

Majority of civil disturbances, 1-15 Mar, occur in South Cholla Province; 358 rebels, 87 soldiers and policemen and eight civilians killed in period.

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MILITARY SITUATION

1. Civil Disturbances 1-15 Mar 49:

a. Armed Forces Aggressive: The majority of civil disturbances in South Korea from 1-15 Mar, occurred in South Cholla Province, which continues to be rebel stronghold for activities on the Korean mainland. Aggressive action by the Republic's armed forces resulted in the death of more than 385 rebels during the period. Approximately eight civilians and 87 soldiers and policemen were killed, while suppressing the dissidents. A summary of incidents reported during the period is given below. (a)

b. Recapitulation of incidents: (Refer to Map No. 3)
1 - Asseol: Two rebels, two soldiers, and one civilian were killed on 7 Mar when police and Korean Army forces raided a band of rebels. (b)

• 제주도 폭도들 은신처로 도주 (1949. 4. 25)

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INTELLIGENCE HIGHLIGHTS

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SOUTH KOREA

One hundred and eight officers, 560 enlisted men of Korean Army suspected of leftist activities; suspects are under constant surveillance. Korean armed forces disperse rebels. Majority of civil disturbances 16-31 Mar in South Cholla Province; Cheju Island quietest since May 47. Six civilians, 24 policemen and soldiers killed suppressing dissidents, 175 rebels killed.

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MILITARY SITUATION

2. Civil Disturbances 16-31 Mar 49:

a. Dispersed in Southern Provinces: Aggressive action by the Korean Republic's armed forces, from 16-31 Mar, resulted in the dispersal of rebel activities throughout the southern provinces. A majority of the incidents, still occurred in South Cholla Province. Cheju Island rebels were driven into hiding by Korean Army troops, and the period was the quietest the island has known since 1 May 47. Approximately 175 rebels were killed, throughout South Korea, during the period and about six civilians and 24 policemen and soldiers died while combating the rebels. (b)

• 유엔위원회 제주도 방문 연기(1949. 4. 26)

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INTELLIGENCE HIGHLIGHTS

② NORTH KOREA

Nine border incidents; 14 casualties.

Political Defense Department operating in all provinces. Department is under Ministry of Internal Affairs.

③ SOUTH KOREA

Seven Assemblymen oppose U.S. aid to South Korea. UNCOK to visit Cheju Island, South Cholla Province. CHOUGH Byung Ok offered nomination for Assembly seat. Committee appointed to investigate charges against Louise YIM. Grain purchase law suspended. Assembly passes emergency grain act; free grain market established.

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POLITICAL REPORT

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1. Current Developments:

b. UNGOK Visit: A proposed three-day aerial trip to Cheju Island by members of a UNCOK subcommittee was postponed 18 Apr owing to bad weather. The commission members plan to make the trip in the near future and will visit South Cholla Province on their return journey to Seoul. (B-1) (a)

Comment: The two areas on the committees' itinerary are the principle