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187TH AIRBORNE REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM  
APO 51

19 May 1951

SUBJECT: Airborne Operations

TO: Commanding General  
Command And General Staff School  
Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

1. Enclosed herewith are two (2) copies of the resume of the Airborne Combat Operation conducted on 20 October 1950 at Sukchon and Sunchon, North Korea.

2. The procedure utilized at the time are recorded in such a manner as to portray their application to this particular drop. Deviations and expedients were mandatory in some instances and are so noted.

3. It is realized that the expedients and procedures described herein can not always be utilized to good avail, they are passed on with the thought that they may be of some value in future Airborne Operations.



**A** F. S. BOWEN JR  
Brigadier General U. S. Army  
Commanding

29 December 1950

MEMORANDUM:

187TH AIRBORNE INFANTRY AIRBORNE OPERATION  
20-23 October 1950

1. Purpose - The purpose of this memorandum is to reduce to writing in the form of a recommended check list lessons learned from the operation conducted by this unit from 20-23 October 1950.

2. Scope - The contents will include notes on the planning and preparation phase of the operation. It should be noted by all that this memorandum is not designed to be the final authority on all aspects of an airborne operation, but rather it should serve as a check list of points which may be slighted or overlooked.

3. General - In addition to the comments of the memorandum attached as annexes are the following which are added for general information:

1. Operation Order 3, GHQ, FEC, APO 500, dtd 16 October 1950.
2. Telecon between Brig. Gen. Wright, G-3 GHQ and Colonel Bowen, CG 187 RCT, 18 October 1950.
3. Operation Order FEAFCCC 9-50, dtd 18 October 1950.
4. Operation Order #1, Hq 187 RCT, APO 660, dtd 18 October 1950.
5. A recommended time table of planning and preparation.
6. Memorandum "Land Tail Movement For Operation", Hq 187 RCT, APO 660 dtd 17 October 1950.
7. Training Memorandum #35, Hq 187 RCT, APO 660, dtd 11 September 1950.
8. Memorandum "Weights of Ammunition and Equipment", Hq 187 RCT, APO 660 dtd 30 October 1950.
9. Subject Letter "Administrative Instructions for Movement", Hq 187 RCT, APO 660, dtd 18 October 1950.
10. Annex 4 "Standard Marking of Aerial Delivery Containers" to Memorandum #24, Hq 187 AIR, Ft Campbell, Ky., dtd 27 July 1950.
11. Training Memorandum #36 "Training Program 5-11 October 1950, Hq 187 RCT, APO 660, dtd 4 October 1950.
12. Subject Letters "Sanitation and Disease Prevention", Hq 187 RCT, APO 660, dtd 12 October 1950.
13. Staff Memorandum "SOP for Organization and Movement of CP", Hq 187 RCT, APO 660, dtd 7 October 1950.
14. Memorandum "Fire Support Coordination Center", Hq 187 RCT, APO 660, dtd 12 October 1950.
15. Table of Sample Loads for C-119 Type Aircraft, Hq 187 RCT, APO 660.
16. Loading Plans for Two (2) Infantry Battalions (-) for an Airlift. (Used by this unit in moving from Ashiya AFB, Japan to Kimpo AFB, Korea.)
17. Loading Plan for Portions of 187th RCT for an Airlift.
18. Memorandum (Practical Loads) Hq 187 AIR, APO 660, dtd 30 October 1950.
19. Memorandum #25 "SOP For Marking Bundles", Hq 187 RCT, APO 660, dtd 13 October 1950.
20. Total Ammunition per type Weapon Carried and break down of personnel jumped.
21. Comments on Communications During Operational Phase.
22. "Report on Heavy Drop", Hq 2348th QM Airborne Air Supply and Packaging Company, dtd 2 November 1950.
23. Loading Plans for Airborne FA Battalion.
24. Minutes of Conference 30 October 1950 between representatives of 187 Abn RCT, Combat Cargo Command, Fifth Air Force, and WSEC.
25. Notes on Tactical Air Support.

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MAPS: KOREA, 1:50,000, 6332 IV, 6332 III, 6331 I, 6331 IV, 6432 III, 6431 IV, and 6332 II

Task Orgn: Annex 1, Task Orgn

1. a See Annex 2, Int.

b (1) 8th Army:

- (a) Continues present mission.
- (b) Provides logistical support for 187 RCT.
- (c) Establish contact with 187 RCT.
- (d) After contact assume operational control of 187 RCT.

(2) X Corps:

Continue present mission

(3) FEAF

- (a) Continue present mission.
- (b) Airlift 187 RCT from KIMPO Airbase to DZ and air drop.
- (c) Provide Tac Air Spt to 187 RCT on D-Day and on request thereafter.
- (d) Conduct necessary recon and in missions.

2. a 187 RCT:

- (1) Land by preht F-Hour, D-Day, seize, occupy and defend SUKCHON-SUNCHON area.
- (2) Disrupt an MSR and loc to prevent en withdrawal to the N and passage of reinforcements and supply S in sector.
- (3) Capture important NK military and civilian officials.
- (4) Facilitate adv of friendly units.
- (5) Perform such POW liberation raids as can be accomplished without jeopardizing primary missions in par 2a (1), (2), and (3) above.
- (6) When contact is established rpt to CG 8th Army.

b (1) Annex 3; Aircraft Allocation Table D-Day.  
Annex 4; Aircraft Allocation Table D/1.  
Annex 5; Opn Overlay 1.  
Annex 6; Opn Overlay 2.  
Annex 7, Arty

- (2) (a) D-Day: 20 October 1950
- (b) F-Hour: To be announced.

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3. a. 1st Bn (-):

Atch: One (1) Plat, Co A, 127 Abn Eng Bn  
One (1) FAC Party

- (1) Land by precht on D-Day on DZ William.
- (2) Clear SUKCHON (261648) of en forces.
- (3) Seize and secure obj 1.
- (4) Est roadblock at (234691).
- (5) Prevent em withdrawal to the N or resupply to the S.
- (6) Patrol N to river vic SINANJU (240860).
- (7) Contact 2nd Bn vic MAENAM-NI (396680).
- (8) Be Prepared to move S toward FYONGYANG on O.
- (9) Designate one company to be CT reserve on landing.

b. 2nd Bn (-):

Atdh: One (1) Plat, Co A, 127 Eng Bn  
One (1) 4.2 in mortar plat, Spt Co.  
One (1) Sec, 90 mm plat, Spt Co  
Btry B, 674 Abn FA Bn  
2nd Pathfinder Team  
One (1) FAC Party

- (1) Land by precht on D-Day on DZ Easy.
- (2) Seize and secure obj 3.
- (3) Clear SUNCHON (525675).
- (4) Secure foot bridge E of SUNCHON.
- (5) Prevent en withdrawal to the N or resupply.
- (6) Contact ROK or X Corps troops vic UNSAN-NI (600641).
- (7) Contact 1st Bn vic MAENAM-NI (396680).
- (8) Be prepared to move S toward FYONGYANG on O.

c. 3rd Bn (-):

Atch: One (1) Plat, Co A, 127 Abn Eng Bn  
One (1) FAC Party.

- (1) Land by precht D-Day on DZ William.
- (2) Seize and secure obj 2.
- (3) Prevent en withdrawal to the N or resupply to the S.
- (4) Est roadblock at (260610).
- (5) Be prepared to move S toward PYONGYANG on O.

d 674 Abn FA Bn (-):

- (1) See par 3b.
- (2) Land by precht on D-Day DZ William.
- (3) D/S.

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e Co A, 127 Abn Eng Bn (-):

- (1) See par 3b.
- (2) Land by prcht on D-Day DZ William.
- (3) See par 3a and c. Atch eff on landing.

f. Btry A, 88th Abn AAA Bn (-):

- (1) Land by prcht D / 1 on DZ William.
- (2) D/S

g. Spt Co (-):

- (1) See par 3b.
- (2) Land by prcht D-Day DZ William.
- (3) D/S

h. MF Det (-):

- (1) Land by prcht D / 1 DZ William.
- (2) Est PW collecting point vic SUYCHON (261648).

i. Pathfinder Det (-):

- (1) See par 3b.
- (2) Land by prcht D-Day on DZ William.
- (3) Be prepared to operate DZ William for hvy drop on D-Day and D / 1.

j. I & R Plat (-):

- (1) Land by prcht D-Day on DZ William.
- (2) Patrol S toward dam at (324515).
- (3) Protect dam from destruction by en forces.

k. Security Plat (-):

- (1) Land by prcht D-Day on DZ William.
- (2) Furnish security for CT CP.

l. AT Mine Plat (-):

- (1) Land by prcht D / 1 on DZ William.
- (2) Be prepared to est roadblocks on O.

m. Med Co (-):

- (1) Land by prcht D-Day on DZ William.
- (2) See Opn Overlay 1.

n. C Co.

- (1) Land by prcht D-Day on DZ William.
- (2) Revert to CT reserve on landing.

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- x (1) Follow-up echelon personnel rpt to parent orgn on landing.
  - (2) Land-tail echelon atch to 8th Army until contact is made.
  - (3) All units will be prepared to mark front lines with panels.
  - (4) No refugee personnel will be permitted in areas of responsibility.
  - (5) Necessary precautions will be taken by all units to avoid engagement with friendly forces.
4. a. See Adm Annex.
- b. Departure Airfield Control Group will furnish resupply as required.
5. a. Index 1-6, Current SOI in effect.
- b. CP's:
- (1) CT: (281649)
  - (2) Others: Rpt loc.

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ANNEXES:

- 1. Task Orgn
- 2. Int
- 3. Aircraft Allocation Table D-Day
- 4. Aircraft Allocation Table D / 1
- 5. Opn Overlay 1
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- 8. Signal
- 9. Distribution

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Annex 1 (task Orgn) to Opn O 1

Assault Echelon - Col Bowen Comdg

187 Abn Inf Regt (-)  
674 Abn FA Bn (-)  
Co A, 127 Abn Eng Bn (-)  
Pathfinder Det  
MP Det (-)  
4 FAC Parties (Atchd)

Follow-up Echelon - Maj Delameter Comdg

187 Abn Inf Regt (-)  
674 Abn FA Bn (-)  
Btry A, 88th Abn AAA Bn (-)

Land Tail Echelon - Capt Fraker Comdg

187 Abn Inf Regt (-)  
674 Abn FA Bn (-)  
Btry A, 88th Abn AAA Bn (-)  
Co A, 127 Abn Eng Bn (-)  
MP Det (-)  
Ambulance Platoon (-)  
Clearing Platoon (-)

Kimpo Base Echelon - Lt Col Conner Comdg

Departure Airfield Control Group  
Sv Co, 187th Abn Inf Regt (-)  
Det, 11th Abn Div Prcht Maint Co.

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19 Oct 1950

ANNEX 2 (Intelligence) to Opn O #1.

MAPS: AMS L751 Scale 1/50,000 (KOREA), Sheets: 6231 I, II; 6331 I, II, III, IV  
6431 III, IV; 6233 I, II, IV; 6332 I, II, III, IV; 6432 III, IV; 6333 II, III  
6433 III.

1. Summary of Enemy Situation:

- a. See Daily News Report, S-2 Hq 187th RCT.
- b. See Appendix #1, "Estimate of Enemy Situation and Capabilities of Defending the SUKCHON - SUNCHON - PYONGYANG Triangle."

2. EEI:

- a. What enemy armed forces including armor are now operating in the triangle? Where located and in what strength?
- b. Will the enemy make a major defense effort in the triangle area? If so, where, and in what strength?
- c. Will the enemy reinforce his defensive installations along the triangle? If so, when, where, in what strength, and over what routes?
- d. Will indigenous civil and personnel actively engage in guerrilla activities against airborne forces? If so, in what strength, from what areas, and with what type weapons?

3. Intelligence Missions for Battalions and Separate Companies:

- a. The 2d Battalion will:
  - (1) Report strength, composition, direction, and rate of movement of enemy forces along the following axis: PYONGYANG-SUNCHON-PUKCHANG; SUNCHON-AMJU; SUKCHON-SUNCHON-UNSAN-NI.
- b. The 1st and 3d Battalions will:
  - (1) Report strength, composition, direction and rate of movement of enemy forces along the following axis: HYOPHONG-SUKCHON-PYONGYANG; CHOSAN-NI-SUKCHON-SUNCHON; YUNG-NI-SUNCHON-SOKSO-RI.
- c. Co "A" 127th Engineer Bn will:
  - (1) Report the condition of roads, bridges, underpasses, rivers, and any errors in existing maps of area.

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d. All Battalions and Separate Units will;

- (1) Report identification, strength, composition, and activity of enemy forces encountered in respective zone of operations.
- (2) Report location and activity of Soviet and/or Chinese Communist air, ground, or naval personnel or units engaged against our forces.
- (3) Report any indication of imminent Soviet and/or Chinese Communist hostile action against our areas.
- (4) Report indications of morale, of enemy military forces.
- (5) Report composition, location, weapons, and tactics of guerrilla type forces operating in rear areas.

4. Measures of Handling Prisoners, Captured Documents, and Enemy Material

a. See 187th RCT Combat Intelligence SOP.

b. Identification of PW's unit will be a matter of 1st priority.

c. All echelons of command will conduct prompt interrogations of the local populace in their areas to obtain in addition to tactical information, administrative data on UN PW's and UN deceased. Whenever possible, upon receipt of positive information from local sources, commanders will conduct an immediate search of the area. If a search is not possible, the information obtained will be forwarded to the next higher command for action.

5. Counter Intelligence:

a. The lack of complete and continuous civil and military censorship throughout FEC required concerted efforts in the education of all personnel with respect to their moral obligations to safeguard military information. The following policy is established with personnel whose duties do not require additional information:

- (1) No information concerning planned activities.
- (2) No information concerning the effectiveness of specific types of weapons or equipment of enemy or UN.
- (3) No identification lower than division.
- (4) No information concerning the location of activities or friendly or enemy units except where continuous contact actually exists.

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6. Maps and Aerial Photographs:

As distributed.

7. Reports:

- a. A daily report (consolidated) of all PWs will be submitted as of 1600 hours indicating:
  - (1) PW's unit.
  - (2) Time, date, and place of capture.
- b. ISUM's submitted by radio, telephone from all battalions as of 0400, 1200, and 1900 hours.
- c. Periodic Intelligence Reports from all battalions as of 1630 hours daily, to be submitted with overlay.

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APPENDIX:

1 - Estimate of Enemy Situation

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Same as Operations Order No. 1

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APPENDIX 1 TO ANNEX 2 (Int)  
Opns O #1

Estimate of the Enemy Situation  
and Capabilities of Defense

1. Assumption: That units now defending the approaches to PYONGYANG and PYONGYANG itself will be cut off in large measure by the drop of the 187th RCT and its subsequent link-up with ROKs from the east.
2. Enemy Situation:
  - a. The enemy has rapidly withdrawn from positions along the 38th Parallel before the advance of 8th Army from the S and ROK units from the E to positions extending from SUNCHON to PYONGYANG and thence to the west coast. Badly disorganized, low in morale, poorly equipped and harrassed by our fighters and bombers he has offered only sporadic resistance at key points on the main roads to PYONGYANG. Since his supply lines are now shortened, prepared positions of a temporary nature are at his disposal and a sense of pride to defend the Capitol will be inherent, it is to be expected that UN forces will meet with stiffening resistance around the Capitol and at SUNCHON, which prevents UN troops from extending their line to the west coast above PYONGYANG and cutting off his supply, communications and avenues of approach.
  - b. Finding Abn forces blocking his supply and communication lines from the north, he may launch desperation attacks via SUKCHON or SUNCHON to break through and re-establish the west coast corridor.
  - c. To date there have been no reports or indications of overt Chinese or Russian troop participation; however, there has been substantiated evidence of CCF trained and equipped Koreans fighting with NK forces, and some unconfirmed reports of CCF and USSR units in North Korean rear areas. In this connection, attention must be brought to focus on the CCF units of the Chinese 4th Field Army who have for a considerable period been reported to be massing on the Korean - Manchurian border. CCF forces can be made available in strength up to 100,000 immediately should a decision be made to employ them in Korea.
  - d. Only sporadic enemy air attacks can be expected from the presently depleted NK Air Force. The possibility of open CCF assistance with its estimated strength of 200 combat planes must not be overlooked nor would it be advisable to give only cursory attention to the powerful USSR Air Force.
  - e. Guerrilla activity may be expected to continue on an ever decreasing scale since it is estimated that little aid from the NKPA would be forthcoming.
3. Enemy Capabilities:
  - a. Limited defense at SUKCHON and SUNCHON.
  - b. Guerrilla activity in UN occupied areas.
  - c. Limited air action.
  - d. Desperation counter-attacks to clear SUKCHON and main coast road north from PYONGYANG.

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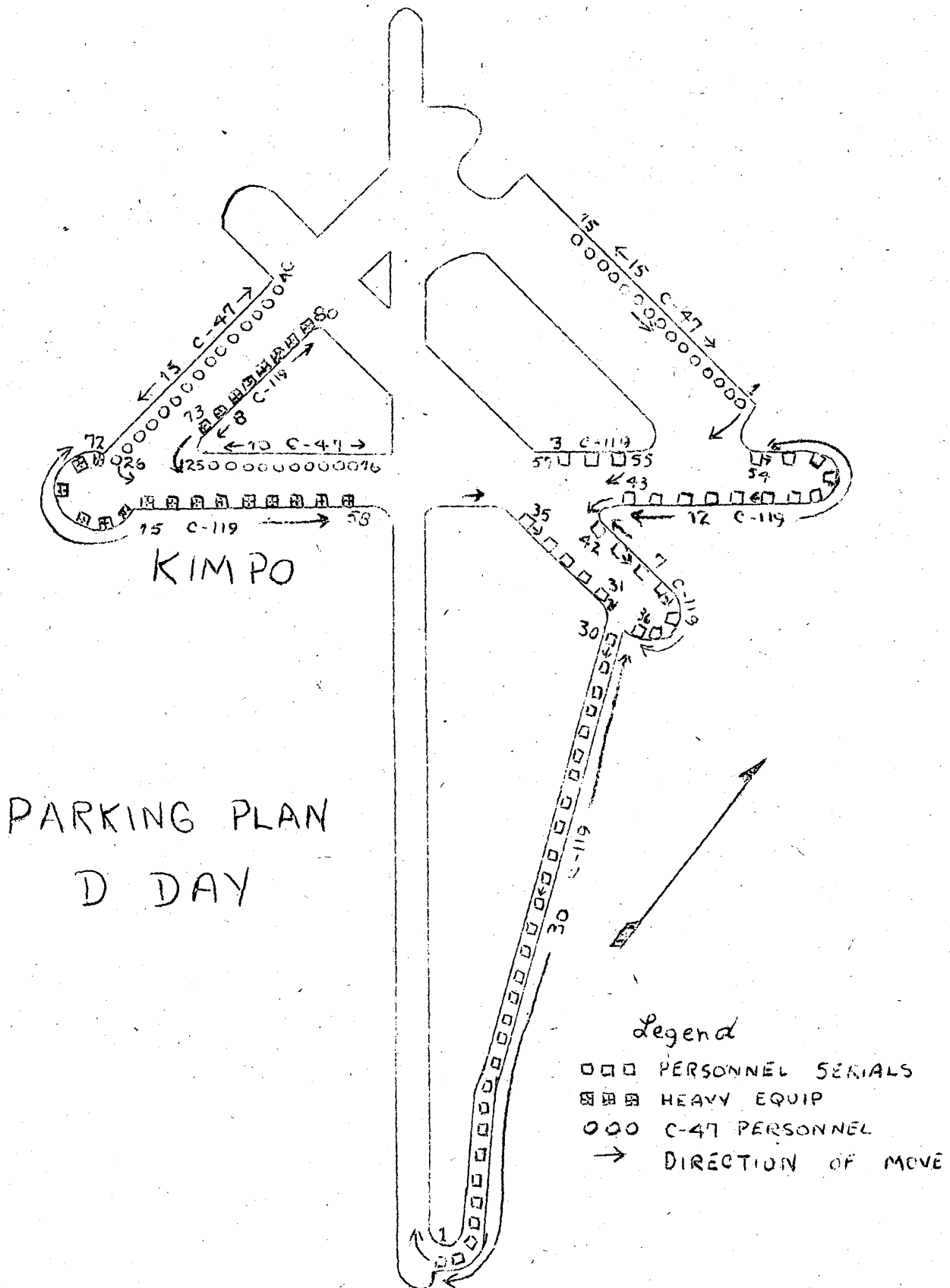
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c. Reinforcement by OCF and / or USSR.

4. Conclusions: That the enemy can conduct a limited defense of SUKCHON and SUNCHON and that he will make sporadic desperation attacks to keep the west coast routes open to the north.

SERIAL	SERIAL COMDR	A/C CHIEF NO.	UNIT	NO PERS	WT OF PERS	MAXIMUM WT OF EQUIP	TYPE EQUIP	TROOP ARRIVE DZ	STATION TIME	TAKE OFF TIME	DROP TIME	DZ	
1 G-119 (Pers)	Col Bowen	1	Hq & Hq Co	42	10,500	4,500	Bundles	0400	0540	0610	0800	N	
		2-17	1st Bn	672	10,500	4,500	Bundles	0400	0540	0610	0800	N	
2 G-119 (Pers)	Lt Col Gerhart	18-19	1st Bn	84	10,500	4,500	Bundles	0405	0545	0615	0805	N	
		20-21	Hq & Hq Co	84	10,500	4,500	Bundles	0405	0545	0615	0805	N	
		22-23	Spt Co	84	10,500	4,500	Bundles	0405	0545	0615	0805	N	
		24-25	Co A, 127 E	84	10,500	4,500	Bundles	0405	0545	0615	0805	N	
		26-31	674th FA Bn	252	10,500	4,500	Bundles	0405	0545	0615	0805	N	
		32	Med Co	42	10,500	4,500	Bundles	0405	0545	0615	0805	N	
		33	Sv Co	42	10,500	4,500	Bundles	0405	0545	0615	0805	N	
		34-51	2nd Bn	756	10,500	4,500	Bundles	0410	0550	0620	0820	N	
3 G-119 (Pers)	Lt. Col Boyle	52-54	B Btry 674th	126	10,500	4,500	Bundles	0410	0550	0620	0820	N	
		55	A Co, 127 E	42	10,500	4,500	Bundles	0410	0550	0620	0820	N	
			1 Plat										
4 G-119 (Hvy Drop)		56	Spt Co (1 sect 90mm)	30	10,500	4,500	Bundles	0410	0550	0620	0820	N	
			Hq&Hq Co Path- finders	6									
		57	Spt Co (1 Plat 42)	36	10,500	4,500	Bundles	0410	0550	0620	0820	N	
			Med Co	4									
		58-65	674th FA Bn	2*	400	10,000	8-105 How 8-1/4 Trk		0605	0635	0825	N	
		66-67	Spt Co	2*	400	14,500	2-90MM 2-3/4 Trk		0605	0635	0825	N	
		68	674th FA Bn	2*	400	12,000	6-1/2 Trks		0605	0635	0825	N	
		69-72	674th FA Bn	2*	400	14,000	Arty Ammo		0605	0635	0825	N	
		73	Sv Co	2*	400	14,500	Composite Ammo		0605	0635	0825	N	
		74-77	674th FA Bn	2*	400	10,000	4-105 How 4-1/2 Trk		0610	0640	0840	N	
5 G-119 (Hvy Drop)		78	674th FA Bn	2*	400	14,500	Arty Ammo		0610	0640	0840	N	
		79-80	Spt Co	2*	400	14,500	2-90MM 2-3/4 Trk		0610	0640	0840	N	
6 (Pers)	Lt Col Munson	1-20	3rd Bn	360	4,500	400	Bundles	0500	0620	0650	0850	N	
		21-40	3rd Bn	360	4,500	400	Bundles	0500	0625	0655	0855	N	

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ANNEX 4 (ALLOCATION OF AIRCRAFT D/1) TO OPN PLAN # 1

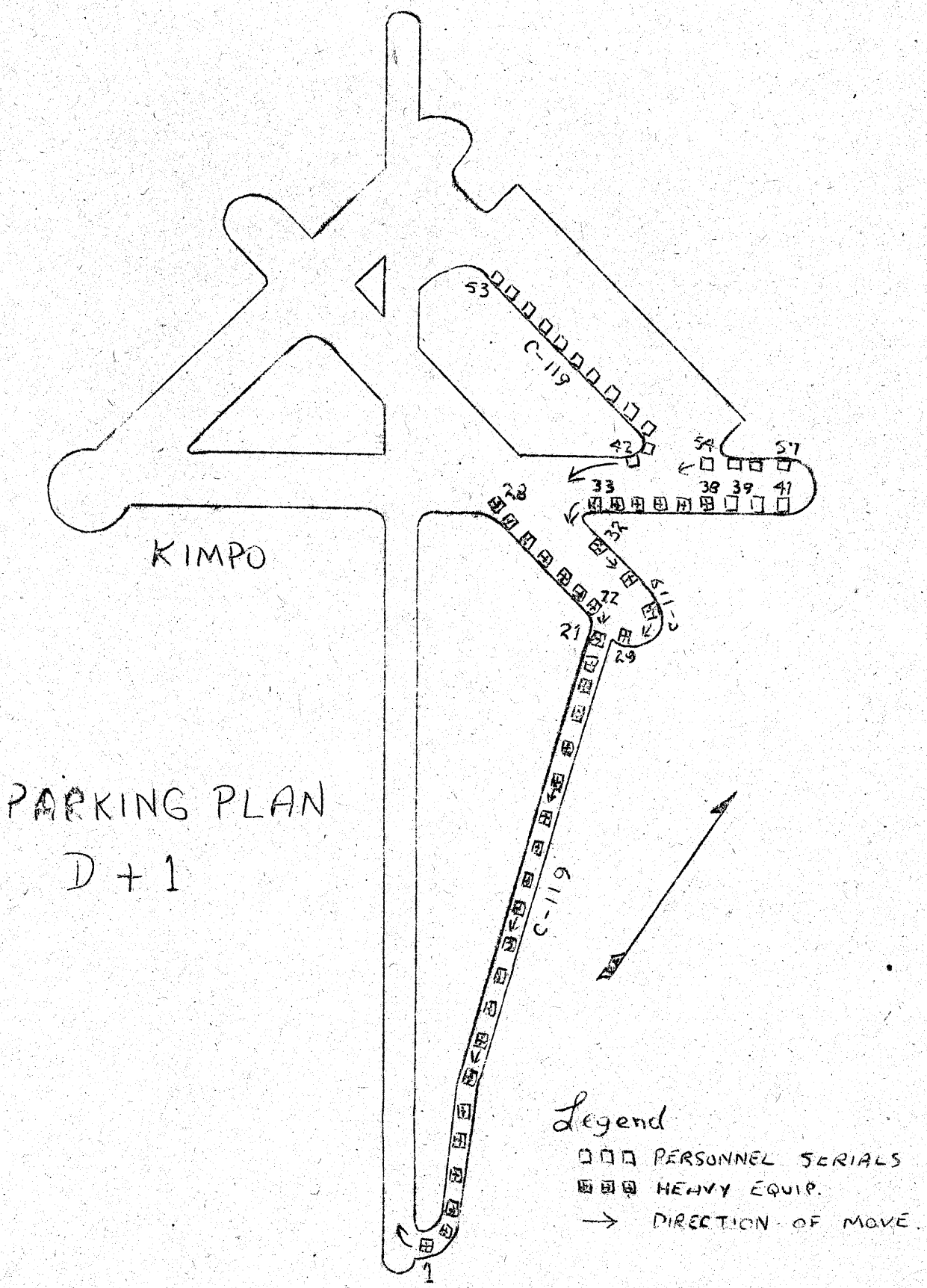
ALLOCATION OF AIRCRAFT

D / 1 (DZ WILLIAM)

SERIAL	SERIAL COMDR	A/C CHALK NO	UNIT	NO OF PERS	WT OF PERS EA A/C	EQUIPMENT	WT OF EQUIP EA A/C
1 C-119 (Hvy Drop)		1-14 (14)	137th AIR	<u>Ea A/C</u> 2*	500	28- <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> Ton Trk 26- <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> Ton Trl	14,400
		15-17 (3)	Sv Co	2*	500	Rations	14,400
2 C-119 (Hvy Drop)		18-31 (14)	674 FA	<u>Ea A/C</u> 2*	500	Arty Ammo	14,400
		32 (1)	Sv Co	2*	500	Water & PCL	14,400
		33-34 (2)	Btry A 88 88 AAA	2*	500	2 Quad M.G. per Plane	14,400
		35 (1)	Sv Co	2*	500	Med & Sig Sup	14,400
		36-38 (3)	Sv Co	2*	500	Composite Amm mo	14,400
3 C-119 (Person- nel)	To be design- ated by 1st Bn	39-42 (4)	Hq & Hq Co	<u>115</u>	10,000	Orgnt'l	5,000
			Spt Co	7			
			Med Co	22			
		43 (1)	Sv Co	<u>10</u>	10,000	Orgnt'l	5,000
			P.M. Co	32			
		44-46 (3)	3rd Bn	<u>126</u>	10,000	Orgnt'l	5,000
		47-51 (5)	1st Bn	<u>210</u>	10,000	Orgnt'l	5,000
52-55 (4)	Btry A 88	168	10,000	Orgnt'l	5,000		
56-57 (2)	2nd Bn	84	10,000	Orgnt'l	5,000		

NOTE: \* 2 personnel for each heavy equipment drop plane to be furnished by the 2348 QM Abn Air Supply and Packaging Co. They are not to jump.

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D+1

Legend  
□□□ PERSONNEL SERIALS  
▣▣▣ HEAVY EQUIP.  
→ DIRECTION OF MOVE.

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ANNEX 8 (SIGNAL) TO OPN O #1

1. a. (1) Annex 2, Int
  - (2) Enemy Forces may jam radio nets and initiate imitative transmissions. Attempts to disrupt and intercept our wire circuits are anticipated.
  - b. (1) Axis of Comm (Opn Overlay #1)
  - (2) Location of CP's (Opn Overlay #1 & #2)
  - (3) Communication facilities outside the objective area will be furnished by Hq I Corps.
2. Radio and Msg Communication will be established between all echelons immediately after landing. Initially radio will be the primary means of communication. Other means will be established as rapidly as possible. Authentication will be as prescribed in the current SOI. All messages transmitted by electrical means will be authenticated.
3. a. Comm:
- (1) MSG Cen and Mgr:
    - (a) Units will adhere to current SOP for Msg Cen opn and Msg service in the marshalling area until directed otherwise by CT C.O.
    - (b) Msg Cen will operate at Unit CPs immediately after P-Hour. Two Msgrs per 187 AIR Bn and Support Co will report to CT CP as soon as unit CP is established. Msgrs will report coordinate location of unit CP.
  - (2) Radio:
    - (a) CT SCR-300 net (current SOI) will operate immediately on landing.
    - (b) Normal radio nets (current SOI) will be established as rapidly as possible.
  - (3) Wire:
    - (a) Wire nets will be installed as rapidly as the situation permits.
- x. (1) 674 FA Bn- Communication normal.
- (2) Btry A 88th AAA- Communication normal.
- (3) 187 AIR- Communications normal.
- (4) Co A 127 Engr Bn- Communication normal.
- (5) Radio silence until D-Day, P-Hour.
- (6) Bns, Spt Co, atchd and supporting units will forward line route maps to CT Commo upon completion of wire nets.
- (7) Complete SOI's will not be taken forward of Bn CP's. Pertinent extracts of required items only will be carried by elements of assault echelon or forward of Bn CTs.
- (8) CT Msg Cen will maintain official CT time.

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ANNEX 8 (SIGNAL) TO OPN C # 1 (CONTINUED)

4. a. Adm C #1

b. Repair and supply opns:

(1) Replacement of damaged or unserviceable items of signal equipment will be accomplished on a turn-in basis at the CT Sig Supply on request.

(2) Expendables will be issued by CT Sig Supply on request.

(3) Location of CT Signal Supply: Vicinity CT Supply Dump.

c. All Msgrs and wire teams will have priority on roads and trails except over tactical vehicles and ambulances.

5. a. Index 1-6 current SOI in effect.

b. Location CT Commo vicinity CT CP.

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Annex 9 (Distribution) to Opn O 1

CO	1
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Ea Ln O	1
Ea FAC	1
Ea Inf Bn	2
Ea Sp Unit	1
674 FA Bn	2
Btry A, 88 AAA	1
Co A, 127 Eng	1
DAOG	1
CO, Follow-up Echelon	1
CO, Land Tail Echelon	1
CO, Kimpo Base Echelon	1
PIO	1
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ASHIYA AIR BASE, JAPAN  
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TASK ORGANIZATION:

- a. 314th Combat Cargo Wing (Prov) Colonel E. W. Hampton
- b. 21st Troop Carrier Squadron (H) Lt Col. P. B. Cage

1. GENERAL SITUATION:

The seizure of SEOUL and juncture of Eighth Army with the X Corps has resulted in disruption of NORTH KOREAN FORCES in SOUTH KOREA. The enemy has withdrawn remnants of his forces and occupies positions north of CHUNGHWA and CHINNANPO. ROA FORCES have advanced to the vicinity of HAMHUNG on the East coast and HWANGJU on the West.

- a. Enemy Forces: See Annex "A" Intelligence.
- b. Friendly Forces: See Annex "A", Intelligence.

2. MISSION:

- a. 314th Combat Cargo Wing (Prov):
  - (1) Provide 80 operational C-119 aircraft to air drop Elements of the 187th Airborne RCT on Drop Zones in the SUACHON-SUNCHON AREA on P-Day.
  - (2) Provide 57 operational C-119 aircraft to air drop Resupply Elements of the 187th Airborne RCT on P / 1.
  - (3) Provide 15 operational C-119 aircraft to air drop Resupply Elements of the 187th Airborne RCT on P / 2.
  - (4) Conduct subsequent air drop resupply missions as may be directed
- b. 21st Troop Carrier Squadron (H):
  - (1) Provide 40 operational C-47 aircraft to air drop Elements of the 187th Airborne RCT on Drop Zones in the SUACHON-SUNCHON AREA on P-Day.
  - (2) Conduct subsequent air drop resupply missions as may be directed
- x. General Instructions:
  - (1) P-Day - 20 October 1950.
  - (2) H-Hour: 0800 I

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(3) Staging Base - WIMPO AIR BASE, KOREA.

(4) Commanding Officer, 134th Combat Cargo Wing (Prov) will exercise operational control over all units of this Command participating in the operation.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LOGISTICAL MATTERS:

See Annex C, Administrative.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS MATTERS:

a. Communications: See Annex D, Communications.

b. Command: Command Post - WIMPO AIR BASE, KOREA

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TUNNER:

GLEN R. BIRCHARD  
Colonel, USAF  
Chief of Staff

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- A. Intelligence
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