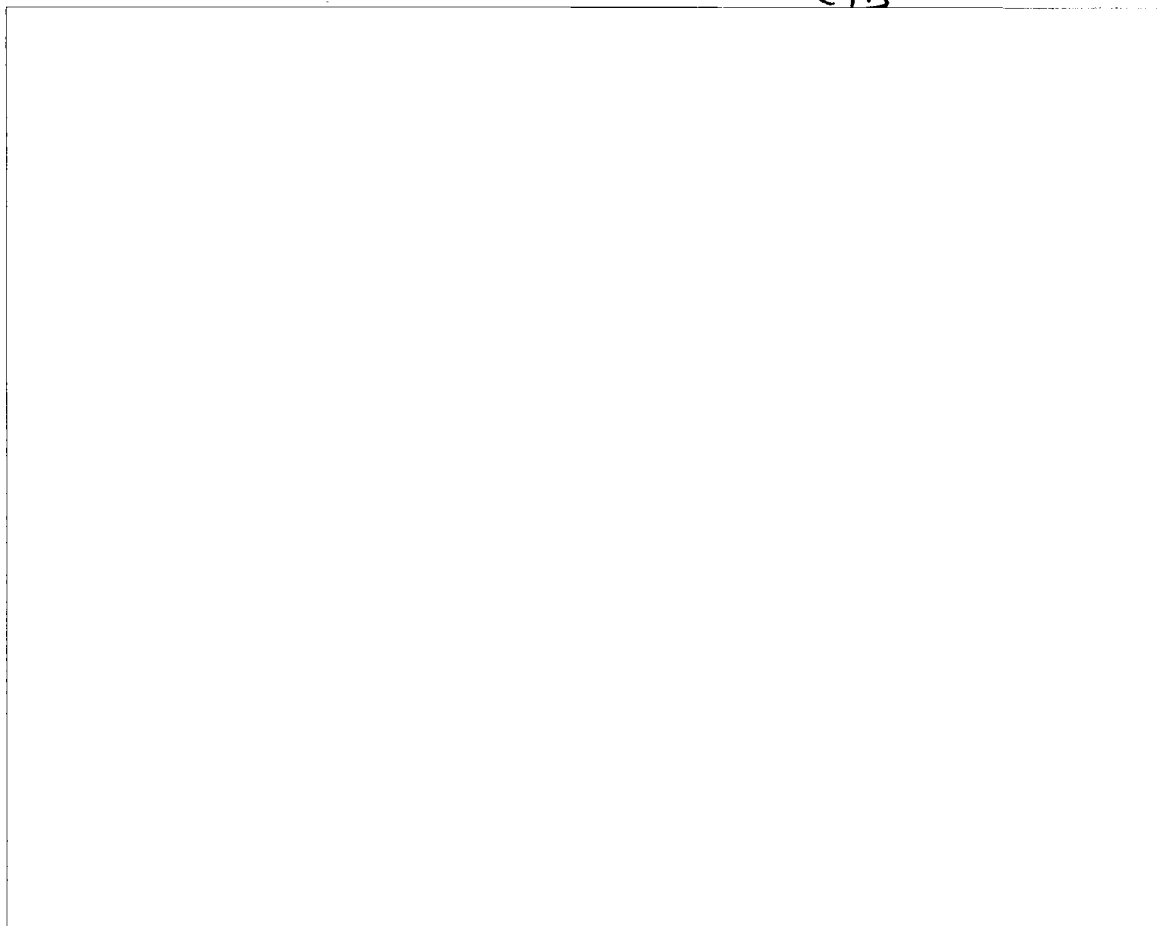


~~TOP SECRET CANOE~~
SECURITY INFORMATION

26 Mar 53
CIB

NR



FAR EAST

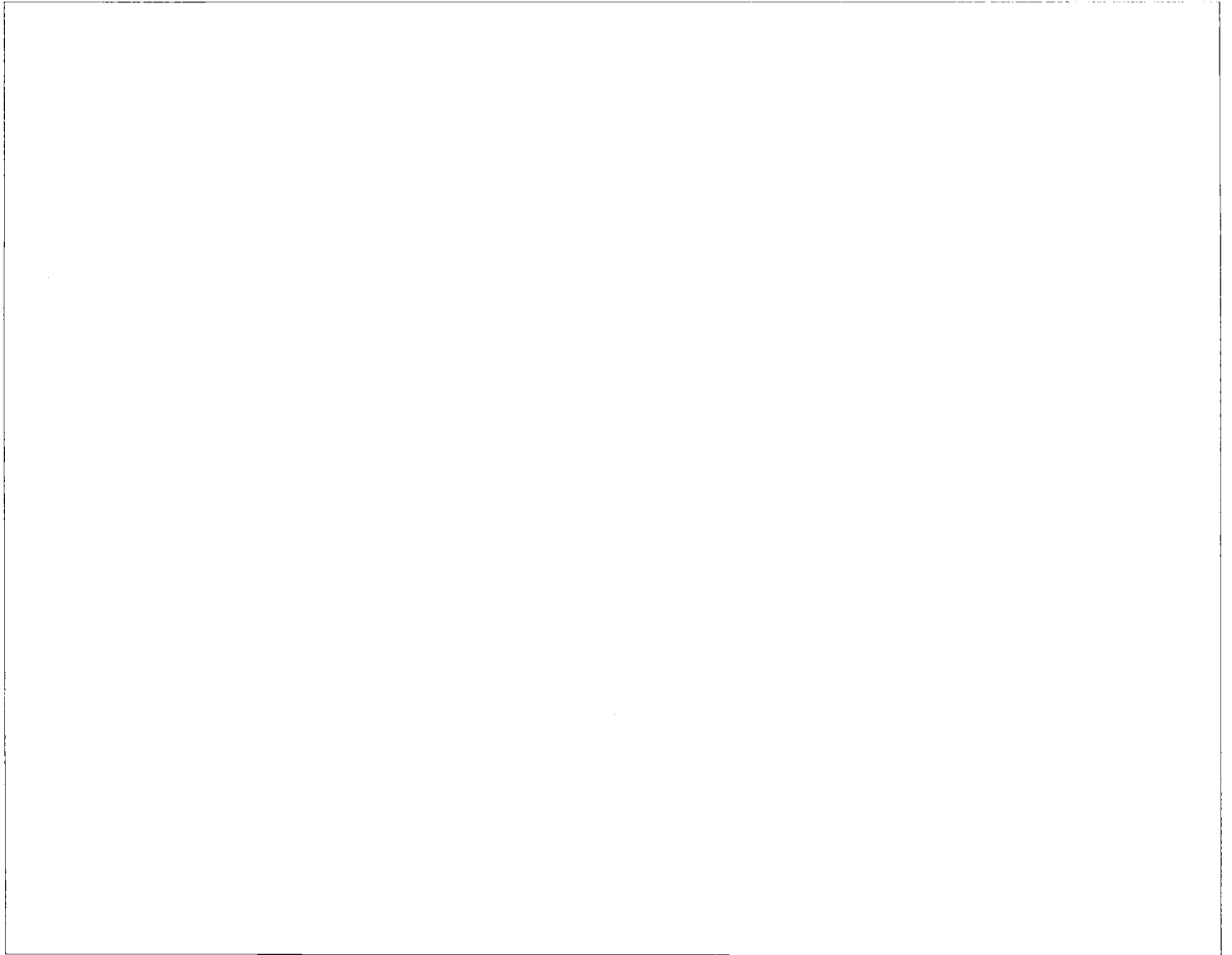
2. Movement of Chinese armies from Korea confirmed:



In mid-February, [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] three Chinese Communist
armies, [redacted] were
transferred from northeast China to areas in East and South China
where they had been based prior to the Korean war. Two additional

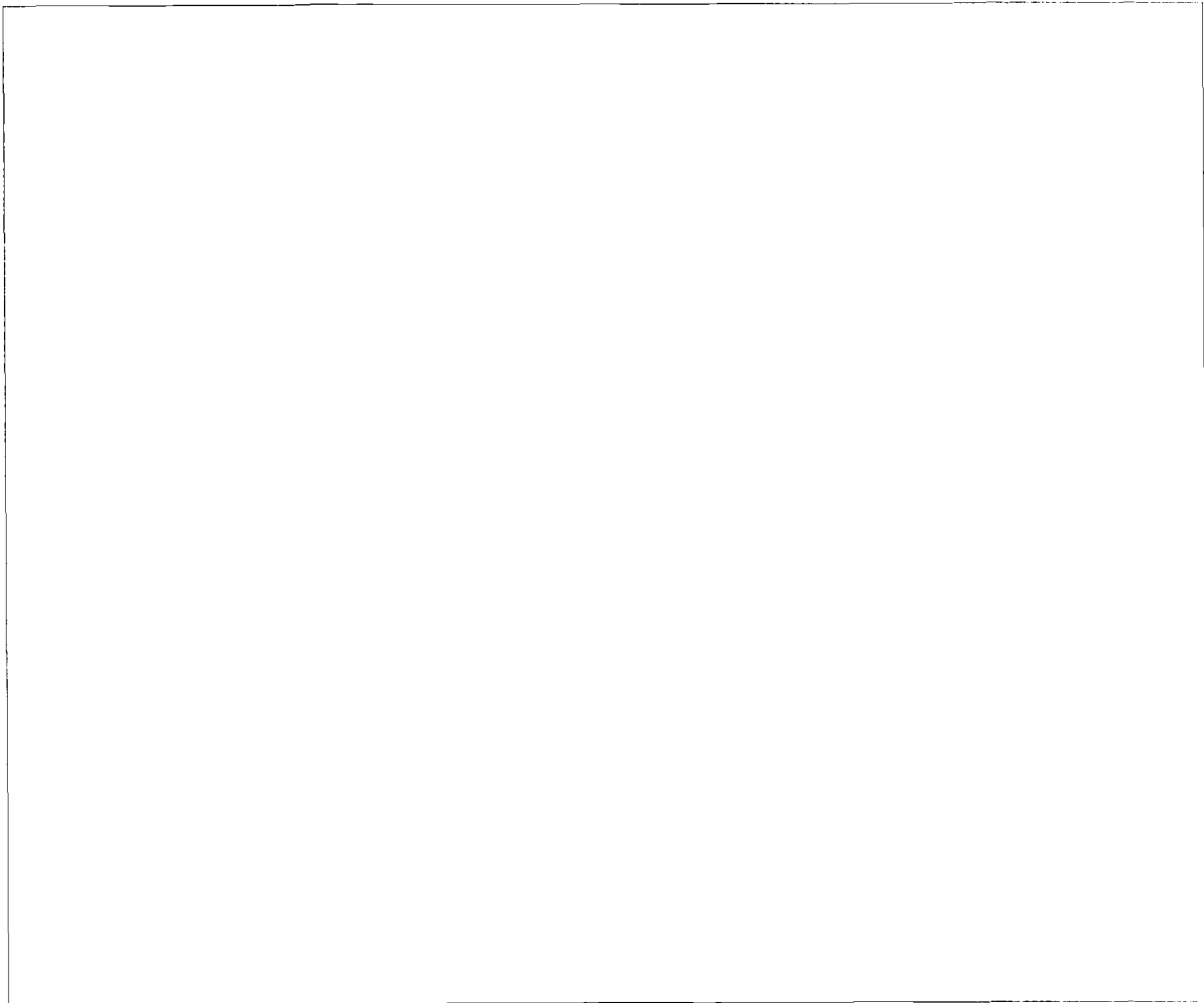
APPROVED FOR RELEASE DATE: 16-Dec-2009

~~TOP SECRET CANOE~~



armies which were still in Korea in February were to be transferred to China proper to strengthen the coastal defense.

Comment: This report tends to confirm previous analysis that the large-scale troop movement from South and East China to Korea during the past several months represents a rotation rather than a reinforcement of Chinese Communist forces in Korea.



NR