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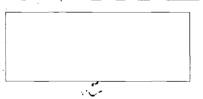
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3. Tass denies presence of Soviet troops in North Korea:



Tass states that it has been authorized to deny that "Soviet forces of the white race, and the like, are in North Korea," according to a broadcast from Radio Moscow.

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<u>Comment:</u> On 6 September, Radio Peiping also denied that "Caucasian volunteers" were in Korea. Although there has been no identification of Soviet units in North Korea, Soviet military assistance does exist in the form of air force, anti-aircraft and air warning personnel.

This authoritative Soviet denial may indicate that the USSR does not plan to expand its participation in the Korean war in the near future or that it will not publicize the use of "international volunteers" as such.

