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NORTH KOREA: BEILIGERENT ATTITUDE INTENSIFIED

Pyongyang's propaganda reveals an intensification of belligerency against the United Nations. This is evident in increased expressions of pan-Communist solidarity and in highly emotional charges against the West. But the North Korean radio remains non-commital as regards the Kaesong peace talks. Its propaganda is based on patterns which could exploit the American admission of 11 September as an excuse for resuming the talks or for breaking them off.

SOUTH KOREA: PESSIMISM CHARACTERIZES COMMENT

While identifying Korea with the United Nations in the fight against Communism, Pusan admits that "our national enthusiasm for victory and our determination has cooled." This attitude is attributed to the contrast between the tremendous sacrifices of the Koreans and their small voice in the conduct of the struggle. The broadcast does not mention the Kaesong negotiations.

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