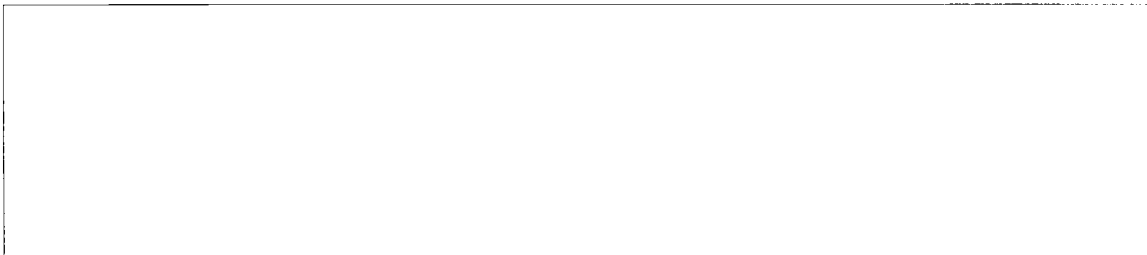


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3. Minimum 30-day Communist forward area military stockpiles in Korea indicated:

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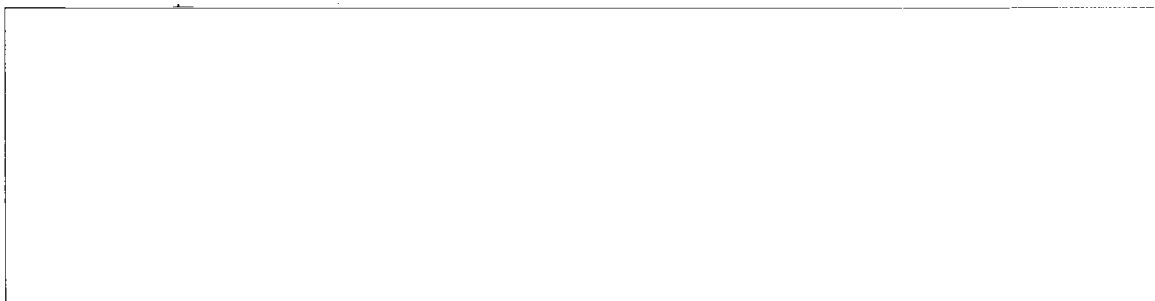
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A Chinese Communist military message of 8 December reveals that an unidentified artillery battalion in Korea, probably subordinate to the 2nd Chinese Communist Artillery Division, was to draw its January quota of rations and gasoline on or about 12 December,

Far East Command comments that this message indicates the stockpiling of sufficient food and gasoline in a forward area to permit at least one battalion to draw supplies 15-20 days prior to their anticipated use. FECOM further suggests that the depot from which the supplies are drawn maintains at least a 30-day supply.

Comment: While this message covers the supply situation of only one battalion, a similar stockpile presumably exists for a large part of the enemy's forward area.

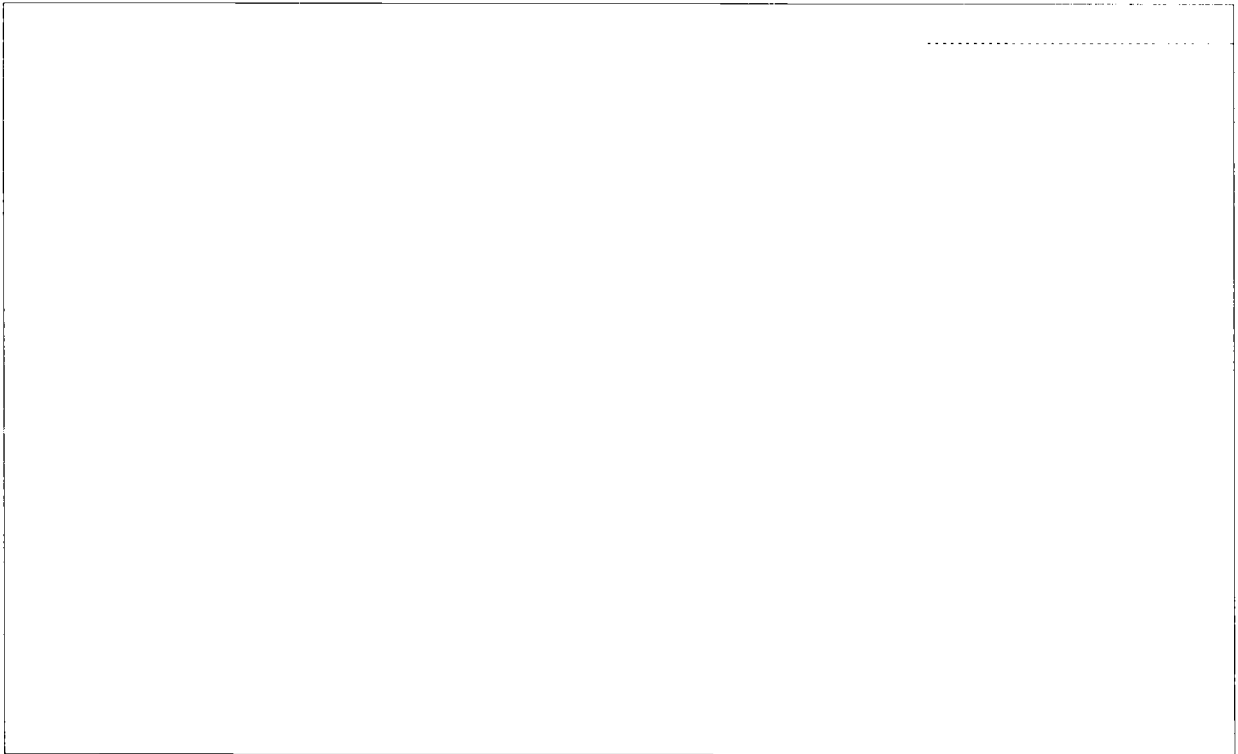
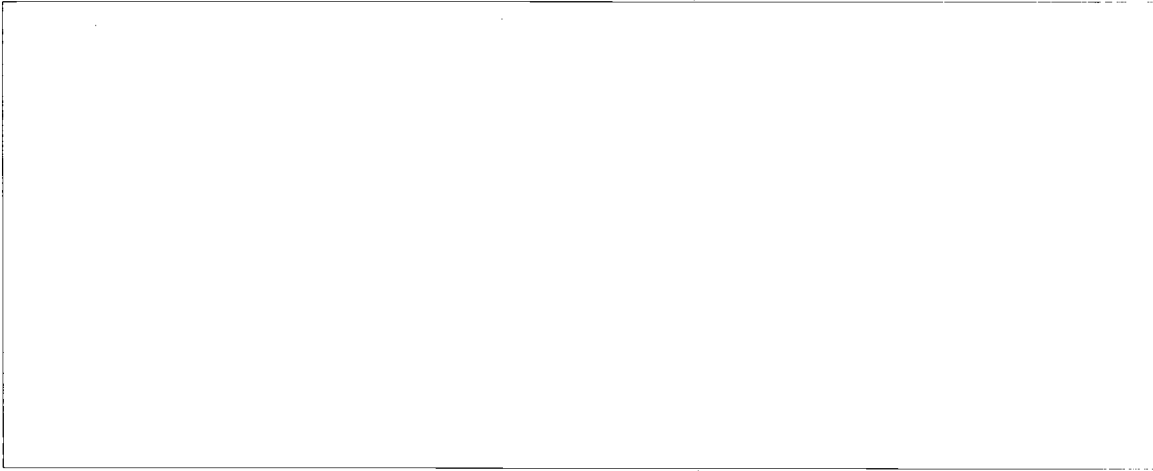
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