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10. KOREA. North Korean brigade alerted against UN attempt to recapture islands. A series of 24 January messages to and from the North Korean 23rd Brigade in west central Korea reflect a fear that the UN is planning to retake some minor islands lost to the Communists. Following a UN bombing of the brigade CP and increased UN naval reconnaissance, the 23rd

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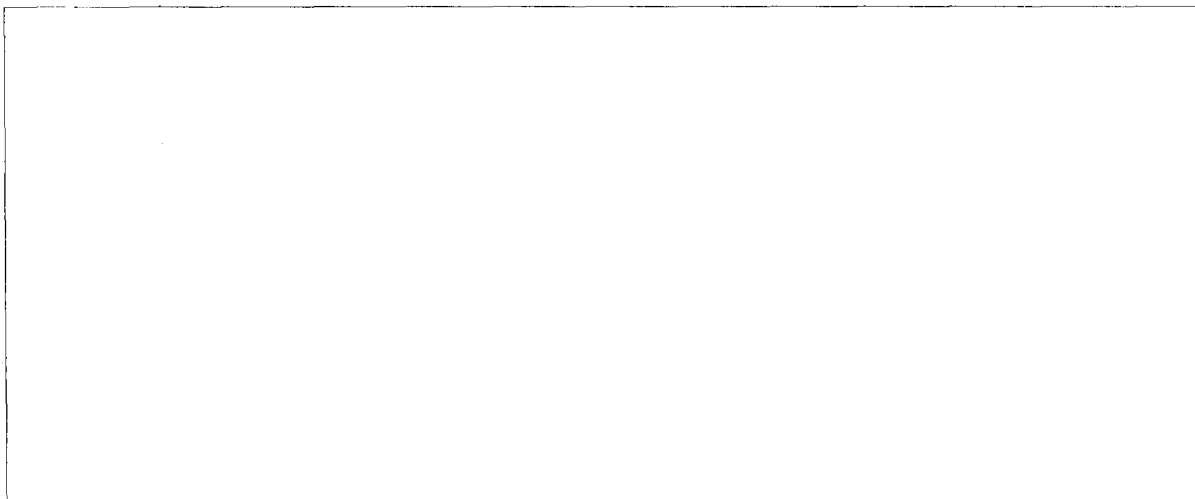
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Brigade reported that "it is expected that the enemy will intend to land on the islands which (have been already?) liberated. . . ." Other portents are seen in the capture by the 5th Battalion of ". . . enemy spies . . . dispatched from Cho-do, along with radio sets." An attempt to develop UN intentions by utilizing these agents in a turnaround capacity is revealed by an order from the 23rd Brigade to the capturing battalion to "make use of the spy technically." The captured agent was to communicate with his principals and inquire "about what we should do. . . ." (SUEDE AS CM IN 6439, 25 Jan 52)



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