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SUBJECT	Taxation in Yŏnbaek-gun, Hwanghae Province	DATE DISTR.	11 December 1953
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1. In early August 1953 the North Korean Government announced the collection of a local tax for the purpose of financing local government organizations, and easing financial conditions which had arisen as a result of the reconstruction program throughout North Korea.[1] The taxes were levied through the ri People's Committees. Farmers suffered under the new tax. Because of a large crop the price of rice and other cereals had fallen.

2. Families whose members fled to South Korea were taxed at a higher rate, because they were branded as anti-Communist. One family in Hakkyo-dong[2] (N 37-52, E 126-16) (BS-5994) with members in South Korea was taxed 30 bags of rice and 25,000 North Korean won. The family was cultivating 3,000 p'yŏng[3] of rice field and 1,000 p'yŏng of dry field.

25X1 1. [redacted] Comment. See [redacted] 25X1
concerning taxation in North Korea.

25X1 2. [redacted] Comment. Possibly Haktari-dong (N 37-52, E 126-16) (BS-6094) was intended.

25X1 3. [redacted] Comment. One p'yŏng is equivalent to 3.9537 square yards.

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