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G-4 OPERATIONS DIVISION

25 August 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

Subject: Operation Kimpo AFB

1. D/A Msg WX 93320, 24 Aug 49 to CINCFE & KMAG (for Muccio) advised that civilian personnel for operation of Kimpo under CAA control departed US 20 Aug 49, that FEAF personnel now operating Kimpo relieved upon turnover facilities to CAA Representative on 1 Sept, whichever is sooner, and that transfer of AF property on memorial is authorized pending formal transfer. KMAG is requested inform interested agencies when turnover is completed.

2. CONTENTS No Septerm 5289, 20 Aug 49 requests CINCFE to obtain D/A

CO KimpowDet be advised immediately to pass this info to CAA (Mr. sideman) now of Kimpo in order that he could speed action to accomplish the two descriptions of the could speed action to accomplish the two descriptions of the could speed action to accomplish the two descriptions of the could get info to CO Kimpo Det.

- 4. This action requests FEAF to take necessary action to comply with instruction on personnel and property contained in WX.93320 and that this is answer to request in Msgform 5289.
 - 5. Action is within established G-4 policy.
 - 6. Action completed on G-4 Journal Nos 88579 and 88664.

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Concurrence: G-3 (Col Mitchell)

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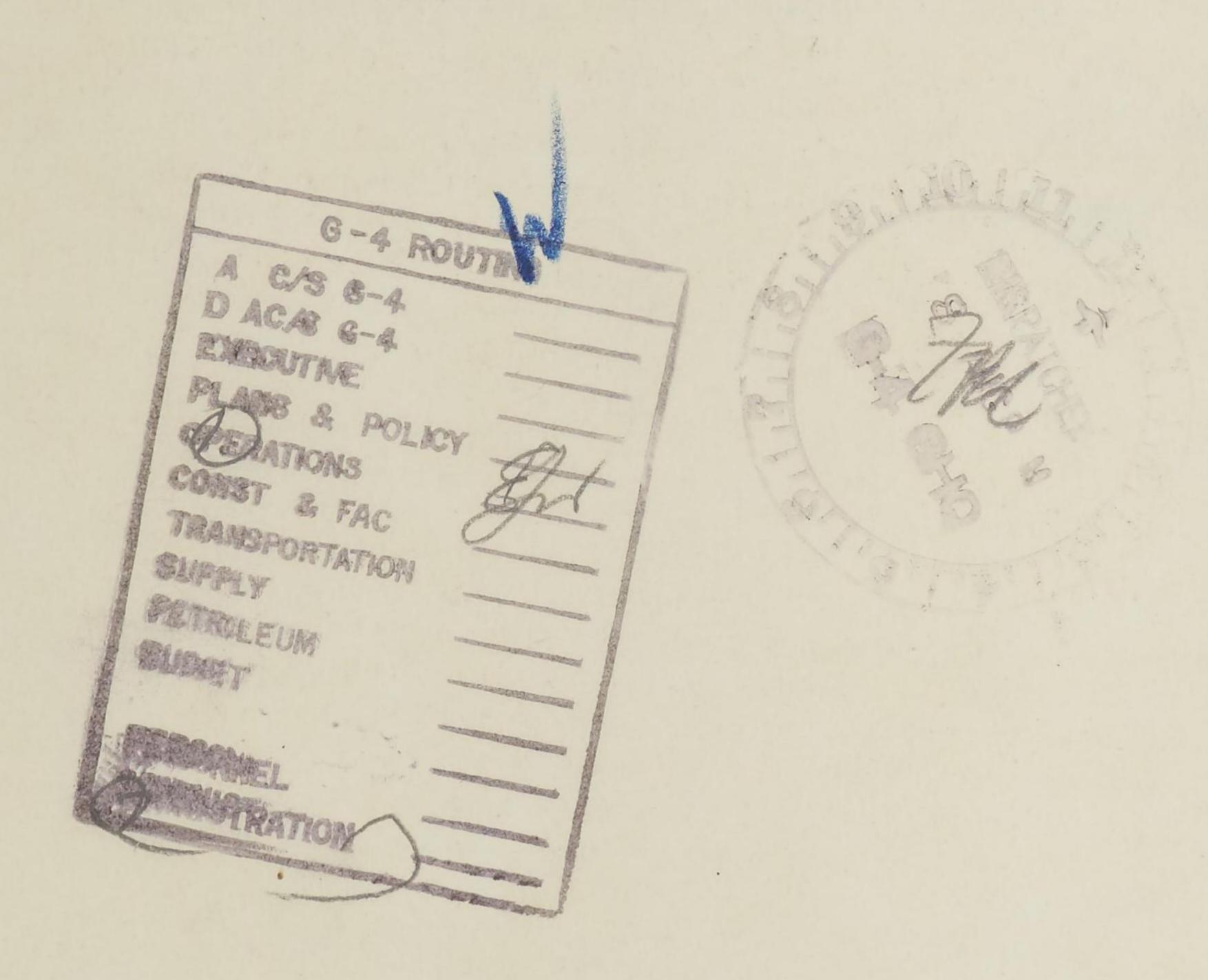
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1. Reference D/A Msg WX 92467, 6 Aug 49 (Incl 1) as indicated in paragraph 2 thereof all aspects of the logistical support of Kimpo AF Detachment have been satisfactorily resolved.

2. Request that G-3 take action to officially notify FEAF of this message.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Subject: Operation of Kimpo AFB

- 1. D/A Msg WX 92467, 5 Aug 49 requests CINCFE continue Kimpo operation until 1 Sep 49 or such earlier date that CAA can take over Kimpo opn and furnishes info that local expenses opn and maintenance will be borne by ROK.
- 2. This action advises G-3 that logistical support for Kimpo AF Det is satisfactory and requests G-3 to officially notify FEAF of requirements for opn of Kimpo.
 - 3. Action is within established G-4 policy.
 - 4. Action completed on G-4 Journal No. 87661.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Logistic Support of Kimpo. Subject:

- 1. Reference Ourmsg CX 51119, 30 June 49 (G-4 JN 85492).
- 2. FEAF Msgform Ol58867, 8 July 49 refers to above Msg and attaches copy of FEAF Msg to Air Attache Seoul, Korea. FEAF proposes to continue negotiation with AMIK in line with ourmsg through Air Attache. In this connection D/A has advised by Msg WX 91101 6 July 49 (G-4 JN 85949) of State, Army and AF concurrence with ourmsg. Both AMIK and FEAF received copies of the latter Msg. A3 FEAF (Lt Col Frost) advised that FEAF would make final report upon completion of arrangements.
 - 3. FEAF Msgform considered info only. No action required.
 - 4. Action is within established G-4 policy.
 - 5. Action completed on G-4 Journal No. 86104.

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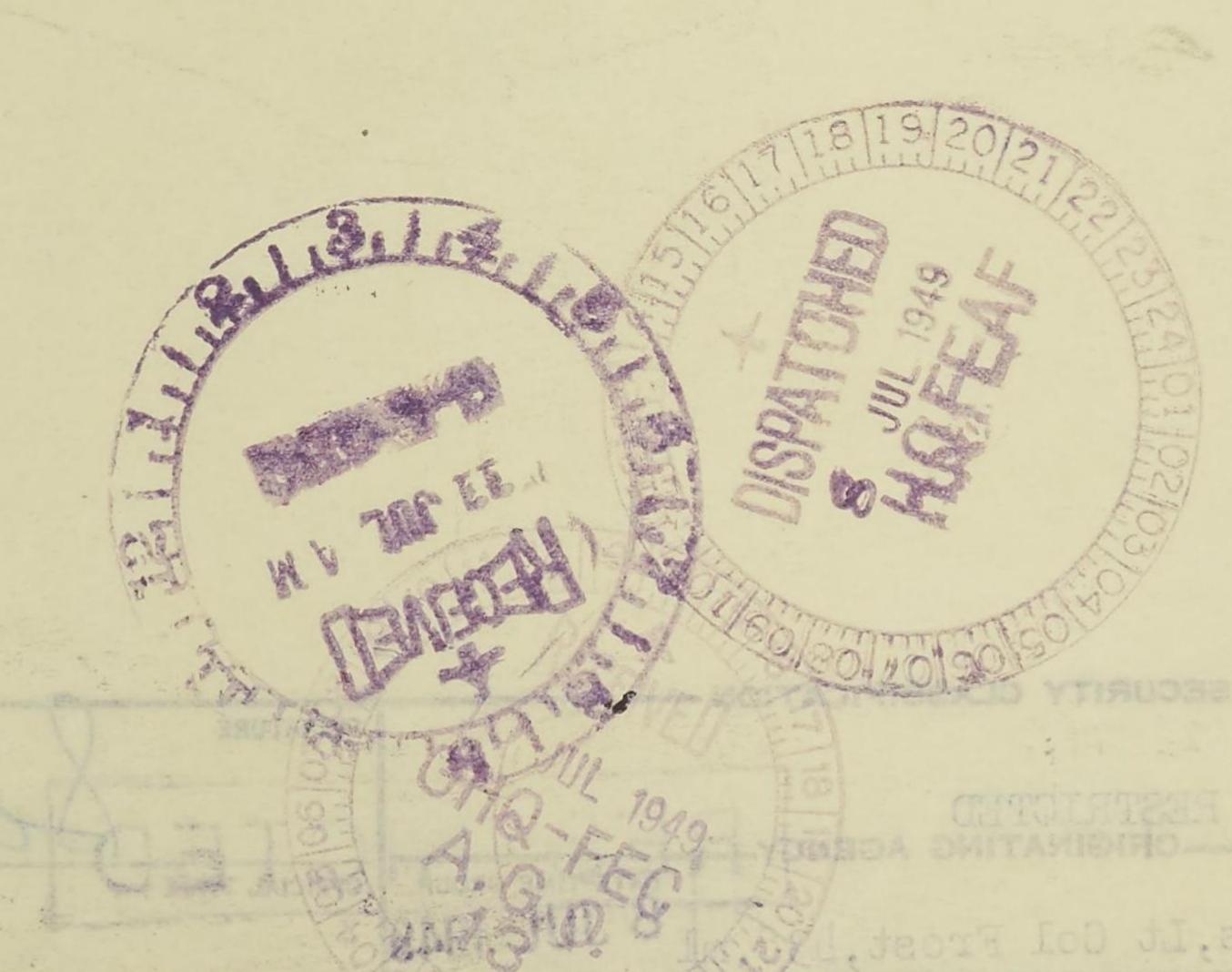
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1. Reference your messageform OX 51119, 30 June 19, and FEAF radio, 5 July 19, CG FEAF to Air Attache, Seoul, Korea, (copy attached).

2. FEAF proposes to continue negotiation with AMIK in line with provisions of OK 51119 through Air Attacke as indicated in attacked radio.

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TO : AIR ATTACHE, SEOUL, KOREA

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Re CINCFE rad CX 51119, 30 June 49 to Chief, AMIK, Subject:
Logistic Support of Kimpo. Request the Air Attache visit this
Headquarters at earliest convenience for conference on logistic
support of Kimpo. On withdrawal of USAFIK, logistic support
formally provided by that agency to Kimpo terminated. CINCFE
rad CX 51119 indicates funds not available in Army or Air Force
channels for continued provision of this support. Part 3 of
CX 51119 directs Air Force to continue negotiation with AMIK
for provision of required services. Withdrawal of USAFIK
eliminated previous negotiation channel and makes personal
conference with Air Attache desirable.

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1. REFERENCE MF 4238 COMP 2 JULY 49 THE INCLUSION OF ANY RITHER CLAUSE COVERING THE OPERATION OF KIMPO SUBSEQUENT TO 30 JUNE 49 WITHIN THE USAFIK FINAL FINANCIAL AND PROPERTY SETTLEMENT WITH KOREA IS CONSIDERED INAPPROPRIATE. THE OPERATION OF KINDO SUBSEQUENT TO 30 JUNE 49 IS A STATE DEPARTMENT REQUIRE-MENT AND ANY AGRESMENT BETWEEN THE US AND BOX COVERING SUCH OPERATIONS IS PROPERLY THE RESPONSIBILITY OF AMIK. KMAG BEING A PART OF AMIK HAS NO AUTH-ORITY NOR RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUCH MEGOTIATIONS. REGIEST THAT PROVISIONS OF GINGPE MSG OX 51119, 30 JUNE 49 BE COMPLIED WITE.

REFERENCE PART 5. USAFIR MSG ZTFFIS. 29 JUNE 49 REQUEST THAT CINCFE BE FURNISHED INFORMATION OF UNSERPLED CLAIMS, IF ANY, WHICH SHOULD BE IN-THE USAPIE PINAL PINANCIAL AND PROPERTY SEPPLEMENT WITH KORSA IN THAT SETTLEMENT MAY BE FINALIZED.

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Reference part 5, USAFIK Rad ZIFFIS 475, date 29 June 1949, this
Hq requests inclusion in final settlement with RCK. It is believed
that a definite rider clause should be incorporated within final
settlement agreement to provide for a separate instrument to
cover supplies, services and/or claims, if any, arising from
operations of KIMPO by USAF agencies subsequent to 30 June 49.

It is further believed that this clause will not interfere with
final settlement of current obligations but will establish binding
action with ROK for further negotiations covering operations of
KIMPO subsequent to 30 June 49. In this connection, the continued
operation of KIMPO will be for the sole benefit of the Dept of
State and it is believed here that KMAG should be the agency
responsible for negotiating this agreement with the ROK. End

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G-4 OPERATIONS DIVISION

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

GD OP-NMW/EFW/dar 7 July 1949

Subject: Final Financial and Property Settlement with Korea.

- 1. FEAF msgform 4238 COMP, 2 July 49, referred to Part 5, USAFIK msg ZTFFIS 475, 29 June 49 and advised that FEAF desired inclusion in final settlement with ROK. FEAF believes that a definite rider clause should be included within final settlement agreement to provide for a separate instrument to cover supplies, services and/or claims, if any, arising from operations of Kimpo subsequent to 30 June 49, and that KMAG should be the agency responsible for negotiating this agreement with ROK.
- 2. Our msgform AG 091 (29 Jun 49)GD, 2 July 49, referred to above referenced USAFIK msg and requested comments desired by Part 5 be forwarded directly to KMAG, info CINCFE.
- 3. Ourmsg CX 51119, 30 June 49, requested that FEAF continue renegotiation with AMIK for logistic support of Kimpo AF Det.
- 4. This action advises FEAF that inclusion of any rider clause covering operation of Kimpo subsequent to 30 June 49 within the final settlement is considered inappropriate, that AMIK is proper agency to negotiate with ROK and that KMAG apart of AMIK has no authority nor responsibility for such negotiations. FEAF is requested to comply with CX 51119 and to furnish CINCFE with info required to finalize final settlement.
 - 5. Action is within established G-4 policy.
 - 6. Action completed on G-4 Journal No. 85861.

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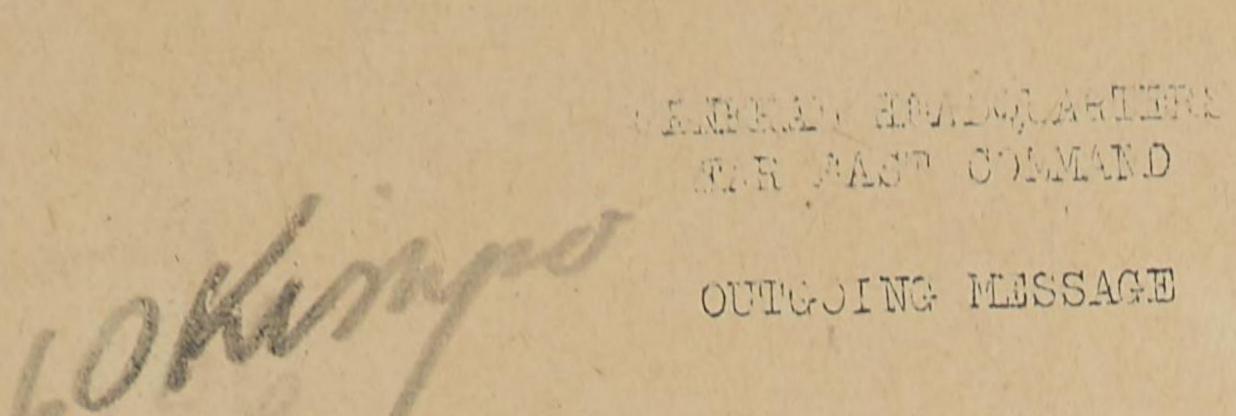
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FROM: CSUSAF

TO : CG FEAF

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Pending final decision re operation at Kimpo, desire you continue support until further advised through DA. AF position is that we will continue support until CAA can assume operation but not later than 1 Sep 49.

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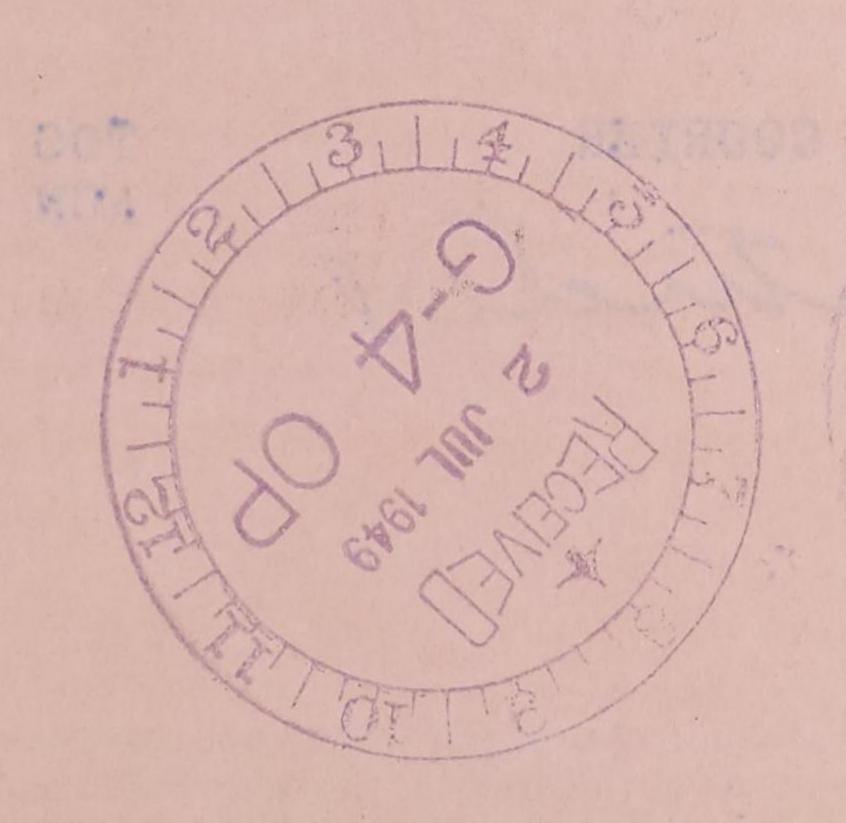
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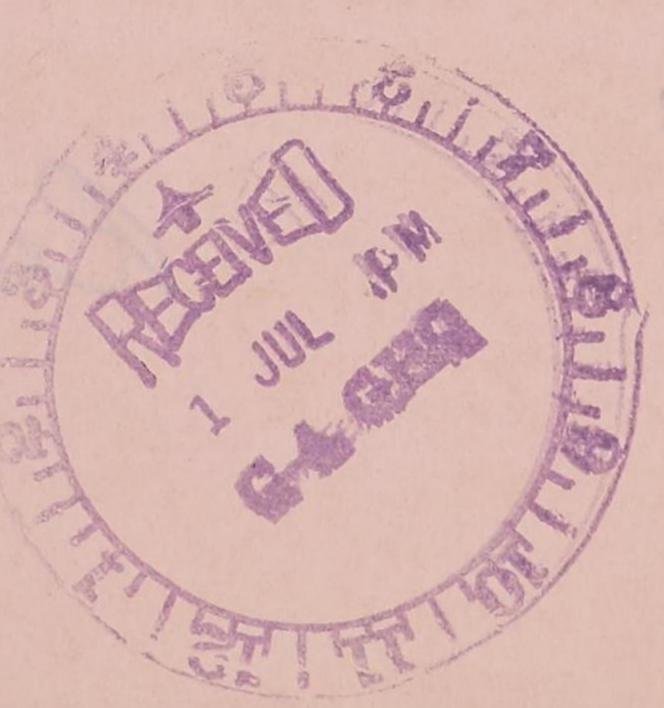


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Part 3 to FEAF. Request renegotiation with AMIK be continued in line with the above.

Part 4 to DA. Request concurrence in parts 2 and 3 above or that immediate instructions be furnished as to what agency should bear costs indicated in Part 1 above.

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OUTGOING MESSAGE
GD OP-NMW/EFW/vgd
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FROM:

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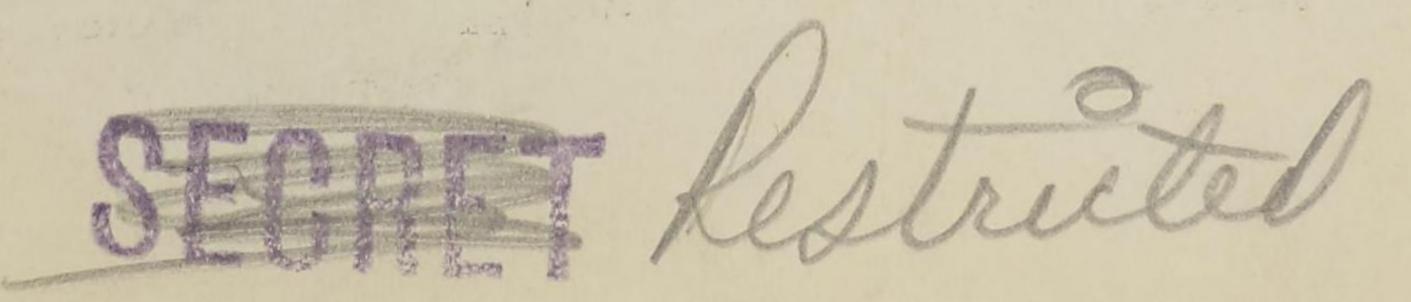
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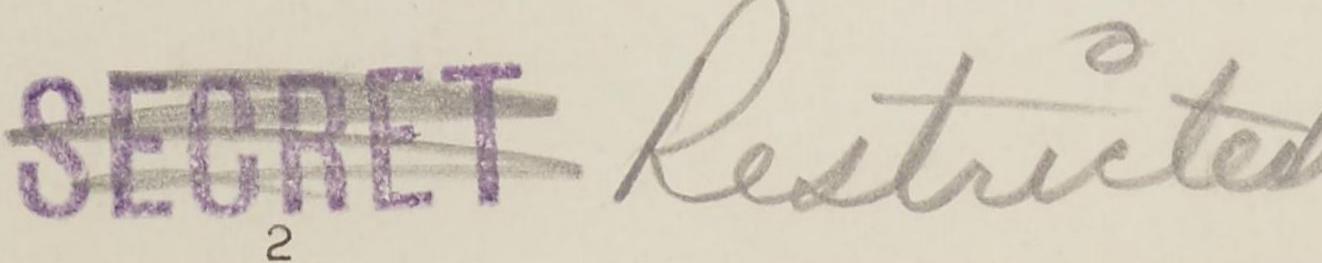
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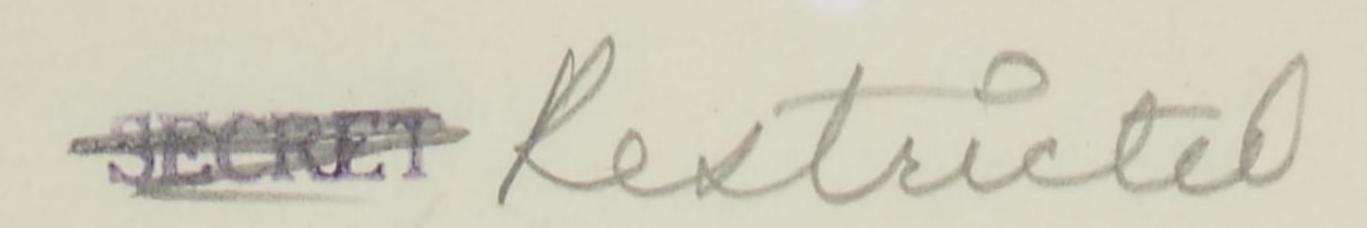
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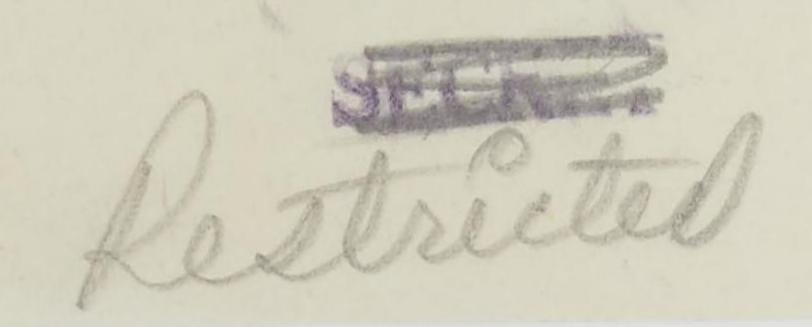
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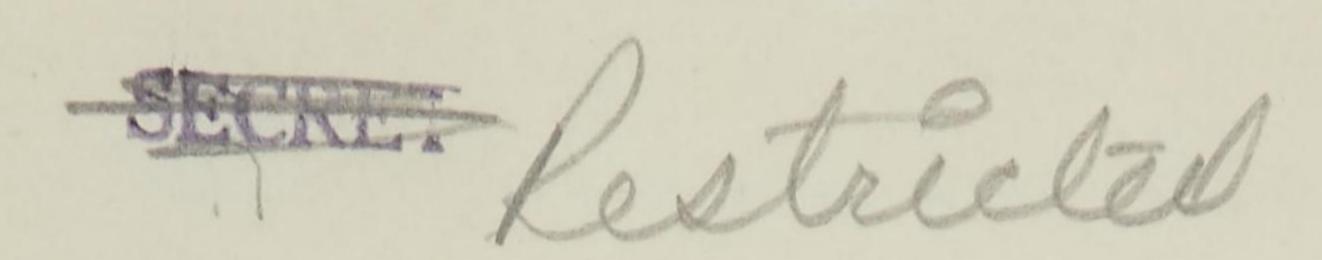
- 1. FEAF msgform 4126, A-3 Plans, 27 June 49, forwards information from FAF concerning arrangements made with JAS AMIK for logistic support of Kimpo AF Base Detachment and requests CINCFE take necessary action to secure R & U support from AMIK on a non-reimbursable basis. FAF info indicated that AMIK had requested that A.F. furnish funds for the following:
 - a. Payment of utilities (approx. \$740.00 per mo.)
 - b. Payment of indigenous labor (approx. \$3,500.00 per mo.)
 - c. Payment for steamboiler repairs (annual expense \$3,300.00)

No funds for the above were budgeted by FEAF since there was no FEAF or FEC requirement for an air facility at Kimpo. Funds could only be made available by extraction from some other activity, which is undesirable and difficult due to current fund situation. Since retention of AF Detachment at Kimpo is purely a State Department requirement, it is requested that an agency other than FEAF provide the required logistic support funds.

- 2. CINCFE msg CX 69704, 1 May 49 to D/A referred to D/A msg, 4 Nov 48, subject "Department of State Requirements for Continued Operation of Kimpo Airport," which directed continued operation of Kimpo Airport for the air support of AMIK by USAF until CAA can assume responsibility, and requested all action possible to conclude final arrangements for operation of Kimpo to allow withdrawal of all FEC forces by scheduled date. D/A msg W 90532, 24 June 49, refers to CX 69704 and advises that NME still considering State request that Kimpo operation by AF be continued until 1 Sep 49, or until such earlier date CAA can begin operation. D/A believes State's request will be granted.
- 3. It is considered that neither FEAF nor FEC should bear the costs of this operation. Under the provisions of the Initial Financial and Property Settlement (USAFIK msg ZTFGCG 10561, 12 Sept 48) between the US and ROK, ROK agreed to maintain facilities used by the military until withdrawal without charge to the US. This agreement operates until withdrawal of USAFIK and, due to retention of AF Det., should be continued in full effect as long as AF Det. remains.
- 4. This action points out the above info to AMIK, requests FEAF to continue renegotiation with AMIK in line therewith, and requests D/A concurrance or instructions as to which agency should bear the costs.



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- 5. Action is within established policy.
- 6. Action completed on G-4 Journal No. 85492.

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- l. Per telephone request of Col. Frost, your hed., the summary of plans for logistic support of 6130th ABU at Kimpo Airdrome subsequent to 30 June is submitted. These plans were evolved from a conference between representatives of this hed., 8th Ftr Wg, USAFIK and JAS on 13 June. It should be noted that all phases of support are provided for except:
 - a. Payment of utilities
 - b. Payment of Indigenous Labor
 - c. Payment for steamboiler repair
- d. Payment for emergency hospitalization at Seven Day Adventests Hospital in Seoul.
- e. POL supplies after expiration of present Kosco agreement and use of present POL stockpiles on hand at Kimpo (estimated as 6 months supply).
- 2. Attention is invited to FAF Ltr. of 16 Jun 49, subj; "Reduction of USAF Facilities at Kimpo", to CG 8th Ftr Wg, copy attached. A copy of Subj; letter was forwarded to your hed on 17 June. This letter outlines FAF mission in Korea, personnel allocation for 6130th ABU to accomplish a portion of that mission, services to be supplied to 6130th ABU from FAF sources by airlift, services to be performed by 6130th ABU, and services to be provided by JAS on a non reimbursable basis.
- 3. During the conference JAS was informed that no funds were available in FAF for payment of services outlined in para la thru c. JAS in turn informed FAF that they had no such funds and further that no agreement for supply of such services by Korean Government would be initiated without approval of the State Department in Washington. Their estimates of the time required to negotiate such an agreement were from 1 to 3 months.
- 4. Upon return to this headquarters the FAF representatives reviewed the situation and forwarded FAF radio cite BFO-123 to your headquarters requesting availability of funds for services outlined in para la thru c above. Telephone conversation between BFO this headquarters and FEAF BFO indicated funds would be available but your radio cite 2700 BF-Comp has since been received stating that funds will not be allocated at the present time.
- 5. Telecon with CO, 6130th ABU on 22 June indicates that arrangements are progressing satisfactorily in regard to Korean Security Forces furnishing guards for 6130th ABU. Your headquarters will be notified upon completion of these arrangements.

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- 6. Ref. CINCFE radio cite CX 50470: necessary arrangements could not be reached with JAS on following support for following reasons.
- a. Class I rations JAS Commissary is a non-appropriated fund activity and prices will be higher than normal ration in order to support the activity as well as pay transportation costs. At least 3 months non-perishable class I is now on hand at Kimpo due to transfer of rations by USAFIK. Perishables will be airlifted from Itazuke.
 - b. R&U reasons listed in para 3 above.
- c. Shop maintenance on vehicles JAS garage in Seoul is a nonappropriated fund activity therefore non-reimbursable basis could not be
 supported. It is planned that vehicular maintenance beyond the capabilities
 of 6130th ABU will be evacuated to Japan by Water shipment.
- 7. Request instructions on any further action to be taken by this headquarters in regard to above listed unsettled logistic problems.
- 1 Incl: Hq, FAF Ltr, subj: "Reduction of USAF Activities at Kimpo" dtd 16 Jun 49. to CG, 8th Ftr Wg.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIFTH AIR FORCE
APO 710

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16 June 49

SUBJECT: Reduction of USAF Activities at Kimpo

TO: Commanding General
8th Fighter Wing
Itazuke Air Force Base
APO 929

- 1. Effective 1 July 1949 the mission of Fifth Air Force in Korea is changed. That mission will be three fold; will be carried out and is delegated as indicated:
- a. The 6130th Air Base Unit will be charged with the mission of keeping Kimpo Airdrome open to air traffic in accordance with minimum CAA standards. To effect this mission the 6130th Air Base Unit and associated AACS and Weather personnel will operate at Kimpo the following:
 - (1) Control Tower
 - (2) Base operations (including AACS point to point)
 - (3) Weather service
 - (4) Low frequency homer
 - (5) AVGAS refueling facility
- b. The 8th Fighter Wing will be charged with the mission of keeping 1 C-47 aircraft on call at Itazuke for such flying as the Commanding General of KMAG may direct. It is anticipated that the flying will constitute 2 ration flights per week within Korea and will consume approximately 15 hours flying time per week.
- c. The 374th Troop Carrier Wing will operate two scheduled courier flights into and out of Kimpo each week (Trip 602 603). These flights will be from Tachikawa to Itazuke to Kimpo to Itazuke to Tachikawa. Commanding General, 374th Troop Carrier Wing will publish a revised courier schedule to include this change from present Kimpo Courier Schedule.

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- 2. In order to accomplish the mission of keeping open a terminal in Korea the 6130th Air Base Unit will be authorized a Table of Distribution (copy attached) of 3 officers and 32 airmen. It is anticipated that this number will be augmented by 1 officer and 1 airman of the 20th Weather Squadron and 1 officer and 14 airmen of the 1809th AACS Group. This will leave a total of 52 Air Force personnel in Korea.
- 3. To accomplish the mission of keeping a C-47 aircraft on call at Itazuke the 8th Fighter Wing will receive 2 C-47 aircraft from Kimpo on or about 1 July. The 8th Air Base Group flight section will be augmented by 1 air crew and 2 ground crews capable of organizational maintenance (list of T/Ds personnel attached).
- 4. Primary difficulties thus far encountered in planning the operation as outlined in paragraph 2 above have been those of logistic support to the 6130th Air Base Unit. Representatives from this headquarters and 8th Fighter Wing conferred with USAFIK AC/S, G-4 and the Director of JAS (Joint Administrative Services) in Seoul on 13 June. JAS is a State Department organization which will furnish logistic support to all of AMIK (American Mission in Korea) upon departure of USAFIK on 30 June 1949. JAS has no funds for support of Air Force activities, therfore the 6130th cannot expect support from JAS except on a reimbursable basis or as outlined herein. It was determined at the conference on 18 June that:
 - a. The 6130th will be supported by air from Itazuke for all of the following services:
 - (1) Class I (Perishables) CO Kimpo indicated on 13 June that there were 6 months Class I non-perishables on hand at present.
 - (2) Class 2 and 4
 - (3) Class 16
 - (4) Ordnance
 - (5) Finance
 - (6) Laundry
 - (7) Clothing and Equipment Repair
 - (8) Normal hospitalization (118th Station Hospital or 49th General Hospital)

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- b. The 6130th will perform the following services:
 - (1) Motor transportation and maintenance
 - (2) Communications (except Washington Trunk Line furnished by JAS)
 - (3) Food Service
 - (4) Supervision of guards
 - (5) Supervision of indigenous labor
- c. The JAS will perform the following services for 6130th:
 - (1) Bus service between Kimpo and Seoul (non-reimbursable)
 - (2) Dispensary services in Seoul (non-reimbursable)
 - (3) Maintenance of real estate records of Kimpo (non-reimbursable)
- agreement with the Korean Security Forces. USAFIK favored this system and stated that they will help CO Kimpo Air Force Base negociate such an agreement thru KMAG (Korean Military Advisory Group). They anticipate no difficulty in this matter and have asked CO Kimpo Air Force Base to present his plan for guards on such a basis to them prior to 19 June 1949.
- e. It is as yet undecided who will furnish the following services. JAS has no funds with which to pay the Korean government and 5th Air Force. has no funds for such payment. Although JAS and 5th Air Force both think that such expenses should be borne by the Korean Government there is not enough time between now and I July to complete negotiations with the Korean Government. In fact, JAS and AMIK will not attempt such negotiations without prior approval of the State Department in Washington. This head-quarters is querying FEAF concerning the availability of funds for these payments.
 - (1) Payment of utilities (approximately \$740.00 per month)
 - (2) Payment of Indigenous labor (approximately \$3500.00 per month)
 - (3) Payment for steamboiler repairs (annual expense \$3300.)

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- (4) Payment for emergency hospitalization at the 7 day Adventests Hospital in Seoul.
- (5) POL contract (CO Kimpo Air Force Base states that he presently has on hand 6 months supply of class 3 and class 3A, it is anticipated that Kosco will be out of business in the near future and if the USAF facility at Kimpo is continued beyond the capability of present stock pile of POL it will be necessary to negotiate a new POL agreement.
- 5. It is anticipated that CAA or some other agency acceptable to them will take over operation of the terminal facilities at Kimpo within the next 3 to 6 months, however it will be necessary to plan for the 6130th to remain at Kimpo throughout the winter until firm CAA take-over date has been set.
- 6. Effective upon receipt of this letter all personnel in 6130th Air Base Unit are frozen. Any personnel transfers into or out of the 6130th Air Base Unit will receive prior concurrence of this headquarters. As personnel are made excess to the needs of the 6130th Air Base Unit they will be reported to this headquarters who will in turn issue transfer instructions. Every effort will be made to reduce the strength of the 6130th Air Base Unit to 3 officers and 30 airmen on or shortly after 30 June 1949.
- Q. At the visit to the 6130th Air Base Unit on 13 June 1949 it was decided that an immediate reduction in the total number of vehicles at Kimpo would be made. A list of 47 vehicles was left with CO Kimpo Air Force Base for immediate preparation for shipment to Japan. Further instructions will be forthcoming concerning those particular vehicles. In general, all supplies and equipment not required for operation of 6130th Air Base Unit after reduction to new T/D strength will be immediately processed for shipment back to Japan. All such items which are excess to the needs of the 8th Fighter Wing will be reported to this headquarters, who will issue disposition instruction. Requests for water transportation and special airlift to reduce backlog of excess items at Kimpo will be referred to this Headquarters, attention A-4 Transportation.

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8. Any special problems concerning reduction of activities at Kimpo Air Force Base will be referred at once to this Headquarters.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL PARTRIDGE:

JACK C. BERGER
Lt Colonel, USAF
Actg Asst C/S, A-3

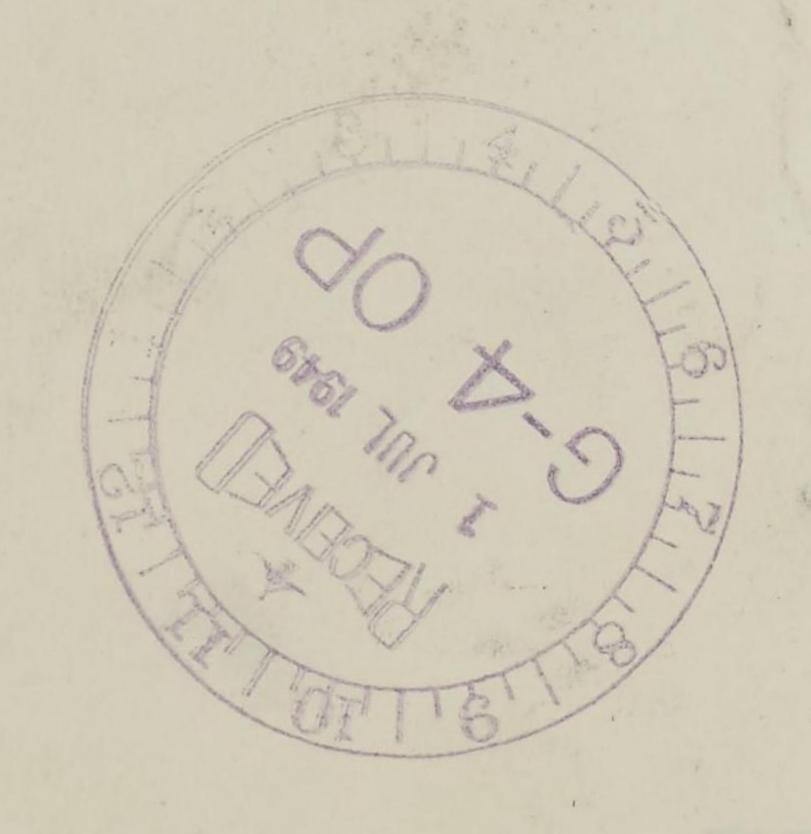
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TO : CINCFF

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Operation Kimpo Airfield Korea is subject. Reurad TX 60704 of 2 May and ourad WX 88583 of 12 May, this is second interim reply. AF decision not finalized. NME still considering State request that Kimpo operation by AF be continued until 1 Sep 40 or until such earlier date, can begin operation. Believed here States request will be granted. You will be notified soonest.

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GD P&P HCG/hv 1 July 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Operation of Kimpo Airfield, Korea

- 1. References are:
 - a. CX 69704, 2 May 49. b. WX 88583, 12 May 49.
- 2. Ref la is a Top Secret radio and will not be quoted or paraphrased here.
- 3. Ref lb is a radio from DA referenced in action radio. Search in files reveals no radio of this number or date that relates to this action or subject.
- 4. Ref la and instant radio indicatés no action, however second reference may.
 - 5. In the interim no action is indicated or necessary.
 - 6. Within policy.
 - 7. Informal concurrence G-4 Operations (Lt. Col. Wilson).
 - 8. Completes action on G-4 Journal #85366.

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OPERATIONS DIVISION, G-4

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

GD OP-JFS/NMW/dar 28 May 1949

Subject: Logistic Support for Kimpo Air Detachment Subsequent to 30 June 49

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- 4. Recommend approval and return to Operations for obtaining formal concurrence of FEAF, preparation in final form and dispatch.
 - 5. Within established policy.
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References: (a) CX 69793, 1 May 49; (b) CX 69704,

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- c. Emergency flights to Kimpo or to other open fields within Korea in support of KMAG will be made on call.

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Radio: CINCFE to CG USAFIK; info, CG FEAF, CO Kimpo Air Force Base (contd)

Part III. Desired you obtain necessary security guards for installation from Korean Govt by negotiations through AMIK.

Part IV. Following data furnished connection logistic support Air Detachment.

- a. Class I rations to be purchased by Kimpo from JAS commisprovided FEAF can make necessary funding arrangements with DAF sary | Messes will be operated by Kimpo personnel. FEAF arranging necessary funding with DAF on basis similar that for KMAG personnel.
- b. Class II and IV supplies needed for support of the Air Detachment proper will be provided by FEAF.
- c. Class III supplies will be obtained on present FEAF contract with KOSCO, or similar arrangements by FEAF.
- d. R & U support for Kimpo airfield and for housing of air deshould
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- e. Shop maintenance on vehicles and equipment beyond capabilishould
 ties air detachment to be assumed by AMIK on non-reimbursable basis.
 - f. Medical support to be provided by FEAF.

Part V. Direct communication on details between CG USAFIK and CO Kimpo authorized. FEAF concurs in above.

OFFICIAL:

APPROVED:

R. M. LEVY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

H. E. EASTWOOD

Colonel, GSC

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4

Concurrence:

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G-4 OPERATIONS DIVISION

GD OP-JFS/NMW/nm 26 May 1949

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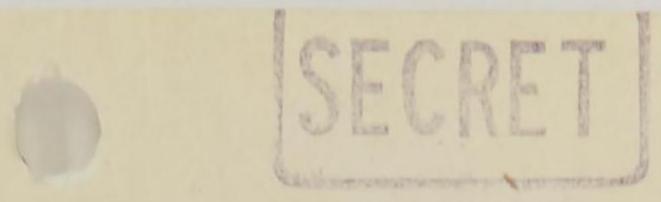
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4

General Headquarters, Far East Command

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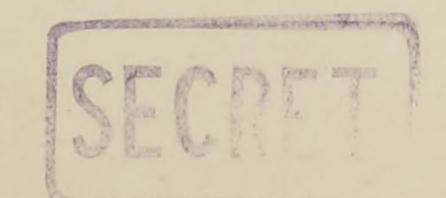
Draft radio to USAFIK re Logistic Support

of Kimpo after 30 June 1949

Attached is a draft of a proposed radio to USAFIK incorporating changes believed desirable by FEAF.

MAWRANCE O. BROWN Colonel, USAF Acting Asst. C/S, A-3

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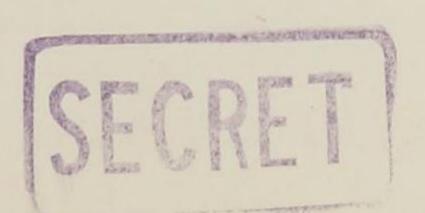
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Operation Kimpo Airfield Korea is subject. Reurad OX 60704 of 2 May and ourad WX coses of 12 May, this is second interim reply. AF decision not finalized. NME still considering State request that Kimpo operation by AF be continued until 1 Sep 40 or until such earlier date, can begin operation. Believed here States request will be granted. You will be notified soonest.

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ACTION : G-4

INFORMATION: COMMANDER IN CHIEF, CHIEF OF STAFF, G-3, DIPLOMATIC

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NOTE: Duty officer Comm Center states this message correct as received.

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G-4 OPERATIONS DIVISION

15 June 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

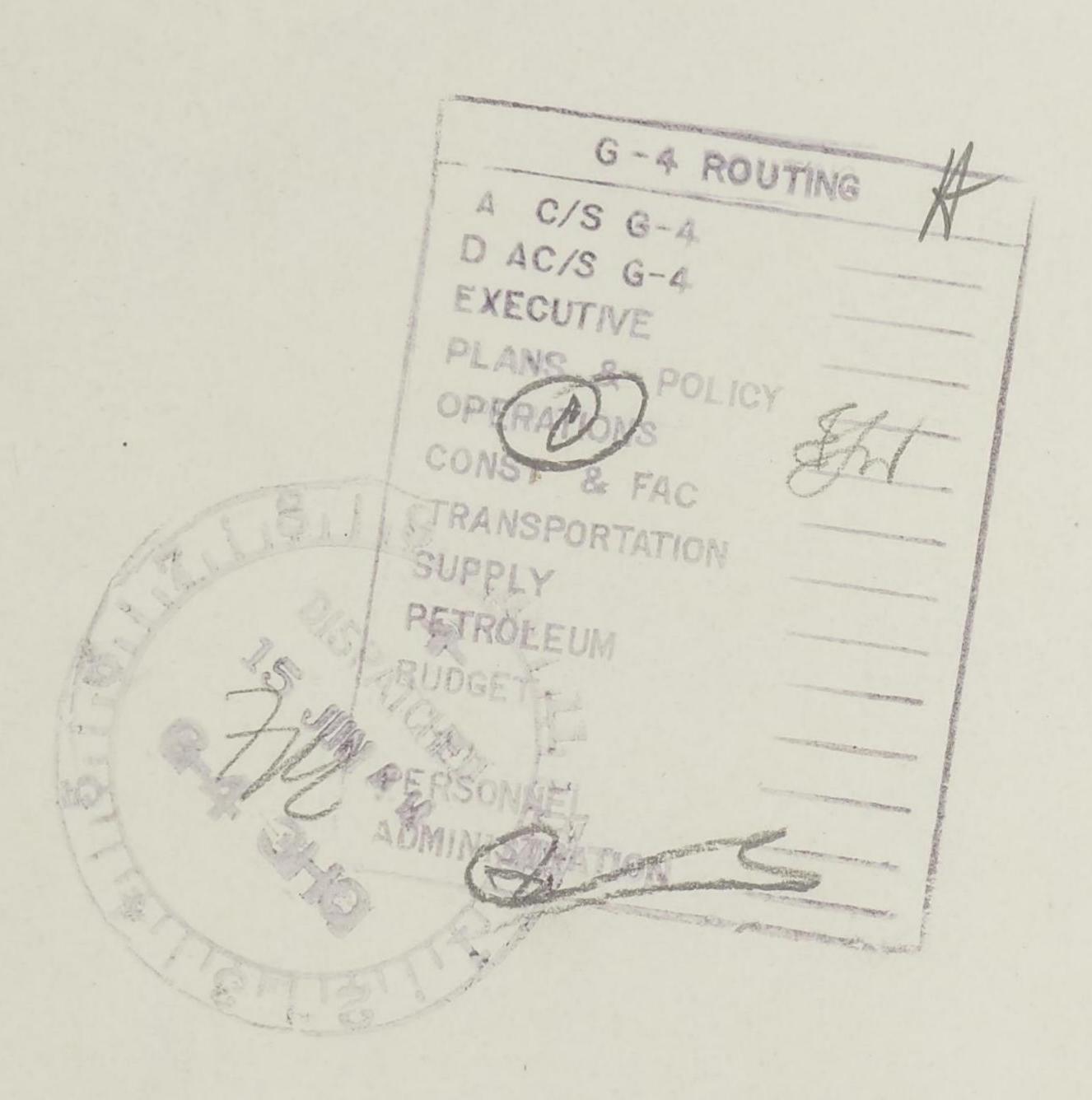
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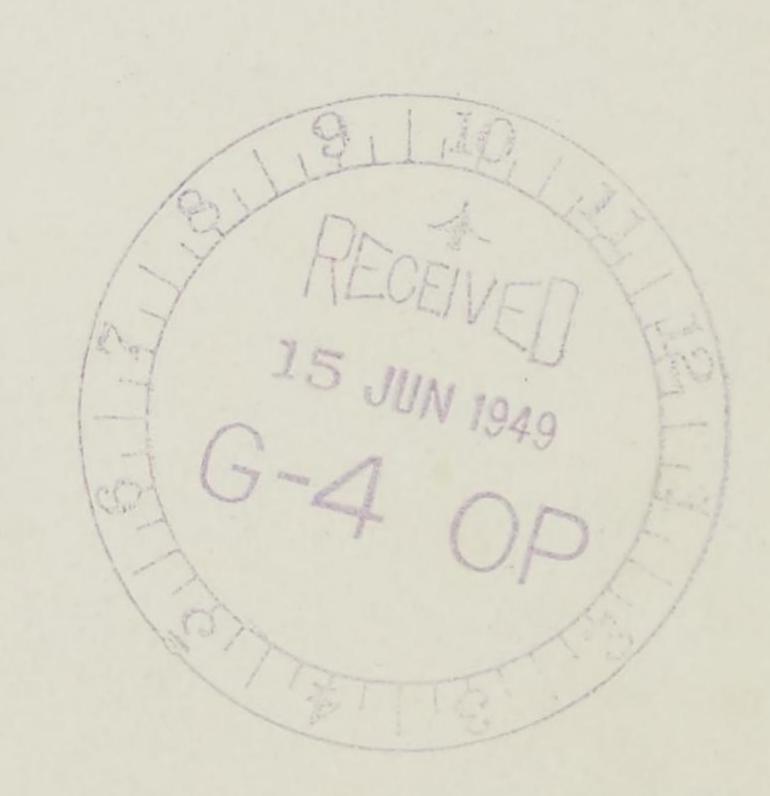
- 1. C/N (1) subject as above, 11 June 49 informed the C/S of the situation regarding agreement with AMIK for support of the Kimpo AF Base and advised that further info would be furnished upon action of FEAF (Col Brown). C/S noted C/N and returned to G-4.
 - 2. No further action considered necessary at this time.
 - 3. Action is within established G-4 policy.
- 4. Action completed on G-4 Journal No. 84655. C/N retained in Opns Division for follow-up and additional report.

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Logistic Support for Kimpo Air Force Base

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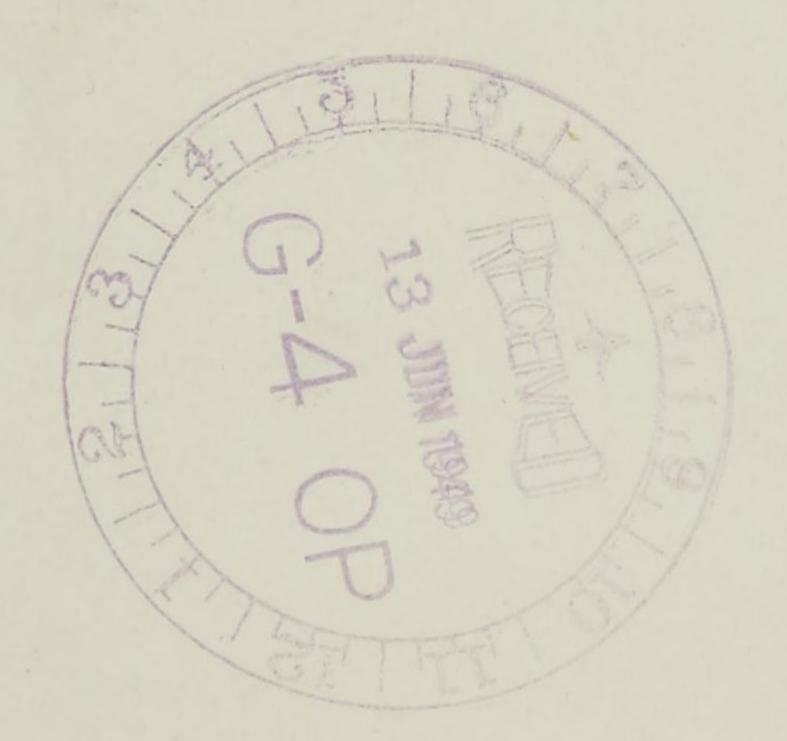
with reference to the statement that there is a lack of agreement concerning the cost to be borne by AMIH, the following information is furnished.

- 2. There appears to be only two items on which there is a disagreement namely repairs and utilities (Para IV, A, Part 1) and motor vehicle maintenance (Para IV, F, Part 1).
- 3. A-3 FRAF (Col Brown) advises that a team of 5th Air Force Officers will proceed to Korea, Monday, 13 June 49 to finalize agreement. He is of the opinion that the reason for disagreement stems from a misunderstanding as to the reduction that will be made in the strength of the Kimpo Detachment, and that when the reduced requirements are presented to AMIK that the two points of disagreement will be settled in complete consonance with policy enunciated in Part 4 curmsg CK 50470 (Incl 2).
- 4. With reference to Para IV, A, Part 1, Repairs and Utilities (Incl 1) A-3 FEAF (Col Brown) further advises that understanding is that while the actual maintenance of Kimpo Airfield should be by the Korean Government as arranged by AMIK the provision of R&U support for the air detachment without reimbursement is the responsibility of AMIK.

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G-4 OPERATIONS DIVISION

GD OP-JFS/EFW/nm

11 June 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Subject: Logistic Support for Kimpo Air Force Base.

- 1. C/S memorandum 9 June 49 forwards USAFIK Msg ZGDSE 429, which noted lack of agreement concerning cost to be borne by AMIK, with the query "If they (AMIK) do not, who does" thereon.
- 2. This action advises C/S that action being taken by 5th AF should settle disagreement in complete consonance with ourmsg CX 50470.
 - 3. Action is within established G-4 policy.
 - 4. Action completed on G-4 Journal No. 84436.

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CINCFE FROM: CG USAFIK ROUTIME TO :

CG FEAF ROUTIME (COURIER)

CG FIFTH AIR FORCE ROUTINE

COKIPO AIR FORCE BASE ROUTINE

CX 504/0 Subj is logistic support for Kimpo Air Force Base after 30 June 49. References: (a) CX 69703, 1 May 49; (b) CX 69704, 1 May 49. This radio in 5 parts.

Part 1. Indications are that CAA will not be in position to assume responsibility for operation Kimpo for some time after 30 June 49. Following info furnished you in connection with arrangements directed by reference A.

Part 2. (a) Subsequent to 30 June bending assumption responsibility by CAA, Kimpo airfield will be maintained in accordance with minimum standards established by CAA for operation of civil air stations. (b) To provide support for KMAG and 6130 Air Base Unit, 2 courier flights will be made weekly from Japan to Kimoo. Normal priorities will apoly. (c) Emergency flights to Kimoo or to other open fields within Korea in support of KMAG will be made on call. :

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support to be provided by FEAF, except in emergency when KNAG will render assistance within their capabilities.

Part 5. Direct communication on details between COMGEN USAFIK and COMGEN Fifth Air Force authorized. FEAF concurs in above.

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Colonel, AGD
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Colonel, GSC

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AG 452 Opns-3

2d Ind

Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, APO 925

To: Commander-in-Chief, Far Mast, APO 500

1. Retention of GCA facilities at Kimpo Air Force Base is not considered operationally sound as stated in Memorandum for the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, GHQ, FEC, Subject: "Maintenance of Facilities at Kimpo Air Force Base," dated 28 January 1949, from Assistant Chief of Staff, A-3, Far East Air Forces.

2. VAF/DF will remain operational at Kimpo Air Force Base nding and change in operational commitment.

A C/S G-4 DAC/S &-4 EXECUTIVE

-FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

To J. BROGAN Colonel, USAN, ADJUTANT GEORGE

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST COMMAND, APO 500 1 MAR 49

To: Commanding General, United States Army Forces in Korea, APO 235

1. Confirming telephone conversation, 29 January 1949, between Brigadier General Maris, Ge3 General Headquarters and Colonel Collier, Chief of Staff your headquarters, the requested retention of GCA installation at Kimpo Air Force Base cannot be favorably considered.

2. With regard to the retention of VHF Direction Finder Installation at Kimpo Air Force Base, your attention is invited to par 2, preceding 2d Indorsement.

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HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES IN HORSEA APO 235

TFGOT 452

24 January 1949

SURJECT: Retention of GCA and WHF Direction Finder Installations at Kimpo Air Force Base, Korea.

To: Commander in Chief.

Far East.

APO 500

- 1. In view of the very limited landing facilities in Korea and the mission assigned to this Command, it is requested that necessary action be taken to insure the retention of the present Ground Control Approach and VHF Direction Finder installations at Kimpo Air Force Base. Should be weather coincide with any period of emergency, always imminent in this command, the essential emergency air supply, evacuation, cover, etc., would be inoperable and hence our ability to perform our primary mission would be seriously impaired, if not made impossible.
- 2. a. During the past year, there have been 1,598 GGA runs made at Kimpo; an average of approximately 140 runs per month. Of these 1,698 GGA runs, 252 were tactical, i.e., made necessary by weather conditions. There have also been made an average of approximately 500 D/F stears per month. These D/F stears are particularly necessary at Kimpo due to the Base's proximity to the 380 North Parallel, flying over and beyond which might be particularly dangerous and certainly contrary to all current instructions.
- b. With only Low Prequency Homing Station Equipment at Kimpo, the minimum weather requirement for safe approaches and landings is a 1,500 foot ceiling, together with three miles horizontal visibility. With GCA, safe approaches and landings can be made with a 1,00-foot ceiling, plus only one mile visibility. Instrument conditions, i.e., ceiling less than 1,500 feet and/or visibility less than three miles, prevail approximately sixty hours per month at Kimpo. Night approaches and landings, whenever the runway lights are out due to power shortages, equipment failure, and other causes, are also made possible by GGA.
- 3. Other considerations justifying the necessity for retaining our present GCA and D/F equipment are:

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- a. Any short or prolonged periods of instrument weather would interfere with routine courier service with FMC, delay official and personal mail service, preclude emergency medical air evacuation, and would ground staff and command personnel during possibly critical periods.
- b. Any removal of GOA and/or D/F equipment will meet with the strenuous objection of Northwest Airlines, our only commercial contact with China, Japan, and the United States. Such a situation could possibly result in Northwest's abandoning their schedule here.
- C. It is anticipated that in the near future the Air Force Attache and the United States Navy will each have a plane based at and operating out of Kimpo. These planes will also be dependent on the continued operation of the local GCA and D/F equipment.

/s/ W. L. Roberts
W. L. RODERTS
Brigadier General, U. S. Army
Commanding

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AG 373.2 (24 Jan 49)GD

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST COMMAND, APO 500 31 JAN 49

To: Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, APO 925

Inasmuch as the facilities referred to in the basic communication are under control of the Air Forces, request comments and recommendations regarding their retention at Kimpo Air Force Base.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MACARTHUR:

J. M. EBBITT, Captain, AGD, Asst Adj Gen.

G-40136251

OPERATIONS DIVISION, G-4

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

GD OP-JFS/JBR/GWM/epv 17 February 1949

SUBJECT: Retention of GCA and VHF Direction Finder Installations at Kimpo Air Force Base. (Ref G-4 Journal No. 76374.)

- 1. By letter, subject as above, dated 24 Jan 49, CG, USAFIK, requested that present GCA and VHF/DF facilities be retained at Kimpo.
- 2. Since FEAF has complete responsibility for the operation of Kimpo, the basic request was forwarded by indorsement to FEAF requesting comment and recommendation (see ref G-4 Journal No).
- 3. By 2nd Ind dated 14 Feb 49, FEAF returned the correspondence to GHQ advising that retention of the GCA installation is not operationally sound, and that the VHF/DF facility will remain at Kimpo. FEAF Ind refers to a memo dated 28 Jan 49 from A-3 FEAF, to G-3 GHQ, which presented in detail the reasons for the decision to remove the GCA.
- 4. The memo from FEAF referred to in par 3 above (attached) states that due to the small number of landings at Kimpo, the GCA (ground) crew does not get enough practice to maintain the degree of proficiency required by Air Force regulations. Further, that the aids at Kimpo are the same as those at most other airfields in the FEC. G-3 C/N(1) to C/S dated 28 Jan 49 (attached) states in par 3 that General Whitehead made the decision to remove the GCA equipment from Kimpo. G-3's M/R to C/N referred to above states that the C/S directed G-3 to inform CG USAFIK by phone of the decision. G-3 (General Maris) advised that he called Colonel Collier (C/S USAFIK) at 1500, 28 Jan 49 and told him of the above decision.
 - 5. This 3rd Ind to USAFIK is self-explanatory.
 - 6. Within established G-4 policy.
 - 7. Action completed on G-4 Journal No. 77488.

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Concurrence:

G-3 (Lt.Col. Haycraft)

G-4 P&P (Col. Rash)

GENERAL "FADQUARTERS SCAP & FEC

FROM: AGXSCARXUDILX

Date 1 March 1949

AG FEC Unit

TO:

G-4

The following discrepancies have been noted in the attached correspondence:

Paragraph 1 in part should read:

"Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, General Headquarters, Far East Command"



Corrections have been made in AG Section and correspondence dispatched.

Request that necessary correction be made and correspondence returned to AG Section, with this routing slip attached.

(If corrective action indicated is not clear, call XSCAPX OUNT 26-5673; FEC Unit 26-5675.)

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Subject: Kimoo Air Force Base, Korea EXECUTIVE PLANS & POLICY SUPPLY PETROLEUM BUDGET PERSONNEL

Ltr, Hq USAFIK, TFGCT 452 dtd 24 Jan 49.

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AG 333 (24 Jan 49)GD

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST COMMAND APO 500 31 JAN 49

Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, APO 925

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BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MACARTHUR:



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OPERATIONS DIVISION, G-4

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

GD OP-JFS/JBR/GWM/vgd 29 January 1949

SUBJECT: Retention of GCA and VHF Direction Finder Installations at Kimpo Air Force Base, Korea.

- 1. By letter, file TFGCT, subject as above, dated 24 Jan 49, CG USAFIK urgently requests that present GCA and VHF D/F facilities be retained at Kimpo. Presented are several cogent considerations supporting the request.
- 2. FEAF A-4 (Capt Lodge) advises that the facilities referred to in the basic letter are Air Forces facilities, and further that present plans call for withdrawal of the last GCA unit in the near future. He recommends that the basic be forwarded to FEAF for comments and recommendations.
- 3. G-3 (Lt Col Warren) advises that FEAF has complete responsibility for the operation of Kimpo, and that the present troop basis is the bare minimum. Any change in plans (such as retention of the requested facilities) might necessitate troop basis changes. In addition CAA may take over operation of the airfield in the near future. He feels that GHQ should indorse the basic to FEAF without expression of CINCFE favor or disfavor requesting recommendations.
 - 4. This 1st Ind to CG FEAF is self-explanatory.
 - 5. Within established G-4 policy.

6. Action complete on G-4 Journal No. 76374. Opns Div follow-up
7 Feb 49.

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G-3 (Lt Col Warren)

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