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20. KOREA. Satellite and Soviet troops reported in Korea: [redacted]  
 [redacted] 3,000 Hungarian and Rumanian troops were observed moving south from Pyongyang on 1 August. These troops, in North Korean uniforms, were equipped as infantrymen. [redacted] one division of Soviet and one of Czech troops were quartered in the vicinity of Chongju, north of Pyongyang, in the period 6-9 August. [redacted]  
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Comment: Both Rumania and Hungary are known to have contributed medical teams to the Communist forces in Korea. The recent spate of reports concerning Caucasian Communist troops in Korea is believed to have been caused by the presence of Soviet technical, advisory and anti-aircraft personnel who have been reliably reported as being in North Korean rear areas.

21. South Korean Army and Air Force dispute control of ROK air arm: Disputes between the ROK Army and Air Force regarding control and utilization of light aircraft are beginning to assume serious proportions. It is now rumored that the army will take over light aviation in the near future, certainly by 1 January. The Air Force Chief of Staff states he will not release the pilots in training. [redacted] the

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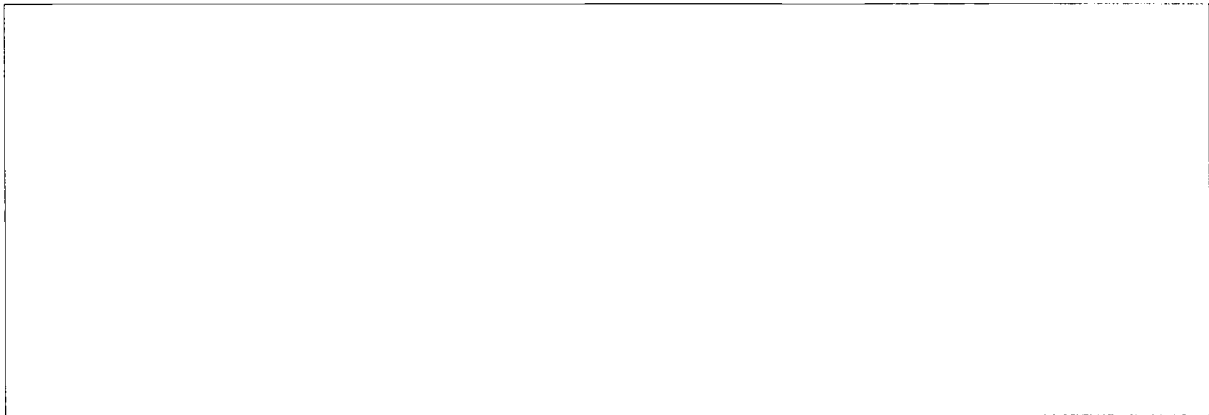
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Chiefs of Staff of both services could reach agreement were it not for pressure from outside military authorities. The ROK Air Force has recently been successfully utilized in several anti-guerrilla operations, especially in southwest Korea.

Comment: While the ROK Air Force is very small, its recent anti-guerrilla successes have demonstrated its potential for the maintenance of internal stability. The ROK cannot afford two air forces. It is probable that US suggestion could clear up this squabble.



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