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- l. On 14 July, the residents of Kasch'on (125-54, 39-42) (YD 4998) stated that approximately 3,000 Soviet troops were in the mountains east of the city; it was rumored that 400 Soviet troops were in the Sariwon (125-45, 38-30) YC 4064) area. A resident observed 200 Soviet troops billeted in the best houses in Kwansong-ni (125-28, 39-21) (YD 1358).
- 2. Chinese Communist troops are directing the construction of new airstrips at Songjong-ni (125-31, 39-20) (YD 1756), Yongam-ni (125-35, 39-31) (YD 2277), Amchinae-bol (sic) (125-41, 39-12) (YD 3242), and in the salt beds at approximately 125-27, 39-20 (YD 1556). The work is done only at night and the iron strips to be used for the airstrip in the salt beds are buried along the road to the area and near the police station at Namyang-ni (125-27, 39-21) (YD 1158)。 A Chinese Communist regiment commanded by CHEN Yung-min (液 水斑) is billeted in Namyang-ni and is charged with the defense of the area from guerrilla attacks from the coast. There are 40 Chinese Communist officers in the large house next to the Namyang-ni Theatre. The regiment is equipped with five anti-aircraft guns, placed in a field 1.5 kilometers south of Mount Waryong (125-26, 39-20) (YD 1056), and twenty heavy machine guns.

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