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3. Analysis reveals Soviet pilots engaged in 75 percent of Korean air combat:

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An analysis by the US Air Force Security Service of enemy ground-controlled intercept communications in Korea from March through May revealed that at least 75 percent of the MIG-15's engaged in combat over North Korea were Soviet-piloted. Chinese pilots were involved in only 10 percent and the remaining 15 percent could not be identified.

The analysis revealed that operational flights by Chinese pilots declined to such an extent that they were airborne only to create a show of force without engaging UN aircraft.

Comment: Intercepts received in June and July show that the majority of MIG-15's encountered over Korea are still Soviet-piloted. However, in the past month and a half, some increase in the aggressiveness of Chinese MIG-15 pilots has been noted, and jet fighters flown by North Koreans have on occasion attacked US planes.

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4. Chinese Communists strengthen air defense:

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Traffic intercepted on the Chinese Communist air warning nets from April through early July suggests that air warning centers on the China coast and in Manchuria are coordinating their activities for the first time by reporting to a central point. It is believed that the center may be in the Dairen-Port Arthur area.

The recent interception of radar tracking reports in the Swatow area opposite Formosa reveals a further improvement in China's air defense.

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