sq accomplished surveillance & photo coverage with good results. 1 acft 98th BG on night leaflet drop with unreptd results.

FEAF COCARCOM's 299 sorties airlifted 825 pas, 373 evacs & 1179.1 tons freight.

FEAF Bom Com today dispatched 26 acft: 22 acft 98th BG vis bbd secondary tgt at Songjin with exc results. 1 acft 98th BG on night leaflet drop with results unreptd at this time. 3 acft 91st Strat Recon Sq conducted surveillance over NK with good to exc results.

FEAF claims en losses for pd: Pers 322, MIG-15 acft 1 & 2, vehs 41 & 35, locos 4 & 8, sup dumps 1 & 1, fuel dump 1, pack animals 9, gun pans 6, tks 6 dam, bridges 6 dam, boats 3 dam, tunnel 1 dam, RR train 1 dam, en occ villages 4 dam, water tower 1 dam.

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Opns planned for 30 Dec 50: B-29: 60 combat ready (CR), 24 to be employed (TEE). 19th BG: With 2 acft atk RR bridge at BA 7753. With 10 acft atk en trp conc & sup cen at Chorwon CT 4335. 307th BG: With 8 acft atk en trp conc & sup cen at Chorwon CT 4335. With 4 acft atk RR bridge SSW of Kunu-ri YD 4995. Light bmrs: 66 CR, TBE. Ftrs: 254 CR, 251 TBE. Transports: 165 CR, 131 TBE.

C. Navy

Korea East Coast:

Air: TF 77 resumed opns 28 Dec; flew 95 sorties south of Kwachon; dest aprx 77 bldgs, damaged 67, ground controllers reptd good results from strikes on entrenched trps.

Surface: Massey & Forrest Royal on blockade & patrol from 39 N to 41-50 N. Zellars arrived Sasebo; Sperry & Hank on gunfire support duty off shore via 38-08 N to support I ROK Corps. Lind has relieved Ozbourn on ASW patrol off Sasebo. Minesweeping group departs Sasebo late afternoon 29 Dec; will sweep from 100 fathom to 20 fathom curve where required for protection of gunfire support ships around 38 N.

Mines: None reptd.

Japan Sea:

Mines: Mine of unk origin exploded 280530 I on beach at Itsuhata, 35-42 N 136-06 E, with extensive damage to nearby bldgs. Another mine was detonated 100 meters off Akasaki, 35-41 N 136-05 E. 2 probably paravanes found 280730 I in same area.

Korea West Coast:

Air: TG 96.8 acft flew 50 sorties 28 Dec; provided close support south of Chorwon; bombed & napalmed bldgs containing trps & sups; struck several trp pns; destroyed 125 bldgs; damaged 25 bldgs; inflicted unk nbr casu. Hvy veh traffic reptd along Kanggye-Huichon-Anju axis. FAW 6 acft sighted an u/i LST freighter, Nbr 107, at 281159 I 38-04 N 122-51 E, course 090, speed 10 knots

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LST was previously sighted at 011206 I Dec, 38-00 N 122-35 E, course 000, speed 10 knots, & was reptd to be camouflaged.

Surface: No change in disposition of ships except Rochester arrived Inchon for gunfire support ship duty; Concord joined blockade & patrol. Carmick & Swallow expected complete minesweeping Chonsu-Men anchorage area 29 Dec. Bass with UDT 1 aboard surveying Kunsan harbor & nearby beaches.

Mines: None reptd.

Formosa Strait: No unusual sightings reptd.

La Perouse Strait: No significant sightings reptd.

D. No rept.

E. Weather.

Summary for pd 281800 I to 291800 I: Korea, clear, gradually increasing high cloudiness over NK, became brkn to ovcst high & mid clds over all Korea by 0000 I. At 0600 I brkn to ovcst low clds covered most of Korea N of 37 N. Vis generally good xcpt for early morn haze.

Fcst 291800 I to 301800 I: Korea, ovcst over entire area, vis restricted in snow shwrs, clearing over N & Central Korea by noon & clearing over S Korea late afternoon.

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A. Ground obs past 24 hrs:

1. Points of contact: CT 0503, CT 0704, CT 3010, CT 3410, CT 3610, CT 4309, CT 4905, CT 4906, DT 0006, DT 0305, DT 0403, DT 0504, DS 2994, DS 3394, DS 3592, DS 3795, DT 4701, DS 4780 and DS 4883.

2. Ident and OB: Negative.

3. US Army Eight: Adv CP Seoul.

US X Corps: CP vic Nokpon-nl CS 1864. 25th US Div Sector CP vic CS 1272 civs reptd 150,300 well armed NK trps vic Kaesong (BT 8505) at 281100 I. ROK straggler reptd obsvd 3,000 NK trps vic BT 8013 on 26 Dec and 3,000 NK trps vic BS 9797 on 27 Dec. Air obsvd 200 en vic BS 9797 and camouflaged supplies vic BS 9895 at 281305 I. 35th Inf ptrl capt'd sm NK ptrl vic CT 0704 during night 28-29 Dec. Units cont occupation of def psns. US 24th and 35th RCTs along gen line from BS 9785 to CS 0491 to CS 1097. US 27th RCT in div res vic Wifon-nl CS 0585.

(2) 1st ROK Div sector: Air reptd: Atkd trp cone vic CT 1106 at 280600 I; rds and trails 5-mi radius CT 0604 show evidence hvy travel morn 28 Dec; obsvd evidence hvy tfc on rd fr CT 0140 to CT 1731 and fr CT 1432 to CT 1324 at 281305 I; obsvd en mvg bridging material S vic CT 1106 afternoon 28 Dec; obsvd en assembling vic CT 1006 to CT 1206 on 28 Dec; atkd in area CT 2515 at 281305 I where considerable en acty was obsvd; atkd arty and mortar psns vic CT 1108 at 282245 I. Air photo taken 271930 I showed 500 en trps marching SW vic BT 9318. Air arty engaged numerous plt size en gps mvg E opposite div front 28 Dec. Ptrl rept est en co vic CT 0504 on 28 Dec. 11th ROK Regt ptrl engaged elms U/I NK Engr Bu vic CT 0503 at 281215 I captg 4 PW's incl NK Engr off. ROK 11th and 12th Regts cont in def psns along gen line from CS 1097 to CT 1103 to CT 1603 to CT 2507. ROK 15th Regt in div res vic CS 2094.

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(3) 29th Inf Brig Gp (UK): Remained in Corps res; patrolled in rear areas.

US IX Corps: CP Seoul.

(1) 6th ROK Div Sector: Ptrl reptd 2 NK plts vic CT 3010 and 2 cos mixed CCF and NK trps vic CT 3414 early morn 28 Dec. Ptrls obsvd CCF co vic CT 3413 and CCF plt vic CT 3412 at 281400 I. Later, ptrls reptd 2 CCF cos CT 3410 to CT 3610, CCF co vic CT 3611 and NK plt vic CT 3711. Air reptd: Atkd sup dump and undet nbr en vic CT 3812 at 281130 I; inflicted undet nbr trp cas vic CT 2515 at 281305 I; obsvd 50 en vic CT 2811 and 200 en vic CT 2715 at 281500 I, both gps in def psns; obsvd 3 tks vic CT 3021 at 281525 I; rds and trails fr CT 3116 to CT 3313 and frm CT 3118 to CT 3452 appear well travelled afternoon 28 Dec. Units maintained def psns. ROK 7th and 19th Regta along gen line from CT 2506 to CT 3107 to CT 3605. ROK 2d Regt in div res vic CT 3201.

(2) 24th US Div sector: CP Uijongbu CS 2878. 19th Inf ptrl ambushed sm en gpvic CT 4309 at 280130 I; results unreptd. Arty fire inflicted cas on est en co entrenching vic CT 3512 to CT 3612 at 280645 I. Air atkd sup dumps and undet nbr en trps vic CT 5222 at 281500 I; results unreptd. Elms 21st Inf dispersed sm en gps vic CT 4905 and CT 4906 by s/a and arty fire evening 28 Dec. US 19th and 21st RCTs cont in def psns along gen line from CT 3605 to CT 4207 to CT 4904. US 5th Inf RCT in div res vic Songu-ri CS 3788.

(3) US 1st Cav Div (Inf): CP Seoul. Units maintained blocking psns along Seoul-Kapyong CS 6987 axis. US 7th Cav RCT vic CS 4063. US 8th Cav RCT vic Masogu-ri CS 5168. US 5th Cav RCT vic Sangchon-ni CS 6381 and Kuam-ni CS 5770. Elms of div patrolled to vic Chongpyong-ni CT 9600. 10th BCT (Phil) and Greek Inf Bn cont in assy areas vic Suwon CS 2427. Restrictions on employment of div rescinded.

(4) 27th Br Com Inf Brig: Cont in corps res vic Uijongbu; patrolled in rear areas.

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(A) Army Forces, ROK: CP Taegu.

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(1) ROK III Corps: CP Yangpyong CS 6749.

(A) ROK 2d Div: Regt cont in def psns along gen line from CT 5205 to CT 7206 to CT 7606.

(B) 5th ROK Div Sector: Air atkd undet nbr en vic CT 8013 at 281150 I, results unrep'd. ROK 36th Regt along gen line from CT 7705 to CT 8105. ROK 35th Regt along gen line from CT 8205 to CT 8908. ROK 27th Regt (-) along gen line from CT 8907 to CT 9306; 2d Bn vic CT 8804.

(C) 8th ROK Div Sector: Atk by possible 2 en Regts caused elms 21st ROK Regt to w/d fr vic CT 0504 during night 27-28 Dec. En gps est co str rept'd penetrated to DT 0200, DT 0401 and DT 0701. During mid-day 28 Dec, grd sources rept'd en co vic DT 0006, possible en regt vic DT 0107, en regt vic DT 0404, and undet nbr en vic DT 0705 and DT 0904. 3d ROK Regt (7th ROK Div) counteratkg vic DT 0006, DT 0305 and DT 0403 rept'd encountering light to moderate resistance from 1 to 3 en cos afternoon 28 Dec. Air rept'd obsvd en bn mvg N and W vic DT 0110 and grd source rept another en bn withdrawing N and NW vic DT 1005 late afternoon 28 Dec. Latest est of en forces on div immediate front believed bn vic DT 0308 and another bn DT 0606. ROK 16th Regt occupied new def psns along line from CT 9405 to CT 9905. Elms ROK 21st Regt assembling vic DT 0101. 3d Bn, ROK 10th Regt occupied new psns along line from DT 0405 to DT 0605; 2d Bn cont in psns vic Chogyo-ri DT 0601; 1st bn occupied new psns along line from DT 0705 to DT 1105.

(D) ROK 7th Div: ROK 8th Regt cont in blocking psns vic Kyonae-ri CS 9397, Anhyon-ni DS 0096 and vic DS 0497. ROK 3d Regt relieving ROK 21st Regt vic DT 0006, DT 0305 and DT 0403. ROK 5th Regt cont in corps res vic Chunchon CS 8893.

(2) ROK II Corps: CP Wenju DS 0733.

(A) 3d ROK Div Sector: Air atkd est 2 en regts vic DT 1403 and DT 1405 and est en bn vic DT 1102 at 281515 I; results unrep'd. Air obsvd undet nbr arty pcs and en in def psns vic DT 1208 at 281610 I. Grd repts indicated co size en gps located vic DT 1207.

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DT 1209 and DT 1705 evening 28 Dec. Est 200 en reptd vic DS 2177. ROK 18th Regt cont in psns vic DS 1196, DS 1491 and DS 1496. 3d Bn, ROK 22d Regt adv to vic DS 1999. Elms 2d Bn, ROK 23d Regt moved from blocking psns vic DS 2492 to Hongchon DS 0372; elms of regt en route to engage en group vic Hasongchi DS 2177; remainder of Regt in div res vic Hongchon.

(3) ROK I Corps: CP Kangnung DS 9177.

(A) 9th ROK Div Sector: On 28 Dec, grd repts of est en regt vic DS 3564 to DS 4265 and another en regt vic DS 5483 could not be verified by air althou air sighted est 3000 refugees and 200 pack animals mvg S and 2 vic DS 2873. Elms ROK 28th Regt forced to withdraw aprx 6000 yds under en atk to vic Chimgyo DS 3387. 1st Bn, ROK 29th Regt forced to withdraw from vic Hachijon DT 4701 to vic Sangnam-ni DS 3492; 2d Bn withdrew to vic Chongdo-ri DS 5588, later adv to vic Yongpo DS 3897; 3d Bn withdrew to vic DS 3795, later adv to vic DT 4002. 1st Bn, ROK 30th Regt withdrew to vic Changchon-ni DS 4780, later moved to vic DS 4079; 2d Bn assembled vic Changchon-ni 3d Bn adv from vic Changchon-ni to vic Kwangwon-ni DS 5286.

(B) ROK CAP Div: Units cont in def psns.

ROK 1st Cav Regt along gen line from DS 5497 to DT 5402 to DT 5504. ROK 1st Regt (-) along line from DT 5706 to DT 6014 to DT 6818; 3d Bn along gen line from DT 4526 to DT 4727. Elms ROK 26th Regt along gen line from DS 6984 to DS 6891 and from DS 8287 to DS 8589.

(C) ROK 1st and 3d Secty Bns: Cont secty missions. Elms 1st Bn vic Samchok IS 1443, Hajinbu-ri DS 6166 and Yuchon-ni DS 6569. 3d Bn vic Yongwol DS 5314.

(4) (A) ROK 11th Div: Cont sweeping and patrolling opns. ROK 2d Secty Bn at Andong DR 7546. ROK 5th Secty Bn at Kumchon DQ 2197. ROK 6th Secty Bn securing Pusan-Kyongju EQ 1967 MSR. ROK 7th Secty Bn enroute from Pusan to Tongnae EP 0795. Elms ROK 13th and 20th Regts reptd killing aprx 680 en in sectors during pd 20-24 Dec 50.

(B). US X Corps: Cp Kyongju.

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- (1) US 7th Inf Div: Cp Yongchon  
DQ 9479. Units cont reorganization vic Yongchon.
  - (2) US 3d Inf Div: Cp vic Tongbank-ri  
EQ 2362. Elms cont debarkation Pusan and mvmt to assy areas vic Tongbang-ri.
  - (3) US 1st Mar Div: CP vic Masan  
DP 6197. Units conduction tng in assy areas vic Masan.
5. Army separate Units.
- (A) US 2d Inf Div: CP vic Chungju DR 0592. 1st Bn, US 23d RCT established blocking pens vic Wonju DS 0733; 2d Bn cont enroute to vic Wonju; 3d Bn closed in assy area vic Wonju; Elms 1st Bn, US 9th RCT moved to vic DR 2189; 2d and 3d Bns vic Chungju. 1st Bn, US 38th RCT vic Andong-Ni DR 3898; 2d Bn vic Yongju DR 6775; 3d Bn vic Punggi DR 5879.
  - (B) Canadian Inf Bn: Cont enroute to Miryang DQ 7827.
  - (C) US 187th Abn RCT: Cont in Army res vic Suwon CS 2427.
6. JLCOM: No change.
7. Activities in rear areas:
- (A) En rear areas: Air reptd during night 27-28 Dec, obsvd total 236 vehs to which 163 were mvg S; dest 6 of 7 en tks vic BT 7550 at 281530 I; atkd en co mvg W vic CU 2080 at 281640 I and atkd est en bn vic BT 8230 at 282055 I.
  - (B) Friendly rear areas: During 20-24 Dec, elms 11th ROK Div reptd engaging total aprx 1450 en killing 680 and captg 7 PWs (in addition to rept in prev SITREP).
- B. Air operations past 24 hrs. (See situation in brief).
- C. Navy Ops: (see situation in brief).
- D. Discussion of en capabilities: Penetration and envelopment of the Army Eight:

The east coast sector of the Army Eight front continues to command special attention as north Korean attacks become more aggressive in this area. The en activity in the 3d and 9th ROK Div sectors is particularly significant, in the areas of responsibility of these 2 divisions, the en has increased the strength of front-line units and has forced a substantial withdrawal of some friendly elements. The pattern developing at the moment is a familiar one utilized by the en in past actions. Regimental sized units have suddenly "MUSHROOMED" to attempt an exploitation of suspected weak spots in the UN line. These larger units represent a reinforcement or replacement of the small company size units which have been employed by the en in probing actions along the entire front for the past 2 weeks.

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It is considered extremely doubtful that the en would launch what appears to be the initial phase of an attempted penetratio without backing the effort with substantial reserves capable of exploiting a break-through, if successful, and it is believed that the en has made provisions for such a reserve. Past intel summaries have discussed the possible employment of CCF Forces released from the Hungnam Area. It has been pointed out that the east coast sector is a logical zone in which to reemploy this force. It was estimated that it would require approx 2 weeks to move this force to positions immediately in rear of the present front in the new area. It is considered quite possible that, in view of the decreasing X Corps strength at the time, some of the units from this force were released and dispatched to the new assembly areas as early as 18-20 Dec. If such is the case, leading elms could now be arriving in positions immediately in rear of present en lines.

Another reserve force which is almost immediately aval and must be considered, is the III NK Corps. Air sightings and a PW identification of the 5th NK Div on the line, tend to indicate that this corps is also enroute to the east coast sector, with some units, particularly the 5th NK Div, already in the new area.

With initial en successes in this portion of the front already evident, and with a potential reserve force of at least 4 NK and CCF Corps immediately aval or enroute, a situation has developed on the Army Eight right flank, which could well point the opening of the anticipated all-out en offensive.

E. No report.

F. Completed air drop 28 Dec. Chinese anti-morale lflts (270,000 serial 7021, 450,000 serial 7022) and Korean anti-moral lflts (200,000 serial 1038 and 500,000 serial 9008).

G. No report.

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No significant developments to rept.

(END FEC 3)

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Your summary of composition of Mil District, Militia, Public Secty Forces agrees with belief of G-2 FEC. Belief here that the emergence of the 5th & 6th Field Armies, from these units is to be especially in view of fairly reliable or better repts of formation of new units in Kwangtung & in N China where considerable Soviet interest has been shown in irregular forces. Militia units in Manchuria was the subj of an article in FEC Dis Nbr 3029 which was based on PW repts. While not adding to present knowledge, PWs have substantiated existing belief of the composition of these units. Note: We accept your offer of a photostatic copy of the complete Nanking biographical file.

(END FEC 4)

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Fol ident & OB from Army Eight SITREP Nbr 439 pd ending 291500 I Dec: 2 PWs capt'd in 8th ROK Div sector on 28 Dec, identified 29th Regt, 19th NK Rifle Div. 3 others capt'd in same area identified 3d Regt, 31st NK Rifle Div. PWs claimed div deployed generally along line DT-0505 & DT 0605 with div CP at DT-0207. This makes a total of 4 PWs rept'd capt'd from this div. Based on this rept & apparent increase en str this sector, presence of reconstituted 31st NK Rifle Div now accepted, also arrival of NK V Corps on Army Eight eastern front now accepted. The V Corps, tentatively located Kumhwa, probably consists of recently arrived reconstituted 3d NK Rifle Brig.

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6th, 12th & 31st NK Rifle Divs. 4 NK PWs capt'd by 11th ROK Regt vic CT-0705 on 28 Dec, claimed unit unidentified Engr bn. PWs also stated NK Corps CP located vic CT-7036. This accepted as NK I Corps based on appearance of NK 17th Rifle Div, previously rept'd subordinate to NK I Corps, on US Army Eight W flank. Also probably composed of 17th, 47th NK Rifle Divs & 1 other div not ident. 1 Chinese PW from 338th CCF Army, rept'd previously, claimed to have heard on the 13th Dec, that 5 CCF Armies were to participate in forthcoming gen offensive. 1 Chinese PW capt'd by 6th ROK Div, rept'd previously, also identified as member 342d Regt, 114th Div, 38th CCF Army.

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CCF movement: Line crossers who returned on 22 Dec, after spending 5 days behind en lines, stated there were several CCF concentrations deployed to front of the 25th US & 1st ROK Divs. They also observed CCF divs in fol areas: Tosan (CT-0820). Sangnyang (CT-1210) & Anhyop (CT-1022). They stated further that 6,000 CCF troops were observed on the Kumchon (BT-7926) - Sibyon-Ni (BT-9941) road & 6,000 CCF troops with a Cav unit (str unknown) were observed 4 mi S of Sibyon-Ni. During night of 21 Dec, they observed undetermined number artillery pieces, mortars, & machine guns being transported on the road from vic of Tosan to the Anhyop area.

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INFORMATION : COMMANDER IN CHIEF, CHIEF OF STAFF, G-1, G-2, G-3, G-4, DIPLOMATIC, FEAF, COMNAVFE

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SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

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France and Indo-China (~~Secret~~)

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The US Consul, Hanoi, reports that Major General Pierre Boyer De Latour Du Moulin, Commander Tonkin War Zone, has been replaced by Major General Raoul Salan, who accompanied General De Lattre to Indo-China early December.

Comment: De Latour had been given command about 10 Nov. De Latour appeared to have pushed energetically various defense measures, including creation of strong mobile reserve. Fact he focussed attention upon organization of Haiphong Beach-head, brought criticism from some quarters that he was too "defense" minded.

Salan was director of Colonial Troops. He has extensive experience Indo-Chinese affairs.

In Nov 1945, he was sent Indo-China to prepare for return of French and served as Chief French Military Mission to northern zone Indo-China until May 1946, when he was replaced after expressing disagreement with French Political attitude Indo-China. Two months later he was appointed Delegate to Franco-Viet Nam conference Fontainebleau, June 1947, Salan was given command French forces north Indo-China, and on departure Lt Gen Valluy April 1948 he became Interim Supreme Commander until appointment of Lt Gen Blaizot. In July 1948 Salan returned continental France.

Indo-China (~~Secret~~)

US Minister, Saigon, reports that 23 Dec Chief French Counter-Espionage Service Indo-China confirmed, both by observation and interrogation, Viet Minh prisoners. Stated also that further 25,000 Viet Minh have completed training south China and returned Tonkin between 8 and 12 Dec. He cited recent report of Chinese Communist military conference, when unlimited aid to Viet Minh was proposed. Decision reportedly was taken to justify this aid by maintaining that as Japanese peace treaty was not yet signed, Chinese Communists still have right occupy Indo-China down to 16th Parallel, in accordance with Potsdam and Yalta Agreements.

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US Consul, Hanoi, discounts reports of presence Chinese Communist units in Tonkin. However, existence of so-called "Inter-Army" cannot be ruled out entirely. Number of Chinese Communist advisers attached Viet Minh units is growing and there are some preponderantly Chinese guerrilla units, which have been long established in Tonkin. Major General Latour stated he was certain that Chinese Communists would attack eventually, though when he can not say. He felt that Chinese Communists were not building up their military power, roads and airfields for nothing.

Comments: It is agreed Chinese Communist participation Viet Minh operations appears to have been confined, so far, to provision of staff officers, artillery and communications personnel, combat advisers, and possibly integration of certain number of technical personnel in Viet Minh units. It is possible that both clandestine integration of "volunteers" or entry of complete Chinese Communist units into Tonkin could remain undetected for considerable time after they have taken place. Chinese Communist intention, if true, to maintain their right to reoccupy Indo-China down to the 16th Parallel would be bitterly resented by many Indo-Chinese and might cause dissension within Viet Minh ranks.

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Cable from USMILLMAS Hong Kong re meeting in Moscow is quoted:

"Reference United Press dispatch originating Hong Kong 10 Dec and cable lined Macau to effect that Mao Tse Tung, Kim Il Sung and outer Mongolian Premier were in Moscow last week for conference. Have checked with author of dispatch. Only additional information he has is Mao should have returned China 9 or 10 Dec. Sources of information were 2 Europeans, one in Macau, one in Hong Kong. United Press regards both as highly reliable and says each source completely independent of other. Macau source readily admitted his information was received from Chinese Nationalist agent.

"Comments: Appears possible while both sources were independent that both may have received information from same original source namely Nationalist agents. No other information to effect this conference took place is available here. Cannot evaluate original source but like all Nationalist information has possibilities being completely true or completely untrue."

The only other report of Sino-Soviet meeting in Moscow during period which would include 3 Dec was forwarded your headquarters, in W 99312 dtd 27 Dec 1950.

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Report of meeting of earlier date which was submitted by USCOMGEN Hong Kong is quoted:

"Untried source who describes self as Nationalist agent and who was associate Saco during last war of officer from American Embassy, Seoul, temporarily in Hong Kong, told latter he learned Dec 2 that Mao returned Peking Nov 30 from Moscow. According to source, immediate objective of Chinese Communist troops is Pyongyang. If they able to take it without too heavy resistance, they will halt advance north of 38th Parallel pending result of negotiations in UN. If heavy resistance encountered, they will break up into small units and infiltrate into South Korea to carry on guerrilla warfare. Mao was said to have been unwilling to undertake large-scale intervention in Korea until he was shown Soviet atomic plant on recent visit. Source also said there are Soviet Troops in Manchuria who only will be reserved for use against Japan and not used in Korea.

"Comulate General feels while Chinese Communist strategy in Korea may be as described, credibility MD report is weakened by inclusion Top Secret item of Mao's alleged trip to Moscow and visit to atomic plant which, even if true, extremely unlikely become known in Hong Kong two days after Mao's return."

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END OF AGENDA.

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G-4, DIPLOMATIC, FEAF, COMNAVFE



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Present Washington:	
Maj Gen R J Canine	G-2
Col G L Church	G-2
Col H O Patteson	JCS
Mr J C Graham	CIA
Mr E J Carroll	State
Cdr J R Bromely	ONI
Lt Col C A Curtis	JIG
Lt Col W F Kaufman	G-3
Cdr D C Deane	ONI
Maj L A Turk	JIG
Maj J E Brady	G-4
Capt M J Walsh	G-2
Capt J L Sutton	AFOIN
Lt R I Curts	ONI

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PARTICIPATING HQ : CINCPAC AND WASH  
NR : DA TT 4175  
SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

Present Tokyo	
Maj Gen C A Willoughby	G-2
Col Paul Cooper	G-2
Lt Col S A Young	G-3
LCdr T W Newland	FIO COMNAVFE
Maj W S Wanner	G-2
Capt J M Sherberger	D/I FEAF
Capt M M Ferguson	G-3

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A. Army

Increased en probing activity was evident along UN Front & continued conc of en trps & sups, particularly in Yonchon & Kumhwa areas, was disclosed by ground & air recon. West of Imjin River opposite 25th US Div Sector an en conc is indicated; grp of aprx 600 en were obsvd mvg SE from Kaesong & larger grp of u/1 persons est at 5,000 was observed NW Munsan. UN Air Forces making maximum use of excellent flying weather relentlessly pounded en trps locations, sup dumps, & lines of comm. En atk which was launched against def psns of 21st ROK Regt NE of Chunchon 26 Dec cont throughout day 27 Dec & is now estimated to have been in str of 2 regts. Atk was captd contained during late afternoon 27 Dec after 3d ROK Regt was

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committed to reinf friendly trps. Some loss of ground occurred, & en activity in area cont as of noon 28 Dec. Further to east an est en bn offered light resistance & w/d northward from vic of Oron in face of an advance by 22d ROK Regt. While 4 miles to NW elms of 18th ROK Regt advancing to occupy def psns drove smaller grp of en to N. 1st US Mar Div vic Masan (DP 6197) attached to X US Corps for opnl control

B. Air

During 24 hr pd endg 272400 L, UN acft under FEAF control flew 671 sorties inclg 166 trans, 27 recon, 44 ftr control, 434 combat of which 20 by SAAF & 10 by RAAF. 175 acft flew close spt of grd opns. 142 armed recon sorties were flown. Mil tgts atkd in 75 areas inclg Kwaksan, Sakchu, Pyonggang, Sinanju, Chosan & Hwangju. 53 counter air sorties were flown. 12 light bmr sorties were flown. 26 nite intruder acft atkd mil tgts in 32 areas inclg Pyongyang, Chorwon & Kaesong.

FEAF Bom Com flew 26 eff sorties: 12 acft 19th BG vis bbd mil tgts at Kumhwa, whse area at Singye & RR bridge BA 7753 with good to exc results. 12 acft 307th BG vis bbd mil tgts at Changdo-ri, Pokkye-ri & village at CT 5439 with exc results. 1 acft 91st Recon Sq accomplished surveillance & BDA of NK with exc results. 1 acft 98th BG on nite leaflet drop with unreptd results.

FEAF COCARCOM's 166 sorties airlifted 632 pas, 329 evacs & 484.6 tons freight.

FEAF Bom Com today dispatched 28 acft: 12 acft 19 BG vis bbd Kunchon & Namchonjom with exc results. 12 acft 307th BG vis bbd Sinmak & Chipso-ri with exc results. 1 acft 98th BG on nite leaflet drop with results unreptd at this time. 3 acft 91st Strat Recon Sq on surveillance NK with good results.

FEAF claims en losses for Pd:

Pers 985, vehs 40 & 27, tks 3 & 1, locos 2 & 1, sup carts 38 & 7, en occ bldgs 397 & 161, sup dumps 5 & 2, POL dumps, 4, RR bridges 1 & 2, pack animals 29, tunnels 1 & 3, RR cars 34 dem.

Opns planned for 29 Dec 50: B-29: 66 combat ready (CR), 23 to be employed (TBE). 98th BG: With 22 acft atk mil barracks area

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area at BU 5424. With 1 acft conduct nite leaflet drop. Light  
bmrs: 66 CR, 54 TBE. Ftrs: 252 CR, 288 TBE. Transports: 160  
CR, 156 TBE.

C. Navy:

Korea East Coast:

Air: TF 77 reptd no sorties 27 Dec.

Surface: Massey & Forest Royal 28 Dec relieved Sperry &  
Zellers on blockade patrol Iwon-Songjin. Zellers to Sasebo; Sperry  
reptg vic 38N to perform fire support missions for 1st ROK Corps.  
No other changes in Naval disposition. Zellers & Sperry off Iwon-  
Songjin 26-27 Dec reptd considerable veh traffic after darkness;  
Southbound convoy starts from Songjin, Northbound from Hungnam, at  
dusk; DD's unable to inflict profitable damage from outside 100-  
fathom curve; 1 DD can effectively interdict from 40-fathom curve,  
using direct fire. All channel buoys in Hungnam-Iwon-Songjin have  
been sunk except buoy 8 Songjin, which is out of range from out-  
side 40-fathom curve. ROK Naval intelligence repts friendly police,  
young men association members, & friendly citizens at Tongchon DU  
0406, Changjon DT 2988, Kosong DT 4179, Kojin-Ni DT 5256; possible  
800 half-armed guerrillas in Sunchon Area CP 6288.

Mines: None reptd.

Korea West Coast:

Air: TG 96.8, acft of Padoeng Strait & Sicily, flew 46 sor-  
ties 27 Dec: Close support South of Hwachon Reservoir, atkd trps  
in bldgs & fox holes; casualties unk; dest 17 bldgs, 2 sup dumps,  
recon acft observed no activity along coast to Yalu River or on  
aflds at Chinnampo, Ongjin, & Haeju. 2 acft sighted near Yalu at ex-  
treme range; identity & type unk. 8 acft supporting 6th ROK Div  
destroyed en observation post overlooking friendly lines CT 2916;  
atkd 8 bldgs containing en trps CT 2927, destroying 4 bldgs & 2  
camouflaged vehs, damaging 2 bldgs.

Surface: No change in Naval disposition, except Rochester en-  
route Inchon, ETA 29 Dec.

Mines: None reptd.

Formosa Strait: Alusna Taipei reptd Chinese Nationalist air  
Force alerted 27 Dec because of Bogey radar contacts: 270148H

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24-50N 120-20E; 270202H 25-37N 121-05E; 270226 to 0240H Bogey  
circling 25-45N 121-45E. No further info recd to identify contacts  
La Perouse Strait: No significant sightings.

D. No rept.

E. Weather:

Summary for pd 271800 I to 281800 I: Korea, clear thruout  
Korea until 280500 I when low ovst moved into NW Korea. Ovst  
moved slowly S & covered most of Korea by 281800I with setd snow  
shwrs. Vis good xept in snow shwrs.

Fest 281800 I to 291800 I: Korea, low & mid clds ovst with  
snow shwrs until frontal passage. Clearing from NW as front passes  
with frontal passage expected at Seoul at 290500 I. Clear to setd  
low clds with good vis thereafter.

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Military Situation.

A. Ground opns past 24 hrs.

1. Points of contact: CT 0707, CT 0905, CT 1205, CT 2007, CT 8507, DT 0505, DT 0400, DT 1005, DS 1199, DS 1897, DS 5287, DS 7583.

2. Bn OB changes: Negative.

3. US Army Eight: Adv CP at Seoul. US 1st Mar Div atchd to US X Corps for opn control.

(A) I US Corps: CP vic Nakpon-ni CS 1864.

25th US Div sector: CP vic CS 1272 patrol obsvd many newly dug fox holes vic BS 9492 at 271630 I. Civ rept entire police force at BS 9496 was capt'd by NK trps on 24 Dec. Other civs rept est 30 NK trps loc vic CS 0610 and aprx 40 NK trps vic CS 0710; ptrl obsvd few en trps those areas 27 Dec. Air strike and arty fire directed on u/1 lights vic BS 8890 at 272315 I. Air obsvd: Est 4500 pers W of Imjin River vic CS 0095 at 271200 I; scattered brown clad en trps mvg S and E along trail vic BT 8505 at 271330 I. Units maintained def psns and patrolled. 1st Turkish Armed Forces Comd cont in def psns on div west flank vic Tongjin BS 8477. US 24th and 35th RCTs along gen line from BS 9785 to CS 0491 to CS 1097. US 27th RCT in div res vic Wijeon-ni CS 0585.

1st ROK Div sector: Delayed rept: Undet nbr en, believed CCF, engaged in brief fire fight vic CT 0905 at 261600 I; 8 en KIA, including 2 officers. Arty fire directed on undet nbr en along ridge vic CT 0706-CT 0907 on 27 Dec. Friendly ptrl fired into town vic Hill 68 (CT 0707) as result est en bn fr town occupied high grd that vic causing ptrl w/d. Ptrl engaged est en plt, believed CCF, in 1 hr fire fight vic CT 1205, en w/d. I and R plt, 12th ROK Regt reprd engaged with en undet str vic CT 2007 afternoon 27 Dec. Air reprd: Atkd en trps in bldg vic CT 2215 at 270920 I causing est 200 cas; atkd est 350 trps in villages vic CT 2218 at 270936 I; obsvd

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est 1,000 green and white clad trps mvg E vic CT 2317 mid morning 27 Dec. At 271200 I atkd undet nbr en on ridge vic CT 2022; obsvd est 50 en trps in prepared posn fr CT 2108 to CT 2210 with 6 mortar psns vic CT 2114 at 271700 I; obsvd est en co with 25 horses & 12 baded pack animals vic CT 2215 at 271330 I. Atkd en trp conc vic CT 1005 at 271715 I, causing 100 en cas; atkd en trps vic CT 0405, CT 0810, CT 2008, CT 2310, during night 27/28 Dec.

ROK 11th & 12th Regts cont in def psns along gen line fr CS 1097 to CT 1103 to CT 1603 to CT 2507. ROK 15th Regt in div res vic CS 2094.

29th Inf Brig Gp (UK): Remained in corps res; patrolled in rear areas.

(B) IX US Corps: CP opened vic CS 2659.

6th ROK Div: Air rptd: Atkd 150 blue uniformed trps & horses vic CT 3021 at 271210 I; obsvd POL dp vic CT 3222 & occupied trench extending N-S on E of rd vic CT 3718 at 271210 I; destd 3 T-34 tks parked on rd vic CT 2820, burned village same vic containing ammo & sups during afternoon 27 Dec; obsvd freshly dug fox holes vic CT 2525, rptd rd between CT 2717 & CT 3117 showed evidence of extensive use 27 Dec. Units cont in def psns & patrolled in sector. ROK 7th & 19th Regts along gen line fr CT 2506 to CT 3107 to CT 3605. ROK 2d Regt in div res vic CT 3201.

24th US Div Sector: CP at Uijongbu CS 2878. Arty fire dispersed est 35 en vic CT 4706 at 272005 I. US 19th & 21st RCTS cont in def psns along gen line fr CT 3605 to CT 4207 TO CT 4904. US 5th Inf RCT in div res vic CS 3478.

US 1st Cav Div (Inf): CP at Seoul. Units maintained blocking psns along Seoul-Kapyong CS 6987 axis. US 7th Cav RCT vic CS 4063. US 8th Cav RCT vic Masogu-Ri CS 5168. US 5th Cav RCT vic Sangchon-Ni CS 6381 & Kumam-Ni CS 5770. 10th BCT (Philippine) & Greek Inf Bn con in assy areas vic Suwon CS 2427.

27th Br Com Inf Brig: Cont in corps res vic Uijongbu; patrolled in rear areas.

4. (A) Army Forces, ROK: CP at Taeju.

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III ROK Corps: CP at Yangpyong CS 6749.

2d ROK Div Sector: No en contact rptd. Air rptd much sup acty in limed en rear area, sup concs rptd vic CT 6437, CT 6637, CT 6839 POL dump vic CT 6935. 3 POL dumps & evidence of much sup acty in Kumhwa (CT 6538) during afternoon 27 Dec. ROK 17th, 31st, & 32d Regts cont in def psns in order from left to right along gen line fr CT 5205 to CT 7206 to CT 7606.

5th ROK Div Sector: 30 man en parl w/d after brief flight with elms 35th ROK Regt vic CT 8507 at 271745 I. Air rptd fol: Obsvd est 300 en on high gd vic CT 7414 & est en co vic CT 7809 at 271600 I; obsvd CAM sups along trail fr CT 8620 to CT 8729 & along rd ft CT 8420 to CT 8329 with houses along both routes being used as billet trps at 271330 I; dest'd 6 vehs & killed undet nbr trps vic CT 7811 dusk 27 Dec with good results, rpt numerous en trps remain in area. ROK 36th Regt along gen line fr CT 7705 to CT 8105. ROK 35th Regt along gen line fr CT 8205 to CT 8905. ROK 27th Regt (-) along gen line fr CT 8007 to CT 9306; 2d Ba vic CT 8804.

8th ROK Div Sector: Previously rptd en atk on elms 21st ROK Regt vic DT 0505 at 261500 I nowest 2 regt str; atk contd during 27 Dec & was rptd contained as of 271745 I after en made limited gains; en pressure contd AM 28 Dec. Est 300 en that infiltrated to vic DT 0400 were atkd by air at 271535 I with excellent results.

Other en trps undet str engaged with gd forces vic DT 1005 also atkd by air with excellent results. Air rptd fol: Atkd many en trps vic DT 0104 & obsvd hand to hand fighting that area at 270855 I obsvd en mortar psns on N side of Hill 622 (CT 0404) & friendly trps atkg pillboxes & entrenched en vic DT 0004; atkd undet nbr en vic CT 9706 resulting in 50 en killed & obsvd est 40 en surrendering to friendly forces after air strike 27 Dec. ROK 16th Regt cont in def psns along line fr CT 9505 to DT 0004. ROK 21st Regt cont to hold gen line fr DT 0204 to DT 0604 under en pressure. ROK 10th Regt cont in def psns fr DT 0706 to DT 1006.

ROK 7th Div: ROK 8th Regt cont in psns vic Kyonae-Ri CS 9397, vic DS 0497 & vic Anhyon-Ni DS 0096. ROK 3d Regt reinf ROK 21st Regt; last rptd psns along gen line fr DT 0004 to DT 0203. ROK 5th Regt in corps res vic Chunchon CS 8893.

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- (2) II ROK Corps: CP Wonju DS-0733.  
3d ROK Div Sector:

Est en bn offered light resistance and W/D northward during 4000 yd adv of elms, 18th ROK Regt on 27 Dec. Est 2 en Cos W/D NE as elms 22d ROK Regt adv to DS-1897 on 27 Dec. No rptd en contact in div sector during night 27/28 Dec. Ren Co rptd est 500-600 en loc vic DS-2077 at 271300 I.

Air Rpt fol: Atkd 200 en trps in quilted uniforms vic DT 2812 at 271100 I, est 50% cas; obsvd 300 white clad trps vic CT-2713 at 271200 I. 1st Bn, ROK 18th Regt adv to vic DS-1496; 2d Bn occupied psn vic DS-1491; 3d Bn withdrew to def psns vic DS-1196. 3d Bn, ROK 22d Regt in contact with en vic DS-1897; 2d Bn in psn vic DS-2195. 2d Bn, ROK 23d Regt in blocking psn vic DS-2492; remainder regt in res vic Hongchon DS-0372.

- (3) I ROK Corps: CP Kangnung DS-9177:  
9th ROK Div Sector:

Est 100 en vic DS-5267 dispersed to W by elms 30th ROK Regt on 26 Dec. 28th and 29th ROK Regts encountered light resistance during adv to def psns morn 28 Dec. ROK 28th Regt occupied psns along gen line from DS-2994 to DS-3394 and from DS-3897 to DS-4297. Elms ROK 30th Regt occupied psn vic DS-4494 and along gen line from DS-4586 to DS-5086.

Cap ROK Div Sector:

Est 150 en vic DS7583 dispersed to W by elms 26th ROK Regt on 26 Dec. Air obsvd scattered en trps avg S & E from Inje (DT-2713) at 271300 I. ROK 1st Cav Regt occupied psns along gen line from DS-5497 to DT-5402 to DT-5504. ROK 1st Regt(-) occupied psns along line from DT 5706 to DT-6014 to DT-6818; 3d Bn along gen line from DT-4526 to DT-4727. Elm ROK 26th Regt occupied psn along gen line from DS-6984 to DS-6891 & from DS-8237 to DS-8589. ROK 1st & 3d Secty Bns: cont secty missions in sector. Elm 1st Bn vic Samchok ES-1444, vic DS-6569 & vic DS-6166. 3d Bn vic Yongwol DS-5314.

(4) ROK 11th Div: Div (with ROK 2d, 5th, 6th & 7th Secty Bns atchd) cont sweeping & patrolling ops in sector.

B. US X Corps: CP Kyongju BQ-1967. Assumed opn control US 1st Mar Div:

(1) US 7th Inf Div: CP Yongchon DQ-9479. Units cont reorganization vic Yongchon.

(2) US 3d Inf Div: CP opened vic Tongbang-ri BQ-2362. Elms

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of Div assembling vic Madong-ni EQ-2758 & Tongbang-ri.

(3) US 1st Mar Div: CP vic Masan DP-6197. Div cont reorganization vic Masan.

(C) Army Separate Units.

(1) US 2d Inf Div: CP vic Chungju DR-0592. US 23d RCT enroute vic Wonju DS-0733. French Inf Bn cont in blocking psns along line from DR-0499 to DS-0801. 1st Bn, US 9th RCT cont in psns vic Hwanggang-ni DR-1789, Sinsang-Ni DR 3226 and Fotong-dong DR-3916; 2d & 3d Bns vic Chungju. Netherlands Bn closed vic Mungyong DR-2165, atchd US 9th RCT. 1st Bn, US 38th RCT in psn vic Andong-Ni DR-3898; 2d Bn vic Yongju DR-6775; 3d Bn closed vic Punggi DR-5879.

(2) Canadian Inf Bn: Elms cont enroute to Miryang DQ-7827.

(3) US 187th Abn RCT: cont in army res vic Suwon CS-2427.

(D) Japan Logistical Command: No Chg:

5. Rear Areas:

(A) Enemy:

Air rptd fol: Obsvd 3 stationary trains vic CU-6398 at 262200 I; bombed 10 RR cars vic CT-6040 at 270655; destd 13 RR cars sup loaded vic CU-4658 at 270830 I; atkd 2 trains W of Kwaksan XD-7895 at 270630 I. Destd loco & 5 RR cars vic XE-5810 at 280050 I; atkd 25 vehs mvg S fr Huichon (BV-6849) to Kunu at 280150 I, results good; obsvd widely scattered vehs mvg S fr Hamhung area. Aerial photos made 271830 I revealed wrecked train on Hamhung bridge with pos tks on flat cars & aprx 500 en trps on rd mvg S vic CU-4867; obsvd undet nbr en dug in on ridge vic DT-4913 on 26 Dec.

(B) Friendly:

Previously rptd est 800 en vic DR-4694 have been driven into hills by ROK Police. Ptrl rptd est 50 en vic DS-4305 at 271915 I. Police rptd est 300 en vic DS-4707 on 27 Dec. Delayed rpt: During pd 19-23 Dec elms 11th ROK Div killed 273 en & captd 58 as results of 11 scattered engagements.

B. Air Operations past 24 hrs:

5th AF rpts: At 280850 I 3 F-80's were jumped by 5 MIG-15's

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vic Sinuiju XE-1840. During engagement hits obsd on 1 MIG. Short time later same F-80 flight jumped by 2 MIG-15's. 1 MIG rec hits & was last seen about 100 ft from grd in an inverted div psn, smoking badly. Between 0855 & 0900 1 same F-80 flight met 8 to 12 MIG-15's. No dam sustained either side this encounter. F-80's left due to fuel shortage.

C. Navy Operations (See Sit in Brief).

D. En Capabilities:

Guerrilla potential in the Tanyang-Chechon-Yongol triangle: Although known guerrilla strongholds exist in the vic of Taegon (CR-5922), Chongju (CQ-3562), Kwangju (CP-1288), & Smachok (ES-1842) recent reports of increased en activity in gen rear area around Chechon (DS-3010) makes this area deserving of special consideration. While UN forces were employed well forward in NK, guerrilla activities in this area, while perhaps latent, commanded little or no attention. However, since 18 Dec '50 there has been an increasing number of reports of guerrilla attacks, sightings of guerrilla bands, & of gen harrassing tactics against UN & ROK personnel. Also, PW reports have indicated the possibility that this gen area is the stronghold of a sizeable, well-organized guerrilla force, & altho not yet accepted here, that the CP of the 2d NK Guerrilla Div, directed & coordinated by Gen Kim-Chaek (ex CG of NK Adv GHQ), is located in this area. Should the en co-ordinate the efforts of this force against the UN rear areas while launching a major offensive against the main UN defensive line, our forces might well experience considerable difficulty in carrying out their defense mission. It should be noted that this particular area is on a principal line of communications highway leading from the communications center of Seoul to Pusan, & commands an important part of the East-West road net avail to UN forces. In addition, should it be elected to establish defense positions along the narrow waist from the vic of Pyongtaek to the E this concentration of guerrillas could seriously interfere with such operations. Not only would their very presence in the area constitute a weak spot within this line, but UN forces would in all probability have to expend considerable effort to

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secure the area. Although the present positioning of UN forces in Chongju and Wonju somewhat mitigates against the en's full exploitation of this guerrilla force, the very fact that they do exist, are active, and are apparently co-ordinating their efforts with the communist forward movement is a constant threat to UN operations.

E. No Report.

F. Completed air drop 27 Dec Chinese anti-morale lflts (400,000 serial 7018, & 250,000 serial 7019) & Korean anti-morale lflts (200,000 serial 1037 & 50,000 serial 9008)

G. No Report.

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Logistics: No significant developments to report.  
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Fol Ident and OB from Army Eight SITREP Nbr 436, ending 281300 I Dec: Documents taken from an dead vic CT 0905 on 27 Dec, identified 115th Div, 39th CCF Army. Also contained brief recon sketch of areas immediately N and NW of present posns 1st ROK Div and list of possible river crossing sites. 3d ROK Div reptd capture of total 22 PW's including 5 officers, from 2d NK Div on 27 Dec 50. Unk nbr of above PW's stated NKPA and CCF to launch general assault morn 28 Dec 50.

(END FEC-4)

FEC-5  
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NK Government mobilizing citizens: As of 19 Dec the NK Government was mobilizing all citizens between 15-55 years of age in the Sariwon, Simmak, and Kumchon Area. Physically fit persons were being sent to Manchuria for training: The others were transporting supplies to the NK and CCF forces. Each person was being required to move 3 mal of supplies approx 2-1/2 miles per day. The transport is accomplished only on dark nights and PW's are pressed into service of carrying ammunition and food. (C-3 BRU/FEC, 2299, 28 Dec 50)

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Info from CIC source here indicates that Kim, Il Sung and Mao, Tse Tung met with Stalin in Moscow for 5 days on or about 3 Dec 50. Conference allegedly covered strengthening Soviet Chinese Communist Treaty of Alliance, complete occupation of SK by April 1951, and the invasion of Japan. Can you furnish any info as to whether or not such a meeting was held in Moscow at time stated. If so, would appreciate any details you may have on the subject.

((END FEC-6))

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Will reply soonest.

((END FEC 7))

FEC ITEM 8

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Re FEC-7 TT 4169 latest info available here follows:

The Master of the S S San Antonio was interrogated this evening at Yokohama and stated that he never saw more than 12 ships present at any one time during his stay in Dairen 15-23 Dec. He also stated he saw 50-100 lighters on the docks. Soviet troops were seen, but the number could not be estimated.

The original source on the S S San Antonio was re-interviewed. This interview he stated that he never saw more than 12 ships in Dairen at any one time. A few minutes later, he stated that, maybe, 24 would be a better figure than 12. He stated he saw 100 "landing craft" on the dock, and an indeterminate number of Soviet Troops.

1. The lighter or "landing craft" in the dock have been previously reported, and were photographed by another source. These craft are evaluated as lighters (without engines) used in hauling cargo to and from ships at anchor. At several ports in the Far East,

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there is a shortage of docking space and lighter without engines are in general use to haul cargo to and from the docks; these lighters being hauled by tugs.

2. Apparently, the original source greatly exaggerated the number of Soviet merchant ships present; since at this interrogation both original source and the captain estimated approximately 12 ships present (of which, the captain estimated 8 or 9 might be Russian at most).

3. The original source, on being re-interviewed appeared to be very cooperative, but due to the inconsistencies in his statements as compared with those previously obtained; (and in view of the Master's statement) it is believed the original source had greatly exaggerated.

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INFORMATION : COMMANDER IN CHIEF, CHIEF OF STAFF, G-1, G-2, G-3, G-4,  
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PARTICIPATING HQS : WASH AND CINCPAC  
NR : AGENDA FOR TEL 271200 Z  
SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

DA-4

Wind No. 152

Philippines (~~Secret~~)

Chief Joint USMAG Philippines (JUSMAG Phil) reports President Elpidio Quirino has signed executive order reorganizing armed forces of Philippines (AFP). Reorganization provides for ~~and~~ elimination unnecessary hqs and staffs and more direct command channels to troop units. Major changes in high command pns being contemplated and completed after first year.

JUSMAG comments it believes this action will produce positive results toward accelerating operations to restore and maintain peace and order.

Comment: Full details reorganization not yet known but above steps should result in reduction top-hvy command structure of AFP. Remains to be seen what leadership changes effected. Probable that changes will consist of shuffling of top leaders and appointments to high "advisory" posts.

END DA 4

DA Note 1.

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Would appreciate your comment on Dept of State Cable No. 953, 220236 Z, to USPOLAD.

(END DA Note 1)

DA Note 2. For G-2

Would appreciate any information of recent date you have on troops mvmts of CCF from Central and South China to Manchuria.

(END DA Note 2)

DA Note 3. Secret. To G-2 FEC From G-2 DA.

Rqst your comments.

Tokyo Kana in English Morse to agency offices 1518 12/26.

(Text) Tokyo-Russian officers in Soviet uniforms are working on the divisional level with the Chinese Communist Army in Korea in both combat and intelligence work, it was authoritatively

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learned tonight. Several American prisoners who were released by the Chinese Reds reported to hqs here that they were questioned in Korea before their release by Russian officers speaking flawless english. These offs, according to returned POW's were wearing Russian Army uniforms with full insignia.

Reports have been current both in Tokyo and in Korea for some time that Russian Army offs have been working with the Chinese Communist Army in the North Korean campaign in intelligence and combat work, but no direct official report was avail until they were specifically identified by capt'd American soldiers who were questioned by them.

The American prisoners said that they were questioned by Russian offs in Chorwon, where a Chinese Communist divisional hqs was located. Chorwon is about 15 miles North of the 38th Parallel roughly at midpt in the Korean Peninsula.

Reports avail here indicated tonight that each Chinese Communist divisional hqs is assigned four Soviet Russian offs. They are apparently in charge of staff and intelligence work and seem to be men of auth at the Chinese Red Divisional Hqs.

The Russian offs conversed with Americans in impeccable English and acted in an extremely gentlemanly fashion. They started interrogation of prisoners by foig the usual pattern Communists used in questioning prisoners by asking about the hometowns of the POW's their peacetime occupation, their family lives and other trivial matters.

The prisoners said that the entire impression which the Russian offs sought to make was that the Soviets are humans and they have abiding friendship for all Americans.

The prisoners said that it was quite evident that the treatment of the Russian off by offering cigarettes to POW's at the opening of the interrogation, as well as the tone of his questioning, were intended to "soften up" UN soldiers before they were reld to be sent back to their lines.

(END NOTE 3)

INFORMATION : COMMANDER IN CHIEF, CHIEF OF STAFF, G-1, G-2, G-3, G-4, DIPLOMATIC, FEAF, COMNAVFE

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26 Dec 50

PARTICIPATING HQS : WASH AND CINCPAC  
NR : DA TT 4165  
SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

Present Washington:	
Maj Gen R J Canine	G-2
Col J P Breden	G-2
Capt R E Malpass	ONI
Col H O Patterson	JCS
Mr E J Carroll	State
Mr J W Rubin	CIA
Lt Col C A Curtis	JIG
Lt Col W F Kaufman	G-3
Lt Col F J Walsh	G-4
Maj L A Turk	JIG
Capt C C Quigley	G-2
Lt W C Sherman	ONI

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ADDITIONAL CONFEREE:  
Maj B G Parks

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PART 2 CINCENONG

26 Dec 50

PARTICIPATING HQS : CINCEN AND WASE

NR : DA TT 4165

SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

Present Tokyo	
Major Gen C A Willoughby	G-2
Col A C Goodwin	G-2
Col T R Funnish	G-3
Lt Col R L Kolb	G-2
Lt Col T G Curtis	AFHQ NAVFE
Capt W F Keating	D/I FEAF
1st Lt T W Robinson	G-3

SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

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A. Army:

Only three significant encounters were reported along the Army Eight front during the period. Left flank elms of the II ROK Corps engaged two NK cos believed by-passed during adv of right flank elms III ROK Corps on 24-25 Dec. Results were not reported. A heavy firefight between a relief hostile co and elms 24th US Div occurred in the area 7 mi SE of Yonchon. Approx 60 em were KIA during this engagement. The third significant encounter occurred near Utan, 13 mi inland from the E coast, where elms 9th ROK Div engaged a hostile force of undetermined strength. Small hostile groups were reported active on the IX US Corps front apparently endeavoring to determine friendly dispositions and to seek routes of adv for pending offensive operations. Enemy artillery has been noted opposite I US Corps front line units as air recon obsvd 12-14 field pieces slightly N of the Injin River. ROK 1st and

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6th Div patrols reported observing numerous CCF groups varying in str up to 2 cos. Guerrilla forces est at bn strength have been active in the Yonchon (DS 5503) area. The 7th US Div continued assembling via Yongchon (DQ 9380); as of 261200 I, aprx 99% personnel and 95% equip had closed in area. The 3d US Div unloaded aprx 18% personnel and 25% equip while remainder div awaited debarkation in Pusan.

B. Air:

During the 24 hour period ending 252400 I, UN acft under FEAF control flew 504 sorties inclg 138 transport, 20 recon, 24 ftr control, 322 combat of which 15 by USMC. 51 acft flew close support of grd opns. 168 armed recon sorties were flown. Mil tgts atkd in 37 areas inclg Wonsan, Kumchon, Sinanju and Koto-ri. 20 counter air sorties were flown. 4 on escort for RF-80's; 16 on CAP. 25 lite bmr acft atkd mil tgts in 6 areas inclg Pyongyang afd, BT 7086, BS 9697 and CT 1810. 33 nite intruder acft atkd mil tgts in 32 areas inclg Sinanju, Pyongyang, Chorwon, Hagaru-ri and Masan-ni.

FEAF Bom Com flew 28 eff sorties: 12 acft 19th BG vis bbd mil tgts at Sinye and Pyongyang with poor to exc results. 12 acft 307th BG vis bbd mil tgts at Sariwon with exc results. 3 acft 91st Recon Sq accomplished partial photo coverage N Korea with good results. 1 acft 98th BG on leaflet drop along battle line with unrptd results.

FEAF COCARCOMS 138 sorties airlifted 545 psgrs and 369.9 tons freight.

FEAF Bom Com today dispatched 27 acft: 22 acft 98th BG vis bbd Chorwon and bridges at CV 3867, YC 3984 and CU 6406 with good to exc results. 1 acft 98th BG on nite leaflet drop with results unrptd at this time. 4 acft 91st Strat Recon on surveillance and photo coverage N Korea with good to exc results.

FEAF claims any losses for period: Pers 440, vehs 28 and 21, sup carts 20 and 3, any occ bldgs 388 and 413, sup dump 1, POL dumps 2, any occ village 1, pack animals 38, tks 2 dam, RR cars 22 dam, CP 1 dam, bridges 50 dam.

Operations planned for 27 Dec 50: B-29: 68 combat ready (CR)

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25 to be employed (TBE). 98th BG: 1 acft conducts leaflet drop over enemy troops along battle line. 307th BG: Attacks key enemy troop concentrations and support points as follows: 6 acft Changdo-ri CT 8462. 6 acft Pyongyang CT 5153. 19th BG: attacks key enemy troop concentrations and support points as follows: 8 acft Kumhwa CT 6538, 3 acft Singye BT 8565. One Tarzon acft attacks RR bridge at BA 7753. Light bombers: 62 CR, 52 TBE. Fighters: 267 CR, 267 TBE. Transports 169 CR, 130 TBE.

C. Navy:

Korea East Coast:

Air: TF 77 replenishing 25 Dec: Flew 32 defensive sorties after 50 days sustained operations Philippine Sea and Leyte arrived Sasebo.

Surface: Zellars and Sperry on blockade patrol via 40 to 41 N; destroyed or damaged 22 RR cars by 5-inch AAC: Report no indication enemy activity 25 Dec. Massey and Forrest Royal on small boat blockade patrol at Hungnam. Gloucester and Gallup ASW patrol Pusan.

Sausalito at Pusan reports casting of high pressure valve chest broken beyond repair and will require new high pressure cylinder and valve chest; making necessary arrangements for repairs Yokosuka.

According delayed ROK Navy Intelligence Report: No enemy in Tongchon DU 0506; ROK Army engineers destroying bridges Kosong area: ROK Navy YMS 515 assisted by small craft operating between 38 to 39 parallel on east coast; lone survivor ROK Navy intel team from YMS 503 surrounded 19 Dec by 500 Communists at Changsu San YC 4238; Chinese 21 Dec in Miryok Yong YC 3551; 300 Chinese, 1 North Korean company via YC 4325 on 22 Dec; rail line Sariwon YC 4065 to Haeju YC 3712 held by Chinese.

Mines: None reported.

Korea West Coast:

Air: Theseus planes, in 29 sorties, covered road from Pyongyang to Sariwon and Haeju; few targets; inflicted casualties on small parties troops; attacked radio Haeju radio station and minor targets. TG 96.8 replenishing and en route Korea west coast op area.

Surface: Cayuga and Sioux patrolled off Inchon; negative results

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Ceylon, Warramunga, & DD Bataan standing by for fire support mission in Incheon area.

Mines: None reported.

Fornosa Strait: Planes reported no unusual sightings.

La Perouse Strait: No significant sightings.

D. No report.

E. Weather:

Summary for period 251800-I to 261800-I: Korea, clear throughout all area N of 37 N with brkn to overcast low and mid clds S of 37 N, clearing rapidly as cold front moved S and clear conds over all Korea after 261200-I xpt brkn low clds in Pusan area.

Vis good.

Fest 261800-I to 271800 - I: Korea, clear conds to 260900-I with scd to brkn low clds along NW coastal areas near end of period.

Vis good.

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- A. Ground opns past 24 hrs.
1. Points of contact: CT 1106, CT 4109, CT 4408, CT 4507, CT 4609, DT 2007 and DT 5503.
  2. Ident and CB: 2d Guerrilla Div ident in vic DS 6602. Presence guer trps this area accepted; unit designation unaccepted.
  3. US Army Eight: Adv CP at Seoul. Hq, US X Corps asgd eff 26 Dec 50.

(A) US I Corps: CP vic Nokpon-ni CS 1864.  
25th US Div sector: CP vic CS 1272. Air reptd: Strafed en conc str undet vic BS 9797 at 251205 I, results exc; obsvd en tk vic BT 9726 at 251355 I; obsvd 8-10 arty pos (conf by ptrls) vic CT 0304 at 251725 I; atkd est en co vic CT 0203 at 252325 I, results undet. Units maintained def pns and patrolled. 1st Turkish Armed Forces Comd cont in def pns on div west flank vic Tongjin BS 8477. US 24th and 35th RCTs along gen line from BS 9785 to CS 0491 to CS 1097. US 27th RCT in div res vic Wijon-ni CS 0585.

1st ROK Div sector: Ptrls reptd fol 25 Dec: Sm gps CCF vic CT 1906, CT 2007 and CT 2107; est CCF co vic CT 2410 and another CCF co vic CT 2509; recd SA fire vic CT 1106. Air reptd: Obsvd 3 arty pos vic CT 2112 and another arty po vic CT 1324 at 250900 I; obsvd en trps, horses and sups along roads from CT 1208 to CT 2315 and fr CT 1106 to CT 1818 at 251130 I; atkd en conc in area CT 2010-CT 1315-CT 2017-CT 2515 at 251130 I, results undet; obsvd considerable amount sups vic CT 1310 midday 25 Dec; atkd en trps vic CT 0818 to CT 1106 at 252040 I. Air photo as of 252345 I revealed aprx 500 en with excarts avg 8 vic CT 1830.

ROK 11th and 12th Regts cont in def pns along gen line frm CS 1097 to CT 1103 to CT 1603 to CT 2507. ROK 15th Regt in div res vic CS 2094.

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29th Inf Brig Gp (UK): Cont in corps res.

(B) US IX Corps: CP at Uijongbu CS 2878.

6th ROK Div sector: Air atkd 30-40 horses vic CT 3008 at 251155 I and obsvd scattered en trps vic CT 3514 and CT 3522 at 251030. Ptrls reptl obsvd fol 25 Dec: 2 CCF cos vic CT 3216; 300 mixed CCF and NK trps vic CT 3712; 100 NK trps vic CT 3811; 40 CCF vic CT 3112; 300 en vic CT 3813; est cav trp vic CT 3712; NK co vic CT 3312; est 600 mixed CCF and NK trps fr CT 3810 to CT 3911; CCF co vic CT 3113; CCF co vic CT 3314. Est en co mvg S vic CT 3311 taken under arty fire at 251300 I, results undet. Units cont occupation of def psns and patrolling. ROK 7th and 19th Regts along gen line from CT 2506 to CT 3107 to CT 3605. ROK 2d Regt in div res vic CT 3201.

24th US Div sector: CP Uijongbu. Air obsvd: En trp conc vic CT 4913 at 251200 I; est 200 en in def psns vic CT 4417 at 251100 I; scattered en trps vic CT 4014 and CT 4022 at 251030 I. 21st Inf ptrl engaged est en plt mvg S vic CT 4507 shortly after midnight 24 Dec; 6 en KIA. Arty fire repulsed sm en ptrls attempting move thru friendly recon screen vic CT 4609 and CT 4408 evening 25 Dec. Est 200 en sptd by mortars engaged 19th Inf combat ptrl in hvy firefight vic CT 4109 at 252300 I; est 60 en KIA. US 19th and 21st RCTs cont in def psns along gen line from CT 3605 to CT 4207 to CT 4904; US 5th Inf RCT in div res vic CS 3478.

US 1st Cav Div (Inf): CP vic CS 2659. Units maintained blocking psns along Seoul - Kapyong CS 6987 axis. US 7th Cav RCT vic CS 4063. US 8th Cav RCT vic Masogu-ri CS 5168. US 5th Cav RCT vic Sangchon-ni CS 6381 and Kuam-ni CS 5770. 10th BCT (Philippine) and Greek Inf Bn cont in assy areas vic Suwon CS 2427.

27th Br Com Inf Brig: Corps res, vic Uijongbu. Units cont patrolling and securing MBR.

4. (a) Army Forces, ROK: CP at Taegu.

ROK III Corps: CP at Yangpyong CS 6749.

2d ROK Div sector: Air obsvd numerous pack animals and oxcarts along trail fr CT 6733 to CT 7114 to CT 8514 at 251100 I.

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ROK 17th, 31st and 32d Regts cont in def psns in order from left to right along gen line from CT 5205 to CT 7206 to CT 7606.

5th ROK Div sector: Ptrl reptd est 350 CCF vic CT 8009 late afternoon 25 Dec. U/I acft strafed friendly psns vic CT 8502 at 240300 I (delayed rept). 300-400 CCF and est 200 NK trps obsvd vic CT 8207 on 23 Dec (delayed rept). Air obsvd 300-400 en vic CT 8207 and numerous ptrls between CT 8207 and CT 8515 at 251245 I. Units cont occupation of def psns. ROK 36th Regt along gen line from CT 7705 to CT 8105. ROK 35th Regt along line from CT 8205 to CT 8908. ROK 27th Regt (-) along line from CT 8907 to CT 9306; 2d Bn vic CT 8804.

8th ROK Div sector: Air obsvd 300-400 en in green uniforms occupying def psns between DT 0206 and DT 0504 at 251100 I. (G-2 comment: Possibly friendly trps.) ROK 16th Regt cont in def psns along line from CT 9505 to DT 0004. ROK 21st Regt reld ROK 3d Regt in psns along line from DT 0106 to DT 0606. ROK 10th Regt occupied def psns from DT 0706 to DT 1006. ROK 7th Div: 1st Bn, ROK 8th Regt vic Kyonae-ri CS 9397; 2d Bn vic DS 0497; 3d Bn vic Anhyon-ni DS 0096. ROK 5th Regt remained in assy area vic Chunchon CS 8893. ROK 3d Regt assembled vic Chogyo-ri DT 0601.

ROK II Corps: CP at Wonju DS 07733.

3d ROK Div sector: 200 en reptd located vic DS 1096 at 242340 I. Elms 22d ROK Regt dispersed en pltt gen vic DT 2007 at 250300 I. Est 2 NK cos engaged with 3d Bn 18th ROK Regt at 252100 I; exact loc and results unreptd. This en force believed by-passed during III ROK Corps adv on 24-25 Dec. Air atkld undet nbr en vic DT 0910 and DT 1423 on 25 Dec; results undet. 1st and 2d Bns, ROK 18th Regt in def psns along line from DS 0897 to DS 0998; ROK 22d Regt in psns along line from DT 1705 to DT 2405. ROK 223d Regt, no reptd change

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ROK I Corps: CP at Kangnung DS 9177.

9th ROK Div sector: Elms 29th ROK Regt engaged with undet nbr en vic DT 5503 at 241200; results unreptd. Units cont en route to def psns in western portion of Corps zone.

ROK Cap Div: No reptd change.

ROK 1st & 3d Scty Bns: No reptd change.

ROK 11th Div: Units cont patrolling & sweeping opns.

(B) US 7th Inf Div: CP Yongchon DQ 9479. Units cont assembling vic Yongchon. Aprx 99% pers & 95% equip of div closed vic Yongchon.

(C) Canadian Inf Bn: Elms en route to assy area vic Miryang DQ 7827.

(D) US 1st Mar Div: CP vic Masan DP 6197. Div cont reorganization vic Masan.

(E) US 2d Inf Div: CP vic Chungju DR 0592. 1st & 2d Bns, US 23d RCT en route to blocking psns along Chungju - Wonju DS 0733 road & Chungju - Chupo-R1 DS 2209 road; 3d Bn in blocking psns along line from DS 0103 to DS 1301. 1st Bn, US 38th RCT closed Yongju DR 6775; 2d Bn en route to Yongju; 3d Bn en route to Mungyong DR 2165. US 9th RCT Div res vic Chungju.

(F) US 187th Abn RCT: Cont in Army res vic Suwon CS 2427.

(G) US 3d Inf Div: CP vic Madong-Ni EQ 2758. Aprx 18% pers & 25% equip of Div unloaded at Pusan. Remainder of Div in Pusan harbor awaiting unloading.

(H) US X Corps: Adv CP vic Kyongju EQ 1967; main CP afloat. Units cont unloading at Pusan & assembling in Kyongju - Yongchon DQ 9479 area. Eff 26 Dec 50, Hq US X Corps asgd to US Army Eight.

5. Activities in rear areas:

(A) En rear areas: Air reptd: Obsvd 7 tks (US & T-34s) vic CV 5660 at 251335 I; inflicted est 270 en casu vic CV 7040 at 251515 I; atkd est 600 en mvg S into Hungnam (CV 8010) at 251635 I inflicting aprx 350 casu; obsvd hvy veh traffic mvg S from Kanggye (BA 9737) to Huichon (BV 6849) at 252055 I.

(B) Friendly rear areas: ROK police reptd est 600 en capt'd Yongchun (DS 5503) at 250100 I.

B. Air opns past 24 hrs (see sit in brief).

C. Navy opns (see sit in brief).

D. Discussion of en capabilities: reinforcement by

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additional forces in Korea:

Past intell summaries have pointed out potential of CCF & NK units in Hungnam area, & discussed possible future employment of these forces. Str of this force is estimated at minimum of 4 CCF Armies (corps) & 2 NK corps. Specifically, 20th, 26th, 27th, elms of 24th, 30th, & 32d CCF Armies (corps), IV, & possibly III NK Corps. Str of this potential reinf could reach 125,000. Recent reports permit speculation that CCF units: i.e., 55th, 56th, 67th, 68th & elms of 37th & 44th CCF Armies (corps) (probable str, 150,000) are now in NK & if so represent an additional strong reinf potential to forward displaced CCF Armies (corps). Although info is lacking to confirm location of additional CCF force in Korea, their presence logically follows, if plan announced by Kim Il Sung, NK Premier to drive UN Forces completely from Korea is to be consummated. Reinf potential in rear areas is further enhanced by possibility of full scale commitment of CCF Air Force in conjunction with gen offensive. In this regard, there have been recent repts of as many as 16 MIG 15 acft operating simultaneously.

Effect of weather on future opns:

As pointed out in DIS 3028, 24 Dec, CCF - NKA preparations for gen all-out offensive against Army Eight psns were estimated to be sufficiently adv as to permit launching of opns anytime during pd Dec - 10 Jan. Although assembly of pers & materiel for this offensive can be controlled by human facilities, it is interesting to note the weather factor as it pertains to this opns. With UN Air supremacy virtually unrestricted & with past air opns against Communist Forces as gauge to its destructive potency, en must certainly plan to make maximum use of any adverse flying weather. Since weather generally moves from NW to SE during this season, Communists will have little trouble obtaining fairly accurate forecasts. It cannot be determined at this time whether, in event of continued good weather, en will successively postpone this "D" day until at least 1 or 2 adverse weather days are avail to cover initial movements & assaults against prepared defensive psns, or will elect to risk success on surprise & sheer weight of manpower.

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Outlook for Korea between 37 deg N & 39 degrees N for 5 days beginning 27 Dec 50, as obtained from Tokyo weather central is as follows:

Excellent flying weather expected during morning of 27th, however deck of broken clouds with bases at 2,500 ft will cover West coast by mid-afternoon & exist throughout night. Cold front to West is continuing its accelerated pace & is expected to pass Seoul area near mid-morn of 28th. Low cloud deck will cover West coast at 2,500 ft & become zero in mountains during AM. East coast clouds are not expected below 5,000 ft. West coast ceilings will drop to 1,000 ft for short pd at time of frontal passage. Weather will clear up in afternoon to permit full flying opns. Continued excellent weather is anticipated for 29th. Low cloud deck will lay over West coast at 2,500 by mid-morning of 30th & intensify throughout day as second front approaches. Ceiling will continue to lower throughout afternoon & extend to West so that by evening it will be 1,500 ft on West coast & zero in mountains. Front is expected to pass Seoul during night & weather will be excellent by AM of 31st. Snow showers will accompany both frontal passages.

G-2 comment: Weather will impose poor flying conditions from mid-afternoon of 27th to about noon, 28th Dec, & from mid-morning of 30th to morning of 31st Dec. Neither of these short pds will greatly enhance en capabilities, but may be utilized by smart en to some advantage, when we calculate time-B-space factors bearing of en's ability to complete his preparations to atk, it appears that later pd of poor visibility (30th Dec) is more dangerous than first pd.

E. No rept.

F. Completed air drop 24 Dec with Chinese anti-moral lfts serial 7019 (247,000 cys) & 7020 (203,000 cys) & Korean lfts serial 1037 (200,000 cys) & 9008 (50,000 cys) nostalgia theme.

G. No rept.

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No significant developments to report.

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REUR DA TT 4121 Item 2

Difficult obtain detailed info on refugee movement southward from N Korea. Evaluation here is that dislike for Chinese, fear of New Chinese Military Power, hardships caused by CCF food levies, and destruction of homes are perhaps more immediate causes for movement than increased opposition to Communism as such. In addition are 2 special grps of refugees; those who worked for UN or ROK Forces or are known as anti-Communists and therefore fear reprisals by returning Communists, and those who hope to escape military or labor conscription by Communists. Impossible estimate relative weight of specific factors in causing refugee movement. For propaganda purposes, we are treating movement as proof Korean people oppose Communist aggression and are willing risk loss of property and life to escape reimposition Communist tyranny under alien troops. Similar movement occurred smaller scale but more protracted period before war when thousands of North Koreans unimpressed by self praise of Communist North Korean regime crossed 38th Parallel to find freedom in South Korea. However, this theme must be used with restraint to avoid encouraging further evacuation that might add to military problem of handling refugees. Consider this info news-worthy.

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Following identification and OB fr Army Eight SITREP Nbr 430 period ending 261500 I Dec; 1 PW captured vic DS 1097 by 18th ROK Regt on 25 Dec identified the 2d NK Div. PW claimed that div was followed in atk by CCF trps and had mission of seizing Hongchon DS 0272. ROK Cap Div reptd capt of 1 PW from 1st Regt, 12th NK Div reconstituted in Manchuria. ROK I Corps reptd 29th ROK Regt in contact with 10th NK Regt (5th NK Div) vic DT 4803. Source comments: Although entirely possible that 5th NK Div has moved from vic Wonsan to front of ROK I Corps, this not accepted pending further confirmation. Previously reptd elms of 27th NK Div vic CT 7206, identified as 14th NK Regt. This identification considered erroneous and believed should have read 14th (1st) Regt, 6th NK Div. Based on this info, presence of 6th NK Div now accepted as located front 5th ROK Div.

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Following identification and OB fr Army Eight SITREP Nbr 429 period ending 260700 I Dec: Results of preliminary interrogation 9 Chinese PW's from 39th CCF Army captured by 1st ROK Div vic CT 1207 on 24 Dec. Reptd previously, as fol: CP of 39th CCF Army located Uichon BT 9436; 50th CCF Army scheduled to assemble at Kaesong; 5th NK Corps located E of 38th Army which was reptd previously; mission of PW's patrol, in add to securing PW's was to determine depth of Imjin River, thickness of ice, location of fordable area, condition of bridges, and disposition of UN Forces; and heard that there were 4 NK Corps, located Pyongyang, Wonsan, Kapyong (?) CS 6987, and other not stated. One of 2 Chinese captured by 6th ROK Div vic CT 3614 on 24 Dec, reptd previously, stated mission of 38th CCF Army was wide envelopment of Seoul fr direction Yonchon SE thru Pochon CS 4394.

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Fol figures presently aval on ports as indicated:

Dec 15	No report.	
Dec 16	Inchon	Pusan
Gen cargo		
L/T	866	6,838
veh L/T	0	937
pers	23	1,301
Dec 17		
Gen cargo		
L/T	622	6,332
veh L/T	0	1,146
pers	0	6,887
Dec 18		
Gen cargo		
L/T	668	7,111
veh L/T	0	1,082
pers	0	4,915
Dec 19		
Gen cargo		
L/T	979	6,066
veh L/T	0	381
pers	2,189	3,254
Dec 20		
Gen cargo		
L/T	879	6,009
veh L/T	0	499
pers	0	9,192
Dec 21		
Gen cargo		



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L/T	606	5,304
veh L/T	0	911
pers	0	4,794
Dec 22		
Gen cargo		
L/T	No report	7,511
veh L/T		1,453
pers		2,424
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INFORMATION : COMMANDER IN CHIEF, CHIEF OF STAFF, G-1, G-2, G-3, G-4,  
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25 Dec 50

PARTICIPATING HQ : WASHINGTON AND CINCPAC  
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SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

Present Washington :	
Brig Gen J Weckerling	G-2
Col R R White	G-2
Col H C Patteson	JCS
Capt D L Day	ONI
Mr G McClelland	State
Cdr S L Smith	CIA
Lt Col W F Kaufman	G-3
Maj D W Rush	AFGIN
Maj W J Morgan	JIG
Capt C C Quigley	G-2
Lt E S Shalin	ONI
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NR : DA TT 4164

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Present Tokyo :	
Maj Gen C A Willoughby	G-2
Col A C Goodwin	G-2
Col T R Hannah	G-3
Lt Col W A Hampton	G-1
LCdr T W Newland	COMNAVFE
Maj P J Corso	G-2
Capt H E Richards	DI FEAF

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A. Army

Previously reptd 3,000 yd penetration in right portion of III ROK Corps zone NE of Chunchon was ejected by midnight 23 Dec; however, Regt of 10th NK Div launched another atk during AM 24 Dec adv to town of Naepyong. 10th ROK Regt counteratk'd and drove this hostile force back aprx 4,000 yds. An undet nbr en which were by-passed by this friendly counteratk are being tracked down by patrols. AM 25 Dec, 8th ROK Div, which has recd rptd atks in past 3-4 days reptd

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that en had broken contact & withdrew north of 38th parallel. Elms of 7th ROK Div, previously committed to contain initial en thrust, re-established ROK pos. Just N of Imjin River opposite 1st ROK Div MLR, elms 11th ROK Regt which had captured Korangpo and surrounding high grd, were forced to relinquish their gains in face of counteratk by CCF Bn late 24 Dec. Nine CCF PWs including 3 pl officers fr 116th CCF Div were captd during this action.

H. Air: During 24 hr pd endg 242400 I, UN acft under FEAF control flew 568 sorties inclg 188 trans, 25 recon, 40 ftr control, 315 combat of which 12 by SAAF. Two by USMC. 73 acft flew close spt of grd opns. 109 armed recon sorties were flown. Mil tgts atkd in 22 areas inclg Pyongyang, Sinwon-Ni, Hwachon, Pyongyang. 32 counter air sorties were flown. 19 on escort for med bms; 13 on CAP. 27 light bat acft atkd mil tgts in 8 areas inclg CT 1602, CT 5632, CT 1208, M 5719. 17 night intruder acft atkd mil tgts in 17 areas inclg Wonsan, Sinanju, Sinmak, Sariwon.

FEAF Bom Com flew 47 eff sorties: Nine acft 19th BG vis bbd Pyongyang, Ichon and Koksan w/poor to exc results. 22 acft 98th BG vis bbd Kosanjin and M/Y at Chorwon w/good to exc results. 11 acft 307th BG vis bbd Pyongyang w/exc results. One acft 98th BG dropped leaflet bbs along en front lines w/unobsrd results. Four acft 91st Recon Sq flew surveillance, pre-strike photography, BDA and special mission w/exc results.

FEAF COCARCOM's 188 sorties airlifted 880 pas, 361 evacs and 468.3 tons frt.

FEAF Bom Com today dispatched 28 acft; 12 acft 19th BG vis bbd Pyongyang and Singye w/poor to exc results. 12 acft 307th BG vis bbd Sariwon w/exc results. One acft 98th BG Abn on night leaflet drop w/results unrp'd. Three acft 91st Recon Sq conducted surveillance and photo recon NK w/unobsrd to good results.

At 241155 I, vic XB 2040, 1 MIG-15 obsrd by friendly acft; no contact made.

At 241200 I, vic BA 5030, 4 u/i swept back jets obsrd by friendly flight; no contact made.

FEAF claims en losses for pd: Pers 281, tk 1, vehs 7 and 9, locos 2 and 1, RR car 1, sup cart 3, en occ bldgs 49 and 18, sup bldgs 385 & 325 pack animals 29, gun psn 1, encc villages 2, factory 1, whse 10 dam. POL dump 1 dam, bulldozer 1 dam, storage tk 1 dam.

Opns planned for 26 Dec 50: B-29: 69 combat ready (CR), 23 to be employed (TEE). 98th BG: One acft conduct leaflet drop over en trps along battle line. 10 acft atk key sup cen at Chorwon CT 4335. Four acft atk RR bridge at Hwangju YC 3984. Four acft

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atk RR bridge at CU 6406. Four acft atk RR bridge at CU 3868. Light bms: 59 CR, 51 TBE. Ftrs: 252 CR, TBE. Transports: 170 CR, 130 TBE.

C. Navy:

Korea East Coast: Air: TF 77 and TG 96.8 planes flew 212 sorties 24 Dec in Hungnam-Hamhung Area; dest 613 bldgs, dam 212; struck many trp emplacements, inflicting over 350 casualties; burned many large stacks of sup; dest 2 large ammo dumps. F-4 U from Princeton crashed about 3 miles west of Hamhung (CV 7019); pilot presumed lost.

Surface: Off Hungnam 24 Dec St Paul suffered cas: 5-inch AAC projectile, fired from gun mount Nbr 56, struck left gun barrel 5-inch gun mount 55; part of barrel blown off; shell fragment holes in nearby superstructure; 4 minor pers injuries. Delayed rept of Hungnam withdrawal, recapitulation of outloading: 105,000 US and ROK pers; 91,000 civ refugees; 17,500 vehs; 350,000 mtons. Figures do not include Wonsan and Songjin. Major ship disposition: Com 7th Flt in Missouri; COMCARDIV 1 in Philippine Sea. Accompanied by Leyte and Juneau with 12 DD's; COMCRUDIV 5 in Rochester en route Sasebo; CTF 77 in Princeton, accompanied by Valley Forge, Bataan CVL 29 with St Paul, Manchester, and 11 DD's. Zellars and Sperry blockading off Songjin. CTF 90 and CG X Corps in Mt McKinley en route Ulsan. Massey and Forrest Royal at Hungnam Channel entrance on flycatcher dy.

Mines: Mines sunk: 1 at 41-08 N, 129-50 E; 2 at 38-31 N, 129-19 E.

Korea West Coast:

Air: Theseus acft flew 44 missions vic Pyongyang and Sariwon; strafed trps, causing approx 100 casualties; rocketed bldgs containing trps and vehs; dest near Namchon (BT 7245) RR cars, 1 loco, 2 trks, tractor. One Fury ditched; pilot recovered.

Surface: CTG 96.8 in Badoeng Strait, accompanied by Sicily and 8 DD's, after replenishing, will proceed to Korea West Coast for air ops. No change in disposition TG 95.1 ships.

Formosa Straits: Acft reptd no unusual sightings.

La Perouse Straits: No significant sightings.

D. Nothing to rept

E. Weather: Summary for pd 241800 I to 251800 I: Korea, setd low clds at beginning of pd kept brkn to low clds along W Central Coastal Areas. Low clds increasing during night to gen brkn fr about 36 deg N to 39.5 deg N and prevailing most of today. High

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and mid clds increasing fr NW at end of pd. Temps in battle area 20-30 deg E for last 24 hrs. Vis has been good to exc.

Post 251800 I to 261800 I: Korea, increasing cloudiness tonite with light snow in NW and Central Areas; light snow in Southern Areas tomorrow. Clearing fr NW beginning about 260300 I and clds becoming scd with good vis in area N of 36 deg N by end of pd. (End FEC-1).

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Military Situation

A. Ground opns past 24 hrs:

1. Points of contact: CT 1106, CT 1207, CT 3610, CT 5812, CT 5913, DT 0105 to DT 0606, DS 0399, DT 0801 to DT 0901.

2. En order of battle. No rept.

3. US Army Eight: Adv CP at Seoul.

(A) US I Corps: CP vic Nokpon-ni CS 1864.

25th US Div sector: CP vic CS 1272 (1st Turkish Armed Forces Comd atchd) ptrl obsvd est 1,000 en mvg W from CT 0301 at 240530 I. Est 50 en vic BS 8784 taken under arty fire by Turk Brig at 241135 I; results undet. Units maintained def psns and patrolled. US 24th and 35th RCTs along gen line from BS 9785 to CS 0491 to CS 1097. US 27th RCT in div res vic Wijon-N1 CS 0585.

1st ROK Div sector: Ptrls obsvd fol at 240900 I; est en co vic CT 1508, en plt vic CT 1807; en co vic CT 1908, en co vic CT 2211 and considerable en acty vic CT 2110. Air inflicted 30 en cas vic CT 1319 at 241200 I. Elms 11th ROK Regt drove est en co fr Hill 91 (CT 1207) at 241715 I captg 9 CCF PWs incl 3 political off from 116th Div, 39th CCF Army. These PWs stated that unit comdr had informed them CCF will soon atk Seoul; that 38th CCF Army deployed east of 39th Army and 40th CCF Army to west of 39th. At 241900 I, counteratk by est en bn recaptured Hill 91 and high grd vic CT 1106. During 24 Dec, ptrls reptd; CCF co vic CT 2513; 2 CCF cos vic CT 2716; undet nbr CCF vic CT 2722; and est CCF co vic CT 3018. ROK 11th and 12th Regts cont in def psns along gen line from CS 1097 to CT 1103 to CT 1603 to CT 2507; ROK 15th Regt in div res vic CS 2094.

29th Inf Brig Gp (UK): Cont in Corps res.

(B) IX US Corps: CP at Uijongbu CS 2878.

6th ROK Div sector: Ptrls reptd fol: Dispersed CCF plt vic CT 3610 after 1 hr firefight endg 241300 I; engaged undet nbr en vic CT 3614 at 241300 I captg 2 CCF PWs; obsvd est 200 mixed CCF and NK trps vic CT 3715 at 241500 I; dispersed sm en gp vic CT 5812 at 241530 I; est en co vic CT 5913 caused ptrl to w/d at 241630 I. 3 NK spies captd

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in div sector 24 Dec stated they were dispatched from Kumhwa (CT 6538) on 20 Dec with 11 others to ascertain UN str, dispositions and intentions in Seoul-Inchon area. Units cont occupation of def psns. ROK 7th and 19th Regts along gen line from CT 2506 to CT 3107 to CT 3605. ROK 2d Regt in div res vic CT 3201.

24th US Div sector: CP at Uijongbu est 300 mixed CCF and NK trps obsvd vic CT 4809 night 23-24 Dec. Small en grps vic CT 4311, CT 4313 and CT 4408 dispersed by arty fire early afternoon 24 Dec. US 19th and 21st RCTs cont in def psns along gen line from CT 3605 to CT 4207 to CT 4904. US 5th Inf RCT in div res vic CS 3478.

US 1st Cav Div (Inf) (10th BCT (Philippine) and Greek Inf Bn atchd): CP vic CS 2659. Units maintained blocking psns along Seoul-Kapyong CS 6987 axis. US 7th Cav RCT vic CS 4063. US 8th Cav RCT vic Masogu-ri CS 5168. US 5th Cav RCT-vic Sangchon-ni CS 6381 and Kuam-ni CS 5770; elms engaged small en guerrilla group vic CS 6389.

27th Br Com Inf Brig: Corps res, vic Uijongbu.

4. Army Forces, ROK: CP Taegu.

ROK III Corps: CP Yangpyong CS 6749 corps ordered to reassemble ROK 7th Div vic Chunchon CS 8893 as corps res ASAP.

2d ROK Div sector: Ptrl obsvd est 1,500 en entrenching gen vic CT 7308 late 23 Dec. Div reptd (unconf) large nbr CCF mvd S from Kumhwa to CT 6607 on 23 Dec. Air obsvd en tk vic CT 5129 and east 250 en mvg S vic CT 5133 at 241235 I. 17th ROK Regt reptd light ptrl contact on corps left flank during 24 Dec. ROK 17th, 31st and 32d Regts cont in def psns in order from left to right along gen line from CT 5205 to CT 7206 to CT 7606.

5th ROK Div sector: No en acty reptd. Units cont occupation of def psns. ROK 36th Regt along gen line from CT 7705 to CT 8105. ROK 35th Regt along line from CT 8205 to CT 8908. ROK 27th Regt (-) along line from CT 8907 to CT 9306; 2d Bn vic CT 8804.

ROK 7th Div: ROK 3d Regt atkd and adv to line from DT 0106 to DT 0606; regt being reld in psns by ROK 21st Regt. ROK 8th Regt patrolled southeast of Choyang River in zone. ROK 5th Regt remained in assy area vic Chunchon CS 8893.

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8th ROK Div sector: Atk rept last SITREP by en regt stopped and friendly reserves counteratk'd to partially restored psns by 232400 I. Air inflicted est 300 en cas vic CF 9910 at 241030 I and est 100 en cas vic CT 9810 at 241235 I. Atk by 29th NK Regt, 10th NK Div AM 24 Dec stopped vic DS 0399 at 241320 I. Same en regt resisted lightly as 10th ROK Regt counteratk'd NE on E side Choyang River and adv 4,000 yds to vic DT 0801-DT 0901; at last rept est 1,000 en were opposing 10th Regt. Undet nbr en by-passed during this adv now process cleanup by patrols. Div reprd no contact AM 25 Dec; en w/d N of 38th Parallel in sector: ROK 16th Regt maintained def psns along line from CT 9505 to DT 0004. ROK 21st Regt relieving ROK 3d Regt.

(B) II ROK Corps: CP Wonju DS 0733.

3d ROK Div Sector: Air obsvd considerable en acty & mvmt vic DT 1143 to DT 1423 at 241235 I. 1st & 2d Bns, ROK 18th Regt in def psns along line from DS 0897 to DS 0998. ROK 22d Regt last reprd in def psns along line from DT 1705 to DT 2405.

(C) ROK I Corps: CT Kangnung DS 9177.

ROK 9th Div: Units cont enroute to def psns in Western portion of corps zone. ROK Cap Div: No reprd change.

ROK 1st & 3d Scty Bns: No reprd change.

(D) ROK 11th Div (ROK 2d, 5th, 6th & 7th Scty Bns atchd): Units cont patrolling & sweeping opns. 1st Bn, ROK 9th Regt vic CQ 8819; 2d Bn at Hadong CP 8681; 3d Bn at Yongju DR 6675. 1st Bn, ROK 13th Regt at Muju CQ 7985; 2d Bn vic Chokei-Ri CQ 7254; 3d Bn Yongdong CR 9003. 1st Bn, ROK 20th Regt at Tamyang CQ 1710; 2d Bn at Changsong CQ 0111; 3d Bn at Hwasun CP 1681.

(E) Army separate units. US 7th Inf Div: CP at Yongchon DQ 9479. Elms of div cont in assy areas vic Yongchon; elms enroute from Pusan to Yongchon.

Canadian Inf Bn: Remained vic Pusan.

US 1st Mar Div: CP vic Masan DP 6197.

Div cont reorganization vic Masan.

US 2d Inf Div (Netherlands Bn & French Inf Bn atchd); CP vic Chungju DR 0592. US 9th RCT closed vic Chungju; other elms of div remained in assy areas vic Chungju. Div ordered to protect Army East flank.

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US 187th Abn RCT (21st Regt (Thailand) atchd): Cont in Army res vic Suwon CS 2427.

(F) US X Corps: CP afloat. Corps completed evacuation from Hungnam at 241436 I Dec 50. Structures of possible mil value to en were dest & no sups or equip were left to en.

US 3d Inf Div: Div cleared Hungnam beachhead at 241436 I Dec 50. Elms of div arrived at Pusan.

(G) Japan Logistical command:  
2d Ranger Inf Co (Abn) & 4th Ranger Inf Co (Abn) arrived Yokohama 24 Dec 50.

5. Activities in rear areas:

(A) En rear areas:

Air obsvd: 30-40 veh & large nbr people in white vic YC 0601 at 241120 I; evidence considerable en acty vic BT 6959, BT 8954 & BT 9453 at 241235 I; est 500 en vic DV 0119 at 241255 I; much trp-veh acty along rd vic Sariwon (YC 3965)-Sinmak (BT 5856) at 241400 I evidence possible div str unit located Hagaru (CV 5171) & evidence hvy veh traffic on road East side Chosin Reservoir. Air atkd 19 vehs & 3 tks mvg S vic BT 8564 AM 24 Dec, results undet; atkd undet nbr tks, vehs & 30-40 oxcarts mvg S out of Pyongyang (YD 3820) early AM 25 Dec, results undet.

(B) Friendly rear areas: ROK police reptd (delayed) est 300 guer atkd Nokchon (DS 7110) at 221000 I & est 500 en atkd Yongchun (DS 5404) at 232300 I, results unreptd. Unconf rept indicated large nbr en guer, 1/3 armd, located vic DS 6901 as of 231930 I.

B. Air operations past 24-hrs (see sit in brief).

C. Navy operations (See sit in brief).

D. En intentions & capabilities: Employment of Forces released from the Hungnam Area: Relatively little en activity has been reptd in E coast sector of Army Eight front since withdrawal of UN forces to present posit. While there have been some repts of en activity, there have been no significant indications of concentration in this area. The ever increasing en buildup along remainder of front serves to emphasize this condition.

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Fcl excerpt from discussion carried in dis 3024, 20 Dec is considered pertinent to the issue & when considered with other factors supplies a possible ans to the present & projected scheme of en dispositions:

"It can be logically argued, & past movement sightings support the fact, that the en has had sufficient time to reorganize, regroup & re-supply, & even shift his forces. He has had NK units probing our lines for well over a week. Why then has he delayed in following up his initial successes? Ea day sees the strengthening of the UN main defensive position as additional units arrive on line. The Chinese communists in past have frequently been known to delay an offensive until they had secured odds of 3 or 4 to 1 against the en. It is considered possible that the en is delaying the resumption of an all-out offensive until his units engaged on the X Corps perimeter have been released from commitment on that front. Obviously, this force, believed to consist of at least the equiv of 4 CCF Armies (Corps) & 2 NK corps, represents a sizeable reinforcement potential."

To follow this line of reasoning further, it is considered possible that the E coast sector may have been "reserved" for these forces which, until now, have been engaged on X Corps perimeter. The line along parallel in Eastern sector is probably being temporarily held by NK units pending the arrival of these forces from the Hungnam area. In this sit against NK units could be employed to screen the approach & deployment of CCF & NK forces coming in from the N.

It is est that the redeployment of this force from Hungnam to the present front will require approx 2 weeks. However, some of units may have been released earlier & may well be enroute as of this writing. In any event it is important to note that these factors in no way detract from the enemy's capabilities to launch an offensive at any time. It is the purpose of this article to point out the increased potential & distinct advantage which would accrue to the en with a force of from 4 to 6 Armies (Corps)

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poised on the E flank in a position to exploit any successful breakthrough.

E. Nothing to rept.

F. Completed air drop 22 Dec with Chinese anti morale lifts serial 7018 (540,000 cys) & 7020 (225,000 cys) & Korean serial 1037 (225,000 cys). Completed air drop 23 Dec with same Chinese lifts in same quantities, & 200,000 cys serial 1037, 50,000 cys serial 9008 (Korean nostalgia lift).

G. Nothing to rept.

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Logistics. Nothing to rept.

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On 25 Dec Army Eight reports as follows: Recent reports indicate heavy concentration of troops & supply now massed Army Eight front generally in area Kuhwa-Ri (CT 0818-Yanggu DT 1217). Besides II NK Corps, approx 18,000 there are recently arrived reconstituted NK divisions including 7th, 6th, 47th & others not identified. Total strength NK units on front believed at least 65,000. In addition there are indications of at least 3 or 4 Chinese Armies of possible 115,000 strength on central front or within 24 hours marching distance.

39th CCF Army has been identified of W central front by PWs. It is concluded that it retains capability of launching major offensive at any time with at least 180,000 troops not including reserve units known to be further N.

Army Eight Sit Rep Nbr 427 pd endg 251500 I Dec 50 rptd follows: Ident and order of battle: 1 of 2 Chinese PWs were captured by 6th ROK Div via CT 3614 on 24 Dec, ident 1st Bn, 342d Regt, 114th Div, 38th CCF Army. 38th Army now accepted in general area Yonchon CT 3118. Ident unavail at this time. Civ rptd that unknown number of CCF troops moved SE from CT 3514 to CT 4313 between 232300 I thru 240030 I. Agents rptd est CCF div entered area CT 2620 during 22-24 Dec 50. Also obs 1,000 CCF troops via CT 3018 at 241300 I. 1st ROK returnee, rptd previously, stated he obs large numbers of CCF troops in mountains surrounding Chorwon on 22 Dec 50. Several hundred Cav troops also obs here. All CCF troops wore white padded uniforms or sheet-like covering over their uniforms, according to returnee. 2d ROK ptls rptd presence of 1 CCF Bn in Hwachon on 23 and 24 Dec 50. CCF in Hwachon is now accepted. CCF troop concentrations also accepted in Pyonggang CT 5152, Kimhwa CT 6538, Chorwon CT 4334, Koksan BT 9795, Singye BT 8564, Sinmak BT 5855, and Sariwon YC 4065. ROK escapee rptd that 12th NK Rifle Div arrived at Inje DT 2814 from Yimhwa area on 21 Dec 50. Prev agent rpt of 7th NK Rifle Div at Schwa-Ri DT 3133 on 17 Dec, believed made in ref to 12th NK Div. Based on above reports, presence of reconstituted 12th NK Div on Army Eight front now accepted. KMAG rptd elms 27th NK Div at CT 7206 and elms 27th Regt, 10th NK Div at CT 7608. ROK III Corps rptd 29th Regt 10th NK Div had atkd corps right flank. Civ rptd that 10-20,000 NK troops mvd from Chipc-Ri CT 5222 to vic Yanggu DT 1017 during 21-22 Dec 50. 3 NK agents captured by 6th ROK Div were dispatched with 11 other from Kimhwa CT 6438 on 20 Dec with

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mission to determine UN trp str and disposition Seoul-Inchon areas and also whether UN forces were preparing to evacuate Korea. ROK Security forces reptd CP of 2d Guerrilla div located DS 6602. Agent also reptd 1500 guerrilla trps this gen area.

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Rehabilitation of NK forces: Many recent indications have pointed to the buildup of reemployment & of the rehab NK forces. Fol the 25 Nov en assault of UN line by CCF, reconstituted NK units began to displace fwd. UN contact with reconstituted NK units has shown up with regularity since 8 Dec.

Above indications lead to conclusion that NKA is continuing to augment its manpower rapidly & substantially. 11 reconstituted NK divs have reappeared in past 10 days, thus bringing total accepted NK units to 26; 22 of which are Inf divs, 1 an Armd div, & 3 brigades. During past 6 wks many repts have stated that NKA is undergoing an extensive trng & expansion program thruout Korea & Manchuria; this is substantiated by ident of 8 separate NK Corps. Considering that ea of these corps wld have organic to it from 3 to 5 divs, there is a definite possibility that NKA may emerge in near future with aprx 40 maj units of div & brigade size. Some repts have stated that as many as 130,000 Korean trps were undergoing trng in Manchuria in late Nov, while other repts stated that new NK units were being organized & old units reconstituted in Nov & early Dec in the Kanggye, Manopjin, & Hoeryong areas. With manpower potential that is currently aval to NKA, it is reasonable to assume that the en has capability of placing several add NK divs in field in the very near future.

The fact that NKA is composed of 8 corps, may be indicative of plan for the occupation of SK in anticipation of achieving final victory in present tactical sit, there is no justification for the existence of 8 corps in the NKA. However, it is interesting to note that 8 NK corps organization coincides with provincial structure of SK, & the plan may be to use 1 corps for administration of ea of the SK provinces.

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En radio intercept activities: A Recent X Corps rept cites an instance where friendly radio station was queried concerning

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meaning of a certain codeword. The inquiry was made on the proper channel by individual speaking good English. When the friendly radio station requested authentication, the inquiring station did not answer. It is believed that there have been other occasions where the enemy has used this approach in an effort to obtain info.

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REC 7

SECRET

Official

Army Eight report follows: "Recent reports indicate heavy concentration of troops & supplies along front from Kuhwa (CT 0818) to Yanggu (DT 1117). Besides 11 NK Corps, with strength of approximately 18,000, reconstituted 6th, 7th & 47th NK Divs have appeared plus other NK Divs not yet identified. Total strength NK units along front believed at least 65,000. In addition, there are indications of at least 3 or 4 CCP Armies of possible 115,000 strength on central front or within 24 hr marching distance. It is concluded that enemy retains capability of launching major offensive at any time with at least 180,000 troops not including reserve units known to be located further North."

(END REC 7)

REC 8

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Official

X US Corps completed evacuation by air & sea from Hungnam at 241436 L. 105,000 troops, including ROK units, & 350,000 tons supplies were brought out. Nothing was left to enemy. Also approximately 100,000 refugees were evacuated to South Korea. Structures of possible military value to enemy were destroyed. UN losses were comparatively light whereas hostile forces paid heavily attempting to interfere with friendly withdrawal. Gen Almond reported: "The 3 armed services contributed brilliantly to the success of this operation. The work of 3d US Division in affecting final withdrawal & the action of TF 90.1 covering the sea evacuation are especially worth of note."

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PARTICIPATING HQ : CINCCE & WASHINGTON  
NS : DA TT 4163  
SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

Present Washington:

Col E R Tausch	G-2
Col E F Williams	AFOIN
Capt R H Rodgers	ONI
Mr W G Jones	State
Lt Col C A Curtis	JIG
Lt Col W F Kaufman	G-3
Lt Col R W Boyd	G-4
Maj L A Turk	JIG
Capt C C Quigley	G-2
Lt W C Sherman	ONI

CLASSIFICATION : SECRET.

Subject: Far East Situation

Additional conferees: Brig Gen J Weckerling G-2.

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25 Dec 50

PARTICIPATING HQ : CINCPAC & WASHINGTON  
NR : DA TT 4163  
SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

Present Tokyo:  
Maj Gen C A Willoughby G-2  
Col A C Goodwin G-2  
Lt Col S A Young G-2  
Maj D E Allen G-2  
LCDr H R Fleck AFIO COMM WFE  
Capt T Donigan D/I FEAF  
1st Lt T M Robinson G-3  
Subject: FAR EAST SITUATION.  
Classifications: SECRET  
Additional conferees:  
Lt Col J F Reed G-1  
FEC-1  
SECRET  
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Ref DA 1



A. Army:  
Aggressive hostile action against right flank units of III ROK Corps NE of Chunchon continued 3d consecutive day. An en regt launched an atk against elms of the 10th ROK Regt at 230500 I which penetrated ROK lines to a depth of aprx 3,000 yds before reserves and units on right of penetration halted thrust at 231800 I. 17th ROK Regt launched an atk 15 mi NW of Kapyong and adv aprx 2 kms. 50 PWs from 8th ROK Div liberated during atk. Significant air sightings included hostile force 15 miles W of Pyonggang est 1 div mvg SW, another eny div in bivouac 5 mi E of Kuhwa and much eny trp-supply acty 6 mi E of Yonchon. 11 US and 25 ROK PWs released by NKs in Yonchon. One American reptd observing 3 Russian off in Chorwon on 21 Dec and 2 to 3 CCF Divs marching SW toward Yonchon. By 241200 I, the 3d US Div, less one

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Bn from each infantry regt deployed as covering force had completed outloading at Hungnam. The 3 bns of covering force scheduled to finish embarkation by 241330 L. Hostile acty during period consisted of mortar fire on friendly psns around perimeter.

FLASH: Navy repts troops cleared Hungnam beach at 241436 L.

A. Air:

During the 24 hr pd endg 232400-8, UN acft under FEAF control flew 506 sorties inclg 244 transport, 24 recon, 36 ftr contri, 202 combat of which 5 by RAAF, 2 by SAAF. 36 acft flew close spt in the Army Eight sector. 99 armed recon sorties were flown. Mil tgts atkd in 35 areas inclg Sonchon, Kunchon, Wonsan, Yangdok, Chorwon. 3 counter air sorties were flown. 2 on escort for helicopter; 1 on cap. 24 light bmr acft atkd mil tgts in 9 areas inclg Chorwon, Yonchon, Macho-Ri, Inchon. 32 night intruder acft atkd mil tgts in 36 areas inclg Pyongyang, Sinanju, Schung, Mujang-Dong.

FEAF Bom Com flew 3 eff sorties: 1 acft 98th BG on leaflet drop along battle line w/uncobrd results. 2 acft 91 recon sq accomplished partial photo coverage N Central Korea w/fair results.

FEAF COCARCOM's 244 sorties air lifted 971 psgrs and 676.4 tons freight.

FEAF Bom Com today dispatched 50 acft: 12 acft 19th BG vis bbd sup centers at Pyongyang, Kokean, Ichon w/poor to exc results. 22 acft 98th BG vis bbd Kosan-anjin, Songjin, and Chorwon w/good to exc results. 1 acft 98 BG Airborne on night leaflet drop. 12 acft 307th BG vis bbd govt bldgs at Pyongyang w/exc results. 3 acft 91 recon sq flew surveillance N Korea w/good to exc results.

FEAF claims eny losses for pd: Pers 204, vens 18 and 34, sup carts 17 and 6, eny occ bldgs 154 and 78, sup bldgs 120 and 131, sup dump 1, gun psns 1 and 1, pack animals 32, eny occ villages 3, fuel tanks 1, and 1, foot pontoon bridge 1, RR cars 18 dam, whses 3 dam, RR bridges 2 dam, steam rollers 2 dam.

Operations planned for 25 Dec 50: B-29: 70 combat ready (CR) to be employed. 98th BG: 1 acft conduct leaflet drop over eny trps along battle line. 19th BG: 1 Tarzon acft atk RR bridge S of

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Manpojin at BA 7753. W/number of acft indicated atk any trp concentrations and sup centers as fols: 4 acft atk Kumhwa CT 6538, 4 acft atk Kumsong CT 7853, 3 acft atk Singye BT 8565. 307th BG 12 acft atk any trps concentrations and sup center at Sariwon YC 4065. Light bms: 67 CR, 62 TBE. Ftrs: 278 CR, 275 TBE. Transports: 166 CR, 143 TBE.

C. Navy:

Korea E Coast:

Air: TF 77 and TG 96.8 planes flew 302 close support missions in Hungnam area and interdiction strikes North to Chosin Reservoir: Inflicted more than 800 eny casualties: Destroyed 329 bldgs plus 2 villages, dam 75, containing trs: Destroyed 2 eny tanks, dam and abandoned US tank: Strafed, bombed, napalmed Cav and pack horses, killing 396 and dispersing 600 in 1 grp; also struck fuel and supply dumps, burning large dump, RR car loaded with 50 drums of oil, and 8 supply areas: Dam bridge at CV 7749; dropped delayed action fuze bms on 3 road junctions. F 4 U from valley Forge, hit by small arms fire, crashed at CV 2817; burned on impact no chance pilot survival. Another TF 77 plane, shot down at CV 9217 b. light AA, crashed and exploded; no amplifying details.

Surface: Redeployment Hungnam completed 241436 I Dec. Fire support for this operation furnished by Missouri, Rochester, St Paul, Massey, Lind, English, Hank, Borie, Forrest, Royal, Norris LSMR's 401, 403, 404. Sperry and Zellars on patrol Twon-Songjin area; Sperry received minor battle dam-3 shell hits (approx 3 inch), presumed from shore battery; 1 shell passed through outer casing number 2 stack. destroyed whale boat; second shell hit frame 143 port, lodged in C 102 M without exploding; third shell hit frame 131 port; exploded in officers quarters, slightly wounding one officer.

Mines: Drifting object like mine reptd 37 miles Northeast of Esasai harbor on North coast Hokkaido; approx position 45-25 N, 143-08 E, at 221500 I Dec.

Korea W Coast:

Air: Theseus planes, reconnoitering Western North Korea, found few targets; strafed, rocketed 3 troop concentrations; burned 3

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trucks and struck RR cars.

Surface: Kenya and Sioux patrolled to 39-15 North; negative results. Ceylon and 3 DD's furnished AA defense Inchon.

Formosa Strait; planes reptd no unusual sightings.

La Perouse Strait: No significant sighting.

D. No report.

E. Weathers:

Summary for pd 231800-I: Korea, clear to setd low clds throughout xcpt ovest with snow showers in S until 232400 I then becoming clear in area. Vis good xcpt restricted to 1-3 mi in snow showers in S.

Fest 241800 I to 251800 I; Korea, high pressure area expctd to pass over by 250600 I. Setd low clds in morn increasing to brkn low and mid clds after 250600 I. Vis will be good during day but restricted to 3-5 mi in haze at night and early morn.

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A. Ground opns past 24 hours.

1. Points of contact: Army Eight: CT 4211, CT 4508, CT 5078, CT 9505 to DT 0004, DS 0896 and DS 0993 to DS 0995. X US Corps: None.

2. No report.

3. US Army Eight: Adv CP at Seoul.

(a) US I Corps: CP vic Nokpon-N1 CS 1864.

(1) US 25th Inf Div: CP vic CS 1272. No enemy acty rptd. Units cont occupation of def psns. US 24th and 35th RCT's along gen line from BS 9785 to CS 0491 to CS 1097. US 27th RCT in div res vic Wijeon-N1 CS 0585.

(2) 1st ROK Div Sector: Delayed air rept of 221750I indicated est en div bivouaced in area CT 1417-CT 1624-CT 2212. Undet nbr en rept on high grd vic CT 1108 and en co vic CT 2210 at 230830 I. No en encountered as 11th ROK Regt I& R plt recapt'd Korangpo (CT 1106) at 230930 I. At 231640 I, air reptd est en div marching SW vic CT 2851; column est 200 yds wide and 1 mile in length. ROK 11th and 12th Regts cont in def psns along gen line from CS 1097 to CT 1103 to CT 1603 to CT 2507; elms ROK

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11th Regt recaptured Korangpo-Ri CT 1106. ROK 15th Regt in Div res vic CS 2094.

(3) 29th Inf Brig Gp (UK): Cont in corps res.  
(b) IX US Corps: CP at Uijongbu (CS 2878)  
(1) 6th ROK Div Sector: Air inflicted undet nbr en casu and killed 4-5 camels between CT 2938 and CT 4335 and dest arty pc vic CT 4216 at 231020 I. Two ptrls reptd CCF Bn located vic Yonchon (CT 3117) and 2 NK cos vic CT 3217 and at 230400 I. Units cont occupation of def psns. ROK 7th and 19th Regts along gen line from CT 2506 to CT 3107 to CT 3605. ROK 2d Regt in div res vic CT 3201.

(2) 24th US Div Sector: CP at Uijongbu. Small en gps vic CT 4211 and CT 4508 engaged by arty and mortars night 22-23 Dec; results undet. 11 US and 25 ROK PW's released by NK's vic CT 3117 at 230500 I stated fol: II NK Corps CP located at CT 6634 on 21 Dec and was to be moved to Chorwon (CT 4334) on 23 Dec (hearsay); 6th NK Div located between Yonchon (CT 3117) and Chorwon (hearsay); obsvd elms 7th NK Div mvg S vic CT 6942 on 21 Dec; US returnee obsvd 3 Russ off mvg NE vic Chorwon on 21 Dec; further stated he conversed with one of these off who wore 4 stars on epaulet. US returnee capt'd 14 Dec stated that during 3-day march NE fr Yonchon he obsvd 2-3 CCF divs marching in opposite direction; this rept confirmed by several returnees. Air reptd numerous en trps and considerable supply acty in area bounded by CT 3714-CT 3722-CT 4422-CT 4314 at 231410 I. US 19th and 21st RCT cont in def psns along gen line from CT 3605 to CT 4207 to CT 4904. US 5th Inf RCT in div res vic CS 3478.

(3) US 1st Cav Div (Inf): CP vic CS 2659. Units cont in blocking psns along Seoul-Kapyong CS 6987 axis. US 7th Cav RCT vic CS 4063. US 8th Cav RCT vic Masogu-Ri CS 5168. US 5th Cav RCT vic Sangchon-N1 CS 6381 and Kuam-N1 CS 5770.

(4) 27th Br Com Inf Brig: Corps Res, vic Uijongbu.  
4. Army Forces, ROK: CP at Taegu.  
(a) ROK III Corps: CP at Yangpyong CS 6749.  
(1) 2d ROK Div Sector: Air obsvd 150 en mvg NW

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between CT 5438 and CT 4764 at 221750 I and undet nbr pack animals mvg S vic CT 4844 at 231600 I. Elms 17th ROK Regt atkd and adv to vic CT 5708 on 22 Dec (delayed rept) liberating 50 PW's of 8th ROK Div; 20 NK's killed. ROK 17th, 31st and 32d Regts cont in def psns in order from left to right along gen line from CT 5205 to CT 7206 to CT 7606.

(2) 5th ROK Div Sector: Air obsvd est 100 scattered en trps and 50 pack animals mvg SE from CT 6038 to CT 8618 at 221750 I and sighted est 150 en mvg W vic CT 8757 at 231350 I. Units cont in def psns. ROK 36th Regt along gen line from CT 7705 to CT 8105. ROK 35th Regt along line from CT 8205 to CT 8908. ROK 27th Regt (-) along line from CT 8907 to CT 9306; 2d Bn vic CT 8804.

(3) 8th ROK Div sector: Air obsvd undet nbr en vic DT 0505 and DT 0504 at 221750 I. Atk by est Regt at 230500 I caused 1st and 2d Bns 10th ROK Regt to w/d 3,000 yds to vic DS 0896. Sit repta stabilized as of 231800 I. Est reinf co repta located vic DS 1095 and est 1,000 en were obsvd vic DS 0996 at 231600 I. Grd sources repta est on regt vic DT 0204 and undet nbr en vic DT 0407 early afternoon 23 Dec. 4 rd blocks obsvd between DT 0507 and DT 0810 at 231350 I. 16th ROK Regt repta in contact with en along line vic CT 9505-DT 0004. On 23 Dec, elms ROK 10th Regt forced to withdraw under enemy atk to vic DS 0896; situation stabilized as of 231800 I. ROK 10th Regt last repta assembling vic Naepyong-N1 DS 0399, prep to atk Northeast and secure area vic DT 0905. ROK 16th Regt in def psns along line from CT 9505 to DT 0004. ROK 21st Regt in def psns from DT 0103 to DT 0202.

(4) 7th ROK Div Sector: 1st and 2d Bns 3d ROK Regt in contact with undet nbr en (time and exact location unrepta). ROK 5th and 8th Regts cont in corps res vic Chunchon CS 8893.

(b) II ROK Corps: CP at Wonju DS 0733.

(1) 3d ROK Div Sector: Est en bn which penetrated 8th ROK Div psns repta engaged with 2d Bn 18th ROK Regt vic DS 0993-0995 afternoon 23 Dec; however, some bn repta out of en contact as of 240600 I. 1st Bn, ROK 18th Regt enroute to vic Wondong-N1 DS 1194 to block further en penetration; 2d and 3d Bns in

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blocking psns via DS 0699. 1st Bn, ROK 23 Regt arrived Hongchon  
DS 0372; 2d Bn (-) enroute to via DS 2091, alms enroute to via  
DS 0790; 3d Bn enroute to Hongchon. ROK 22d Regt, no reptd change.  
(c) I ROK Corps: CP at Kangnung DS 9177.

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(1) 9th ROK Div sec: Est en bn restd vic DT 5404 noon 23 Dec. Air obsvd est en co mvg SW vic DT 3314 and supplies vic DT 3105 at 231350 I. ROK 28th Regt en route to new def psns vic Yongpo DS 3897 and Windae-Ri DT 3305. ROK 29th Regt en route to new psns vic DT 4106, DT 4808 and Sangnam-Mi DS 3492. 1st Bn, ROK 30th Regt vic DS 5183; 2d Bn vic DS 5449; 3d Bn en route to vic Changchon-Mi DS 4779.

(2) ROK Cap Div: ROK 1st Regt cont in def psns along gen line from DT 713 to DT 6116 to DT 6719 to DT 6916. 1st Bn, ROK 1st Cav Regt vic Puschi-Ri DT 6806. 2d Bn vic DT 7209, elms 3d Bn vic Sorim-Mi DT 5803; Regt en route to psns on left of ROK 1st Regt. ROK 26th Regt, no restd change.

(3) ROK 1st and 3d Security Bns: 1st Bn, no restd change. 3d Bn (-) closed Yongwol DS 5314; elms vic Pyongchang DS 4735.

(4) ROK 11th Div: Units cont patrolling and sweeping ops.

(D) Army separate units.

(1) US 7th Inf Div: CP opened Yongchon DQ 9479. Elms cont reorganization vic Yongchon; Other elms prep to move from Pusan to Yongchon.

(2) Canadian Inf Bn: Remained vic Pusan.

(3) US 1st Mar Div: CP vic Masan DP 6197. Div cont reorganization vic Masan.

(4) US 2d Inf Div: CP vic Chungju DR 0592. US 23d RCT and French Inf Bn cont in assy area vic Chungju. US 38th RCT, elms US 9th RCT and Netherlands Bn closed vic Chungju. Remsinder US 9th RCT enroute to Chungju.

(5) US 187th ABN RCT: Cont in Army res vic Suwon CS 2427.

(E) X US Corps: Tactical CP closed Hungnam CP afloat.

(1) 3d US Div sector: En mortar fire recd around def perimeter in Hungnam at 232200 I. Units withdrew to final beachhead def psns and cont outloading at Hungnam, as of 241200 I, div (less 1 bn of each inf regt employed as covering force) had completed outloading. Div scheduled to clear Hungnam beach by 241330 I Dec 50. Last troops off beach 241436 I Dec 50.

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5. Rear areas:

(A) Enemy rear areas: Air reptd: Obsvd total 185 vehs during night 22-23 Dec of which 101 were mvg twd friendly lines, heaviest traffic from Kanggye (BA 9737) S thru Hulchon (BV 6849) and Anju (YD 2988); strafed est 200 en mvg N fr Pyongyang (YD 3820) at 231010 I inflicting 30-40 casu; atkd 300-400 en vic BT 4407 at 231020 I, results undec; killed aprx 250 horses vic CV 5070 morning 23 Dec; absvd 300-500 en between VC 5560 and CV 5171 and 200 en mvg S from CV 5560 morning 23 Dec; obsvd 6 en tks mvg S vic CV 5940 and sighted several thousand en trps vic CV 7129 morning 23 Dec; dest 1 en tk vic CV 7325; obsvd conc en trps and horses vic CV 7171 at 231340 I; obsvd large nbr en trps between CV 6712 and CV 5715 at 231335 I; atkd numerous en trps vic CV 9317 at 231400 I; obsvd 100 heavily loaded oxcarts mvg S and E vic CT 7376 at 231600 I. Agent reptd obsvg large nbr CCF (est 20,000) in Hagaru (CV 5171) area on 19 Dec.

(B) Friendly rear areas:

(1) 2d US Div sector: ROK sources reptd (unconf) large nbr guer vic Tanyang (DR 3988) plan to raid Chechon (DS 3019) and Chungju (DR 0592)

(2) 7th US Div sector: Div ptrl encountered est 300 en vic DQ 0535 on 23 Dec; undet nbr en KIA.

B. Air operations past 24 hours: (See situation in brief).

C. Navy operations (See situation in brief).

D. Enemy intentions and capabilities: Penetration and envelopment of the Army Eight:

(1) Thru projection of CCF as determined from air sightings, refugees and agent reports, and rates of advance calculated on past encounters with the Chinese, estimated that 4th Field Army, totaling 6 corps or 19 divs, could launch all-out attack against present Army Eight position in period 25 Dec-10 Jan. Limited attacks in lesser strength (1 or more corps) accepted as constant capabilities. Reports past 24 hours of CCF units in the Yonchon area and CCF PWs from center I US Corps zone further emphasize enemy capacity for early offensive.

(2) Co-ordinated guerrilla operations in rear areas: Continuing wide-spread Communista guerrilla activity is

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significant. Reports covering period 1-22 Dec show total of 147 contacts as follows:

- Attacks and raids against US trps-72
- Atks and raids against villages and police-30
- Raids on lines of communications-45

Area embraced by these incidence includes a large part of the US MSR and dispersal areas. The strength of guerrilla forces encountered during this period ranged from a few dozen to up to 2000. As the area of Communist Guerrilla activity diminished due to UN withdrawals, guerrillas became more aggressive, strongly suggesting that guerrilla activity is closely coordinated with forward displacement of CCF and NKF Forces. Guerrilla forces can be expected to continue to disrupt UN Forces efforts to meet a general offensive.

(3) Possible resupply by water along east coast: Lengthening of enemy supply lines, due obviously unexpected successes since crossing Yalu, has materially increased his resupply problems. The disruption of the enemy's Korean supply installation along with the systematical destruction of bridges, railways, tunnels, etc. and relentless air interdiction of locs, have undoubtedly caused enemy to exploit those methods of supply movement offering best prospects. Since land lines are restricted, he may well attempt to employ air or water means, though degree of exploitation may be questionable.



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Increased activity port of Najin (Rashin) during the past two weeks is especially significant. Progressive PI reports of photo recon missions of 7, 15, 18, and 19 Dec revealed considerable build-up of supplies in this area, and rolling stk volume in rail yards increased from 150 cars on 7 Dec to 185, 355, and 425 cars on above dates. Many flatcars in marshalling yard also appeared identically loaded with u/i material; stockpiles of coal and u/i materials on wtr front increasing. Oil storage tanks and an u/i installation bearing recently painted red cross emblem also observed, emphasizing possibility Najin is utilized as receiving point for supplies and possible personnel.

(4) Estd en air capabilities: Communist China's AF estd to include 250 ftrs and jet, 175 grd atk planes, 150 twin engine light bombers, and 75 transport planes, or total of 650 acft. of which 250 still under Soviet control. North Korean AF believed retraining and expanding in Manchuria; probably totals at least 50 Yak-Type ftrs, and may reenter conflict at any time. Also, 400-500 Soviet acft in Soviet-controlled Dairen Area may be made aval for use in Korea, and acft might be supplied fr large stks aval in air units in Sov Far East.

En believed utilizing air facilities, in eight Manchurian cities north of Korean Border, and some 20 airfields scattered throughout North Korea are now aval to en. With minimum of 650 planes in China and Manchuria, plus 500 which might be made aval fr Dairen, en is capable of mounting major, sustained air effort at any time. Such air offensive would probably precede or coincide with major land offensive. Utilizing these acft to maximum, en could launch 550 fighter and grd support sorties, and 160 bomber sorties in first 24 hrs of an all-out air effort. If he disregards normal maintenance reqts, en could launch 8,740, ftr and ground support sorties, and 2,250 bomber sorties in 30 day period. With 75 twin engine transports now aval, the en could airlift 1,875 trps 500 miles with fairly eff ftr cover, and could greatly increase airlift capability in short time by acquiring additional transports.

By eff utilization of maximum sortie capabilities en could:

- (1) Divert large part of UN air effort from ground support opns;
  - (2) Hinder UN airlift to Korea;
  - (3) Atk UN shipping and installations near Kyushu and Southern Honshu;
  - (4) Give possibly eff air support to his land operations.
- If the en can challenge UN air supremacy sufficiently to permit

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utilizing air facilities Pyongyang, Wonsan, and southward, he could deliver air strikes throughout Korea, Kyushu, and Southern Honshu. From present bases in Manchuria, he can reach all points in Korea, Northern Kyushu and south tip of Honshu.

G-2 comment:

(A) The estimate of 650 planes by FEAF was based on the fol breakdown of figures:

- (1) Organic to the CCAF 300;
  - (2) Believed del'd to CCAF in late Nov-early Dec 100;
  - (3) USSR planes believed to be in Manchuria 250;
- aggregate 650;

(B) Current G-2 FEC estimates lean toward figure of 300 under Par (1); the addition of Items (2) and (3). Border close to an overt war effort by the Soviets, which is being seriously considered at this time, without full acceptance. The Soviet readiness for war is generally accepted, but the imminence of overt entry into action is not clear now. However, the flight-performance of the MIG-15 jets suggest strongly that they are flown by Soviets, as a testing of modern armament similarly to their performance in Spain in 1937.

E. No report.

F. Psy War Summary: Air drops currently being made daily and will continue on this basis as long as soft aval. Approx 30% bomb space going to Korean leaflets, 70 to Chinese. This ratio will be varied as may be found advisable.

G. No report. (End Item 2).

FEC Item 3: Official:

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REUR DA-3: X Corps has completed outloading all types of supplies and equipment through Hungnam Port. (End Item 3).

FEC Item 4: Official:

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REUR Note 2, TT 4142: UN Stockades now have 482 Chinese PW's in custody. Commanding Off of I<sup>st</sup> Hosp advises he has approx 149 Chinese P<sup>nt</sup> pnts. Most of these have some degree of frostbite, and approx 67 will require some type of amputation. There are no known

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Chinese medical pers among Chinese P.'s, and there is no information avail here as to the medical service among the Chinese. (End Item 4).

FEC Item 5: Official:

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Possible US PW Cp: Info 15 Dec that large nbr US PWs being held in camp at Myo-Hyang Mountain (BV 6327); not known when PWs were moved to this location or whether they remained there.

18 Dec ascertained ice thick enough on Imjin River at (CS 0196) to bear weight of a man but not capable of supporting a vehicle.

NK trps observed mining roads leading northeast from Chonnyangam (CT 0849) 6-8 Dec. On north approach of ea bridge mines were placed in wheel tracks on both sides. No effort to camouflage mines. (End Item 5).

FEC Item 6: Official:

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Fol info from Army Eight SITREP Nbr 424 period ending 241500 L Dec 50. CCF PW captured at CT 1207 on 23 Nov claimed his unit to be 348th Regt, 116th CCF Div. PW states political off informed him that CCF were to stop at 38th parallel. (End Item 6).

INFORMATION : COMMANDER IN CHIEF, CHIEF OF STAFF, G-1, G-2, G-3, G-4, DIPLOMATIC, FEAF, COMNAVFE



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23 Dec 50

PARTICIPATING HQ : WASHINGTON AND CINCPAC

NR : DA TT 4162

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Present Washington:	
B Gen J Weckerling	G-2
Col G E Howard	G-2
Col H O Patterson	JCS
Capt R H Rodgers	ONI
Mr J C Greely	CIA
Mr T M Nordbeck	State
Lt Col W F Kaufman	G-3
Col J C Magee	AFOIN
Lt Col J E Babcock	G-4
Maj W J Morgan	JIG
Capt C C Quigley	G-2
Lt R I Curtis	ONI
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23 Dec 50

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SUBJECT : FAR EAST SITUATION

Present Tokyo :	
Maj Gen C A Willoughby	G-2
Col A C Goodwin Jr	G-2
Col T R Hannah	G-3
Maj W S Warner	G-2
LCdr T G Curtis	FIO COMNAVFE
Capt W C Van Norman	D/I PEARF
Lt T M Robinson	G-3

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A. Army:

NK's made a limited atk in the 8th ROK Div Sector as a reinf  
co atkd elms 10th ROK Regt aprx 10 mi NE of Chunchon at 221400 L.  
This atk penetrated 3-4 kms before being contained shortly after  
darkness 22 Dec. The 31st Regt of the 2d ROK Div repulsed an atk by  
a hostile force est at 2 hrs 13 mi NW of Kapyong without loss of  
ground during late afternoon 22 Dec. Other ex contact consisted of  
7 patrol skirmishes at scattered locations across the front. ROK  
patrols reptd obsvd considerable CCF act 7 to 30 mi in front of 1st  
ROK Div pans. Sightings included a troop concentration estimated

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possibly a CCF Div in Kukwa Area. 7th ROK Div passed to operational control III ROK Corps. The Gap ROK Div completed its move N and occupied def psns in vic of 38th Parallel near east coast.

On Hungnam perimeter sporadic mortar fire was rec by elms 65th Inf while an est 100 CCF opposite 7th Inf psns were engaged by friendly arty fire which inflicted aprx 65 cas. 7th and 65th Inf began a planned withdrawal to the inner defense perimeter while the 15th Inf prepared to withdraw to final beachhead defensive psns. 50th AAA AW Bn completed embarkation. Outloading of 3d Div unit trains and hvy equip continued throughout the pd. Remainder 7th US Div debarked at Pusan and passed to operational control Army Eight.

B. Air:

During the 24 hr pd endg 222400 I, UN acft under FEAF control flew 491 sorties inclg 206 transport, 17 recon, 268 combat of which 8 by USMC, 8 by RAAF, 5 by SAAF. 12 close spt sorties were flown in the Army Eight sector. 127 armed recon sorties were flown. Mil tgts atkd in 37 areas inclg Hongnae-dong, Kanggye, Songchon-ni, Chorwon, Wonsan. 38 counter air sorties were flown. 15 on escort for med burs; 23 flew CAP. 16 light bmr acft atkd mil tgts at Siamak Afid and Onjong-ni. 30 night intruder acft atkd mil tgts in 44 areas inclg Anju, Pyongyang, Sukchon, Sinanju and Wonsan.

FEAF BOBCOM flew 28 eff sorties: 12 acft 19th BG via and by radar bbd Pyongyang, RR bridge CU 3868, Chuan-Le-Li Factory area CU 4658 w/unobsrd to exc results. 12 acft 307th BG via bbd RR bridge YD 5569, RR bridge Seiryu YD 5332 w/good results. 4 acft 91st Recon Sq conducted photography and surveillance NK w/poor to good results

FEAF COCARCOM's 206 sorties airlifted 1228 psgrs, 613 evacs and 604.8 tons freight.

FEAF BOBCOM due lack of visual tgts today stood down w/exception of 3 acft: One acft 98th BG conducted leaflet drop w/unobsrd results. Two acft 91st Recon Sq flew surveillance NK w/poor to good results.

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At 221100 I, 3 F-51 acft encountered 3 MIG-15's vic Sinuiju XE 1840. En acft made 1 pass at friendly acft, pulled up into sun and disappeared. No dam to friendly or en acft.

At 221140 I, 8 F-86 acft encountered 8 or more MIG-15's or type-15's vic Sinuiju XE 1840. One F-86 acft shot down at aprx XE 5223. Pilot presumed KIA. No dam rptd to en acft.

At 221555 I, 8 F-86 acft encountered 16 or more MIG-15 vic XE 4015. F-86 claimed 6 MIG's dest and 1 dam. No dam reptd to F-86's.

FEAF claims en losses for pd: 223 pers, bridge 1, pack animals 19, gun pns 10 and 10, POL dumps 1 and 1, ammo dump 1, tks 1 and 1, vehs 36 and 28, sup carts 9 and 7, MIG-15 acft 6 and 1, RR cars 2, en occ bldgs 20 and 2, sup bldgs 89 and 106, whses 2 dam, RR bridges 3 dam, hwy bridges 3 dam, tunnel 1 dam.

Operations planned for 24 Dec 50: B-29: 66 combat ready (CR), 47 to be employed (TBE). 98th BG: 18 acft atk Communist hq at Kosanjin BA 5845. Four acft atk en trp concentration and sup cen at Chorwon CT 4334. One acft conduct leaflet drop over en trps along battle line. 307th BG: 12 acft atk cluster of govt gllds at Pyongyang YD 3882. 19th BG: Four acft atk en trp concentrations and sup cen at Koksan BT 9795. Four acft atk en trp concentrations and sup points at Ichon CT 1662. Four acft atk cluster of govt bldgs at Pyongyang. Light bms: 71 CR, 58 TBE. Ftrs: 278 CR, 277 TBE. Transports: 157 CR, 125 TBE.

C. Navy:

Korea E Coast:

Air: Carrier planes operating Hungnam area destroyed 1250 barrels gas, started fires in another gp of 1500 barrels; atkd 7 supply areas; destroyed more than 140 bldgs, 3 command posts, damaged 1 command post; destroyed 50 percent emplacements in village, dropped delayed action fuze bms on other emplacements; damaged tunnel CV 1313, burned RR station CV 0322; bombed bridges with delayed action fuzes at CV 8830

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and CV 7235; effectively bombed and strafed en troops from Hamhung to Orori, from CV 7621 to CV 8663, and in many other locations. One AD-4, from Princeton CV 37, crashed in water 221631 I Dec, at DT 5476; engine one fire in flight; DD picked up pilot in good condition after 3 hours in raft.

Surface: On FSS duties Hungnam: St Paul in support 3d Inf Div and Rochester in support 7th Inf Regt delivered harassing, illumination and call fire missions, results exc. Also firing with good to exc results: Ling, Borie, Massey, Forrest Royal, English, Hank. LSMR 401, 403, 404 fired indirect night rocket mission; area well covered. Sperry and Zellars patrolled and blockaded Iwon-Songjin Area; Zellars destroyed bldgs and many troops with illumination and harassing missions. Missouri and Norris scheduled FSS duty commencing night 23 Dec.

Mines: ROK Navy reptd 2 zig zag lines of mines at Changjon (DT 2987), 1 meter below surface, 50 meters apart; nine mines located by diver same area Nov. Mines sunk: 6 vic DU 9619, 1 at ET 2593, 1 at ET 3099.

Korea W Coast:

Air: Theseus replenished fuel and avgas; resumed air operations dawn today. Marines fler ~~app~~ for TE 95.11.

Surface: Kenya and Cayuga patrolled to 39-15 N in Yalu Gulf overnight; negative result.

Formosa Strait: Planes reported no unusual sightings.

La Perouse Strait: No significant sightings reported.

D. No report.

E. Weather.

Summary for pd 221800 I to 231800 I: Korea, variable low clds setd in N and brkn S of 38 deg N during nite. High and mid clds increasing rapidly in all of Korea fr W to ovest with setd rain by 231000 I. Low clds becoming ovest in sk by end of pd. Vis gen poor in haze and smoke. Temps 25-35 deg F in battle area.

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Fest 231800 I to 241800 I: Korea, clearing along Yalu River near beginning of pd and extending southward during nite to become clear to setd with good vis N of 36 deg N by 240600 I and setd to occas brkn clde in all of Korea after 241200 I. Much colder in Korea on 25 Dec.

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Military situation

A. Ground opns past 24 hrs.

1. Points of contact: Army Eight: CT 1106, CT 3012, CT 4109, CT 4209, CT 4307, CT 4312, CT 6407, DT 0003, DT 0603, and DT 2007. X US Corps: CV 7713 and CV 8013.

2. En OB changes:  
Negative.

3. US Army Eight: Adv CP at Seoul; main CP closed Seoul and opened Taegu. Assumed opn control US 7th Div.

US I Corps: CP vic Nokpon-ni CS 1864.

25th US Div sector: CP vic CS 1272.

8485 southbound refugees screened during 21 Dec; 197 refugees allowed to move N. 5 ROK escapees reptd Haeju (YC 3813) occupied by NK trps 22 Dec; ROK Naval pers reptd est 300 guer in Haeju. Units cont occupation of psns and patrolling. US 24th and 35th RCTs along gen line from BS 9785 to CS 0491 to CS 1097. US 27th RCT in div res vic Wijeon-ni CS 0585.

1st ROK Div sector:

12th ROK Regt ptrl obsvd fol night 19-20 Dec (delayed rept): 25 CCF vic CT 1609; est CCF bn vic CT 1415 and evidence considerable acty same area; large nbr CCF mvg NE vic BT 8533. On 21 Dec, same ptrl obsvd undet nbr CCF and many horses along rd BT 7926-BT 9941 and possible CCF div in area CT 1022-CT 0817-CT 1610. Other ptrls reptd: Est 500 NK trps vic CT 1814 at 200300 I (frm civ rept): Many CCF passed thru Kumchon (BT 7926) morn 21 Dec (frm civ rept dir tvl unspecified); large nbr CCF in villages near Kuhwa (CT 0817) at 211000 I. Ptrls obsvd fol afternoon 22 Dec: En bn entrenching vic CT 1808-CT 2009; en co vic CT 2211; en co vic CT 2209 and en plt vic CT 2108. Est en co forced 11th ROK Regt I & R Plt w/d from Korangpo (CT 1106) to MLR at 230130 I. Units cont occupation of def psns and patrolling. ROK 11th and 12th Regts along gen line

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from CS 11097 to CT 11103 to CT 11603 to CT 2507. ROK 15th Regt in div res wic CS 2094.

29th Inf Brig Gp ((UK)): Corps res; units cont patrolling and securing MSR.

IX US Corps: CP at Uijongbu CS 2878.

6th ROK Div sector:

7th ROK Regt ptrl w/d after brief fire fight with en plt wic CT 3012 at 220730 I. Units cont to improve def psns. ROK 7th and 19th Regts along gen line from CT 2506 to CT 3107 to CT 3605. ROK 2d Regt in div res wic CT 3201.

24th US Div sector: CP at Uijongbu:

Air atkd 50 en trps wic CT 4239 inflicting est 40 cas; strafed scattered en trps wic CT 5652 to CT 11661 at 221640 I. Ptrl engaged undet nbr en in short fire fight wic CT 4312 at 222400 I. Small en gps wic CT 4109, CT 4209 and CT 4307 dispersed by 24th Inf combat ptrl during night 22-23 Dec. Units cont to occupy def psns and patrol in sector. US 19th and 21st RCTs cont along gen line from CT 3605 to CT 4207 to CT 4904. US 5th Inf RCT in div res wic CS 3478.

US 11st Cav Div ((Inf)): CP wic CS 2659. Units cont in blocking psns along Seoul-Kapyong CS 6987 axis. US 7th Cav RCT wic CS 4063. US 8th Cav RCT wic Masogu-ri CS 5168. US 5th Cav RCT wic Sangchon-ri CS 6381 and Kuam-ri CS 5770.

27th Br Com Inf Brig: Corps res, wic Uijongbu.

4.

((A)) Army Forces, ROK: CP closed Seoul, opened Taegu. ROK III Corps; CP Yangpyong CS 6749. Assumed opn control ROK 7th Div.

2d ROK Div sector:

Atk by est 2 en bns gen wic CT 6407 at 211800 I repulsed by 31st ROK Regt without loss of ground. ROK 17th, 31st and 32d Regts cont in def psns in order from left to right along gen line from CT 5205 to CT 7206 to CT 7606.

5th ROK Div sector:

Air obsvd est en co wic CT 8206 and atkd undet nbr en trps, oxen

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and contacts with CP 8109 at 221700 I inflicting east 2D cas. ROK 35th Regt cont along gen line from CP 7705 to CP 8105. ROK 35th Regt cont along gen line from CP 8205 to CP 8903. ROK 27th Regt ((-)) along line from CP 8907 to CP 9306; 2d Bn with CP 8804.

ROK 8th Div: Attk by east on CP forced 1st Bn, ROK 10th Regt to withdraw to def pos extending from DT 0004 to DT 0203 where slit was stabilized; remainder regt, no report change. Elm ROK 16th Regt recaptured 3 hills in sector; regt in def pos along gen line from CP 9406 to DT 0306. Elm ROK 21st Regt on gen line from DT 0203 to DT 0402.

ROK 7th Div: ROK 3d Regt en route to def pos in rear of ROK 8th Div. ROK 5th and 6th Regts cont in def pos N of Chunchon CS 8893.

ROK III Corps: CP at Wonju DS 0733. Released own control ROK 7th Div to ROK III Corps.

3d ROK Div sector:

Undet mbr en engaged 22d ROK Regt patrol with SA fire with DT 2007 on 22 Dec. East on bn report with DS 1196 on 23 Dec. ROK 23d Regt en route from Wonju DS 0733 to Hongchon DS 0372. ROK 18th Regt en route to with DS 1196. ROK 22d Regt in def pos from DT 1705 to DT 2405.

ROK II Corps: CP Kangnung DS 9177.

ROK 9th Div: Units cont in def pos, with Ruyong-mi DT 2206, Hyon-mi DT 4000, Sorim-mi DT 5803 and Wangyang DT 6713.

ROK Cap Div: RO 1st Cav Regt along gen line from DT 7705 to DT 7705. ROK 1st Regt along gen line from DT 6304 to DT 7704. ROK 26th Regt, no report change.

ROK 1st and 3d Scty Bns: No report change.

ROK 11th Div: Units cont patrolling.

((B)) US 1st Mar Div: CP with Masan DP 6197. Div cont reorganization and resupply with Masan.

((C)) Canadian Inf Bn: Cont with Rusan.

((D)) US 7th Inf Div: Div closed Rusan; elms en route to

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Yongchon HQ 9479.

(E) US 2d Inf Div: CP opened via Chungju DR 0592. US 23d RCT and French Inf Bn cont in assy area via Chungju. US 38th RCT and Netherlands Bn cont en route to Chungju. Edms US 9th RCT en route to Chungju; remainder regt prep to move.

(F) US 187th Abn RCT: Cont in Army res via Suwon CS 2427.

(G) X US Corps: Tactical CP at CW 8109; main CP afloat.

3d US Div sector: CP Hungnam.

Arty fire inflicted est 65 cas on CCF force est 100 via CW 7713 at 221930 L. 3d Bn 65th Inf recd en mortar fire in vic CW 8013 at 230505 L. Div svt edms cont to outlead. Units cont in blocking pens along Hungnam perimeter.

(H) Japan Logistical Command: No change.

5. Fear areas:

A. Enemy:

Air reports: Obsvd 150-180 vehs movg S out of Kanggye (EA 9737) at 211950 L; obsvd large veh convoy via BW 5584 (dir unrep'd) at 212200 L; obsvd considerable en acty vic of Tanchon (DW 9276) during night 21-22 Dec; atk'd and dispersed numerous en trps vic CW 6612 at 220830 L; dest 5 arty pcs (poss 155mm) and dng'd 10 arty pcs vic EA 9642 at 221545 L; atk'd numerous en trps vic CW 8260 at 221600 L; atk'd highway area occupied by est 500 en via BW 8494 at 222000 L.

(B) Friendly - no rept:

B. Air operations past 24 hrs (See sit in brief).

C. Navy operations (See sit in brief).

D. Discussion of en capabilities:

1. Deployment of CCF Forces: Statistical rates of advance:

(A) During the advance from Yalu to the Sihanju-Huichan-Kanggye line, a distance of 60/90 mi, the CCF consumed 30 days. This rate of 2 to 3 mi per day was probably due to efforts to effect surprise and for anti-air protection.

(B) During the atk and breakthrough pd, 15 Nov-1 Dec, CCF marched 75/100 mi w/out formation of from 2 to 6 Corps abreast rate

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of march of 5 to 7 miles.

(C) From 1 Dec to 20 Dec, with info on CCF movements dependent on air sighting, it is estimated that a distance of 80/100 miles was covered by 4 to 6 Corps in line; a rate of 4 to 5 miles per day.

2. Forward displacement of CCF:

No positive CCF contacts have been made since UN Force broke contact N of Pyongyang; however numerous air sightings and reports from other sources place the CCF variously in: Chunchon-Kumhwa-Chorwon-Yonchon-Kumchon-Singye-Sinnak and Sariwon. Projection of CCF units to positions immediately in rear of the present line of contact is based upon current assumption en will reemploy these same units in a new offensive; However; we must not lose sight of the fact that other CCF units have reportedly crossed the border from Manchuria. The en may have shifted and realigned his forces, so that it is entirely possible that relatively "new" CCF Armies (Corps) may make their appearance in PW captures, if the en resumes the offensive.

It is estimated that units of the 4th Field Army totaling 6 armies and 19 divs could launch an all-out coordinate atk against present Army Eight posits in the pd Dec 25-Jan 10; limited atks in a lesser str of one or more armies could be launched at any time. Both of these capabilities could be enhanced by commitment of the CCF Air Force in support of the atk. No time elm can be determined from the increased CCF capability against Army Eight defensive positions, through entry into action of the armies of the 3d CCF Field Army presently committed in the Hungnam area.

3. Employment of rehabilitated NK Divs: Many indications have pointed to the reemployment possibility of the rehabilitated NK Army, carried out in both Manchuria and NK. The methods of possible employment, the quality of this force and the ultimate potential were discussed in Dis 3012, 12 Dec '50.

NK Forces have screened forward displacement of CCF Forces from Pyongyang and with the exception of 2 very recent engagements with suspected CCF units, have been the only en forces in contact with Army Eight units. Estimates of the str of this rehabilitated force have been placed at 157,000 plus a sizeable guerrilla force. Certainly, therefore, the many probing actions reptd being projected by NK elms along the entire UN MLR and other actions which could be

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screening movements for CCF, plus the reptd forward displacement of CCF, lend credence to the conclusion that these en forces could be re-committed in a gen assault at any future opportune time.

4. Penetration and envelopment of the Army Eight:

Forces concentrated opposite Army Eight are presently conducting probing actions along the front, directed at the 3 main line of communication arteries toward Seoul from the N and NE; locations which could become probably focal points for an offensive. The potential of the hostile forces is significantly increased by the reconstitution, rehabilitation, regrouping, of the bypassed elms of NK along the right flank of the Army Eight; the NK II, III and V Corps must be assumed as major contributing elms in the gen plan of maneuver. It is estimated that the en is capable of launching an atk at any time utilizing 2 NK Corps, in forward positions, reinforced by a possible one (1) or two (2) CCF Armies (Corps) within supporting distance.

E. State: No report.

F. Following is summary of advance policy guidance (Wkly plan) 24 thru 31 Dec. Part first. Korean target gps: 1. Succession of foreign rulers: Japanese followed by Russians, then NK Communists, now Chinese aspiring to control of Korea. 2. Korean troops fighting Soviet war: NK soldiers being forced fight against fellow countrymen for benefit foreign Communists. 3. Communists oppose peace: Chinese rejection cease fire proposals shows hypocrisy Comm lip svc to peace. 4. Population movement southward from NK shows Korean people not received by Comm efforts portray selves as champion of masses. Part second: Chinese target gps: 1. Chinese troops fighting Soviet war: Chinese soldiers being used fight battles for Russian benefit. 2. Famine and flood: Comm let Chinese people starve last spring even through abundant food offered by America. 3. One of four: Secret SINO Soviet agreement for reduction of Chinese population by 100,000,000. While soldiers die in foreign war, Comm at home making people's livelihood impossible with exorbitant taxation, high prices, food shortage, and conscription for labor and mil svc.

G. No report.

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Logistics: No significant developments to report.

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REUR DA Note Nbr 2. TT 4162

A. We have no info here on strength, designation, and composition of units subordinate to the Special Army Group 1st and 2d Field Armies. **Composition of Special Army Group 3d Field Army is as follows:**

4th Tank Regt	15th Artillery Regt
5th Tank Regt	16th Artillery Regt
6th Tank Regt	17th Artillery Regt
Armored Car Regt	12th AAA Regt
8th Artillery Regt	13th AAA Regt
9th Artillery Regt	14th AAA Regt
10th Artillery Regt	1st Truck Regt
11th Artillery Regt	2d Truck Regt
12th Artillery Regt	1st MP Regt
13th Artillery Regt	2d MP Regt
14th Artillery Regt	Engineer Regt

Strength of the above force estimated 50,000. A "3d Artillery Division" composed of the 12th, and 13th Artillery Regt, and probably the 14th Artillery Regt has been reported but not confirmed.

B. Composition of the Special Army Group, 4th Field Army is as follows:

2d Artillery Division	87th Armored Division
6th Artillery Division	1st Cav Division
161st Artillery Division	2d Cav Division
83d Armored Division	

Strength of the above force reported to be 30,000. It is

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acknowledged that this strength is probably low if the composition of the Special Army Group is as shown. No further detailed information is available.

C. North China Special Army Group: The only available information here is that the North China Special Army Group consists of a tank unit, antiaircraft unit, motorized field artillery unit and an Engineer Unit. The tank unit has been reported to have at least 100 Japanese tanks.

D. Can G-2 DA furnish G-2 FEC with a detailed breakdown of composition and unit designation of militia units, security forces, and military district forces in Manchuria?

E. Would appreciate your sending G-2 FEC copies of all biographical reports submitted by US Mil Attache Nanking during the period Jan 49 to May 50. Any additional biographical information on military personalities in Communist China that you may be able to furnish would be gratefully received.

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FROM G-2 TO D/A

Extracts from Army Eight SITREP Nbr 421 period ending 231500 I Dec 50, follows: 26 ROK returnees captured by 7th NK Div vic Oechang BU 9798 on 2 Dec released by same unit vic Oxtong-ni CT 3657 on 15 Dec. 7th NK Div en route to Pyonggang CT 5153 at time of release. Returnees claimed to have overheard Regtl Staff Conference in which route of approach to Chaechon DS 3010 was under discussion. Also that NKPA was to advance South on UN flanks and surround Seoul while CCF atk frontally. One long range ptl from 1st ROK Div on 21 Dec, obs large nbr CCF trps in villages vic Kuhwa-ri CT 0818 and CT 1021. One ptl 12th ROK Regt submitted similar rept dtd 20 Dec. Based on these repts, presence of CCF in

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Kihwa-ri now accepted. This ptl obs 5-6,000-en trps with many horses on 20 Dec vic CT 0025. Also obs on 21 Dec, 3-4,000 CCF trps moving NW on rd vic BT 8533. Refugees on 18 Dec, reptd large nbr of CCF trps in Kaesong. Line crossers reptd 2 large CCF concentrations deployed to front of US 25th Div and 1st BOK Div. A CCF Div in area bounded by CT 0817, CT 1610 and CT 1022; 6,000 CCF trps with unidentified Cav Unit vic BT 9925. This last rept covered 5 day period ending 22 Dec 50.

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A PW captured vic Hachon (CV 8314) claimed his unit as 9th Regt, 36 NK Div, and approx 1200 men in his "Group" in the area. Comment: Seven PWs taken 21 Dec 1-3/4 mi NW Hachon on 19 Dec, which definitely places the hitherto unlocated 3d NK Div in Hwangnam Area.

Three PWs taken 21 Dec vic Hwangnam (CV 8609) claim to be from 14th Regt, 1st NK Div. One PW claimed his unit passed through Hwangnam 6 days ago, arrived in battle area on 20 Dec, and atkd same night. The PW states entire Div moved together. He estimated strength of 14th Regt at 1,350. Cloth identification tags found on enemy dead further identified 2d Bn of 14th Regt. Front line exam indicates enemy dead were well fed and well equipped with food and arms.

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Enemy tanks sighted: Of 117 enemy tanks sighted by UN air during period 1-20 Dec, 43 are claimed destroyed and 11 damaged, with 63 unaccounted for. Though majority of 63 unaccounted for were brought under air attack, results are unknown.

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Of significance is fact that no armored opposition was encountered by UN ground force units during entire period. This lack of contact is likely to continue until such time as CCF and NK forces approach the UN defense line and make a protective force available to their armor. Enemy armor observed and destroyed ranged in location from as far North as the Chosin Reservoir and South to a point 4 km North of Kaesong (BT 8505). Heaviest concentration of armor, however, was sighted in area extending from Chunghwa South to Sariwon.

Still no information to indicate that enemy armor encountered in Korea is manned by anyone but North Koreans. It appears NKA has been able to maintain steady flow of replacement personnel for its armored units; with training of the personnel probably being conducted in Manchuria.

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