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2. North Korean air unit demonstrates improved proficiency:

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escort roles.

North Korean air units in Manchuria and Korea, which have been increasingly active during the past two months, have been emphasizing training in night Roundly Mu- 20? operations, according to a 25 October Air Force field analysis of communications. This activity follows a long training period in ground attack techniques and in fighter-

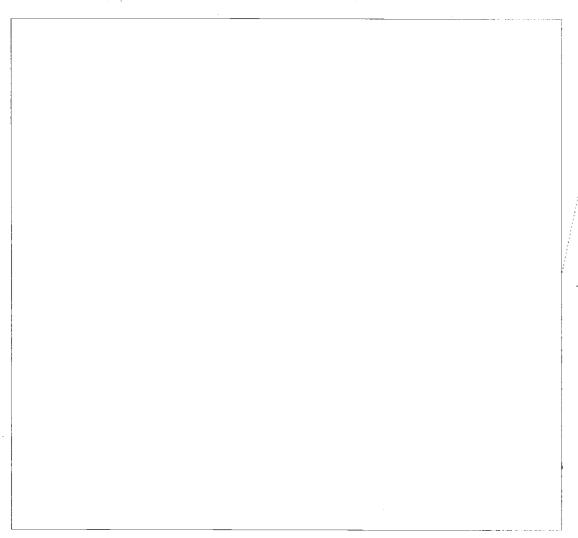
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As possible evidence of an advanced state of training, on 23 October a flight of North Korean aircraft south of Pyongyang remained for 15 minutes in an area where US F-86's were operating. This is unusual both for the depth of the southward penetration by North Korean aircraft and for their apparent disregard for the presence of UN planes. Previously they had avoided UN jets on all occasions.

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