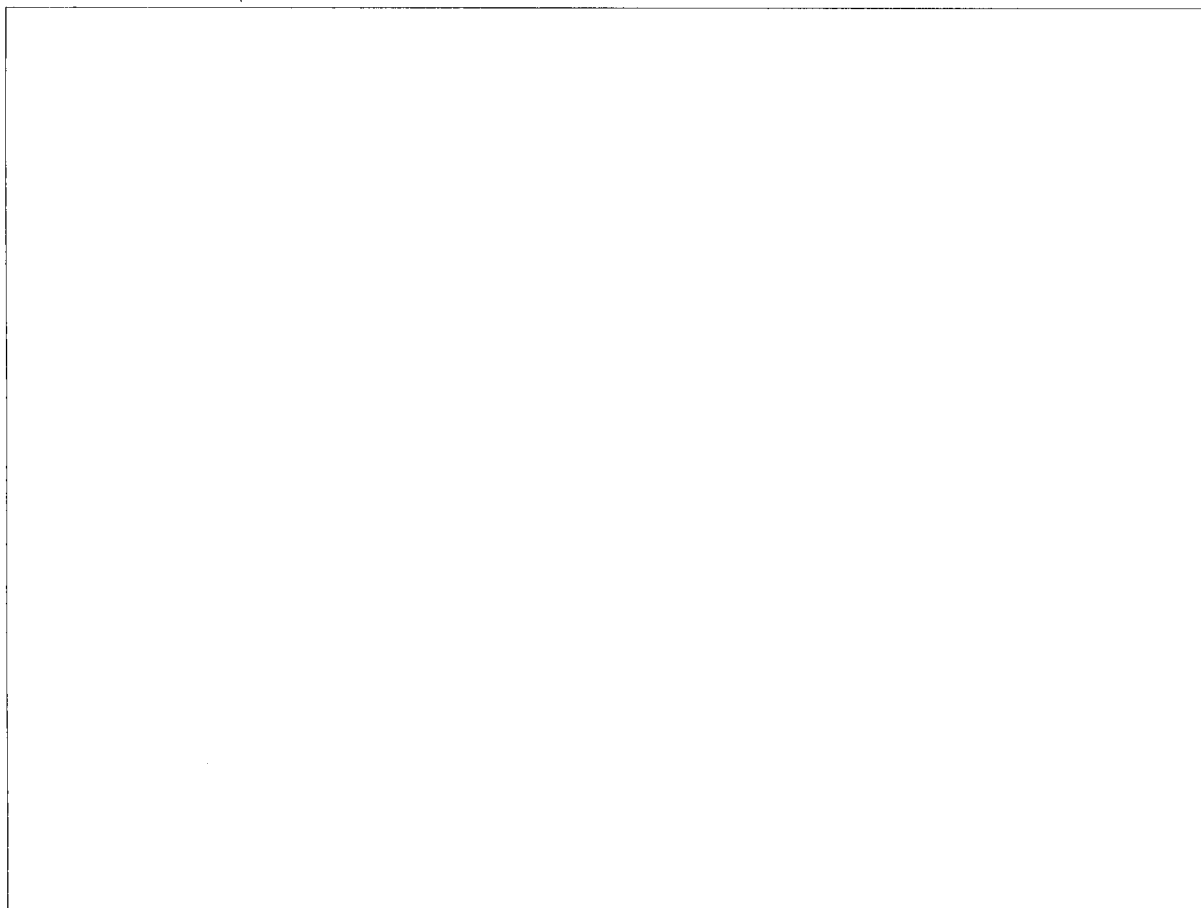


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11. KOREA. Mongolian unit mentioned in North Korean message: A [redacted] North Korean message of 15 January mentioned "the Mongolian People's unit." Place names referred to were in west central Korea, southwest of Chinnampo. (SUEDE AS CM IN 3839, 16 Jan 52)

Comment: A delegation from the Mongolian People's Republic was in Pyongyang on 9 January "observing the trying wartime life of the Korean people." It is entirely possible that the "unit" referred to in the above message is this same delegation.

Frequent unconfirmed reports have speculated on the presence of Mongolian military personnel in the Korean conflict serving as cavalrymen, tank drivers and aircraft pilots. Mongolia's contribution to the Communist cause in Korea to date has consisted of some small shipments of clothing.



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