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4. Chinese and Russians believe UN aircraft operating over Manchuria: In a series of messages between 29 September and 3 October, Chinese Communists on their early warning nets and Soviet pilots on their GCI nets reported that UN aircraft were operating over three separate Manchurian airfields. The field unit observes that although it cannot be determined whether these reports reflect actual UN flights over Manchuria, it would appear that the enemy is convinced of their reality. (CANOE AF Roundup 194, 7 Oct 52)

Comment: Although the Chinese Communist messages described no actual bombing by the UN planes they reported in Manchuria, the Peiping press, in propaganda blasts on 7 October, claimed that 120 UN planes had "ruthlessly" bombed villages in Liaotung on 1 October.

5. Chinese artillery unit in west Korea reports low ammunition: The Chinese 27th Artillery Regiment, supporting the 39th Army in western Korea, reported late in the evening of 6 October that two of its battalions had expended 590 rounds "in the attack." The message requests that the 1st battalion be supplied with 2,300 rounds and the 2nd battalion with 1,800 because the battalions "must be prepared to fire?" when the enemy (counterattacks?)." (CANOE L/ [] T1111, 6 Oct 52) HR70-14

Comment: The 39th Army is actively engaged in the series of limited-objective enemy attacks that began at twilight on 6 October. The small ammunition expenditure mentioned and the relatively small amount required are further indications of the limited nature of the enemy's present operations.



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