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Dear Mr. Greenwald,

I am writing in response to your FOIA request, which we received on 1 July 2009. Because we needed more information from you regarding the fee, we stopped the clock on 9 July 2009. When we received a response on 20 July 2009, we started the clock again. We have assigned this request AFHRA inquiries reference number 64801. Since your request was made under provisions of the Freedom of Information Act it has been designated FOIA number 2009-1917. Please note that the Iris number you submitted, 43000070, is incorrect. The call number, K720.059-52 is correct and allowed us to find the document. This record contains daily intelligence summaries from the 5<sup>th</sup> Air Force. Although there is a title page for the document, it does not contain a table of contents. Instead, I am sending a copy of the first intelligence summary in the document as an example of the rest of the document. Also, please be advised that the entire document is unclassified. If you have any other questions, please let me know.

Thank you for your request.

Sincerely,

Kevin Burge  
Archivist  
AFHRA/RSA

Attachments:

1. 5<sup>th</sup> Air Force Daily Intelligence Summaries, K720.059-52, IRIS 1135785

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31 Oct 52  
(Date)

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Daily Intelligence Summary No 178

For the Period: 301500/I - 311500/I, Oct 52

Map: AMS-L 1:250,000 Korea

1. Preliminary Report (Air-to-Air): Negative Report for 31 Oct 52.
2. Enemy Air Activity:

Two MIGs were observed during the afternoon of 30 Oct 52 with negative encounters. There were negative observations during the morning.

- a. Air Encounters: Negative report for 30 Oct 52.
- b. Air Sightings of Enemy Aircraft:

At 301330/I, over XE 5050, four F-86s sighted two unidentified aircraft over XE 2530 at 30,000 feet. The unidentified aircraft crossed the Yalu at a high speed before friendlies could close. D/I Comment: Due to the fact that the unidentified aircraft crossed the Yalu and were flying at 30,000 feet, it is believed they were probably MIG-15s.

At 300115/I, over BT 5757, altitude 8,500 feet, heading 270 degrees, a B-26 observed an unidentified aircraft passing over friendly at 9,500 feet on the same heading. The unidentified executed a 180 degree turn and made a non-firing pass on friendly, who evaded by diving to the deck and picking up airspeed. The only identifying feature observed was an amber light. D/I Comment: No friendly aircraft reported making a pass in this area at this time, also the amber light observed establishes this aircraft as probably an enemy aircraft.

At 301120/I, in the vicinity of 30N-124E, an RB-26 on weather reconnaissance observed 10 vapor trails at 30,000 to 35,000 feet altitude leading in a northeast or southwest direction. No aircraft could be seen, but the trails were well-formed, white and heavy. There were no clouds or haze in the sky, and the trails were observed for about 10 minutes. They appeared as a formation with the same general heading for all. The trails seemed to be from single engine aircraft as they crossed each other. Friendly was heading 020 degrees at 10,000 feet altitude, airspeed 230 knots, and went down to approximately 3,500 feet after observing the contrails. D/I Comment: Insufficient information is available to evaluate this sighting as friendly or enemy, however, 120 jet and 75 piston fighters are carried as based in the Chinese East Military District, which includes the airfields at Shanghai, 150 nautical miles to the northwest of the area of this sighting.

At 292216/I, over BU 5000, altitude 6,500 feet, heading 161 degrees, a B-26 observed an unidentified aircraft with a white underneath and an amber light on its wing tip pass 1,500 feet over friendly at an estimated speed of 325 knots. Visibility was 10 miles. D/I Comment: No friendly aircraft were reported in this area at this time. The amber light observed would indicate that this was probably an enemy aircraft.

- c. Radar Observations of Enemy Aircraft: 300001/I - 302400/I

(1) Night Observations:

(a) In the area south of Chongchon River two (2) flights were tracked between 2132/I and 2155/I.

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(2) Daylight Observations:

(a) In the area north of the Yalu River one flight was tracked from 1235/I to 1236/I, five (5) flights between 1437/I and 1507/I and six (6) flights were picked up as follows: 1250/I, 1251/I, 1325/I, 1416/I, 1255/I and 1440/I.

(b) One flight was tracked between the Chongchon and Yalu Rivers from 1420/I to 1423/I and six (6) flights were picked up as follows: 1315/I, 1325/I, 1321/I, 1431/I, 1437/I and 1615/I.

(3) Unusual Observations: Negative.

d. Enemy Air Defense:

(1) See Flak Supplement No. 214 (See Incl #2).

(2) Suspected Enemy Radar Locations:

(a) Suspected Radar Location:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Date of Information</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
CV 7080	Unknown	29 Oct	Electronic Intercept
DV 0425	Unknown	29 Oct	Electronic Intercept
DB 6030	Unknown	29 Oct	Electronic Intercept
XC 9154	Unknown	18 Oct	Electronic Intercept
YC 1856	Unknown	14 Oct	Electronic Intercept
YC 1265	GCI	10 Oct	Electronic Intercept
YB 0090	Unknown	20 Oct	Electronic Intercept

(3) Aircraft Lost or Damaged by Enemy Antiaircraft:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Alt in 1000's</u>	<u>Type Weapon</u>	<u>Inten-sity</u>	<u>Damage</u>	<u>Target</u>
B-26	302030	BU 8030	7.	AW	Meag	Major	Roads
F-84	301312	CU 7614	2.	S/A		Minor	Troops
F-80	301827	DT 4074		S/A		Minor	Artillery & Mortar positions
F-51	301505	DT 1673	3.	AW	Meag	Minor	Ordnance

3. Enemy Air Facilities:

See Airfield Serviceability Report attached to DINTSUM No. 172, dated 25 October, and daily changes in DINTSUM No. 173, dated 26 Oct 52.

4. Enemy Combat Efficiency and Morale: No change.

5. Enemy Logistic Activity:

a. Vehicular Movement: Final reports indicate that 771 vehicles were sighted during the night of 30-31 Oct 52. Of these, 510 were attacked with 52 claimed destroyed. In addition, 12 armed reconnaissance sorties were flown, with negative claims. (See Incl #1).

b. Rail Movement: Final reports indicate that five locomotives and 38 boxcars were sighted during the night of 30-31 October 1952. One locomotive was sighted and attacked at DV 1232, heading north, with negative claims; one locomotive and five boxcars were attacked at EA 5070 with negative claims; two locomotives and fifteen boxcars were sighted and attacked at EA 2520, with negative claims; 1 locomotive and 18 boxcars were sighted and attacked at EA 1800, heading north, claiming one loco and one boxcar destroyed and 4 boxcars damaged.

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- c. New Construction: Negative.
- d. Indications of build-up areas: Negative.
- e. Status of Transport System: (Including bridges, road & rail). Sunchon to Sopo, line is serviceable.

6. Estimate of Enemy Air Capabilities:

See Estimate of Enemy Air Capabilities attached to DINTSUM No. 177, dated 30 October 1952.

7. Miscellaneous Intelligence Factors:

a. FEAF Bomber Command:

During the night of 30-31 Oct 52, two B-29 Shoran bombed targets at Sunchon and Nam-ni and one B-29 flew close support.

At 280357/I, over YB 6065, altitude 24,000 feet, a B-29 observed an unidentified aircraft (estimated jet because of speed) going from 1 o'clock high to 6 o'clock low. A red exhaust was visible for ten seconds. No firing occurred.

At 280451/I, over XC 5510, altitude 17,000 feet, a B-29 observed an unidentified aircraft by its reddish white exhaust at 3 o'clock high, 2,000 yards out from friendly. The unidentified flew a course parallel to friendly for five seconds, then turned right.

b. MIG Observations Drop: During the past four days, 27-30 Oct, no MIG-15s have been sighted by F-86s. This marks the first time since 23-26 Aug 52 that no MIGs have been sighted for a period of four days. During the 23-26 August period the weather north of the Chongchon River was generally non-operational, however, during the past four days the weather has been operational three out of the four days. Radar sightings have also dropped with only 50 plots appearing during daylight hours for this same period of time. The only enemy aircraft sighted during daylight in this period were two unidentified aircraft south of Sinuiju on 30 Oct which darted back across the Yalu River before F-86s could get near them.

c. ICW Camps: Photography flown by the 15th TRS, 30 October 1952, mission number 13737B, prints number 43 & 44, reveals an additional "FO-RO" marker at YD-422205. This marker is 1,000 meters southeast from previously noted marker at YD-416211. Both these markers border the alleged coordinates given by the Communists on Camp #17.

d. Psywar Activities:

25,000 Leaflets #8251, "Warning to North Korea," were dropped on a railcut at YD 5093. 25,000 Leaflets #8309, "Warning to North Korea Rail Road Bridge Workers," were dropped on a RR Bridge at BV 7270.

200,000 Leaflets #7418 & #8299 were dropped in marshalling yards at Wonsan CU 6734 and Hamhung CV 7418.

100,000 Leaflets #8288 and #8202 were dropped on a 5th Corps North Korea Headquarters. Area at CU 03114094.

400,000 Leaflets #8202 & #8288 were dropped on troop concentrations and supply areas at DT-1756, DT-1656, DT-1874, DT-1873, DT 1463, DT 1857, DT 1374, DT 1166, and 100,000 leaflets #8613 & #8684 at CT 11452525 following fighter-bomber daylight strikes. 75,000 Leaflets


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#1206, "You Were Warned," were dropped on communication centers at Kobi-ri BU 4232 and Sinpo area DV 2930 following a B-26 night strike. Sinpo area was warned by radio Seoul broadcast 15-10 and 5 minutes prior to the strike.

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2 Incls:

1. Veh Sightings
2. Flak Supplement

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VEHICULAR SIGHTINGS  
NITE OF 30/31 OCT 52

No. of Vehicles & Direction of movement.			No. of Vehicles & Direction of movement.		
10	SW	to Changyon	12	SE	to Chukch'on-ni
6	E	fr Chonhwang-ni (on R-6)	7	SE	fr Sariwon
6	SE	to Sangwon	3	N	fr Sohung
25	SE	to Singye	15	SW	to Namchonjom
8	E	to Sibyon-ni	9	NE	fr Songchon
50	S	fr Yangdok	20	SW	fr Koksan
6	SE	to Youn-dong	3	SE	to Yonpo (fr P-13)
8	E	to Ch'owan (on P-13)	3	N	fr Yonghung
4	E	fr Lowon	16	S	to Wonsan
10	S	to Kogon-ni (on P-12)	4	SE	to Tongyang
13	W	to Tongyang	35	E	to Wonsan
26	N	fr Ichon	6	N	to Wonsan
6	S	fr Wonsan	7	E	to Singosan
150	SE	fr Singosan	6	N	to Singosan
20	S	to Sepc-ri	35	SE	to Hoeyang
10	NE	fr Hoeyang	4	S	to Hyon-ni
7	SE	to Tongchon	36	NE	to Tongchon
130	S	to Kumsong	50	S	to Hasogon-ni
5	NW	fr Kosong			

Sighted - 771  
Attacked - 510  
Destroyed 52

Total Vehicles Destroyed for month - 2235

Incl #1

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