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KOREA: AMERICA WANTS BASES IN THE SOUTH

Soviet broadcasters discuss Korean affairs along stereotyped lines. They denounce "running dog" Syngman Rhee for his subservience to Washington, for his terrorism, and for his militarism. They applaud the North Korea Republic and contrast the happy life of North Koreans with the terrible conditions in the South.

Unlike Moscow, which ignores the U.N. Commission, Radio Pyongyang continues its vehement attack on the Commission and its national members. It continues to re-broadcast the appeal issued by the United Democratic Front calling on all Koreans to reject, oppose, and denounce the Commission.

In the context of alleged American ambitions in South Korea, an 11 December commentary attacks Senator Knowland and the other "military experts" who visit South Korea to determine the progress of American schemes to develop South Korea as a military base. Having lost China, says Pyongyang, Washington is now trying to develop Japan and South Korea as Asian bases. But the broadcast does not explicitly indicate against whom the U.S. plans to launch aggression from its bases.

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