

G-2 PERIODIC REPORT *Post Section*

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MAPS: KOREA, 1/250,000  
 Eastern ASIA, 1/1,000,000

1. ARMED FORCES

Negative

2. POLITICAL PARTIESa. Communists To Form "Third Party"

It is reported that certain staff members of both the SOUTH and NORTH KOREA LABOR PARTIES have combined in the aim to demolish both these parties and establish a "true communism" for the Korean people. An "underground third communist party" will be organized to destroy the Soviet influence. The SOUTH KOREA LABOR PARTY is supposedly torn with internal dissension by members attempting to gain party leadership and intellectuals whose aim is to align KOREA as a buffer for Soviet communism, while the Northern party leaders are living on the bounty of the Soviet Army Forces but the laboring people and farmers are starving because of shipments of rice to RUSSIA. It is hoped that these weaknesses will make possible the successful formation of a true Korean Communist Party. (CIC S/I, 03 May. F-3)

3. CIVIL UNRESTa. Telephone and Power Lines Cut On CHEJU DO (Delayed Report)

On the night of 30 April power and telephone lines were cut between SOGUI PO (957-1119) and MOSULPO (923-1116). (Police rpt)

b. Propaganda Leaflets Scattered In CHOLLA PUKTO

At 301900 April propaganda leaflets opposing the election and containing derogatory reports of RHEE and KIM Seung Soo were distributed in KUNSAN (970-1450). (Police rpt)

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c. Flares and Fires Continue In The SEOUL Area

During the night of 03 April flares and bonfires were observed on the mountains surrounding SEOUL. At 2020 hours three orange flares appeared simultaneous on Nam San Mountain and at 2045 hours two bonfires and one yellow flare were observed on West Mountain and one bonfire was observed on North Mountain. (Flash Rpts. B-2)

d. Communist Make House To House Canvass

As an additional means of preventing a successful election, communists are making a house to house canvass, telling the people that there will be riots and disturbances on election day and that it will be unsafe to go to the balloting booths. (CIC S/I, 02 May. B-3)

4. PSYCHOLOGICAL

a. Translations of SEOUL Newspapers. (See Incl. #1)

5. SABOTAGE AND ESPIONAGE

Negative

6. INTELLIGENCE CONCERNING ADJACENT AREAS

Negative

7. OTHER

a. North Koreans Hold May Day Demonstrations At Parallel

(1) A crowd estimated between 800 and 1000 gathered at KWAN TAI RI (1107-1698), north of the parallel in front of US OP #24 at 011200 May. Two North Korean Constabulary officers gave speeches and NK Constabulary and Soviet officers mingled with the crowd. No incidents resulted from the meeting. (CIC Flash rpt. B-2)

(2) Approximately 1500 North Koreans gathered north of the 38th parallel in the vicinity of TAE DONG NI (1089-1697.1), cursed and shouted taunts at the American guards south of the parallel and displayed large pictures of STALIN and KIM Il Sung. Soviet soldiers circulated among the crowd shaking hands and passing out cigarettes. (CIC P/R #105. B-2)

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(3) At 011230 May an estimated 4500 North Koreans gathered about 50 meters north of the parallel near the YOHN (948.5-1696) police box. Cheers were given for the North Korean People's Republic and the usual communist propaganda (Down with the UN Commission RHEE and KIM Seung Soo, shatter the South Korean election) was loudly voiced to the south. Soviet soldiers and North Korean Constabularymen were posted along the parallel. (CIC P/R #105. Police rpt.)

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1 Incl.

1-Translation of SEOUL Newspapers

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