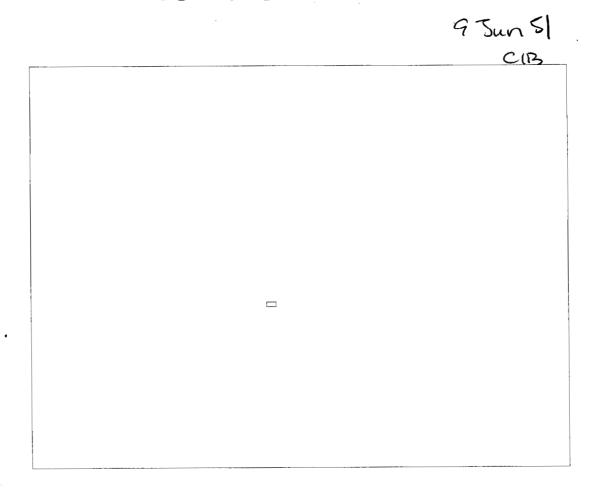
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3. Chinese Communist Fourth Field Army units withdrawing from Korea:

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The Intelligence Staff of the US Far East Command accepts the withdrawal of the Chinese Communist 50th Army from Korea to an unlocated destination in China or

Manchuria. FECOM comments, further, that a heavy volume of reports has been received indicating that the Chinese Communist 38th, 39th, 40th and 42nd Armies have also been withdrawn. No contact, other than with isolated deserter prisoners, has been made with any of these units since

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before the Communist mid-April offensive.

Comment: These five crack Chinese Communist Fourth Field Army units were the first Chinese troops to enter Korea, along with the since-withdrawn 66th Army from the North China Military Area command. Having borne the almost continuous brunt of the earlier campaigns, their strength and effectiveness is believed to be greatly reduced.

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