INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

Merchant Shipping in North Korean Ports and En Route

1. The following North Korean-flag fishing vessels have been located:

   a. Paektu-San (7,218 GRT) a fish factory ship probably based in Kimchaek.

   b. 48 North Korean fishing vessels and one unidentified vessel were observed in the sea area between 34 nautical miles southeast and 27 nautical miles northeast of Kalgochiri near Wonsan naval base.

2. The following foreign merchant ships are in North Korean ports:

   In Chongjin

   Bucuresti (Rumanian--9224 GRT) arrived 22 January. EDT 31 January.

   Eishu Maru (Japanese--1,992 GRT) In port 25 January. To return to Chongjin 18 February to load cargo, including 12 tons graphite.

   Pundua (British--7,295 GRT) ETA 24 January under North Vietnamese Time Charter.

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In Hungnam

Heiyo Maru (Japanese--2,973 GRT) ETA 26 January. Previously loaded cargo in Singapore.

Tiksi (Soviet--9,501 GRT) ETA 23 January from Nampo.

Volsk (Soviet--9,455 GRT) probably in port. Sailed from Cardenas, Cuba, with 11,500 tons sugar in November.

Yana (Soviet--3,231 GRT) probably in port. Arrived from Japan to load cement for Sakhalin.

In Nampo

Gornoaltaysk (Soviet--3,725 GRT) in port 26 January to load coal for Japan. ETD 28-29 January.

Kovrov (Soviet--9,250) in port 26 January.

Vyatkales (Soviet--3,261 GRT) awaiting pier 18 January.

3. The following foreign merchant ships are scheduled to arrive in North Korea:

Byzantion (Greek--7,276 GRT) ETA Hungnam 21 February, probably from Kosseir, UAR.

Comandante Camilo Cienfuegos (Cuban--9,735 GRT) ETA Kobe 18 January. It will load 10,000 tons unspecified cargo (probably cement) in North Korea.

Genkai Maru (Japanese--2,346 GRT) ETA Nampo 10 February.

Hanoi (Polish--6,914 GRT) ETA Yokohama 25 January. ETA North Korea 7 February.

Keihan Maru (Japanese--under 1,000 GRT) ETA North Korea 1 February to discharge pitch coal.
Kotoku Maru (Japanese--2,278 GRT) ETD Hungnam 26 January. Scheduled to return Hungnam ETA 3 February to load unspecified cargo in transshipment from North Vietnam to Japan.

London (Greek--2,588) departed Karachi 25 January with 2,500 tons unspecified cargo for North Korea.

Novorossiysk (Soviet--7,176 GRT) en route from Cuba to Nampo. Near Panama Canal on 24 January.

Omolon (Soviet--3,261) departed Fushiki 28 December for Hungnam.

Perekop (Soviet--11,089) in Japan as of 21 January. Directed to take steps to depart Yokohama and arrive Chongjin in January.

Shotō Maru (Japanese--1,055 GRT) departed Chongjin 26 January with 1,457 tons cargo. Scheduled to return to North Korea, ETA 3 February.

Simba (Greek--5,957 GRT) To load anthracite, steel, magnesite and general cargo in Nampo 1–10 February under Rumanian voyage charter.

Taishu Maru (Japanese) ETA Chongjin 10 February to load 500 tons talc and 2,000 tons pig iron.

Takasago Maru (Japanese--2,579 GRT) ETA Chongjin 8 February.

Werner Seelenbinder (East German--8,003 GRT) ETA Chongjin 28 January. May load zinc and clinkers.