

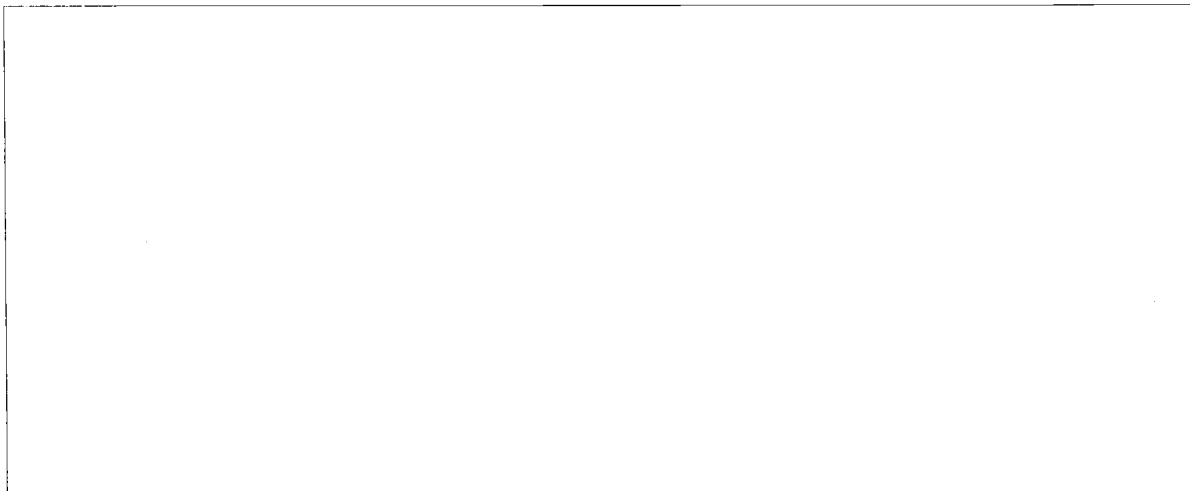
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4. Entire artillery division in Korea being transferred:
In a message on 24 May the 21st Artillery Division cautioned a subordinate regiment to record experiences "since the present transfer is the first transfer for the entire division." (SUEDE [redacted] 1286, Unknown-Unknown, 24 May 52)

Comment: A series of more recent messages on the same net resulted in the conclusion that one and possibly two regiments of this division were proceeding to the east central front. If the entire division moves to the same area, as may be indicated here, the artillery strength on this front will have been doubled.

5. Chinese Communist front-line artillery units continue training activities: A Chinese Communist message passed between two unidentified units on 31 May revealed that two battalions of the 31st Artillery Regiment are "taking over the defense positions of the 42nd Regiment, which is being withdrawn to division for artillery combat (training?)." In addition, the message stated that the 48th and 43rd Regiments will also be trained by the "division." (SUEDE 501st Comm Recon Grp Korea, K-3475, 2 June 52)

Comment: The above message, coupled with previous intercepts stating that front line units will initiate training activities in June, further strengthens the probability that a Communist offensive is not imminent.



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