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In June 1951 most state and privately owned military uniform factories were manufacturing winter uniforms for use in arctic weather. The Communists were manufacturing 3,500,000 of these uniforms.

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Comment. It is believed that, since the total Chinese Communist strength is approximately 4,500,000, most of whom are stationed in the south (sic), this indicates future fighting will occur in arctic or cold weather areas.

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Comment. According to a broadcast by Pan-Asiatic News Alliance from Taiwan on 1 July, all private factories in Communist China have received strict orders to rush weatherproof winter uniforms for volunteers in Koroa. The Communists are also purchasing woolen blankets in Hong Kong; these purchases started in June and 10,000 blankets have already been shipped to Tientsin.

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