

G-2 PERIODIC REPORT

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1. ARMED FORCES

Negative

2. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

U.N. Commission Recognizes National Assembly

In a reply to Dr. RHEE's letter of 11 June, which formally notified the UN Commission of the establishment of a Korean National Assembly, the Commission belatedly recognized the elected group as a National Assembly in a letter of 28 June which stated that the UN Commission noted the fact that a National Assembly had been constituted on 31 May 1948 by the elected representatives of the Korean people and expressed the hope that these representatives would seek to promote early attainment of the independence and unification of Korea.

The UN Commission, in its letter, reiterated that it was now available for such consultation as the elected representatives may request.

COMMENT: The use of the term "National Assembly" in their letter is the first positive action by the UN Commission toward recognizing the Assembly as "national."

3. CIVIL UNREST

a. Terrorism In CHOLLA-NAMDO (Delayed Reports)

(1) On 18 June 7 men, armed with Japanese swords, attacked a civilian's home in TAIKYO RI (1035-1314). The civilian and his son were killed during the attack. (6th Div P/R #976. B-2)

(2) On 18 June a bomb was thrown into a hotel in KUMKE DONG (972-1336). The hotel keeper, his wife and servant were injured in the explosion. The hotel keeper is reputed to have been a communist collaborator at the time of the liberation in 1945. (6th Div P/R #976. B-2)

b. Terrorism In KYONGSANG-PUKTO (Delayed Reports)

(1) On 21 June 6 rioters, one armed with a pistol, attacked and killed a rightist leader in PANJI DONG (1189-1410). (6th Div P/R #977. B-2)

(2) On 21 June 14 rioters attacked and killed a prominent rightist in YONGJO (1203-1562). (6th Div P/R #977. B-2)

(3) On 21 June an instructor at the KYONBAK high school in TAEJU was attacked and beaten by two men, tentatively identified as students. (6th Div P/R #977. B-2)

c. Constabulary Actions On CHEJU-DO

During the 24 hour period ending 281800 June the constabulary captured 7 suspected raiders in the vicinity of KUN AK (949-1143) and apprehended 9 AWOL constabularymen in the vicinity of CHOCHON NI (964-1155). During the same period 37 prisoners were turned over to the police for prosecution by the Korean courts. (MG Report. B-2)

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4. PSYCHOLOGICAL

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5. SABOTAGE AND ESPIONAGE

Negative

6. INTELLIGENCE CONCERNING ADJACENT AREAS

Negative

7. OTHER

a. North Korean Refugees

During the period 181800 June to 251800 June 2,856 Koreans crossed the parallel from North KOREA and entered camps at KAESONG (950-1690), UIJONGBU (1000-1680), CHUNCHON (1170-1680) and CHUMUNJIN (1060-1680). (G-3 O/R #31. B-2)

b. Korean Coast Guard Activities

During the period 161800 June to 231800 June the South Korean Coast Guard investigated 61 vessels in Korean waters. Two vessels were detained for illegal operations and sent to port under guard. (G-3 O/R #31. B-2)

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