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(SSU China Note: The Three River region is the drainage area of the lower reaches of the Amur River, the Sungari River and the Houtan River.)

1. The Soviet Far Eastern Red Army is composed of Chinese soldiers [??] who were trained by the Russians in Russia. They came back to China after Russia declared war on Japan. They are cooperating with the Chinese Communists.
2. At the present time PENG Shih-lu (彭施魯) [??] a Chinese officer and a captain in the Soviet Far Eastern Red Army, is in charge of liaison between the Chinese Communists and the Russian forces. He has organized a force of eight hundred men.

[SSU Washington Note: The statement as made that "the Soviet Far Eastern Red Army is composed of Chinese soldiers" is obviously incorrect and suggests a translation error in dealing with the original report. There have been other unverified reports of Chinese and Korean units trained by the Russians in Siberia and it is suggested that possibly the original statement should read: "There is a Soviet Far Eastern Red Army composed of Chinese soldiers who were trained by the Russians in Russia (i.e. Siberia)".]

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