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NOTE DATED 1 JULY 1952 FROM THE ACTING REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TRANSMITTING FOUR COMMUNIQUES ISSUED BY THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS COMMAND IN KOREA

The Acting Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Acting Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honor to transmit herewith, for the information of the Security Council, the following communique issued by the Headquarters of the United Nations Command, as indicated below:

Far East Air Forces summary of operations for Monday, June 30, 1952

Eighth Army tactical summary 104, for Monday, June 30, 1952

Far East Naval Forces summary of operations for Monday, June 30, 1952

United Nations Command communique 1,297, for the twenty-four hours ended 6:00 A.M., Tuesday, July 1, 1952 (Korea time)

FAR EAST AIR FORCES SUMMARY OF  
OPERATIONS FOR MONDAY, JUNE 30, 1952

The brunt of air attacks against the Communists was again borne by light and medium bombers of the United States Air Force yesterday, as Far East Air Forces warcraft were restricted by weather Monday to 315 effective sorties.

Fifth Air Force and attached land-based Marine pilots teamed to fly armed reconnaissance and weather sorties over North Korea. B-26 light bombers turned from their regular after-dark missions to daylight close-air support for United Nations ground forces along the battle line. They used electronic-aiming methods to bomb enemy troop and supply concentrations. Other B-26's bombed and strafed a rail overpass and marshaling yard at Samdong.

Last night B-26's and Marine aircraft again hit enemy troop and supply build-ups immediately behind the battle line. Results were unobserved. Fighter-bombers were kept on their hardstands most of the day. However, F-30 Shooting Stars dipped under the clouds during a reconnaissance mission to attack a supply area about three miles west of Ando, in northeast Korea. Results of the strike were unassessed.

F-36 Sabre jets flew escort for RF-80 reconnaissance planes over Northwest Korea, but were not challenged by enemy fighters.

Medium bombers of the Far East Air Forces Bomber Command's Okinawa-based 307th Bomb Wing, using electronic techniques, last night dropped high explosives on the Koin rail bridge in extreme north-central Korea. They met meager flak over the target, and two crews reported non-firing passes by enemy fighters. Other Superforts flew close air support for United Nations ground forces along the eastern sector of the battlefield, using electronic methods to drop deep penetrating bombs on dug-in enemy troop and supply concentrations.

Cargo transports of the Far East Air Forces 315th Air Division yesterday continued to fly logistical support for United Nations combat operations, airlifting 325 tons of personnel and supplies.

EIGHTH ARMY TACTICAL SUMMARY 104,  
FOR MONDAY, JUNE 30, 1952

Activity was light along the Eighth Army front Monday, as United Nations units raided enemy territory in the west and west-central sectors, repulsed light enemy probes in the east and fought scattered light patrol engagements.

United Nations raiders drove an enemy platoon off a position in a brief fight at 3 A.M. and occupied the position until 5:35 A.M. They killed four enemy in the action.

Another United Nations raiding unit fought for twenty-five minutes with an enemy platoon northwest of Yonchon until 1:05 A.M., when the raiders withdrew, leaving two enemy counted killed and another five estimated killed.

A third raiding group fought for fifteen minutes until 3:50 A.M. with an enemy unit of undetermined strength south of Panmunjom.

Two small enemy groups probing United Nations positions northwest and north of the Punchbowl at 12:45 and 4 A.M. were repulsed after brief fire fights.

United Nations troops at an advance position northeast of the Punchbowl drove off another small enemy group in a brief fire fight at 12:45 A.M.

Patrol contacts were up to thirty minutes in length, with enemy units up to a platoon in strength. Contacts were most frequent in the east central sector.

EARLY NAVAL FORCE SUMMARY OF  
OPERATIONS FOR MONDAY, JUNE 30, 1952

A powerful surface striking element carried out an attack on Chongjin, in far northern Korea, despite fog and low clouds over the seaward approaches to that industrial city.

The U.S.S. Iowa, U.S.S. Helena and two destroyers joined in the operation. Ships' spotters directed the guns against factory areas and observed many primary and secondary explosions. In mid-afternoon, the ships departed the harbor. As they passed a headland south of the city, they blanketed an area from which Red coastal gunners have been firing on United Nations minesweepers.

The cruiser U.S.S. Juneau and destroyer Richard Anderson delivered night-harassing and interdiction fire along the eastern front line. The targets included 77-mm. gun bunkers and automatic gun emplacements. Five bunkers were destroyed and seven damaged, two houses were destroyed and three damaged, and hits were scored on observation posts, trenches, roads and supply areas.

The U.S.S. Perkins laid direct fire on mortar and 77-mm. gun positions on a hill near the front lines, and then moved north to Kojo, where she fired on a tunnel in which motor vehicles were hiding.

In the Yellow Sea, the U.S.S. Bataan was weathered in during the morning hours but the Marine pilots embarked were able to take off shortly after noon. They destroyed two bunkers, twelve buildings and damaged a rail bridge, a rail bypass and a transformer station. Two rail cuts were also made.

West-coast surface elements reported thick fog along the whole coast throughout the day. The rocket ship U.S.S. LSMR 401, however, was able to lay observed fire on several gun positions and bunkers in the Sokto area. Spotters reported all targets neutralized.

UNITED NATIONS COMMAND COMMUNIQUE 1,297,  
FOR THE TWENTY-FOUR HOURS ENDED 6:00 A.M.,  
TUESDAY, JULY 1, 1952 (KOREA TIME)

There were no significant changes in the ground situation in Korea yesterday. A company-sized raiding party secured an objective against enemy resistance, remained in the area for approximately two and a half hours, and then withdrew. Enemy probing efforts were turned back and friendly patrols reported only light contacts.

Naval activity found a surface striking force attacking Chongjin in a daylong operation yesterday. Other surface ships operated in support of friendly troops ashore.

Adverse weather conditions limited land-based warplane activities. Medium bombers dropped high explosives on the Koin rail bridge. Other medium bombers flew close air support for United Nations Command ground forces at the battle line.

