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7. KOREA. Additional evidence of Soviet role in truce talks:
Radio messages from Moscow, addressed to a Soviet group
 believed to be serving as advisers at the Panmunjom peace talks,
 are originated by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

This conclusion is based on an Armed Forces Security Agency analysis which notes a similarity of message characteristics in traffic between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and various Soviet consuls, and that addressed to the Soviet group in Korea. (SUEDE AFSA RU-TIB 1804, 26 Feb 52)

Comment: Previous analysis has shown a correlation between major developments at the truce talks and the volume of messages passed on this circuit between Moscow and Korea.

8. Soviet advisers still present with North Korean Air Force: North Korean Air Headquarters at Sinuiju was queried
 on 6 February by an air unit near Pyongyang as to whether
 "the journalist comrade Chayev" had arrived. (SUEDE 501st
 Comm Recon Grp Korea, 15 RSM/7022, 28 Feb 52)

Comment: A sizable group of Soviet air advisory personnel, usually identified as "journalists," has been active with the North Korean Air Force since its inception. No recent references to these Russians has been noted in communications intelligence.

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9. North Korean antiaircraft artillery dump probably at Uiju: An antiaircraft artillery battalion of the North Korean 23rd Independent AAA Regiment queried its parent units, "Did you start for Uiju to get the ammunition? Until we get it, we can't prepare for combat." (SUEDE 501st Comm Recon Grp Korea, 15 RSM/7100, 29 Feb 52)

Comment: Elements of the 23rd AAA Regiment are probably located north and east of Pyongyang. Uiju, one of two operational North Korean airfields, is known to have a defensive AAA unit and may additionally be an antiaircraft artillery supply depot.

10. Message suggests restriction on range of North Korean pilot trainees: Intercepted instructions on 11 February from the North Korean Air School at Yenchi to the "person in charge of firing" at Air Headquarters in Sinuiju declared: "Oral orders of the commander officer" are that no "action (should be) taken as far as the Pyongyang area." (SUEDE 330th Comm Recon Co, Korea, ALT-499, 28 Feb 52)

Comment: While this message does not clearly indicate that North Korean training aircraft are to abide by this restriction, communications intelligence has revealed that North Korean MIG-15 aircraft are flying missions in Korea. The restriction on activity south of Pyongyang may be inspired by the great security consciousness of the NCAF, and by its fear that a pilot will defect or be captured.

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