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**MISCELLANEOUS**

1. Civil Disturbances 1-15 Aug 49:

a. Insurgents scattered: Aggressive action by the Korean Republic's armed forces reportedly resulted in the death of more than 170 guerrillas during the period 1-15 Aug. Concurrently, more than 20 soldiers, policemen, and civilians were killed while suppressing the guerrillas. Most of the incidents were scattered in the eastern half of the mainland rather than being concentrated in South Cholla Province, as in the past. Again, Cheju Island was quiet, with no serious incident reported.

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## INTELLIGENCE HIGHLIGHTS

### ⑤ NORTH KOREA

Border Constabulary locations reported along Korean-Manchurian border.

Soviets reportedly order North Korea to "absorb" South Korea by the end of Oct 49. People's Army warned of possible invasion of North Korea by Korean Army. Leftist Koreans in Japan claim North Korea will attack South Korea 15 Oct 49.

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SOUTH KOREA

Government forces kill 260 guerrillas during  
30 Sep-7 Oct,

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**MILITARY SITUATION**

No. 2590

1. Current Developments: (Refer to Map No. 3)

a. Armed Forces', Guerrilla Activity: The Korean Army and National Police conducted 29 operations against guerrillas during the period 30 Sep-7 Oct. (a) The Army is meeting with limited success in eliminating guerrilla forces in its "September offensive" (Intell. Summary 2547), which is fully under way. Meanwhile, Korean Army Headquarters has announced that 260 guerrillas were killed and 39 captured in the interior of South Korea during the period. (b) At present, three task forces are operating on the Korean mainland--the Chiri San, Tasbaek, and Honan Task Forces (Intell. Summary 2585). Of the 29 operations reported during the period, all were of a minor nature except four. (a)

Twenty-seven guerrillas were killed, 24 Sep, when 30 guerrillas were engaged by a company of soldiers in Kangwon Province. Three soldiers were killed during the incident. A Korean Army engineer battalion killed 19 guerrillas in the vicinity of Sunchon, 29 Sep. One soldier was killed during the engagement. Korean soldiers killed 17 guerrillas in the vicinity of Bulkap, 1 Oct, when an unknown number of guerrillas were engaged in a fire fight. No casualties occurred among the Government forces. On 2 Oct, 67 guerrillas were killed in a fire fight with Korean soldiers in the vicinity of Posong. Only two civilians and one soldier were killed during the incident. (a)

Only six guerrilla attacks on police stations and villages were reported during the period. All the attacks were of a minor nature except one, in North Kyongsang Province. On 2 Oct, an estimated 160 armed and 170 unarmed guerrillas organized in three groups and attacked a police station, a prison, and a Korean Army detachment in Andong. Nine buildings were destroyed by fire, and five guerrillas, two soldiers, and two prison guards were killed during a three-hour fire fight. (a)

Comment: The Army's "September offensive" against guerrilla forces appears to be progressing favorably. It is noted that relatively few guerrillas were captured during the period. Apparently the Government's efforts to induce guerrillas to surrender, through the use of propaganda and safe conduct passes dropped by the Korean Army Air Force (Intell. Summary 2571), has met with little success.

d. Guerrillas Executed: The Korean Army executed 249 guerrillas on Cheju Island 2 Oct. The mass execution was supervised by the Army's Provost Marshal of the area. All of the former guerrillas, captured since Apr 49, had been sentenced to death by General Courts Martial. President RHEE Syngman approved the sentences. (a)

Comment: During the period 3 Jun-12 Jul 49, Government authorities on Cheju Island sentenced 345 Communists and Communist sympathizers to death (Intell. Summary 2531). Radio Pyongyang probably will devote considerable time condemning the executions, and may again accuse the U.S. of ordering the sentences carried out (Intell. Summary 2539).

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