SPECIAL REPORT FOLLOW-UP NUMBER FOUR TO NSA SPOT REPORT 3/0/KCJ/R 06-68,

SIGINT REFLECTIONS OF NORTH KOREAN COMMUNICATIONS RELATED
TO THE CAPTURE OF THE USS PUEBLO

NORTH KOREAN NAVY (NKN) COMMUNICATIONS HAVE REVEALED

SOME NORTH KOREAN CONCERN OVER THE STATUS AND LOCATION OF THE

USS ENTERPRISE. AT 0201Z ON 24 JANUARY, TWO UNIDENTIFIED

NORTH KOREANS DISCUSSED THE STATUS OF AN AIRCRAFT CARRIER

WHICH HAD RETURNED FROM VIET NAM. ONE OF THE NORTH KOREANS

STATED THAT THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER WAS STAYING IN SASEBO, JAPAN.

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DISCLOSED THAT NEWER EQUIPMENT ABOARD THE PUEBLO WAS POSSIBLY
DESTROYED AND/OR THROWN OVERBOARD BEFORE CAPTURE AND THAT
THE REMAINING EQUIPMENT WAS TO BE REMOVED FROM THE SHIP FOR
STORAGE. IT IS BELIEVED THAT NORTH KOREAN DIVERS WILL BE DISPATCHED TO
THE SCENE OF THE CAPTURE TO ATTEMPT SALVAGE
OF ANY EQUIPMENT DUMPED OVERBOARD PRIOR TO THE TIME THE
NORTH KOREANS TOOK CONTROL OF THE USS PUEBLO.

ALSO ON 24 JANUARY, NORTH KOREAN ARMY (NKA)
COMMUNICATIONS REVEALED THAT NORTH KOREA WAS POSSIBLY PREPARING
FOR SOME FURTHER INCIDENT IN THE WONSAN AREA. AT 0605Z,
AN UNIDENTIFIED NKA UNIT WAS INSTRUCTED TO INSURE THAT THE
ANTI-AIRCRAFT WEAPONS IN THE WONSAN AREA WERE READIED TO
BE PUT INTO USE IMMEDIATELY.

RE-EXAMINATION OF AVAILABLE SIGINT REVEALS THAT ONLY
ONE NORTH KOREAN AIR FORCE (NKAF) AIR TRANSPORT BATTALION
(ATB) L-2 FLEW TO WONSAN AIRFIELD (39-10N 127-29E) DURING
THE 0700Z HOUR ON 23 JANUARY RATHER THAN FOUR AIRCRAFT AS
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN 3/0/KCJ/R02-68. ON 24 JANUARY, THERE
WAS ANOTHER FLIGHT TO WONSAN AIRFIELD BY A NKAF ATB PROBABLY
L-2, WHICH ARRIVED AT 0805Z. APPROXIMATELY FOUR AND ONE HALF
HOURS LATER, THE ATB AIRCRAFT DEPARTED WONSAN ENROUTE TO
MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE PERSONNEL (IDENTITIES NOT DISCLOSED), TWO NEWSMEN AND FOUR CAMERAMEN. THESE FLIGHTS TO WONSAN BY NKAF ATB AIRCRAFT MAY BE RELATED TO THE CAPTURE OF THE USS PUEBLO; HOWEVER, SIGINT HAS NOT POSITIVELY DISCLOSED A RELATIONSHIP. APPARENTLY THE PERSONNEL ABOARD THE OUTBOUND FLIGHT FROM WONSAN ON 24 JANUARY ARRIVED AT WONSAN ABOARD THE 23 JANUARY LI-2 FLIGHT.