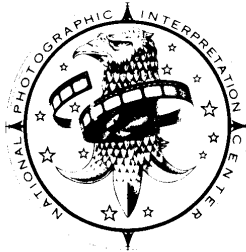


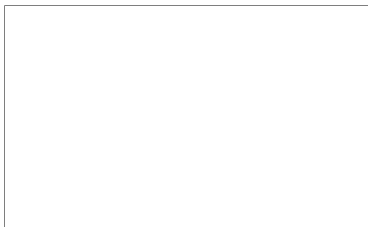
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ABSTRACT

1. This report locates and delineates the major army units subordinate to the South-Central Infantry Division of the North Korean First Army Group. It is based on analysis of complete photographic coverage since January 1970, and contains a locator map, a table, and three photographs. The purpose of this report is to combine point targets into area targets to provide more meaningful reporting.

INTRODUCTION

2. The North Korean First Army Group (Figures 1-4), with a mission of protecting the security of the eastern sector of the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ), commands three on-line infantry divisions, an infantry brigade, and an infantry division held in reserve. The major elements of a division are an artillery regiment, a mortar regiment, three infantry regiments, a tank company, and the division headquarters area.

3. This report is the first in a series to reestablish the boundaries of the existing Basic Encyclopedia (BE) point targets into BE target areas. The realignment of the BE boundaries has been coordinated with DIA and CIA analysts, and appropriate BE action has been taken by DIA. The area nomenclatures (e.g. South-Central Infantry Division) and the area boundaries have been arbitrarily assigned to facilitate consolidation in reporting.

4. Subsequent reports will follow, as time and manpower permit, on all divisions within the first, fifth, and second Army Groups. When necessary, supplemental reports will follow when significant changes are observed within the reported areas.

BASIC DESCRIPTION

5. The infantry division (Figure 1), a subordinate of the First Army Group, occupies the South-Central sector of the First Army Group area of responsibility. This area appears to be bounded on the west at 38-20N 127-56E, and on the east at 38-20N 128-07E. The adjacent defense sectors to the east and west are also occupied by infantry divisions. The following units in the South-Central Infantry Division are keyed to Figures 2-4 and Table 1.

Sangchongsong Military Area NNE (Item A)

6. This tank company area consists of three barracks, three support buildings, and four tunnel-served, flat-trajectory firing revetments with a reverse-slope tunnel entrance protected by a blast shield.

Sangchongsong HQ Artillery Regiment and Barracks North (Item B)

7. This artillery regimental area consists of ten barracks, numerous support buildings, and ten 4-gun tunnel-served revetted artillery batteries which probably comprise two howitzer battalions and one flat-trajectory gun battalion.

Sangchongsong Army Barracks 1 (Item C)

8. This infantry regimental area consists of a headquarters building, nine barracks, numerous support buildings, and three 4-gun tunnel-served revetted artillery batteries (two flat-trajectory gun batteries and one howitzer battery).

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Sangsimpo Army Barracks and Headquarters Infantry Regiment (Item D)

9. This infantry regimental area consists of a headquarters building, seven barracks, numerous support buildings, a howitzer battalion consisting of three 4-gun tunnel-served revetted artillery batteries, and two 4-gun tunnel-served revetted flat-trajectory gun batteries.

Sangsimpo HQ Mortar Regiment and Barracks Area West (Item E)

10. This well dispersed mortar regimental area consists of ten barracks, numerous support buildings and extensive personnel trenching. The mortar positions are located along the northern boundary of the DMZ and are dispersed across the division front.

Sungam-ni Army Barracks/Storage/HQ Infantry Regiment (Item F)

11. This infantry regimental area consists of two separate barracks areas containing one headquarters building, one administration building, 20 barracks and numerous support buildings. This

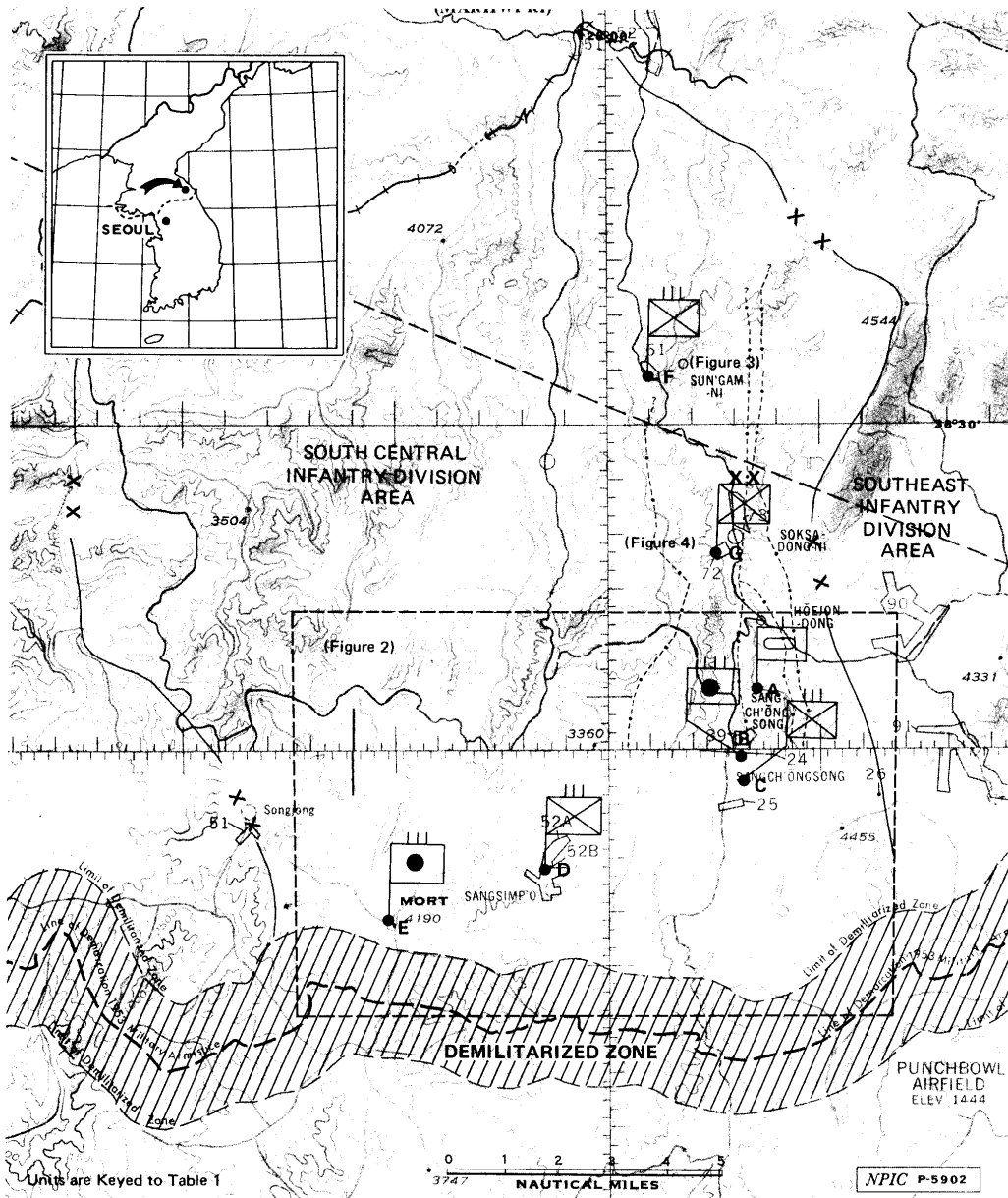


FIGURE 1. LOCATION MAP

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area is located 11.5 nautical miles north of the DMZ and is probably the division reserve.

Hoejon-dong Army Barracks and HQ Infantry Division (Item G)

12. This infantry division headquarters area consists of a headquarters building, four administration buildings, three barracks and numerous support buildings.

Table 1. South-Central Infantry Division, First Army Group
North Korea (Items keyed to Figures 2-4)

Item	Unit	Installation	Geographic Coordinates	25X1
A	Tank company	Sangchongsong Military Area NNE [redacted]	38-25-18N 128-03-15E	25X1
B	Artillery regiment	Sangchongsong Hq Arty Regt A Bks N [redacted]	38-24-11N 128-03-06E	25X1
C	Infantry regiment	Sangchongsong Army Bks 1 [redacted]	38-23-01N 128-02-49E	25X1
D	Infantry regiment	Sangsimpo Army Bks A Hq Inf Regt [redacted]	38-21-50N 127-58-33E	25X1
E	Mortar regiment	Sangsimpo Hq Mtr Regt A Bks Area W [redacted]	38-20-45N 127-54-58E	25X1
F	Infantry regiment	Sungnam-ni Army Bks Stor Hq Inf Regt [redacted]	38-30-59N 128-00-56E	25X1
G	Infantry division hq	Hoejon-dong Army Bks A Hq Inf Div [redacted]	38-27-44N 128-02-42E	25X1

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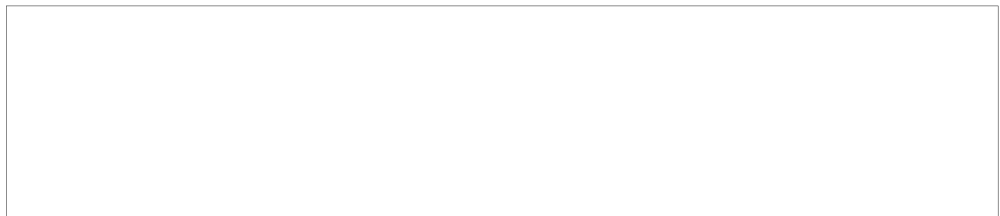
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