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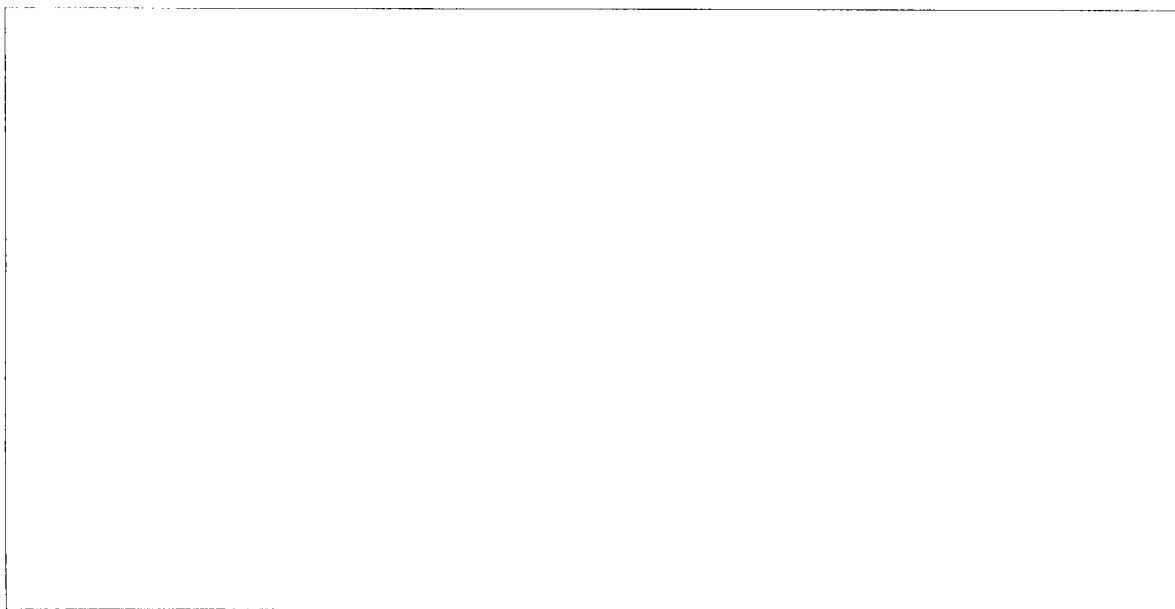


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SECTION 1 (SOVIET)

1. USSR. Further evidence of jet units in Soviet Far East: The military representative at the Dzemgi (Komsomolsk) refinery notified the Chief of Fuel Supplies and Lubricants of the Soviet Air Forces in Moscow on 28 August that the refinery was not shipping jet fuel for the military. The reason given was that jet fuel shipments to Grodekovo and Otpor, trans-shipment points on the USSR-Manchurian border are given first priority. (SUEDE USAF Roundup 222, 19 Oct 51)

Comment: This message indicates either that current priority is being given to shipments for Korean operations, or to a buildup of jet fuel supplies in China and Manchuria for the winter months.



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14. Chinese Communist units perform coastal security duties in northeastern Korea: According to a preliminary field translation of a 17 October North Korean message, the Division Commander of the Railroad Security Division in Pyongyang informed his 7th Regiment commander in the Chongjin area that "the guard station which is now perform(ing) the guard task, with the Volunteer Army, will be able to evacuate after they have had full discussion, with the Volunteer Army." (SUEDE CM IN 46225, Pyongyang-Chongjin, 19 Oct 51)

Comment: No major Chinese Communist unit has previously been garrisoned this far up the northeastern Korean coast. In early October, however, a source reported seeing a large number of both Chinese Communist and North Korean troops near the coast in the Chongjin area. It is possible that fear of a UN amphibious operation in this area has necessitated the northward redeployment of elements of the Chinese Communist 9th Army Group from the Wonsan area.

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