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1. Capture of ranking US airman interests Soviet Ambassador in Korea:

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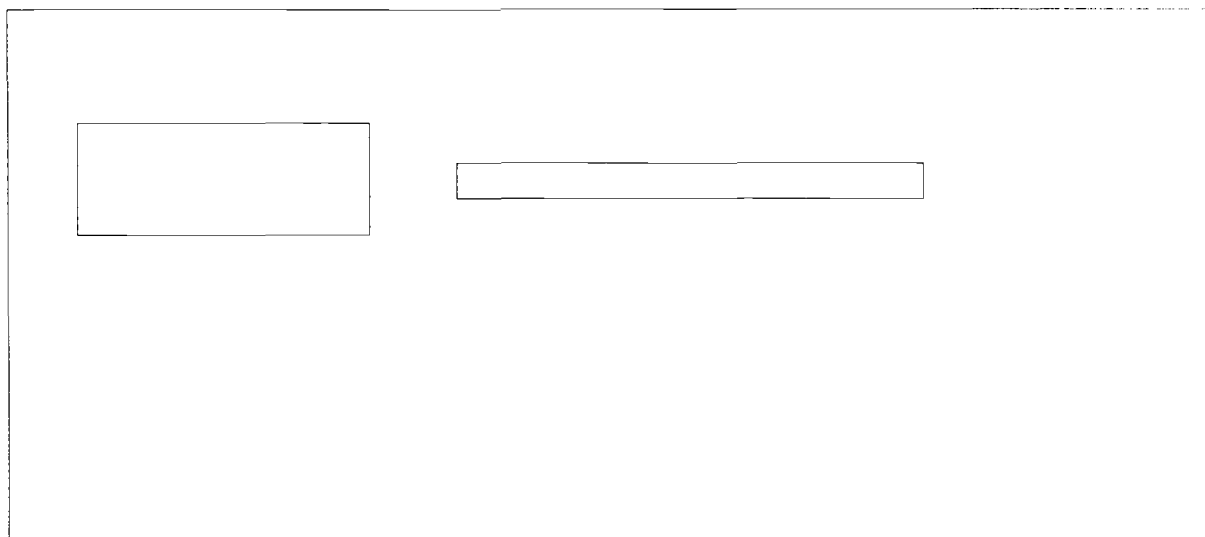


796/S2 The Soviet ground control intercept net in northwestern Korea on 16 May passed a message over its administrative link which stated that "Makhurin" had been captured and that an interrogation had been conducted. The message suggested that "Razuvaev" was present.

Comment: "Makhurin" is probably US Air Force Colonel Walter M. Mahurin, whose aircraft was shot down by ground fire on 13 May.

The suggested presence of Soviet Lieutenant General of Aviation, Vladimir Razuvaev, at the interrogation of Colonel Mahurin is another indication of the Soviet Union's intense interest in the military aspects of the Korean war.

General Razuvaev is the Soviet Ambassador to North Korea and may be the over-all commander of Soviet aircraft participating in the Korean air war.



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