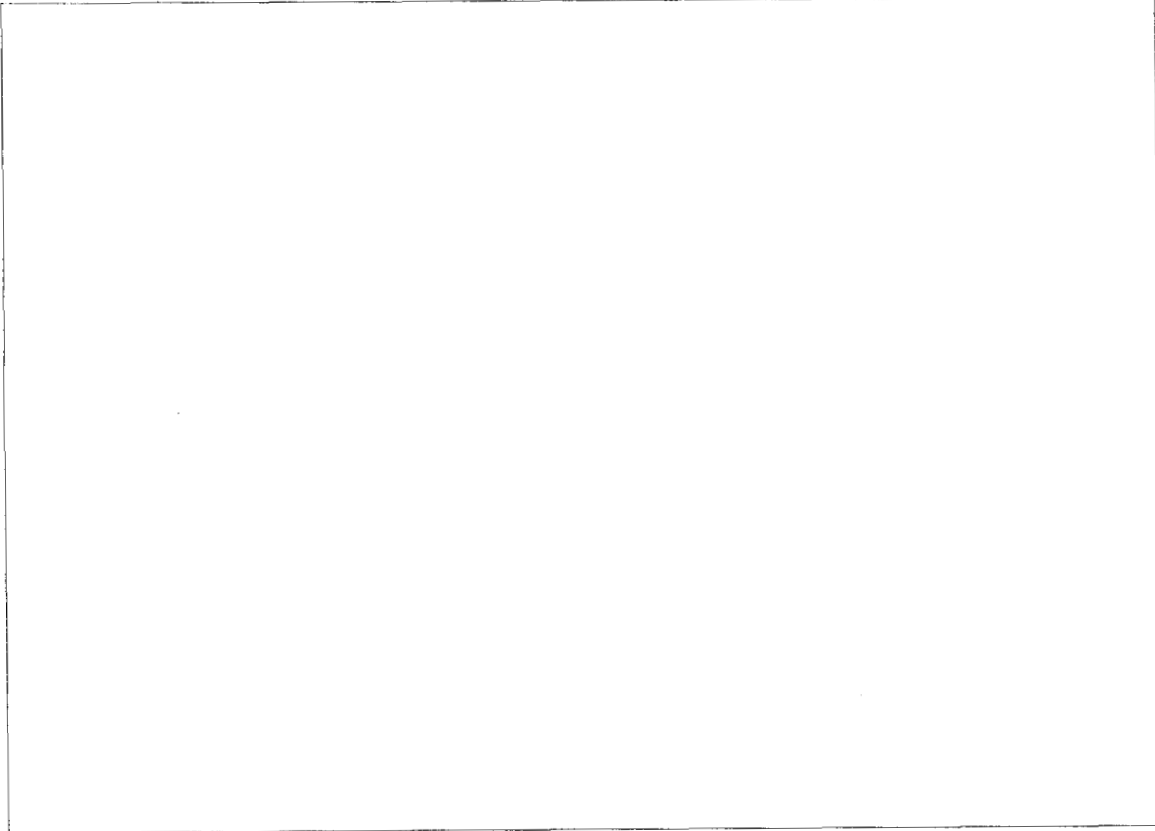


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11. KOREA. Soviet air defense unit reported in Sariwon: [redacted]
 [redacted] reports being told in mid-November of a
 "Russian air force radar unit...in Sariwon...comprising one Russian
 lieutenant-colonel, two captains, and 200 troops." The Russians wear
 Russian uniforms and state "openly that they are members of Russian ad-
 visory groups." Other such units are reportedly in the area between Nam-
 chon and Kaesong. ([redacted] 10 Dec 51)

Comment: The presence of a considerable number of Soviet personnel
 serving in a variety of roles in North Korean rear areas is accepted. UN
 electronic reconnaissance aircraft have confirmed the presence of an early
 warning radar installation in the Sariwon area. Of additional interest is
 the Russians' statement that they are members of "advisory groups."



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