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West Java

- Achmad Wiranata Kusuma, the son of the Wali Negara of Pasundan and a guerrilla leader, quit Solo for West Java on 19 December 1948 when the second police action began. He is one of the best equipped guerrilla leaders, and one of the cleverest. He is equipped with walkie-talkie radio sets, various automatic weapons, et cetera, most of which have been taken from Dutch units after the police action began. For instance, on the morning of 19 December 1948 one of his units captured a five truck convoy loaded with small arms and ammunition.
- 2. The Siliwangi Division is over-stocked with weapons.
- 3. On 1 March 1949, a large group of Tentera Nasional Indonesia (TNI) was seen near Tjiwidej in the Bandung area.
- 4. The Tjiandjur and Sukabumi areas in West Priangan were still unsettled as of 1 March 1949. Roaming guerrillas occasionally placed landmines on the highway between Tjibadak and Sukabumi, and sniped at passing vehicles.
- The TNI guerrillas, numbering about 150 men armed with automatic weapons, who derailed a train near Masing were the same guerrillas who raided Tjitjurug, Parungkuda and Tjibadak on 23 February. This group belongs to the former Bogor regiment, not to the Tirtajasa brigade of Bantam.
- 6. An explosion took place in the center of Batavia on the night of 5 March 1949,
- Meester Cornelis was guarded by an infantry battalion under the command of Major M. C. Daalen Wetters, on 5 March 1949. The major's address was: General Staallaan C-2, Meester Cornelis, opposite the bureau of the police, VII section.

## East Java

8. As of 25 February 1949, well-armed TNI units, varying in size from fifty men to a company of two hundred, had occupied strategic points along the highway connecting Surabaya and Malang.

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9. TNI positions were located in the following places on 25 February 1949:

Keboansikep\*
Sedatidukuh, near Surabaya
Sumberporong\*, near Lawang
Tawangredjo

Suwojewo Wukeradjo Sengon Blimbing, near Malang

- 10. The Dutch were using the "X" Brigade of the "A" Division against these positions, and since frontal attacks would prove too costly, the Dutch were unable to counter-attack.
- 11. The TNI was reinforced by Tan Malaka's fighting forces of the Partai Rakjat Djelata and the remnants of the Tentera Merah.
- 12. The guerrillas were attacking trucks and convoys, on or about 25 February 1949. One train was derailed, killing 250 people.
- 13. On 25 February, Malang was isolated from the remainder of East Java. Communications with Surabaya were maintained only by air.

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