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DEVELOPMENTS IN
MILITARY SITUATION

EAST-CENTRAL CHINA (24 JAN)

TAB-2

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MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SECTION, GENERAL STAFF

CAW/FBD/DST/llh

SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1400
Date: 24 January 1949

SUBJECT: General Elections

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:
COMMUNISTS MAKE STRONG GAINS

a. According to the box score published on its scoreboard by the "Asahi" at 1300, the fight between the extreme Right and the extreme Left stood as follows:

Democratic-Liberals	152
Democrats	36
Social-Democrats	22
People's Cooperatives	10
Social Renovation Party	2
New Liberal Party	2
Communists	19
Independents	6
Labor-Farmer Party	3

b. Results are being tabulated unusually quickly, and the final result should be in by tonight.

c. Many of the Communists are reported to have received very large votes, and the total of Communist votes cast in the country is expected to be much larger than in 47, when it was 3.4% of the total.

d. Democratic-Liberal gains are substantial and fairly constant and that party is expected to end up with more than 200 seats in the Lower House. The miserable showing of the middle-of-the-road parties----the Social-Democrats and the Democrats ---is attributed to the recent series of scandals and to poor leadership. However, ASHIDA Hitoshi, formerly Premier and president of the Democratic Party, has been reelected on an Independent ticket.

2. Action: None.

a. Following Agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, CIS.

Estimates: 238 absolute majority

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1050
Date: 24 January 1949

SUBJECT: General Elections

TO : Chief of Staff

HEAVY VOTE IS INDICATED

1. Despite pre-election apathy, preliminary counts show a reasonably heavy vote all over the nation, except in Hokkaido, where returns are not yet available. In Tokyo and several other important centers, voting was definitely heavier than in the general elections of 47. Seventeen prefectures polled show a marked increase over 47.

2. The nation showed signs of a sharp split into left and right camps, with the Communists making sharp gains in unexpected places, and the Democratic-Liberal Party, the president of which is the incumbent Premier YOSHIDA, making overwhelming gains on all fronts. The Social-Democrats are making a poor showing, and the Democrats are not much better.

3. Three Communists, from Tottori, Nagano and Shimane Prefectures, already are sure of seats. Principal Communist strongholds in the large cities are not yet reported.

4. NOMIZO Katsu, well-known Left Wing Social-Democratic leader and former Minister Without Portfolio, has been defeated, and his defeat shows the weakness of his party, for he had been a labor leader all his life. Even KATAYAMA Tetsu, head of the party, is not sure of reelection.

5. Women are not doing well at all. YAMASHITA Harue, involved in the IZUMIYAMA scandal in the Diet has been defeated, and KATO Shizue (Mrs.), perhaps Japan's leading woman and wife of the former Labor Minister, may win by only a narrow margin.

6. Preliminary boxscore shows following definitely elected:

Democratic-Liberals	83
Democrats	25
Social-Democrats	11
People's Cooperative	7
Communists	3

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1645
DATE: 23 Jan 49

SUBJECT: Current Developments in the China Situation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Essential Elements of Information:

a. Refer to JUSMAG radio, CYF 058 OAGA (AG NO. 31213), 22 Jan 49 and JUSMAG radio, CYF 057 OAGA (AG NO. 31202), 22 Jan 49.

b. No fighting reported as Communists continue their unopposed advance southward toward the Yangtze River.

c. JUSMAG suspends all activities in Nanking and moving all personnel to Shanghai.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. Peace talks are believed to be adversely affecting the fighting morale of the Nationalist troops and as a consequence the Communist movement toward the Yangtze is considered to be a route march. It is believed that the Communists will move as rapidly as possible to the north bank of the Yangtze to hasten the political settlement of the civil war. It is not felt that any attempt will be made to cross the river until it is certain that a political solution can not be reached.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 0915
DATE: 22 January 1949

SUBJECT: Current Developments in China Situation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Essential Elements of Information:

a. Reference is made to USMILAT, Nanking radio CM-9040 (AG No. 30883), 21 Jan 49.

b. Reliable confidential sources have advised that the Generalissimo announced his resignation as President of China as of 1400 hours 21 Jan and departed Nanking at 1645 hours same date.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. The full significance of the Generalissimo's resignation cannot be determined until further details are known. However, previous indications were that vice president LI Tsung-jen would assume control of the government and attempt to reach an agreement with the Communists. There were also strong indications that the Generalissimo would retire to Canton or Formosa from where he would continue behind the scene control of LI Tsung-jen's government and oppose the formation of any coalition government not satisfactory to him. (G-2 Intell Summary 2313, 8 Jan 49).

3. Action:

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1700
DATE: 21 January 1949

SUBJECT: Current Developments in China Situation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Essential Elements of Information:

a. Reference is made to USMILAT, Nanking radio CM-9035 (AG No. 30511), 20 Jan 49 and JUSMAG, Nanking radio CYF 052 OAGA and CYF 051 OAGB (AG No. 30527 and 30517), 21 Jan 49.

b. Item 1 pertains to North China. Five of Gen LIN Piao's divisions from Tientsin have completed their movements to reinforce NEIH Yung-chen in the Peiping area and continued indescriminate firing of artillery into Peiping has accelerated local peace negotiations. (1)

c. Item 2 pertains to East-Central China. The southward Communist movement is continuing with penetrations well south of the Huai River line. Withdrawing Nationalist forces have arrived on, or are approaching, the north bank of the Yangtze River and withdrawals to the south bank are in progress. Fortifications are being constructed around Shanghai and Nanking. (2)

d. Item 3 indicates that the U.S. Ambassador to China has been officially informed that the Nationalist Government is initiating move from Nanking 21 Jan. (3)

2. G-2 Comment:

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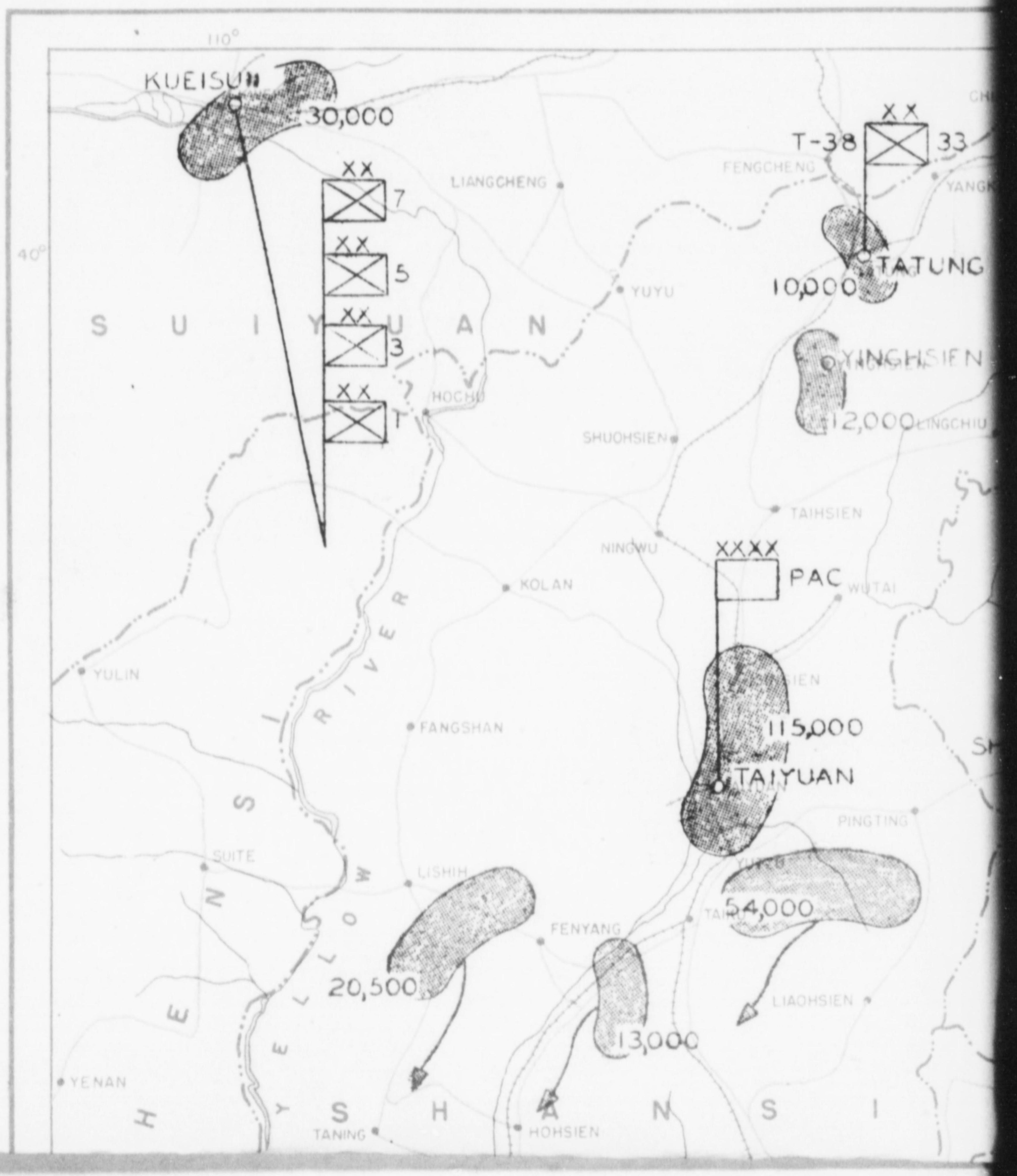

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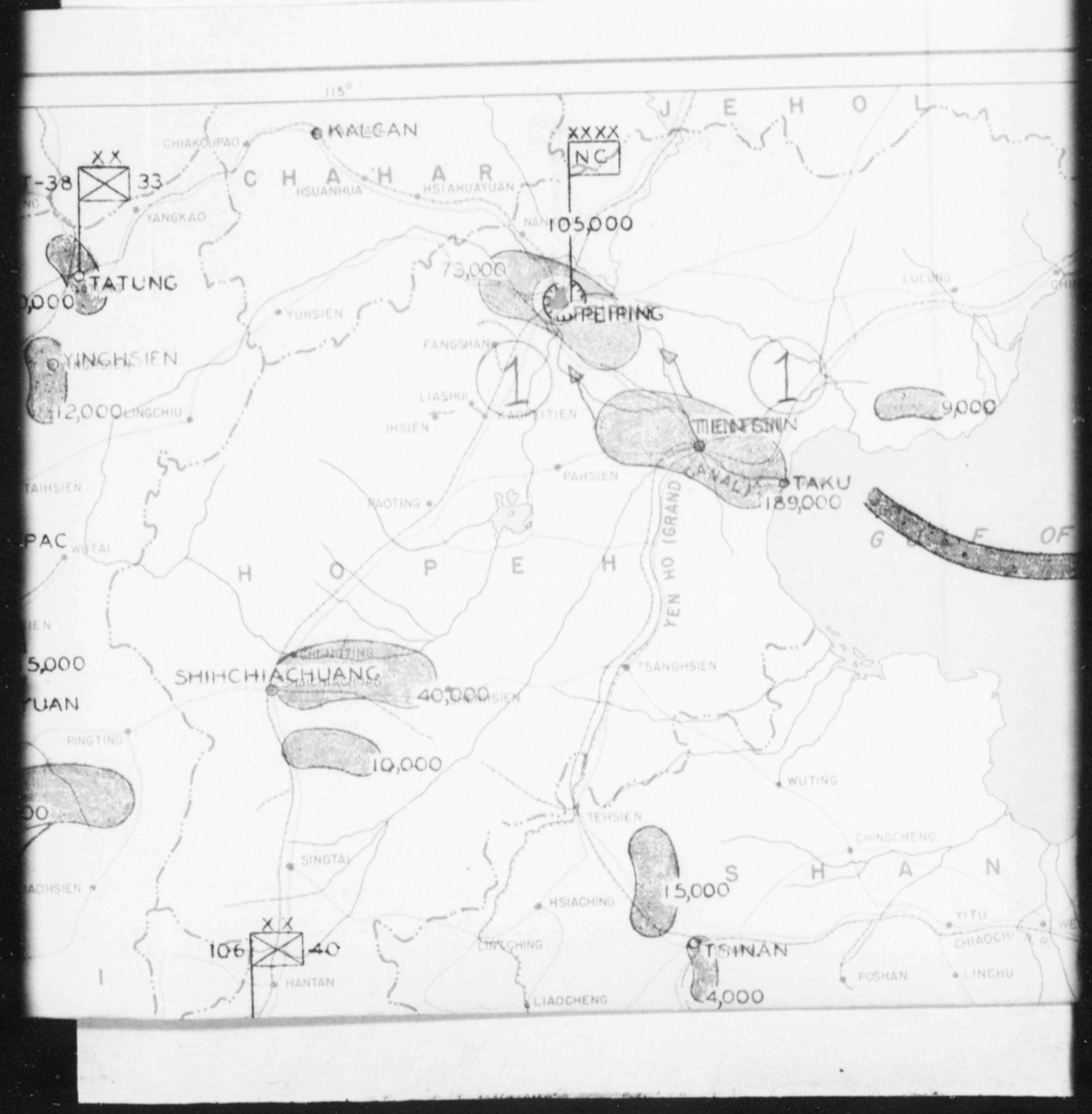

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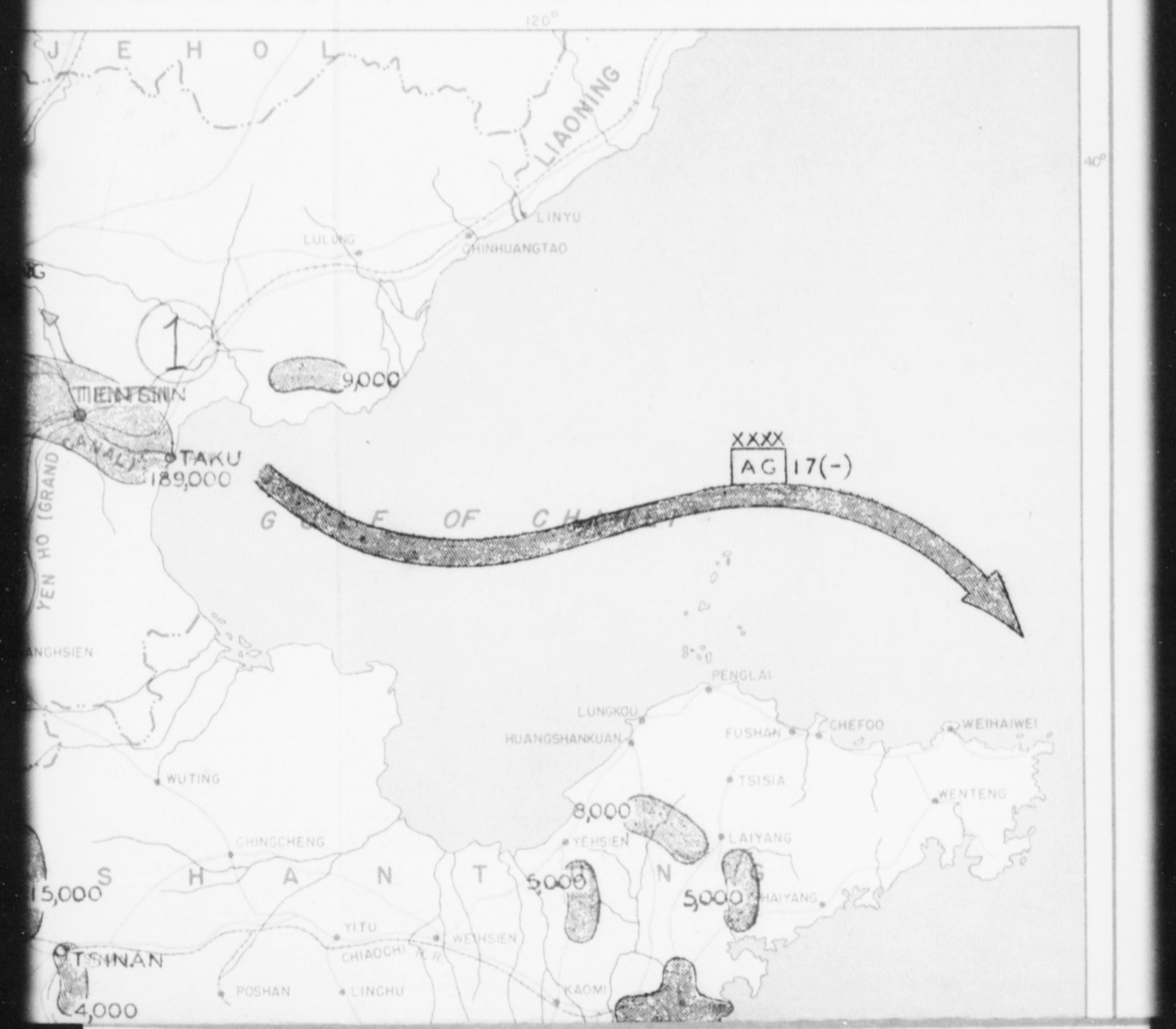

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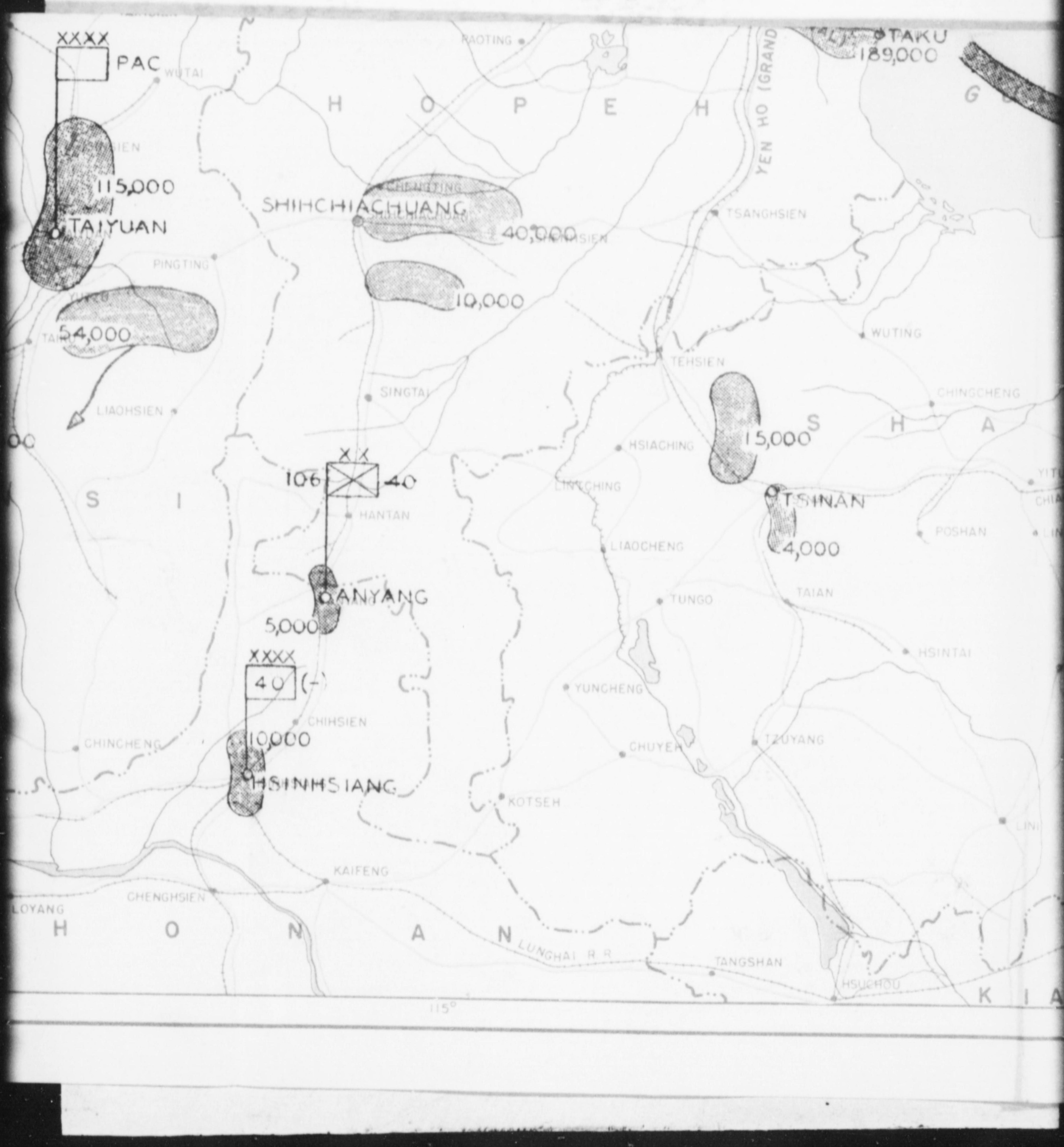

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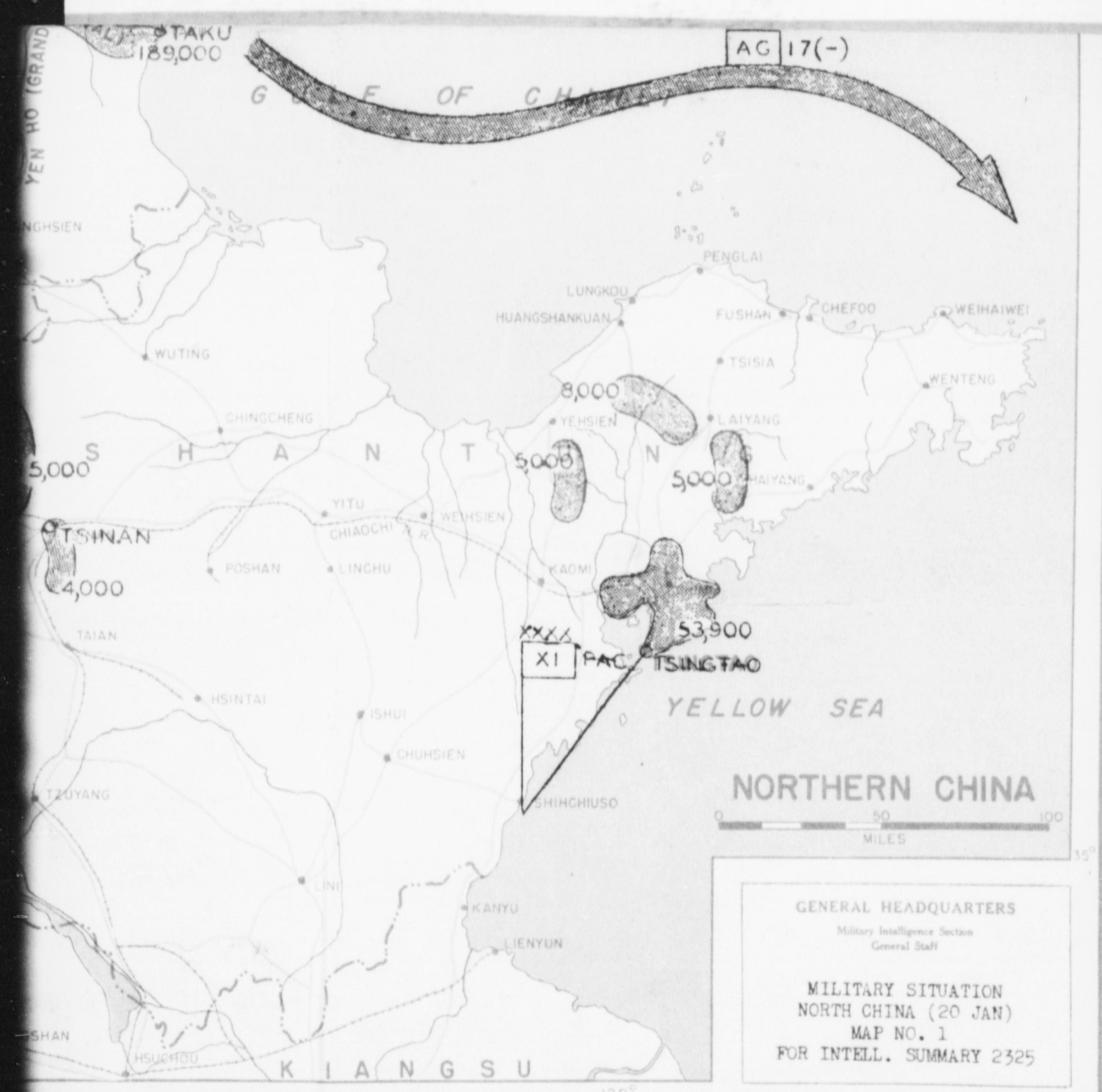

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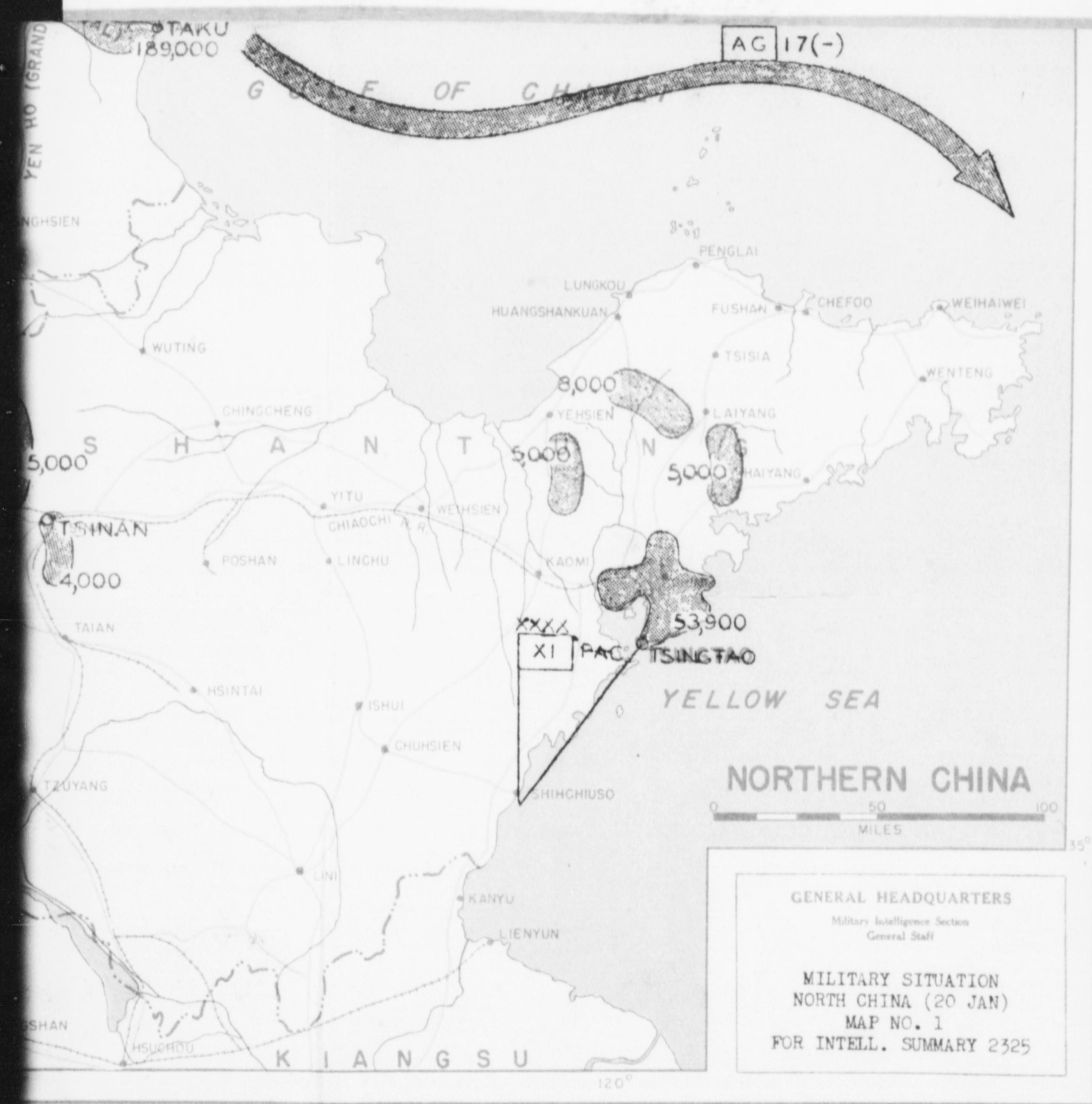

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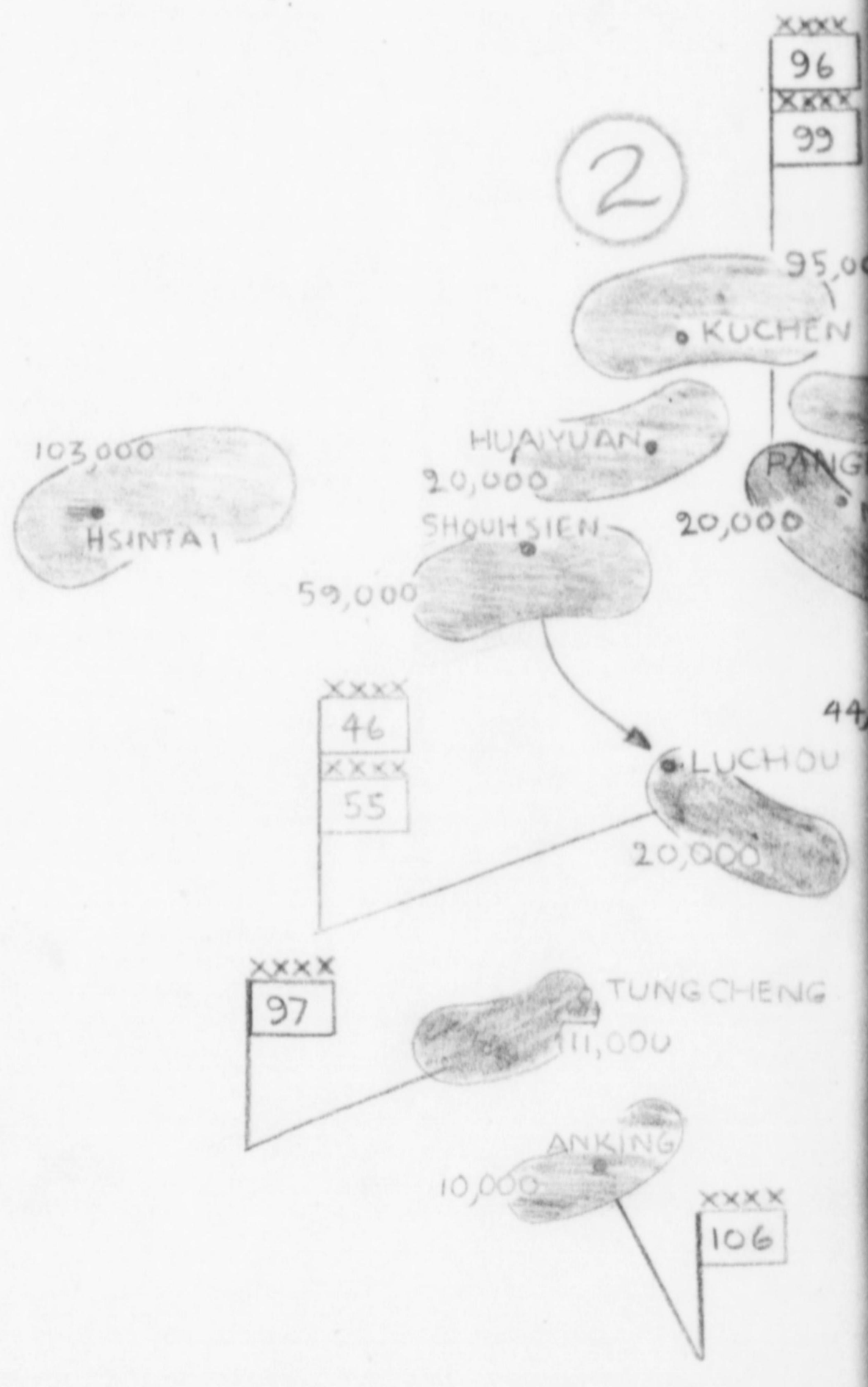

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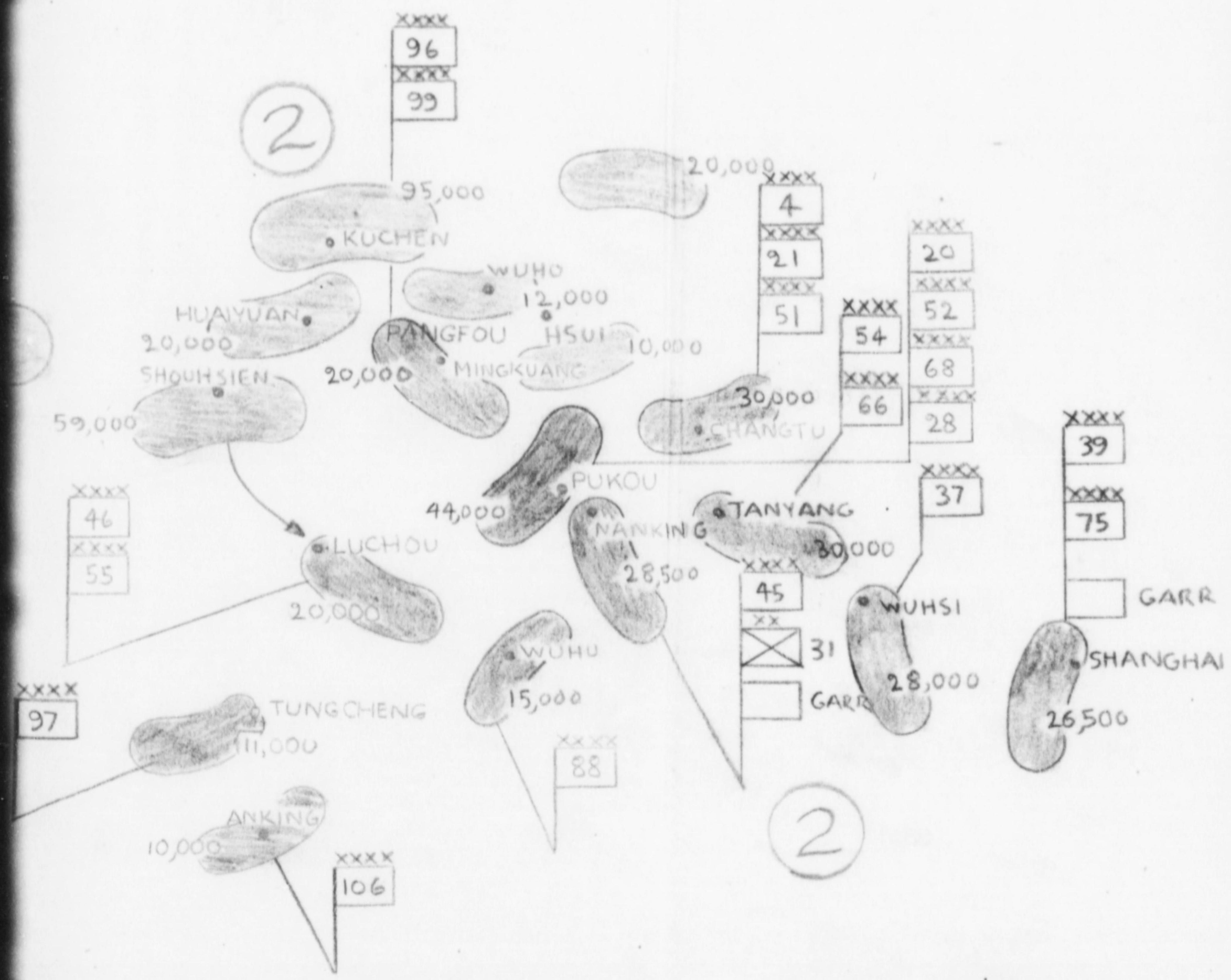

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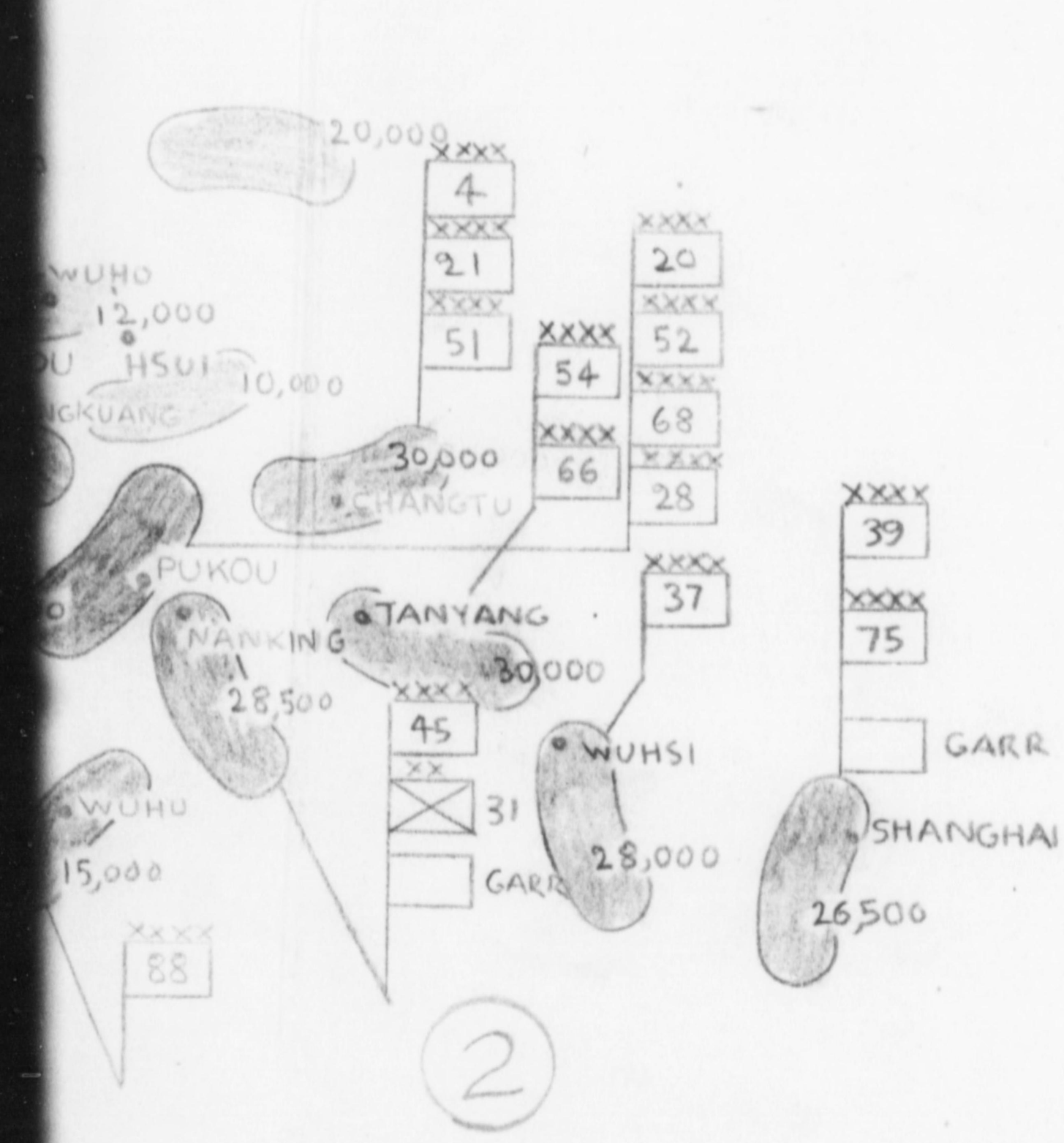

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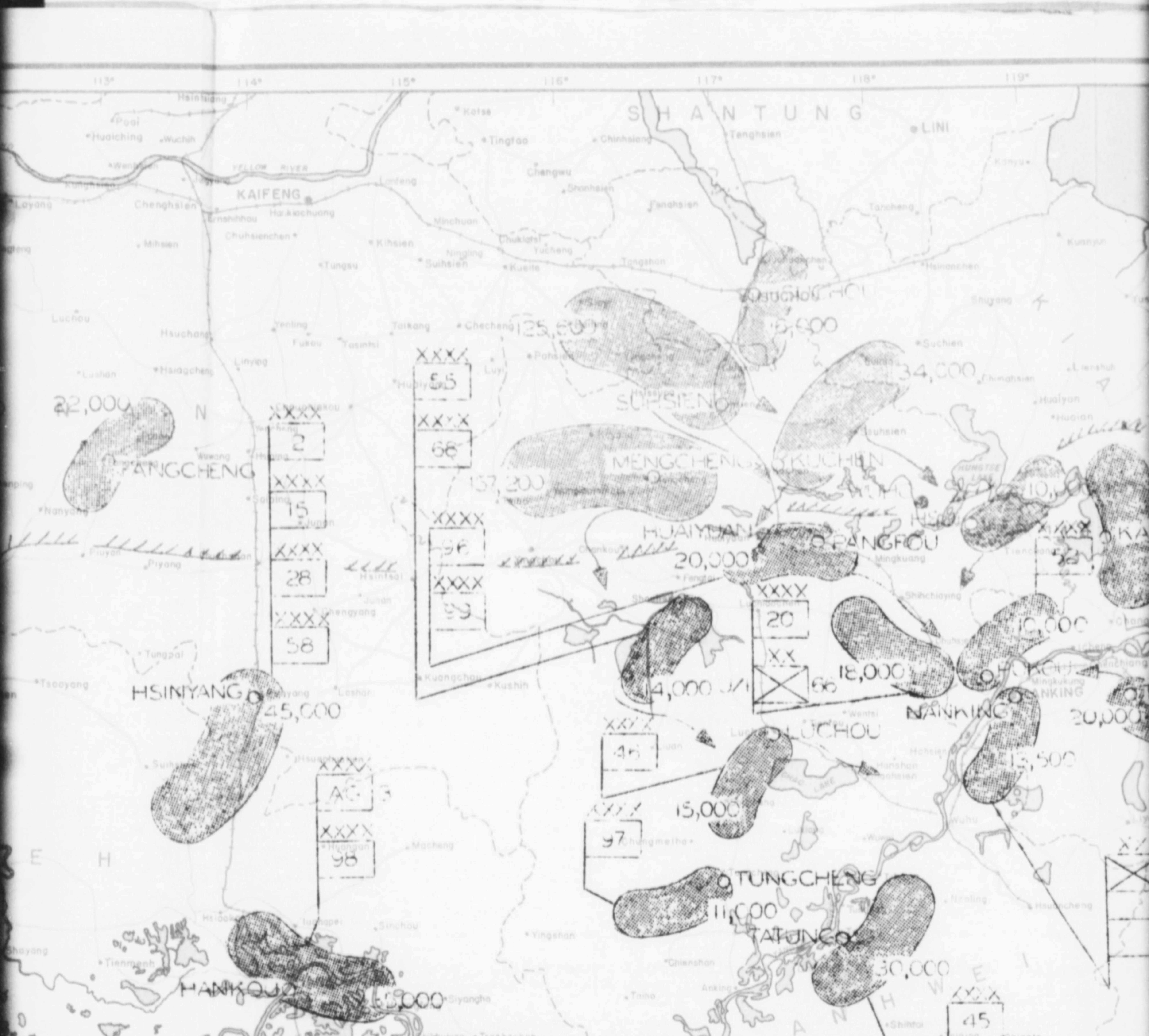

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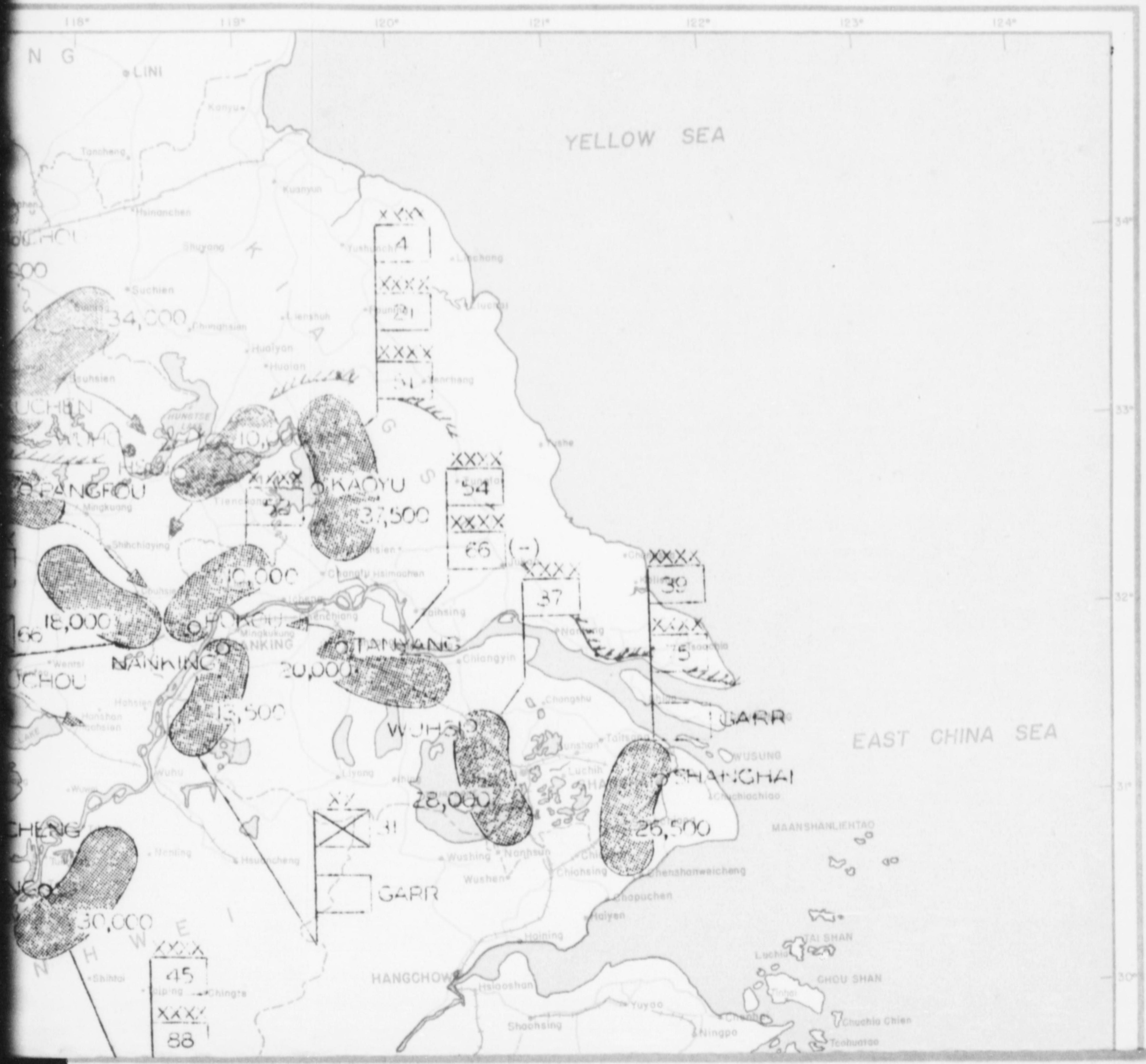

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1100
Date: 21 Jan 49

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SUBJECT: Meeting to be Held at Hibiya Public Hall

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CIC reports that a meeting will be held from 1200 to 1600 hours, today, at Hibiya Public Hall, Tokyo, by the Japan Economic Journal (Nihon Keizei Shimbun) for the purpose of "lecturing on the economic policies of five major political parties". Attendance is estimated at 2,500 people.

b. Subject publication is Japan's foremost economic journal with a nationwide circulation of 340,174 copies daily, and is not affiliated with any one political organization.

2. Action:

a. CIC will observe meeting and any incidents of consequence will be reported.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, G-3, PMO, Tokyo PM, CG Hq & Sv Gp, CI&E, ESS and DS.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

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HOUR: 1700
DATE: 20 January 1949

SUBJECT: Current Developments in China Situation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Essential Elements of Information:

a. Reference is made to AMILAT, Nanking radios CM-9033 and CM-9034 (AG No. 30078 and 30079), 20 Jan 49.

b. Item 1 pertains to North China and confirms the successful evacuation of Nationalist forces from Taku and the movement of Communist forces toward Peiping from the Tientsin-Taku area. The Nationalist G-2 anticipates the fall of Peiping prior to the Chinese New Year, 28 Jan. (1)

c. Item 2 pertains to East-Central China and confirms the general southward movement of CHEN Yi's and LIU Po-cheng's Columns, indicating the Communist move to the Yangtze has started. (2)

d. Item 3 indicates that deterioration of the military situation has accelerated the evacuation of Government departments and officials from Nanking. The Chinese Air Force, already skeletonized, is expected to move to Taipeh, Formosa, before 28 Jan. Generalissimo possibly to depart for Canton within next 10 days.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. With the continued concentration of Communist strength in the Peiping area, the fall of this city appears imminent.

b. Continued progress of the Communist movement toward the Yangtze River is expected to accelerate political developments in Nanking and force an early decision on the part of the Generalissimo and the Nationalist Government.

3. Action:

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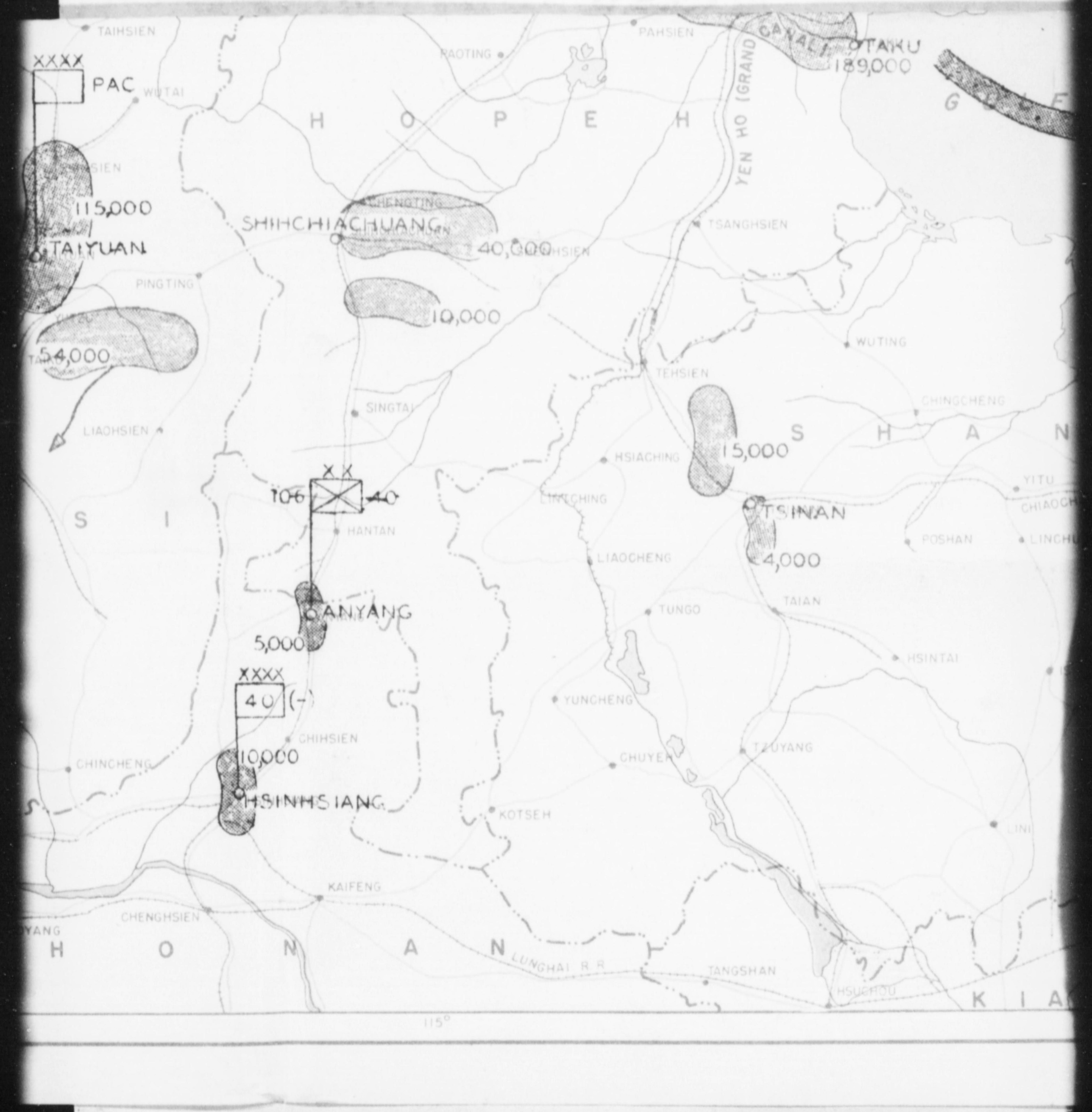

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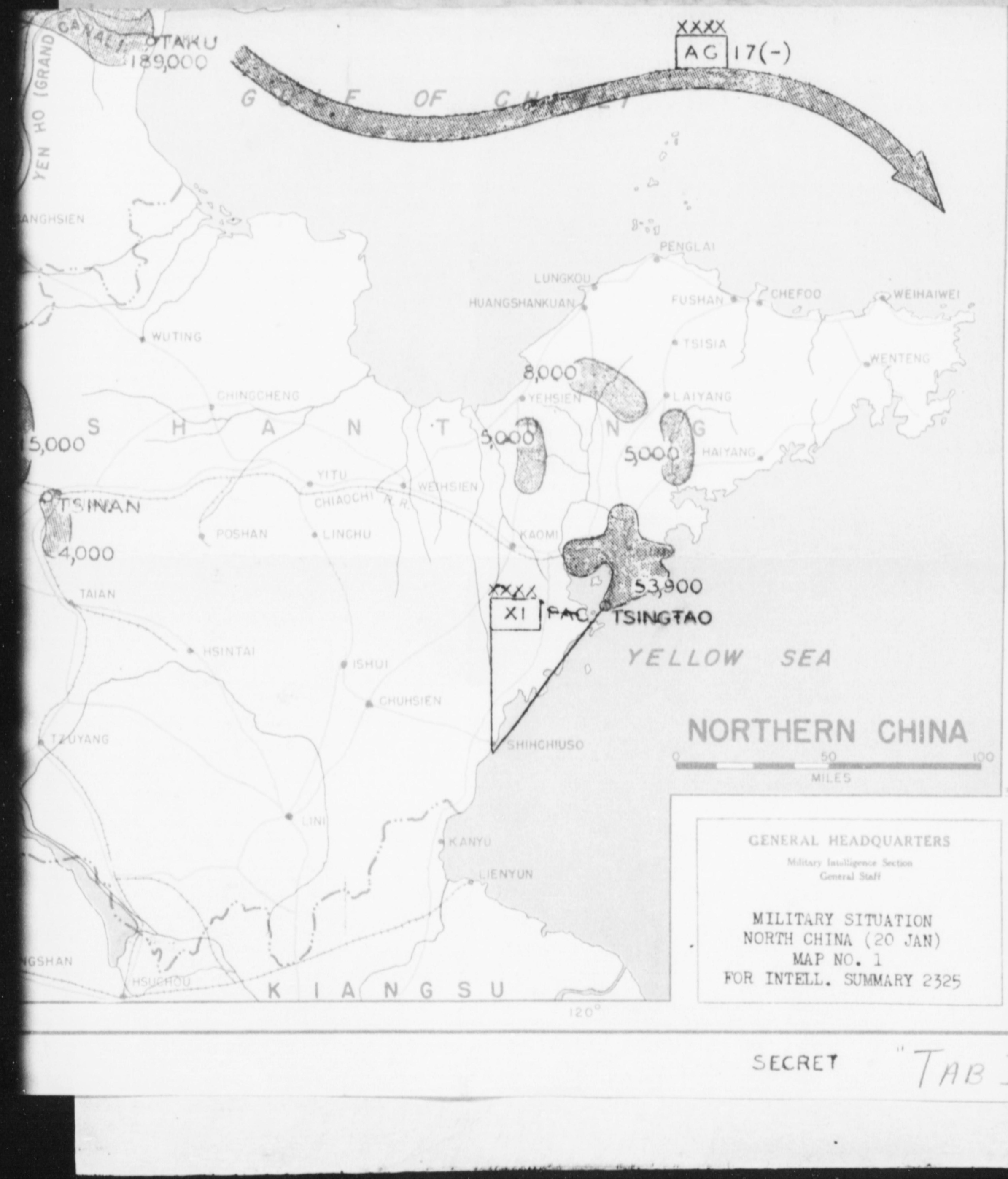

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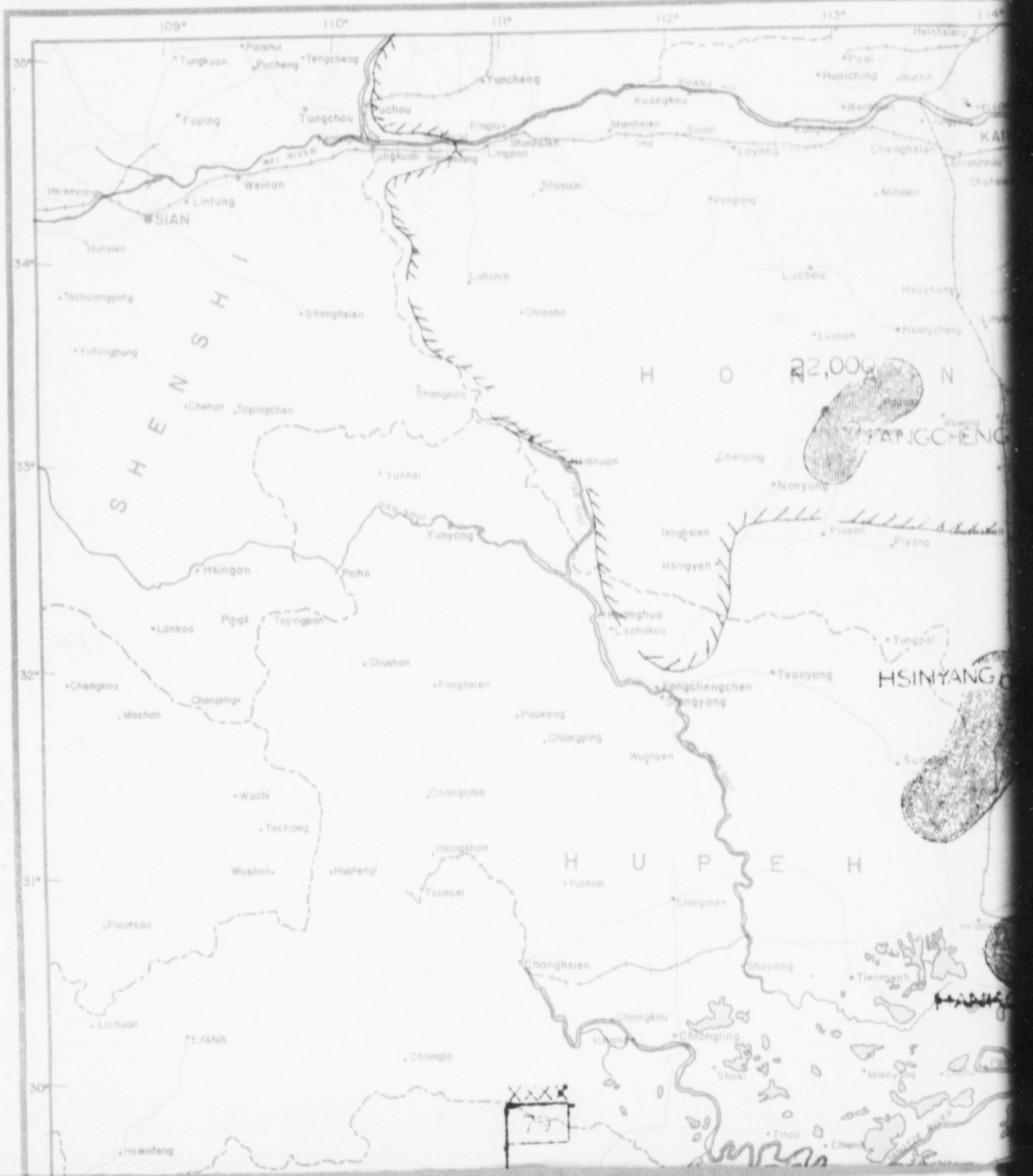

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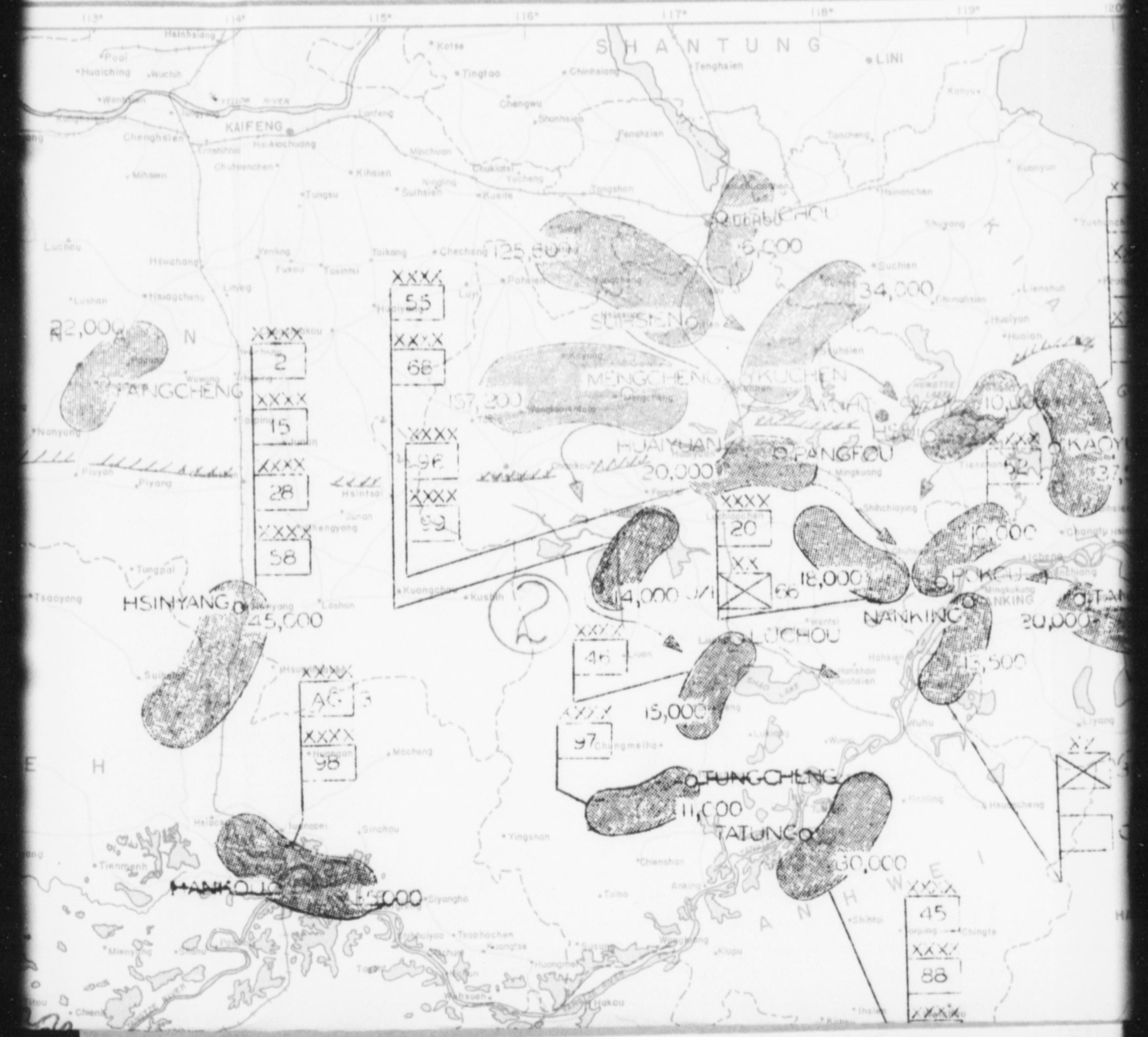

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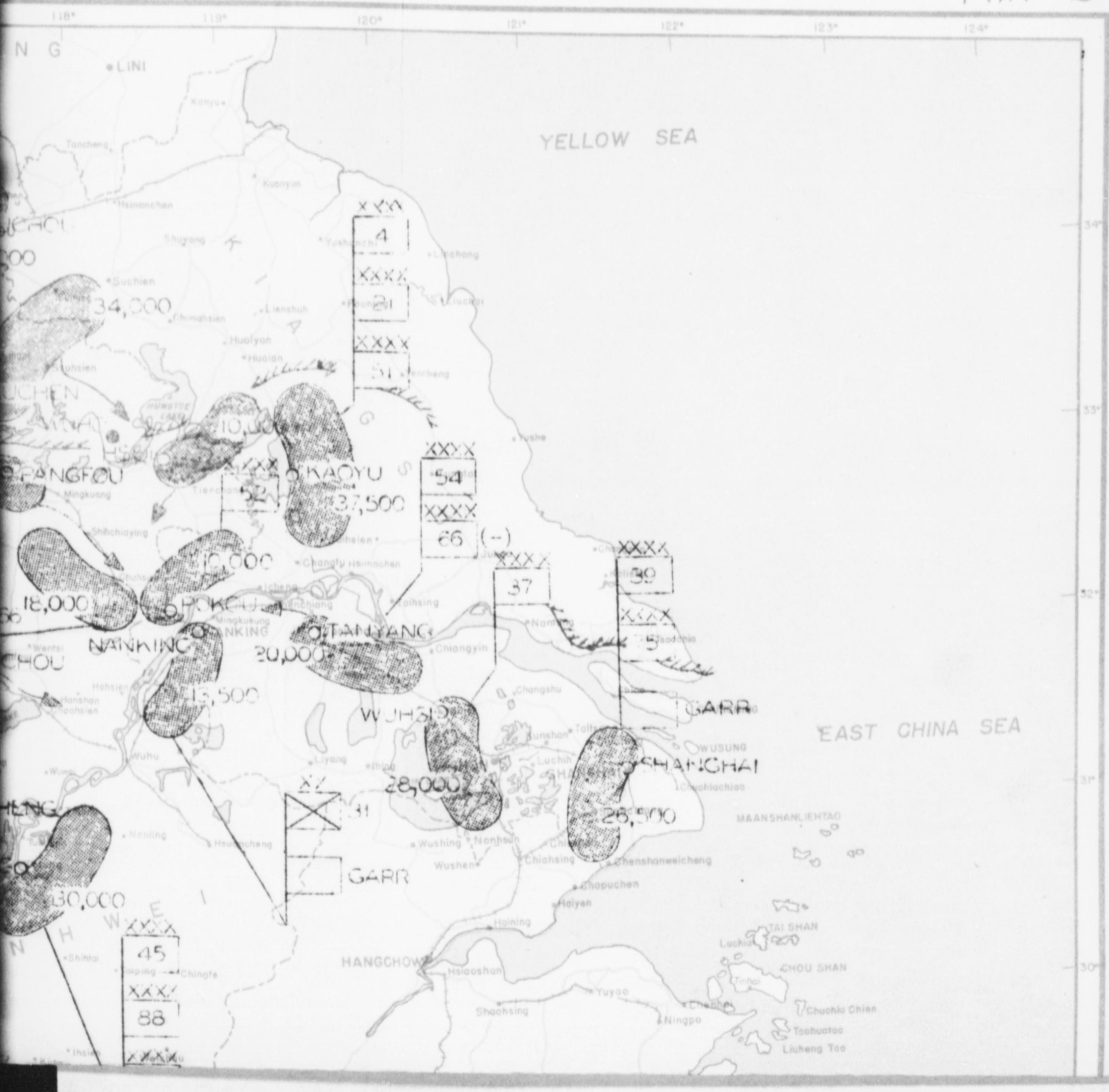

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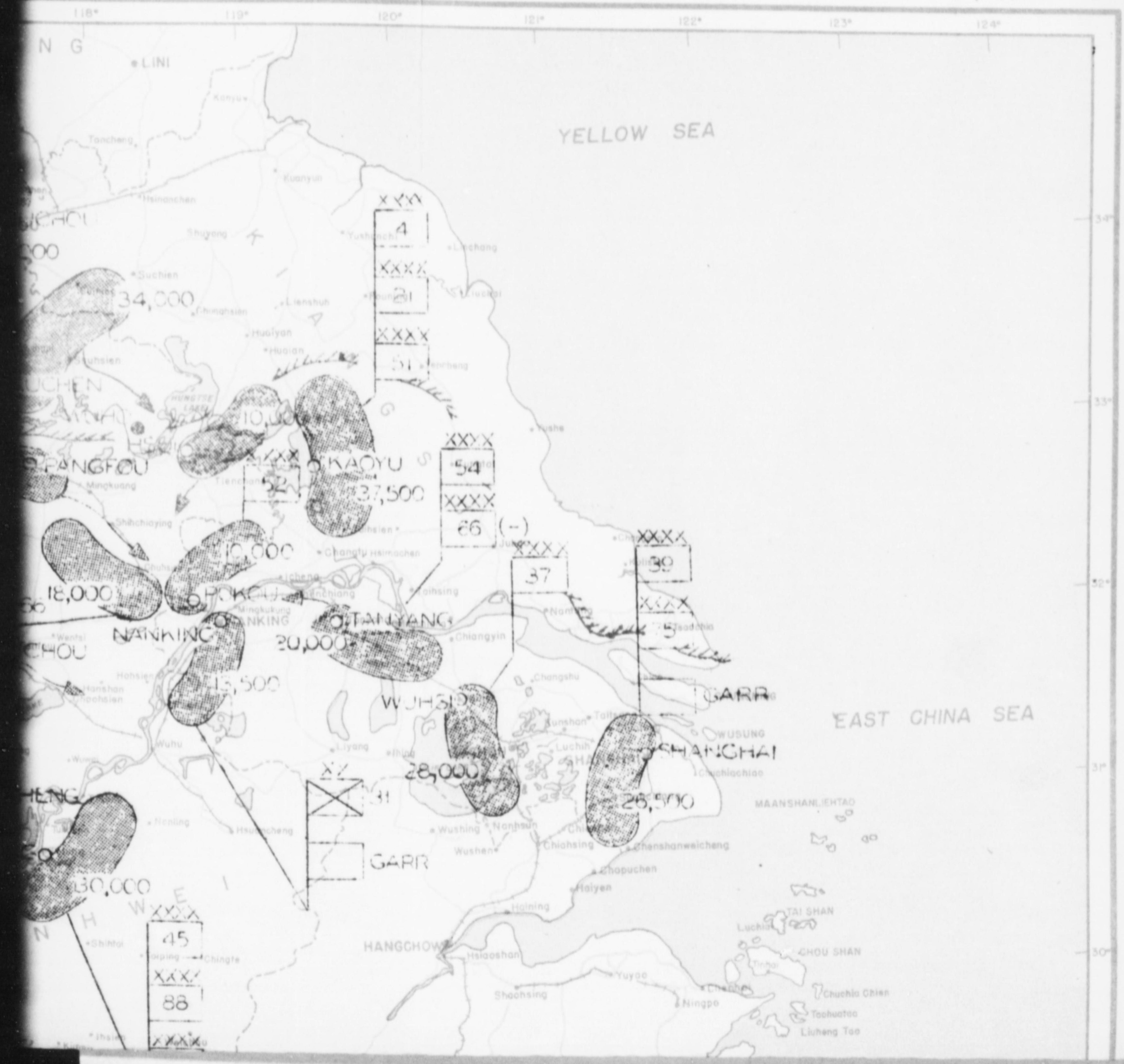

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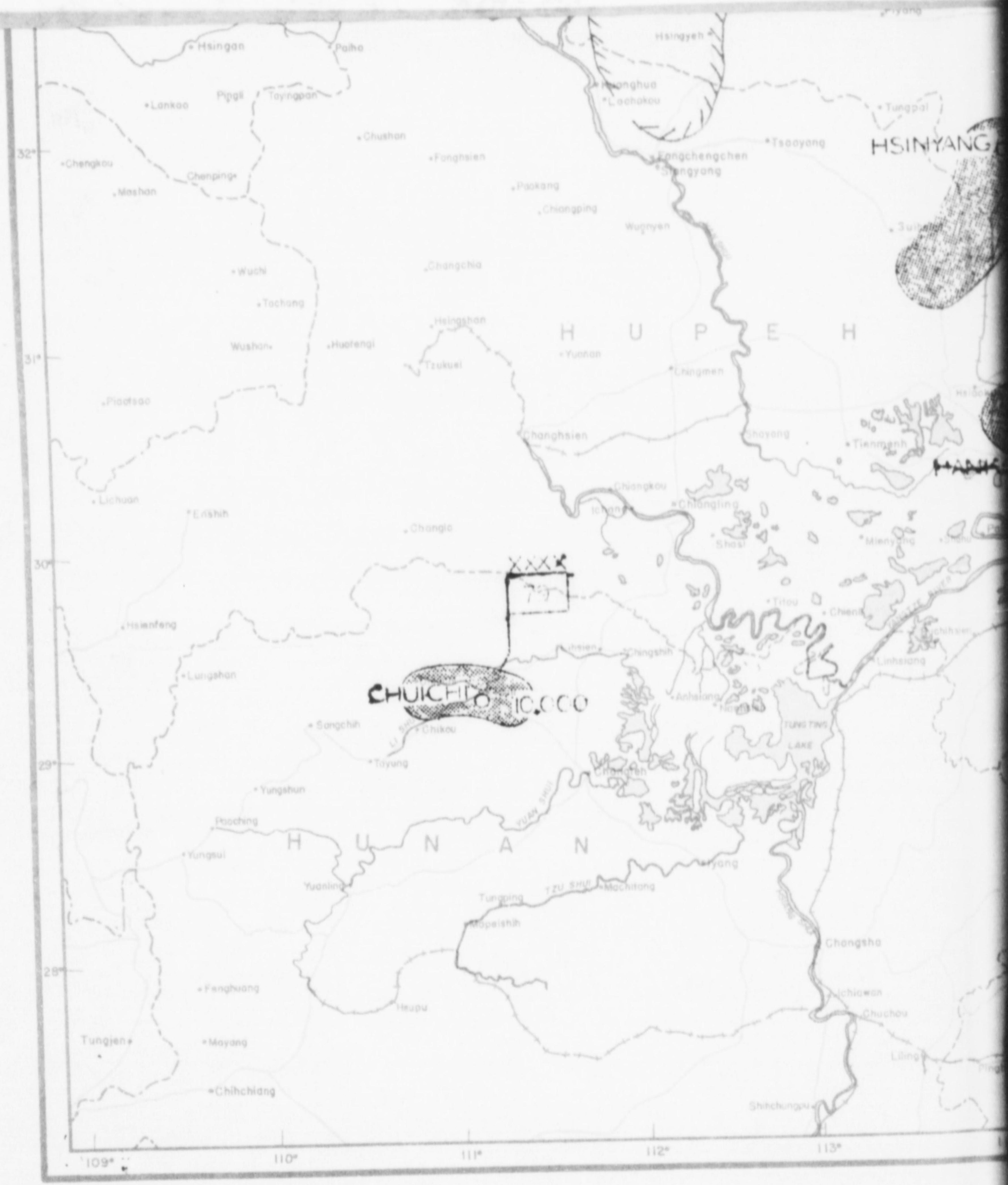

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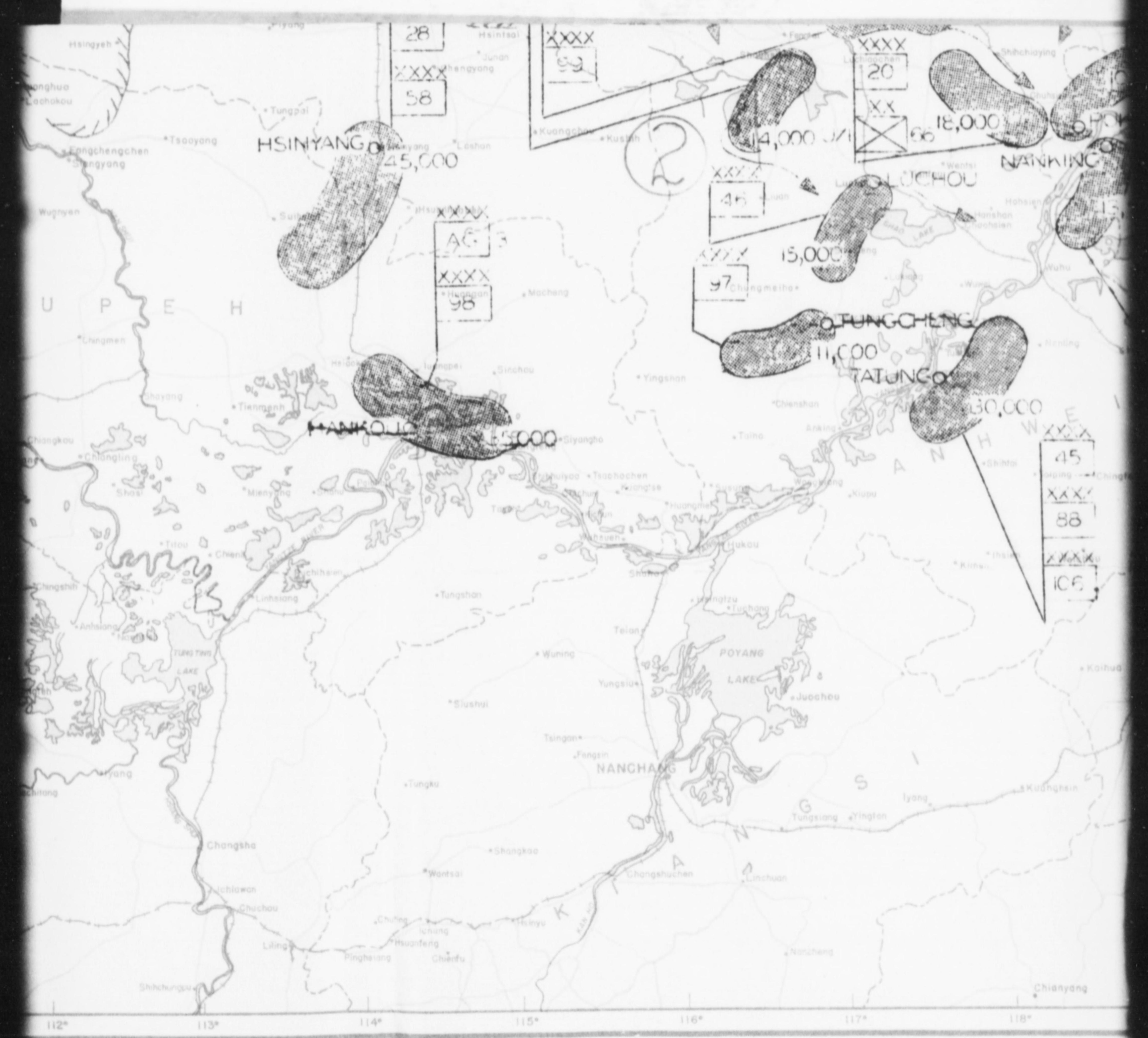

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MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SECTION, GENERAL STAFF

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HOUR: 1630
DATE: 19 January 1949

SUBJECT: Current Developments in China Military Situation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Essential Elements of Information:

a. Reference is made to JUSMAG, Nanking radios CYF 040 OAGA (AG No. 29596) and CYF 042 OAGA (AG No. 29625), 19 Jan 49.

b. Item 1 pertains to North China. Taku has been occupied by the Communists following the successful evacuation, by water, of the five Nationalist defending divisions.

c. Item 2 pertains to East-Central China. All Nationalist forces, except three divisions, have withdrawn from the Pangfou area and are approaching the Yangtze River. Communist forces of both CHEN Yi's and LIU Po-cheng's Commands have begun a large-scale southward movement which has reached and occupied several towns on the Huai River line.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. Eventual Communist occupation of Taku became apparent on 14 Dec 48 when Communist action first effectively isolated the Tientsin-Taku area (G-2 Intell Summary 2291). In view of the preponderence of available Communist strength, it was also anticipated that Taku would fall shortly after the surrender of Tientsin (G-2 Intell Summary 2323, 18 Jan 49). By evacuation prior to the actual Communist attack, five Nationalist divisions were salvaged which probably would have been lost if continued defense had been attempted. The Communists are now free to force the early capitulation of Peiping, consolidate their recent gains, and prepare for future action. Nationalist resistance in North China appears to be rapidly nearing an end.

b. The expected Communist advance to the Yangtze River has apparently been started and, in view of current Nationalist withdrawals, will probably meet with little effective opposition. Present Communist movements indicate the probability that CHEN Yi will make a frontal attack

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3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC; JSPOG and G-3.

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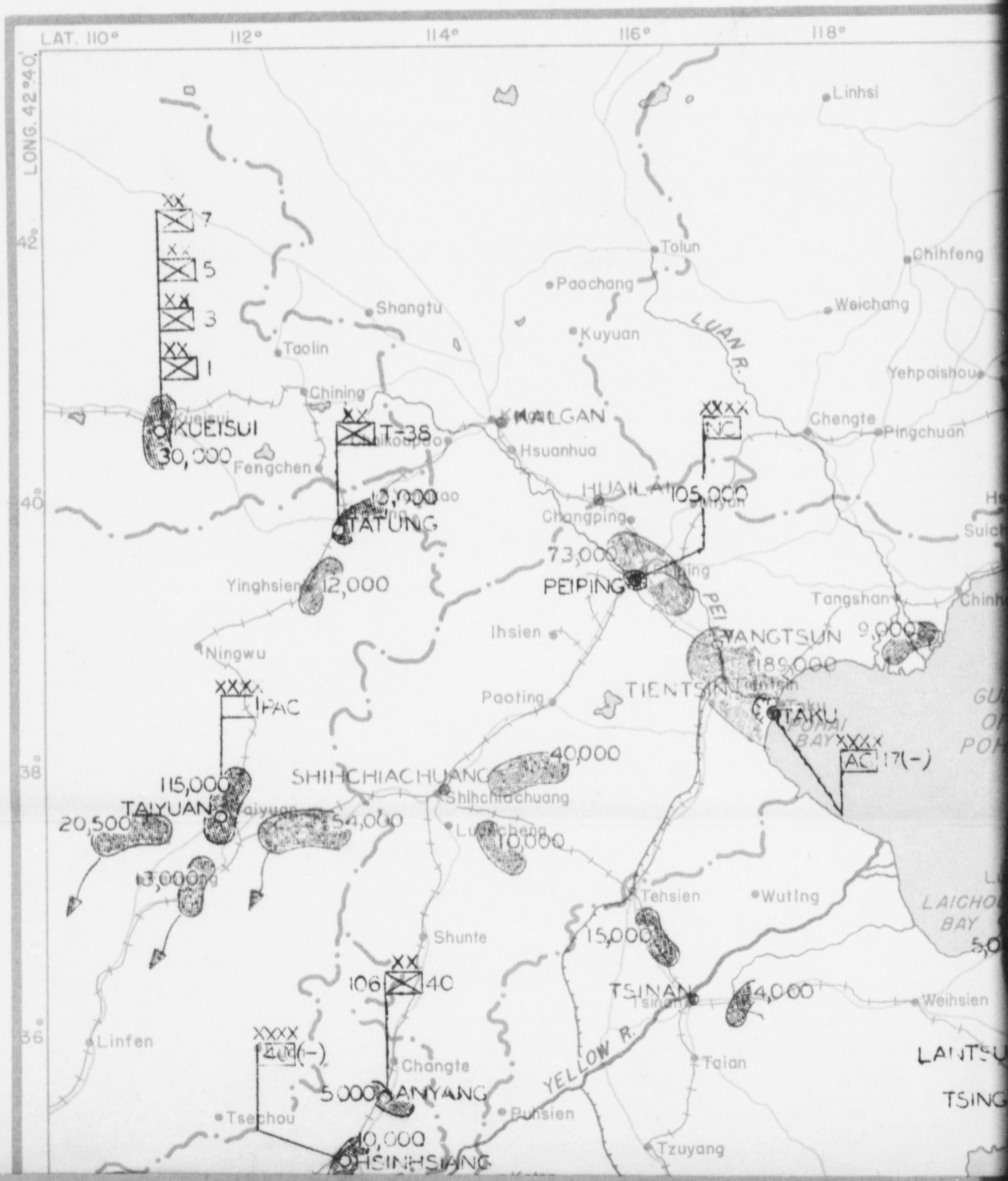

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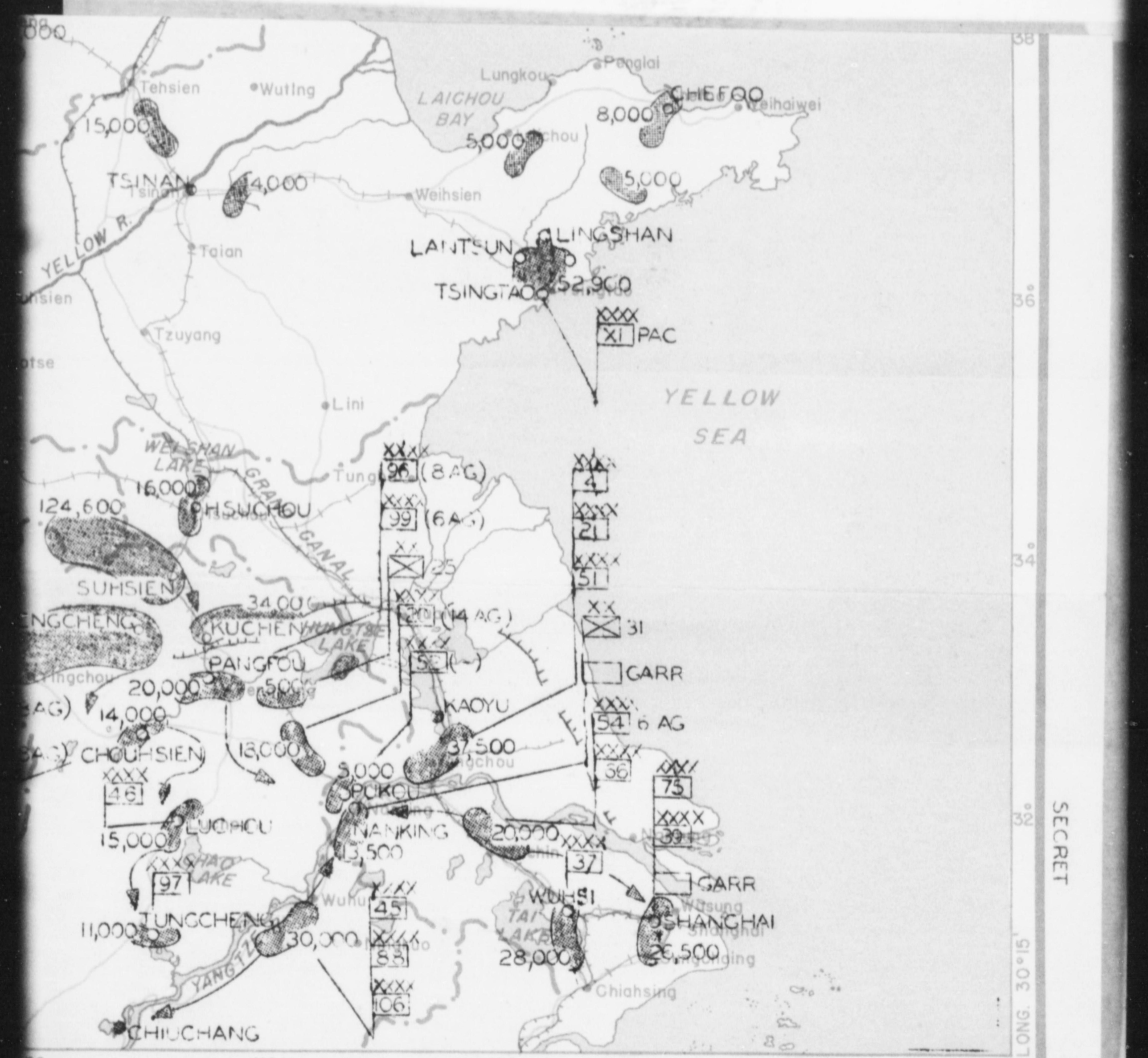

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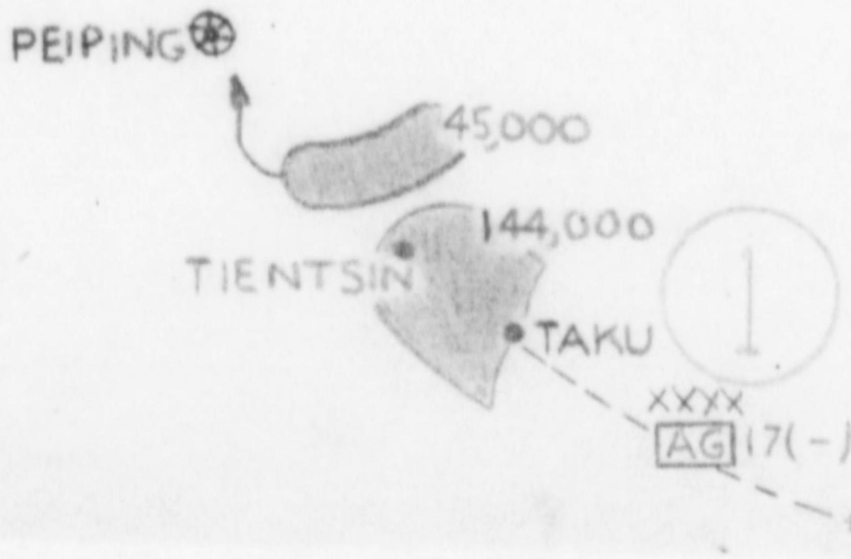

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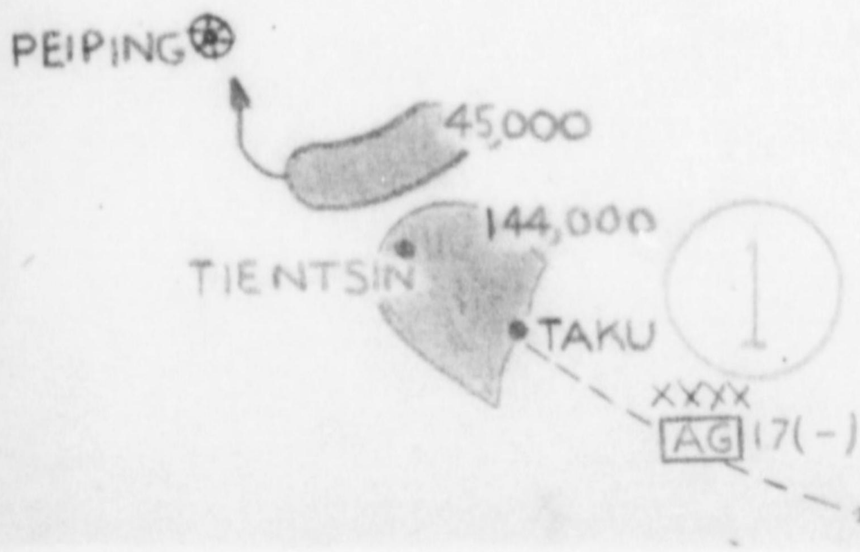

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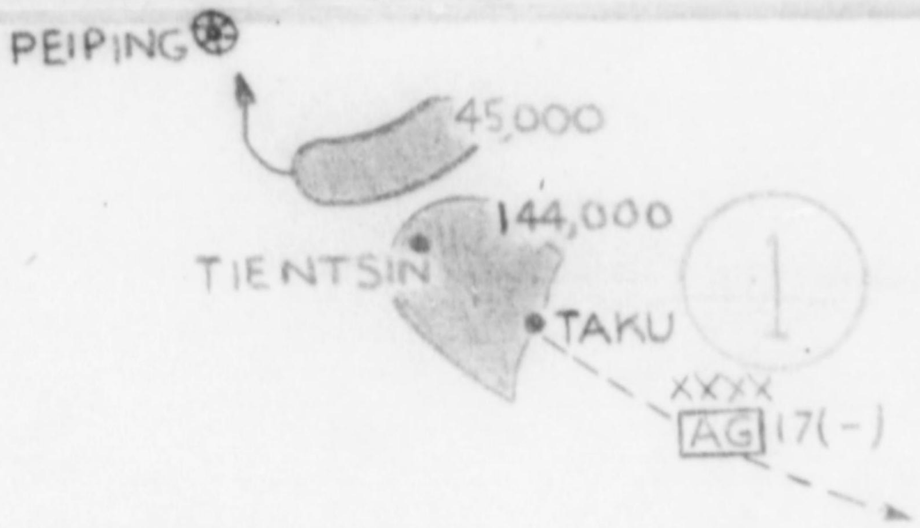

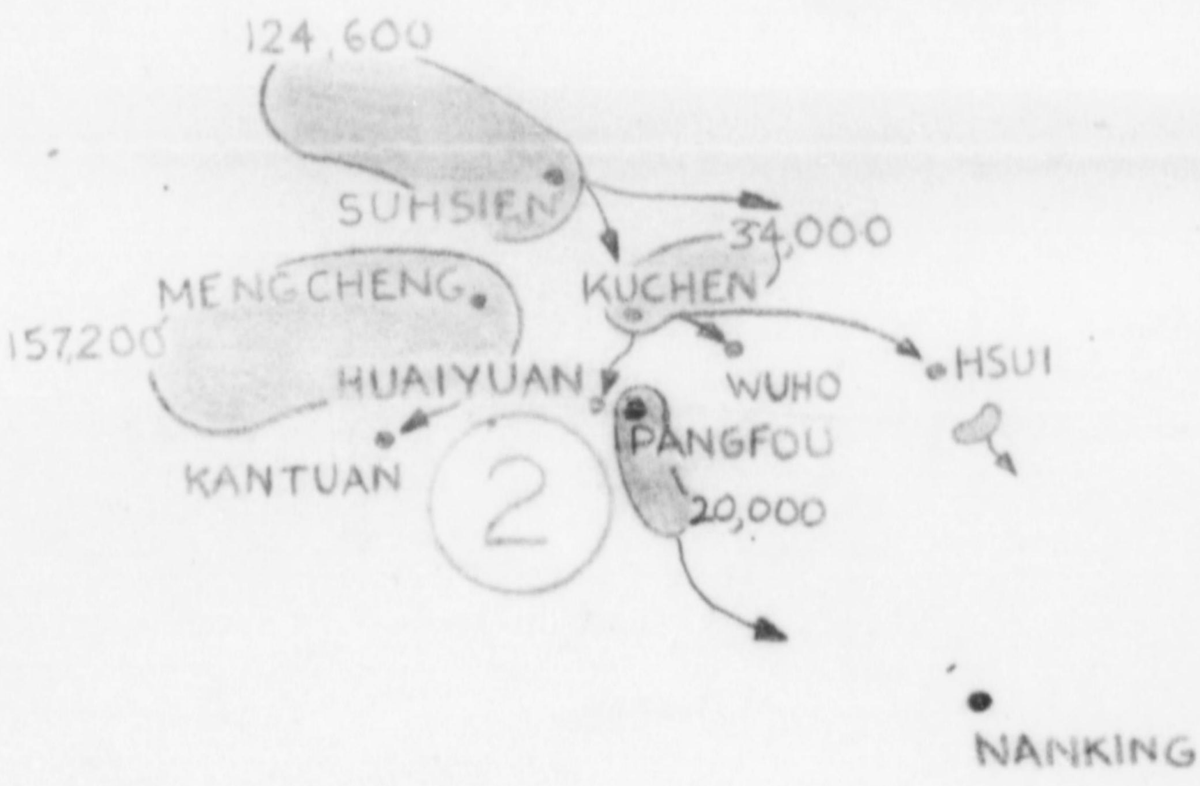

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CHINA-MANCHURIA-19JAN.

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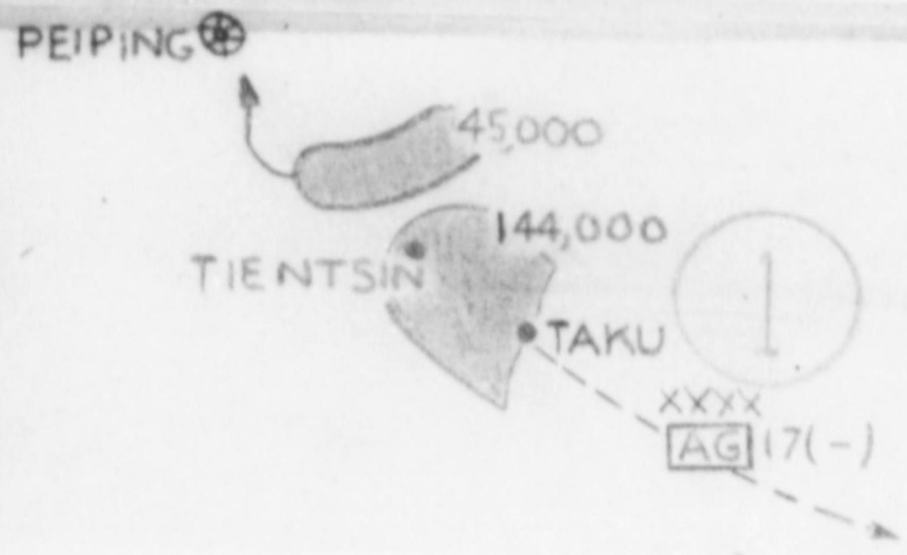

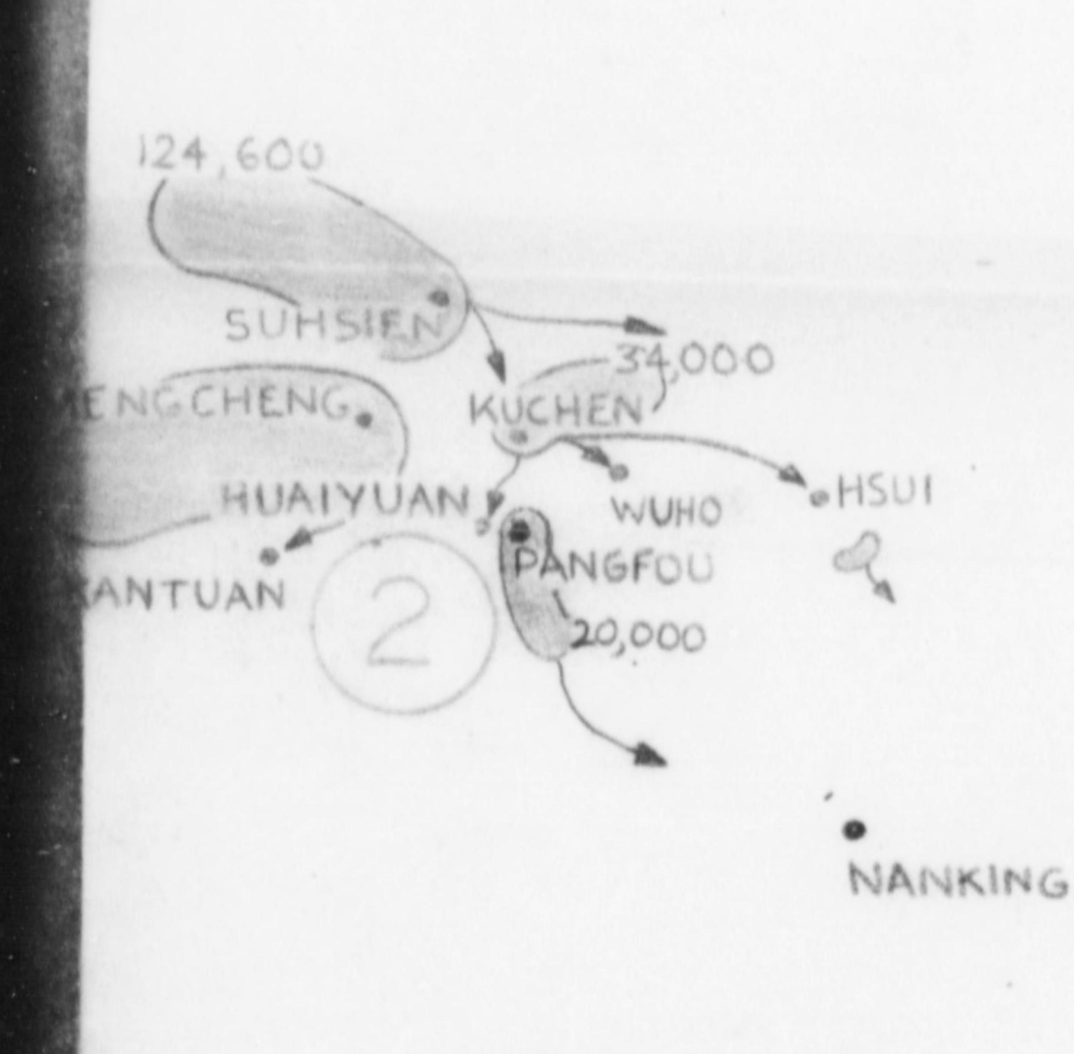

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SECTION, GENERAL STAFF

SECRET

SPOT INTELLIGENCE HOUR: 1700
DATE: 18 January 1949

Subject: Current Developments in China Situation

To : Chief of Staff

1. Essential Elements of Information:

a. Reference is made to AMILAT, Nanking radios CM-9028 (AG No. 28968), 17 Jan 49; CM-9027 and CM-9029 (AG No. 29097 and 29132), 18 Jan 49.

b. Items 1 and 2 pertain to military developments in North China. Item 1 confirms capitulation of Tientsin on 15 Jan and indicates that Communist occupation is progressing in orderly fashion. Communist artillery fire damaged Shell Oil Co installations and USIS Office, but no American casualties are reported. Communists assured ECA representative that U.S. persons and property would be given full protection. (1)

c. Item 2 indicates that Peiping is quiet except for artillery fire falling on Temple of Heaven air strip, but Communist instigated rumors claim all-out Communist attack against city is to begin 20 Jan. (2)

d. Item 3 indicates no significant military change. In East-Central China. (3)

e. Item 4 (not shown on map) pertains to political developments. Communist leader MAO Tse-tung, in radio statement 14 Jan, offered eight point basis for initiation of peace talks as follows: (4)

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(2) Abolish Nationalist constitution
(3) Abolish Kuomintang Government
(4) Reorganize all government troops on Communist basis
(5) Confiscate bureaucratic capital
(6) Nullify treasonable treaties
(7) Reform land ownership system
(8) Convene political consultative conference, without reactional Elements, and form a democratic coalition government to take over all powers from the Nanking and local governments.

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2. G-2 Comment:

a. The combined strength of Generals LIN Piao and NIEH Yung-chen, estimated at 262,000, is now available to effect the reduction of Peiping and the Tangku-Taku area. Present movements indicate that a portion of LIN's strength will assist NIEH in reducing Peiping while remaining elements will engage the Taku defenders. It is doubtful that a major southward movement will be made until these two Nationalist positions have been eliminated.

b. MAO Tse-tung's statement is the first official Communist reaction to the Generalissimo's New Years Speech (G-2 Intell Summary 2312). It more nearly represents a statement of Communist war aims than an invitation to peace talks and it is improbable that the terms will be acceptable to the Generalissimo. MAO emphasized the the basis for peace talks would have to be acceptance of the above terms and the disposal of the Generalissimo, and ordered Communist forces to continue military operations until peace is achieved. The Communists are considered capable of obtaining their objectives and enforcing these terms by armed strength.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Diplomatic, JSPOG and G-3.

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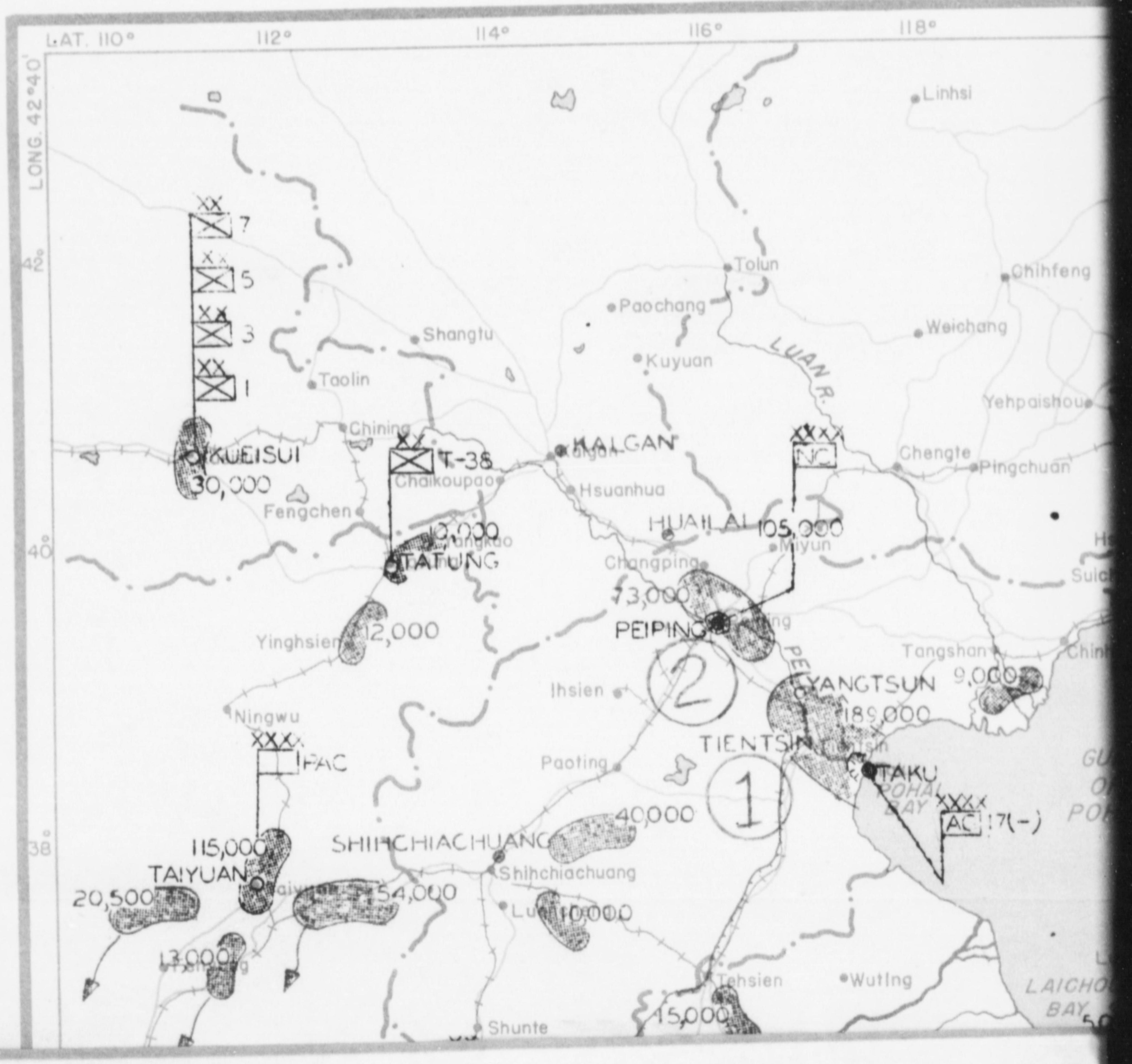

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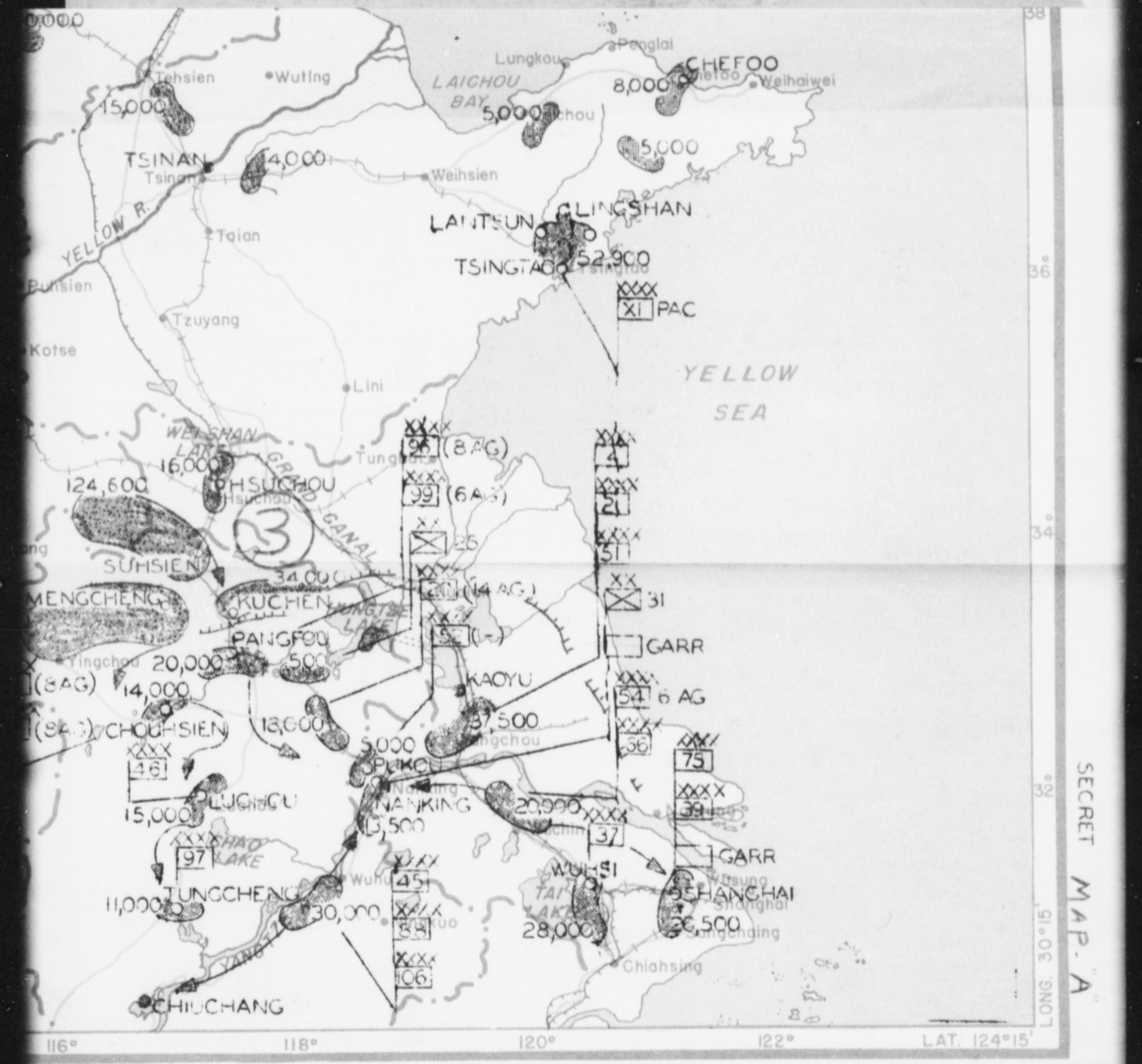

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SECTION, GENERAL STAFF

01530

SECRET

SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1630
DATE: 17 January 1949

SUBJECT: Current Developments in China Military Situation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Essential Elements of Information:

a. Reference is made to JUSMAG, Nanking radio CYF 039 OAGA (AG No. 28832), 16 Jan 49.

b. Item 1 pertains to North China. Tientsin has fallen after Communist penetrations from the east, south and west cut to the center of the city. (1)

c. Item 2 pertains to East-Central China. The southward withdrawal of Nationalist forces from the Pangfou area has begun. No change is indicated in Communist dispositions. (2)

2. G-2 Comment:

a. Tientsin presumably came under Communist control on 14 or 15 Jan after a seige of approximately 6 days. Tientsin was first effectively isolated on 14 Dec (G-2 Intell Summary 2291), at which time it was evident that the preponderence of available Communist strength would eventually force Tientsin's surrender. By 29 Dec (G-2 Intell Summary 2303), the morale of Nationalist forces in Tientsin had reached a new low and it was predicted that Tientsin would fall within four or five days after the beginning of the all-out Communist attack. The full-scale Communist attack was resumed 6 Jan (G-2 Intell Summary 2313) and with exception of one 24 hour cease-fire period, was continuous until the surrender. Approximately 189,000 Communist troops under the Command of LIN Piao are now free to reduce the Nationalist position at Taku and/or for operations in other areas. The fall of Tientsin also places the Communists in position to complete through rail communications from Manchuria, deep into East-Central China.

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b. The Nationalist southward withdrawal from Pangfou apparently represents implementation of the previously announced decision to withdraw all Nationalist forces, except for a small screening force, to positions south of the Yangtze River (G-2 Intell Summary 2321). A successful withdrawal of the Pangfou forces will materially strengthen the Yangtze line, but will remove the last major obstacle to a Communist advance to the north bank of the river.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, JSPOG and G-3.

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Map "A" (Tab 1)

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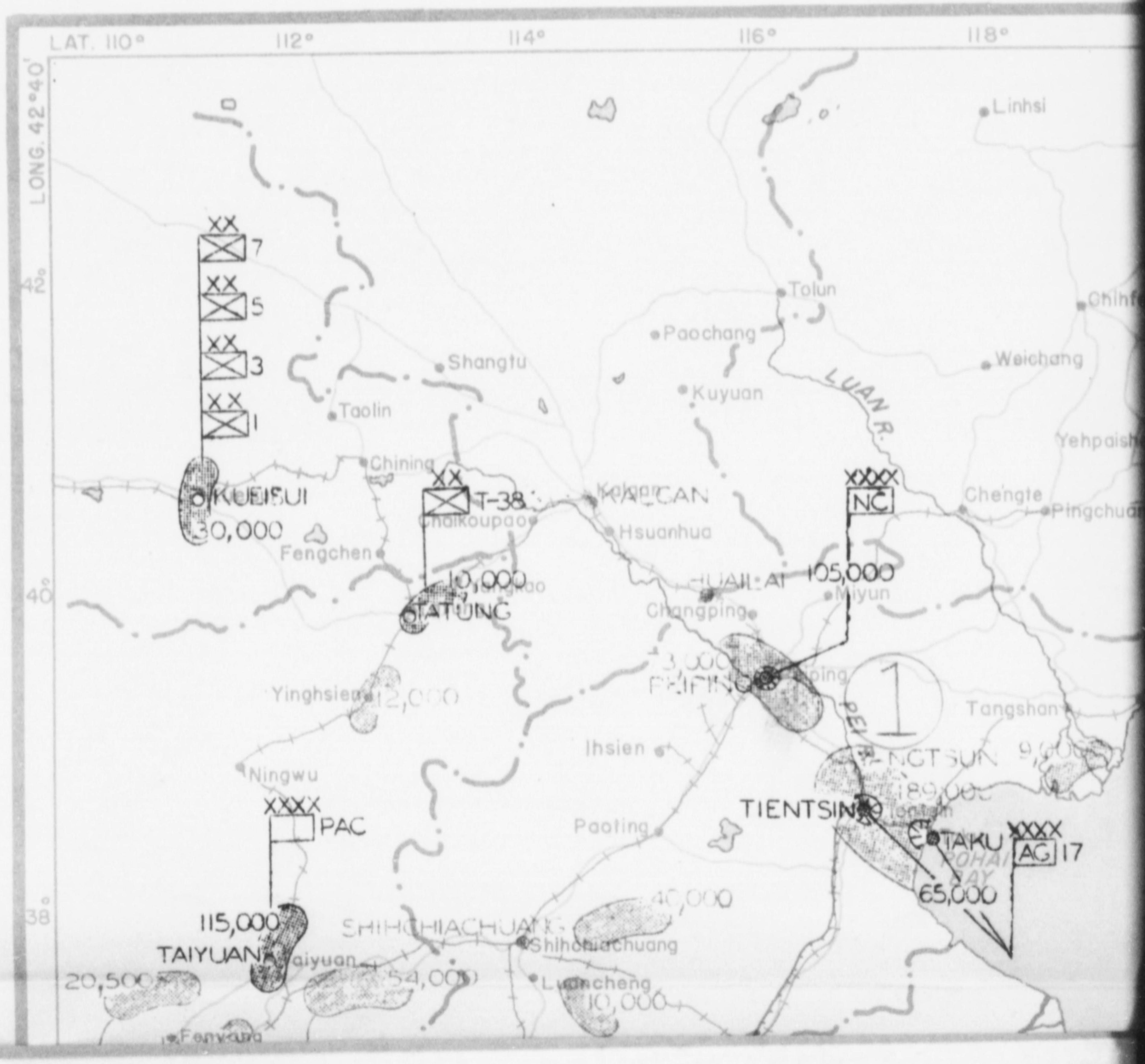

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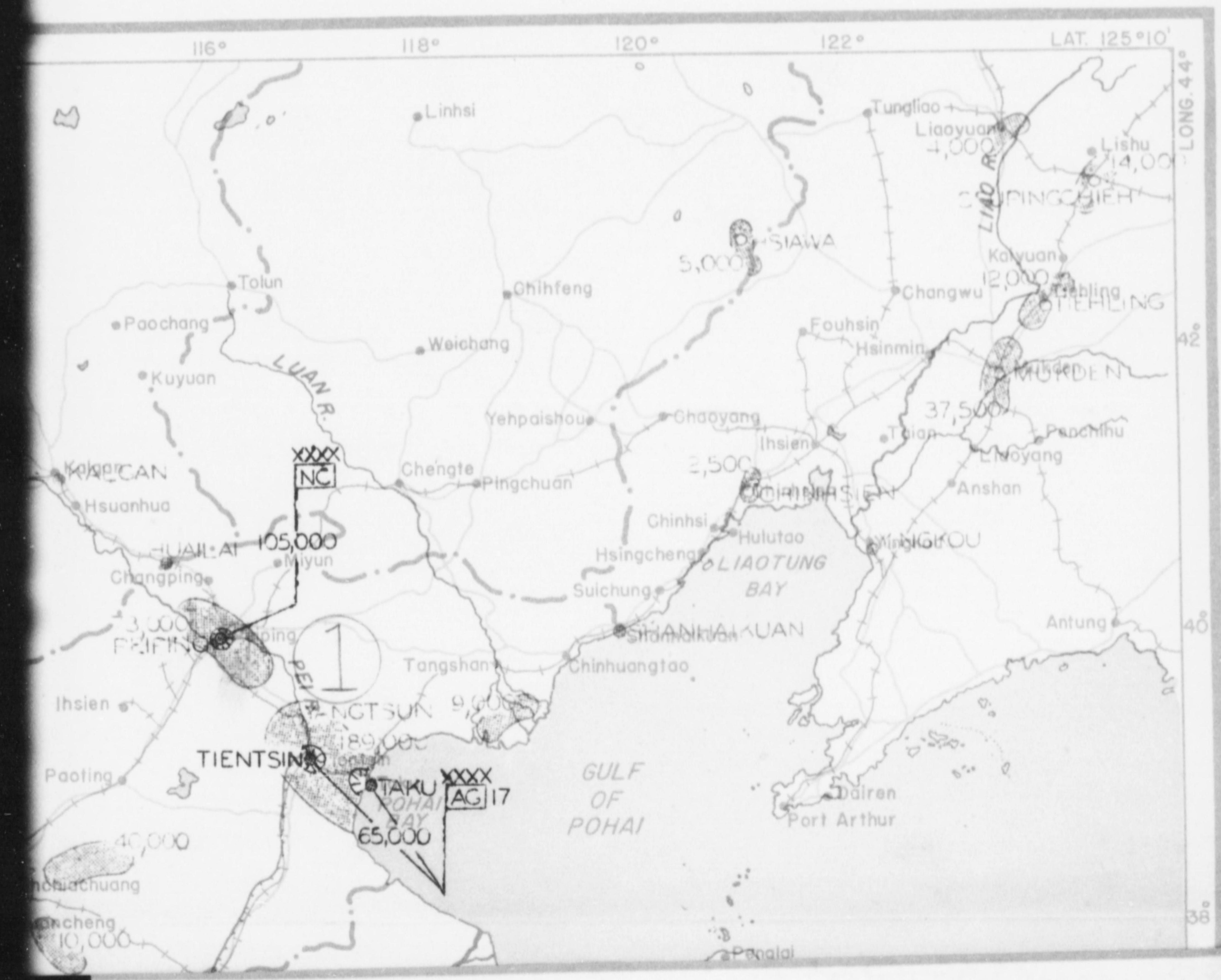

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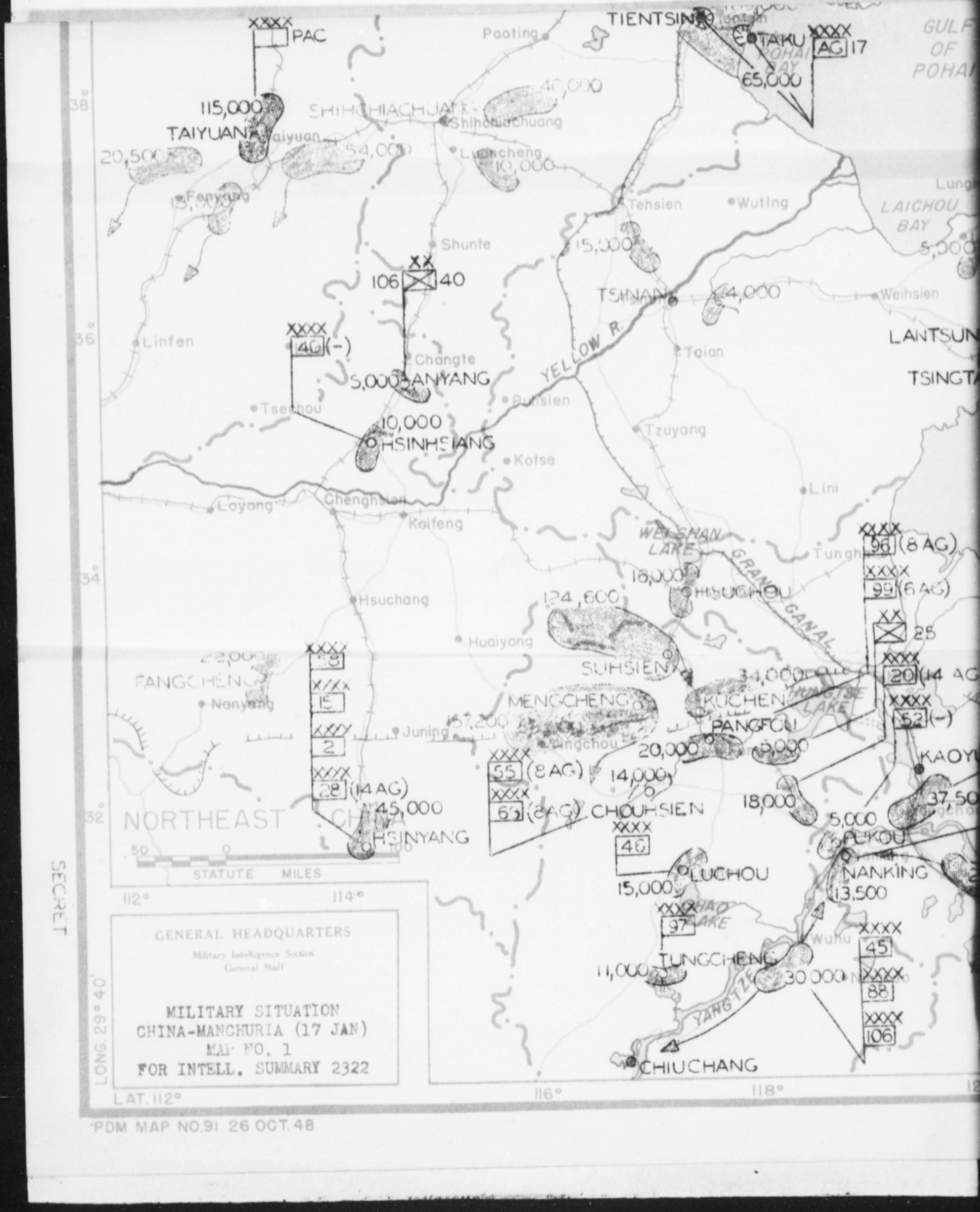

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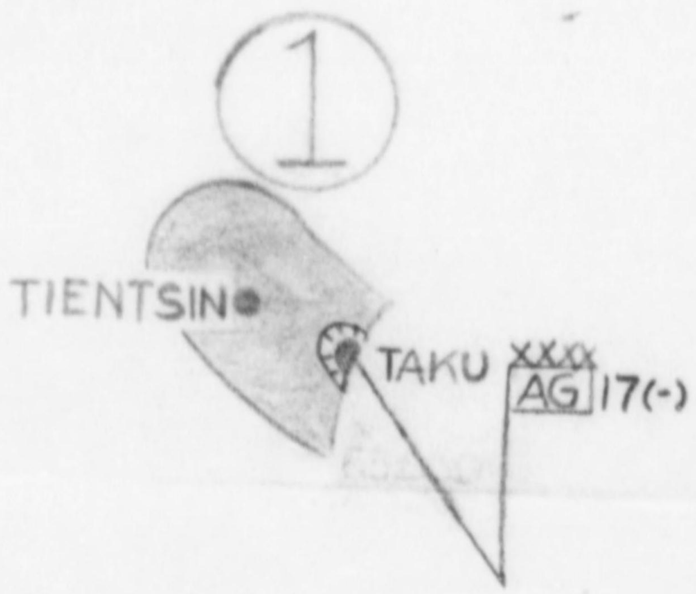

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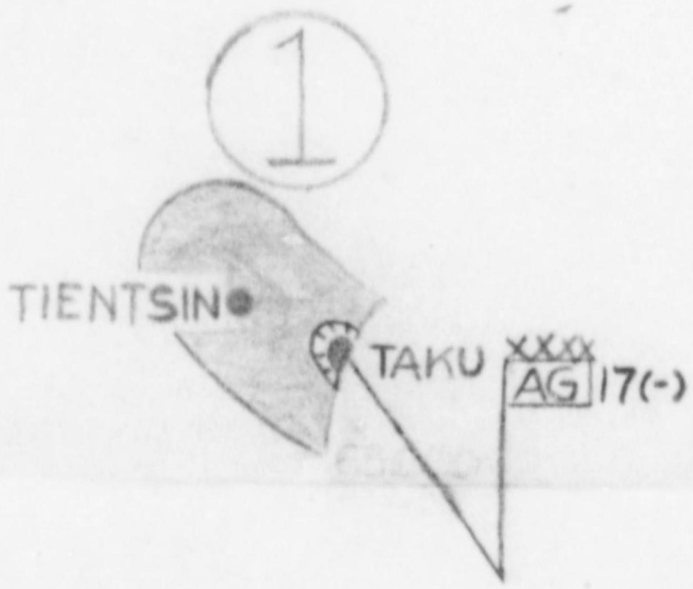

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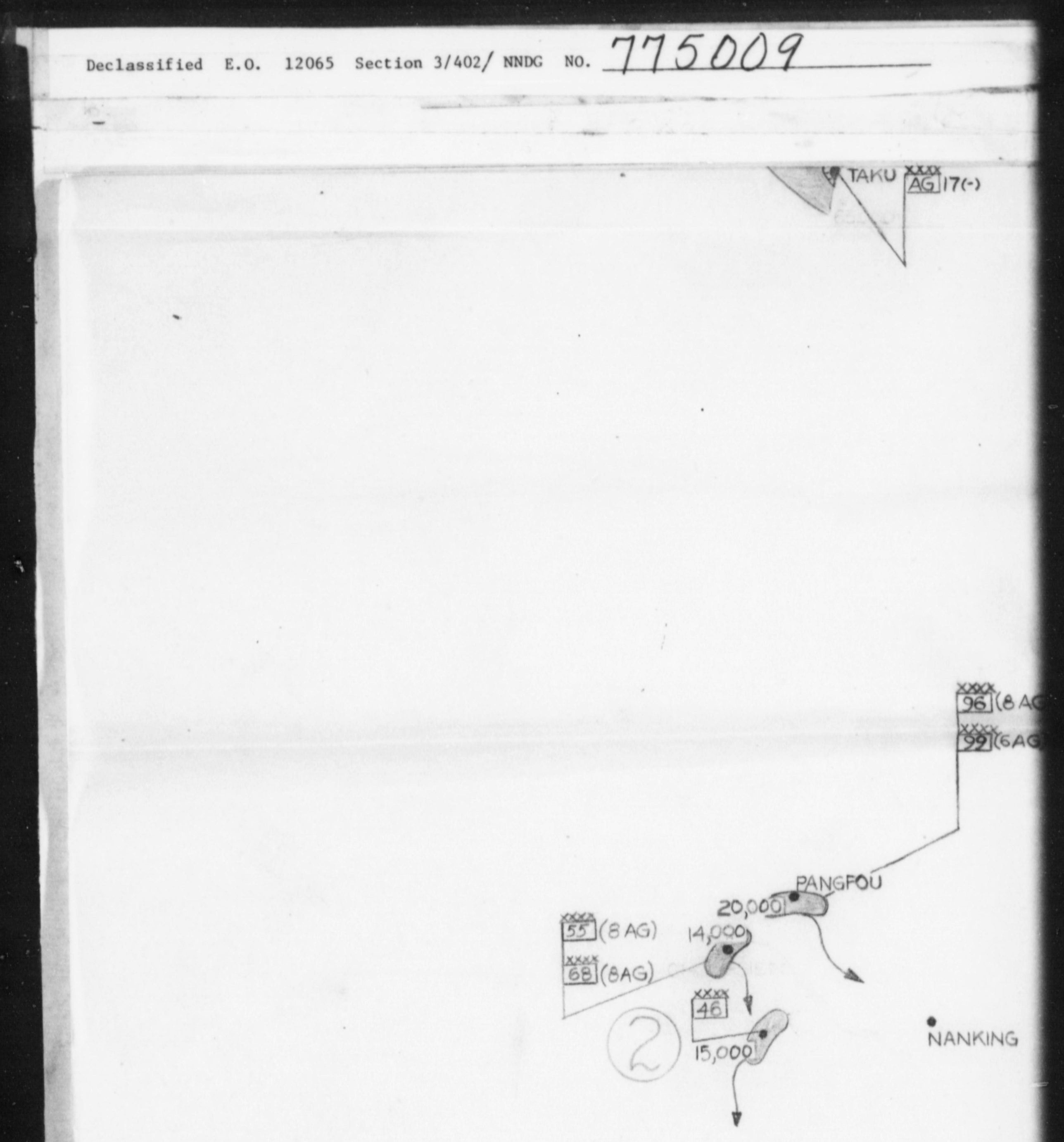

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CHINA (17 JAN)

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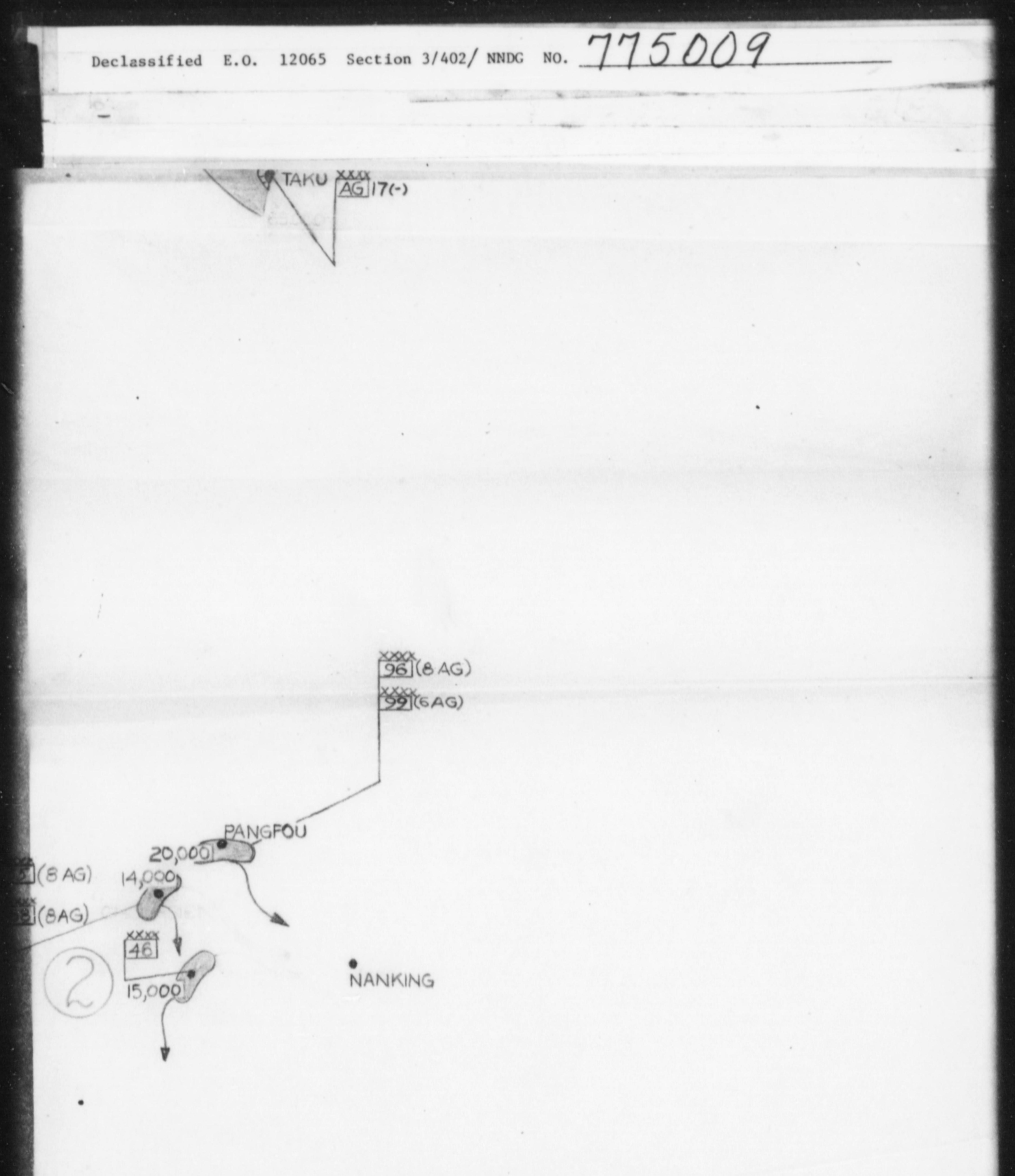

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SECTION, GENERAL STAFF

SECRET

SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1630
DATE: 16 January 1949

SUBJECT: Current Developments in China Military Situation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Essential Elements of Information:

a. Reference is made to JUSMAG, China radio CYF 035 OAOA (AG No. 28696), 15 Jan 49 and JUSMAG, Nanking radio CYF 037 OAGA (AG No. 28771), 16 Jan 49.

b. Items 1 and 2 pertain to North China. Item 1 indicates the continuance of severe fighting at Tientsin with the Communists making additional gains. Small-scale Communist attacks against Taku were repulsed.

c. Item 2 indicates that small-scale Communist attacks against Peiping have been repulsed. The new Temple of Heaven air strip, however, was placed under Communist artillery fire, denying its use to the Nationalists.

d. Item 3 pertains to East-Central China, where considerable Communist movement is in progress. LIU Po-cheng's seven Columns have been withdrawn from the Pangfou front into the Mengcheng area and some southwestward movement from the Mengcheng area has begun. There are also indications that some of CHEN Yi's Columns are being moved from Suhsien into the area formerly occupied by LIU on the immediate Pangfou front.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. It is highly probable that strict Nationalist censorship and the lack of adequate communications has delayed the receipt of the most recent developments at Tientsin. Official reports have for several days indicated the Tientsin position on the verge of collapse (G-2 Intell Summary 2320). Unofficial sources, as of this date, report Tientsin in Communist hands except for a few isolated pockets of Nationalist resistance.

b. If reported Communist movements in East-Central China are verified, the return of LIU Po-cheng's forces to their former base of

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b. If reported Communist movements in East-Central China are verified, the return of LIU Po-cheng's forces to their former base of operations in the Taipei Mountain area is indicated. This would tend to indicate that CHEN Yi is to make the next main effort against the Pangfou front, and that LIU Po-cheng will concentrate his main efforts against Hankou and the Yangtze River southwest of Nanking.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, JSPOG, and G-3.

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~~2 - JUSMAG, Nanking radio CYF 037, (Tab - 2)~~
3 - Map "A" (With overlay) (Tab - 3)

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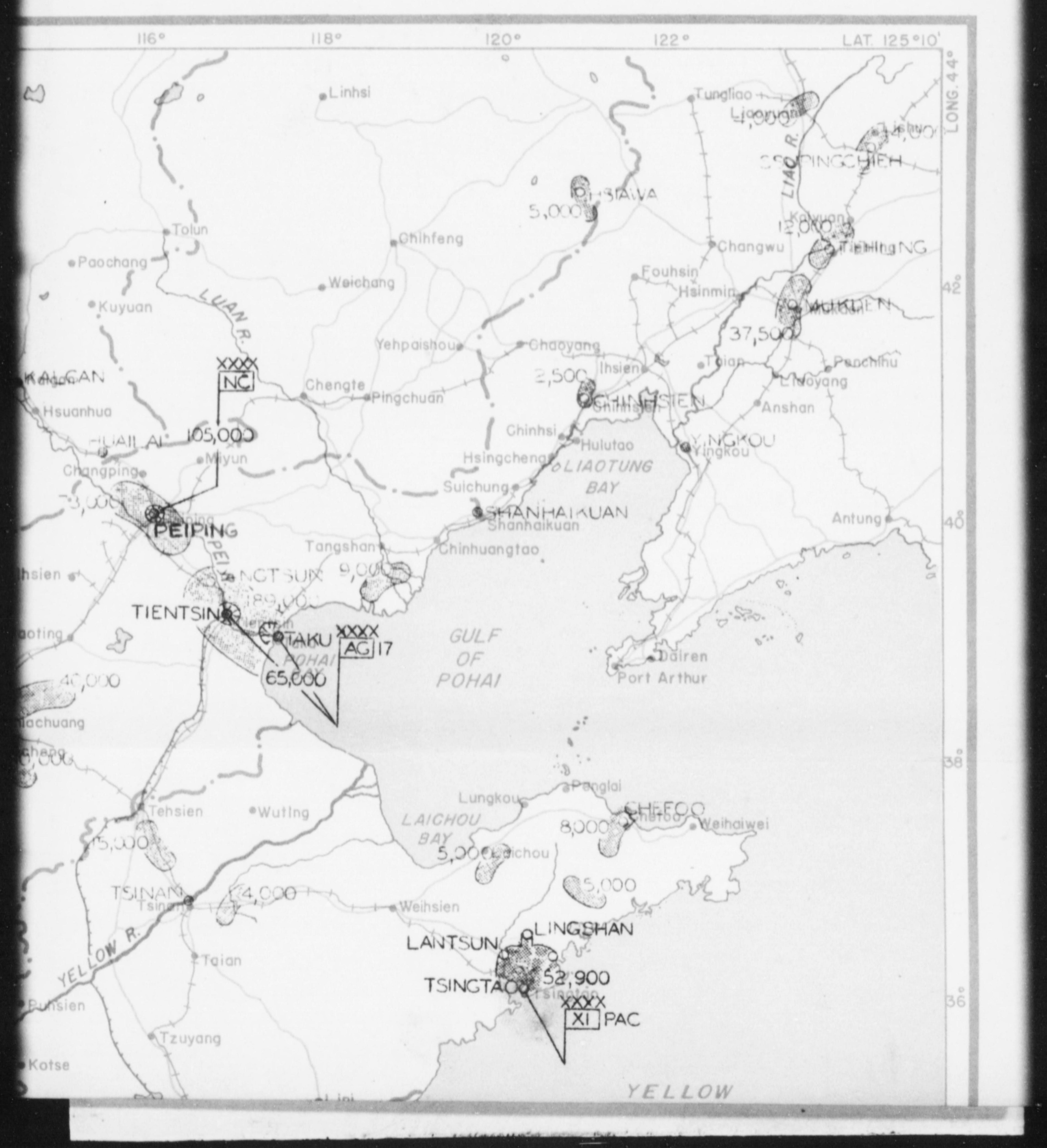

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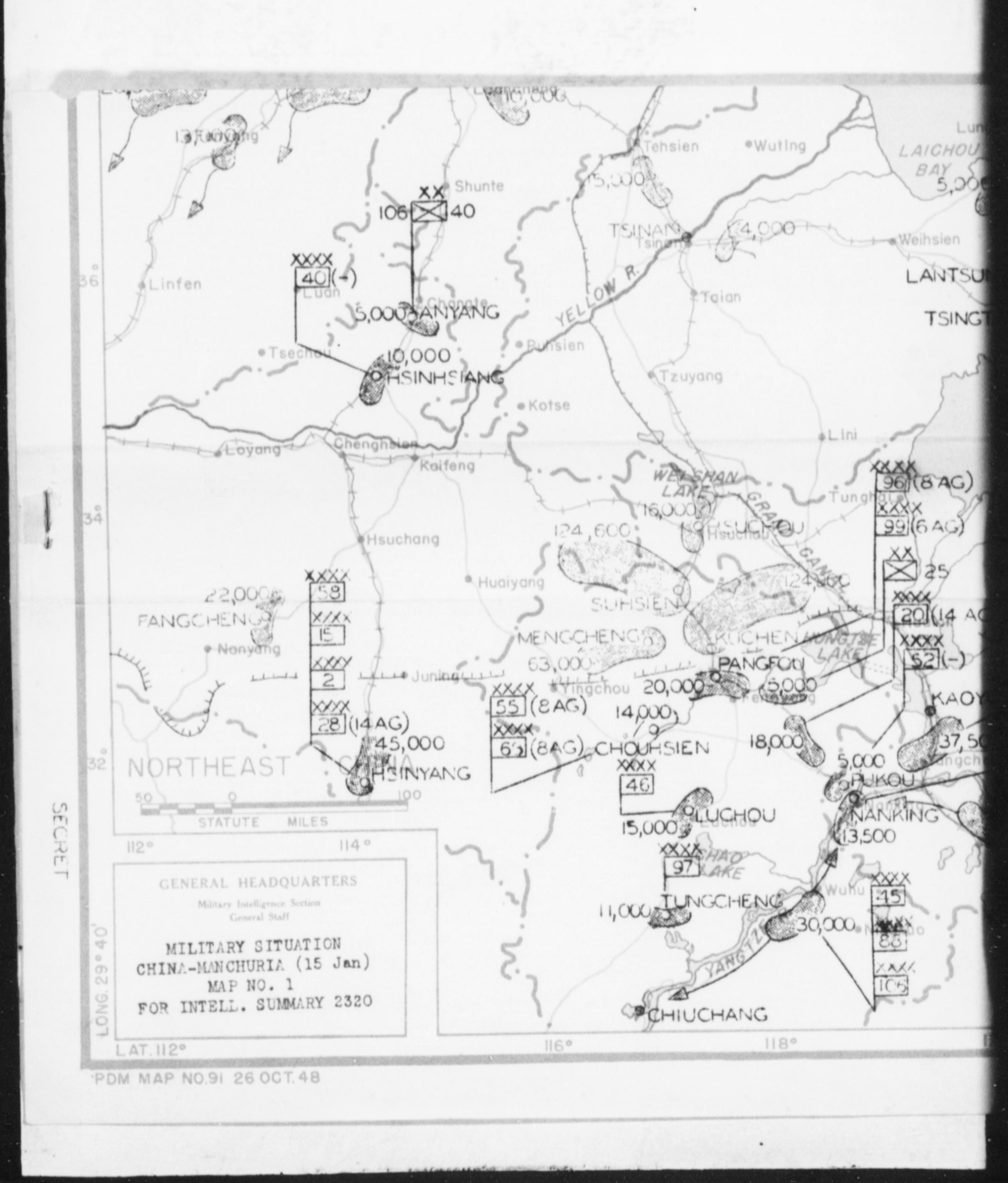

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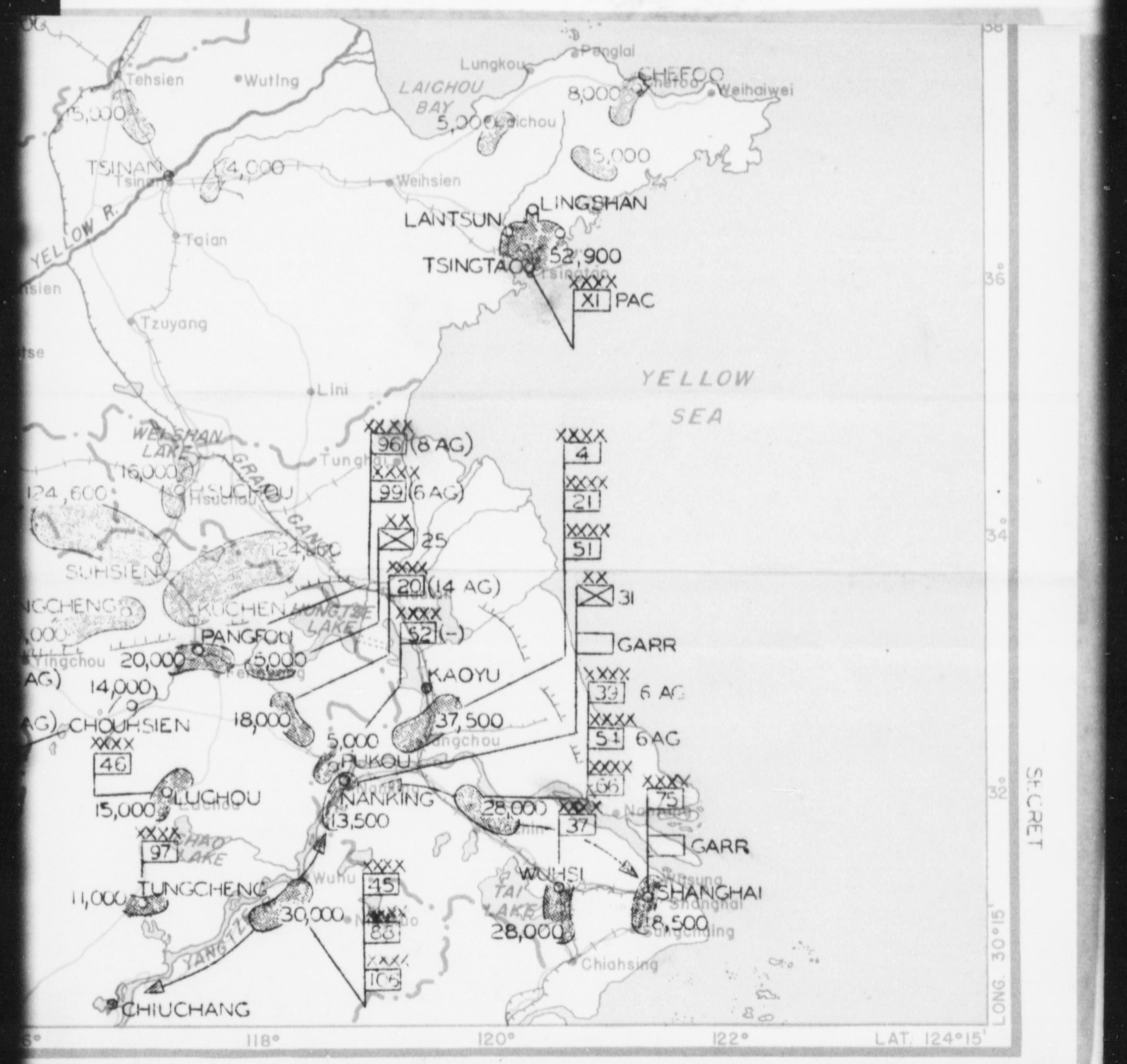

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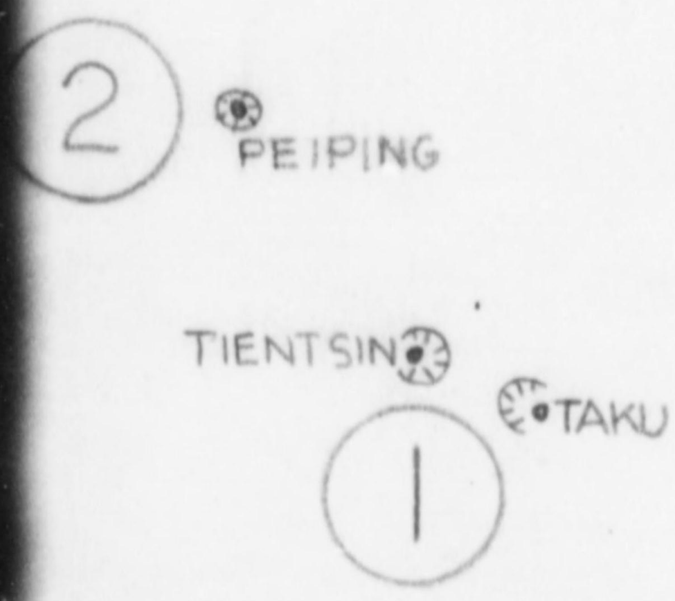

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SECTION. GENERAL STAFF

SECRET

SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1700
DATE: 15 Jan 49

SUBJECT: Current Developments in the China Situation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Essential Elements of Information:

a. Refer to JUSMAG radio, CYF 034 OAGA (AG NO 28354), 14 Jan 49 (Tab - 1) and Map "A" (Tab - 2).

b. Item 1 indicates that the Communists are planning a two-pronged movement to the Yangtze River.

c. Item 2 indicates that the Nationalists intend to withdraw to the Yangtze River.

d. No change has been reported in the North China situation.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. It is believed that the Communists have divided up the spoils gained from the capitulation of the Nationalist 2d and 13th Army Groups and are now moving into position from which to launch their final drive to the Yangtze River. Nationalist forces in position north of the Yangtze River are believed ineffective to oppose such a drive and the Communists can reach the Yangtze River within 10 to 15 days.

b. Even though the Nationalists have concentrated their best forces on the south bank of the Yangtze River and have the co-operation of the Nationalist Naval and Air Forces to oppose a crossing of the River, it is believed that the weather conditions will more likely be the deciding factor in determining the date of crossing.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: A.D.C. JSPOG and G-3

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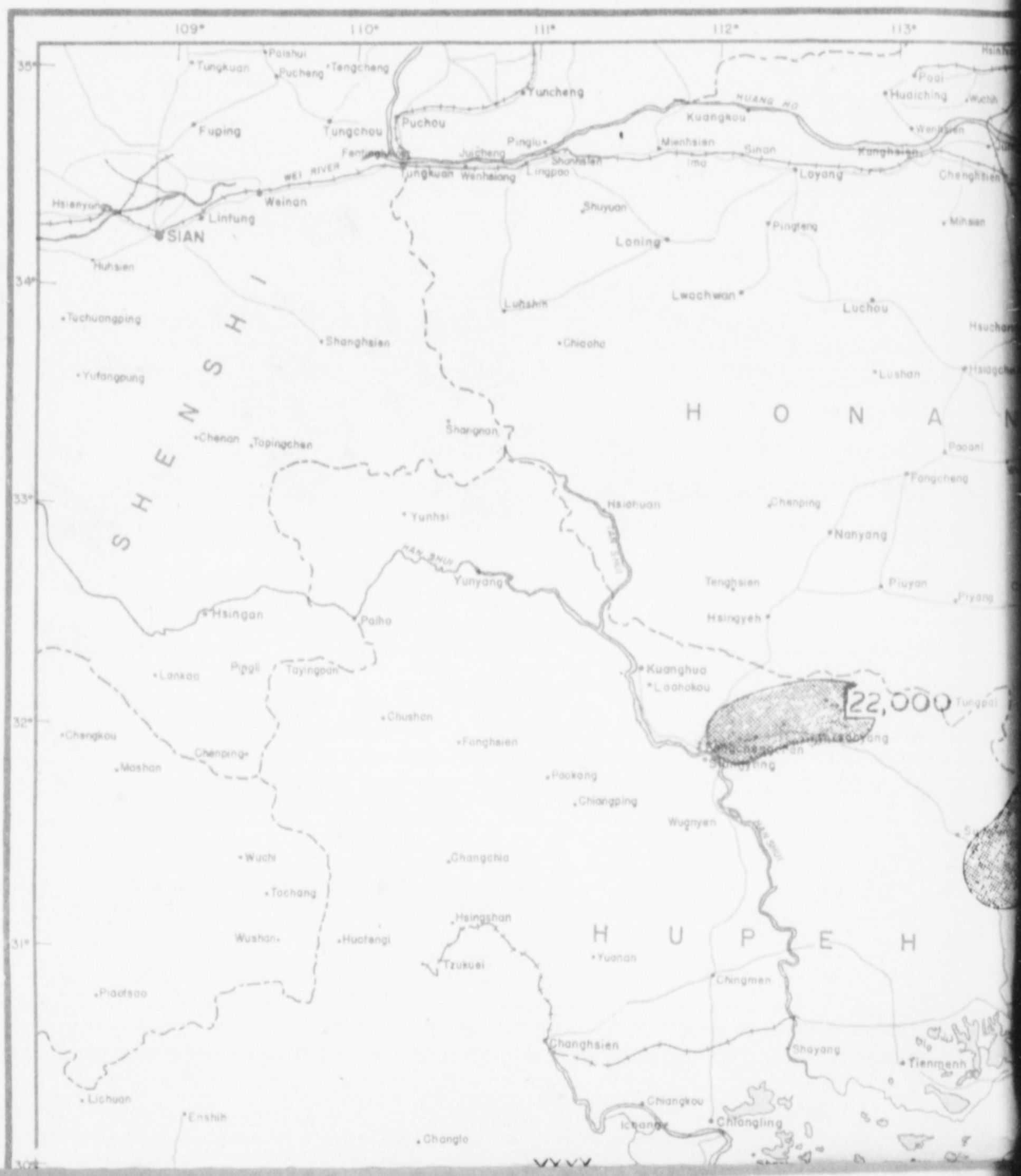

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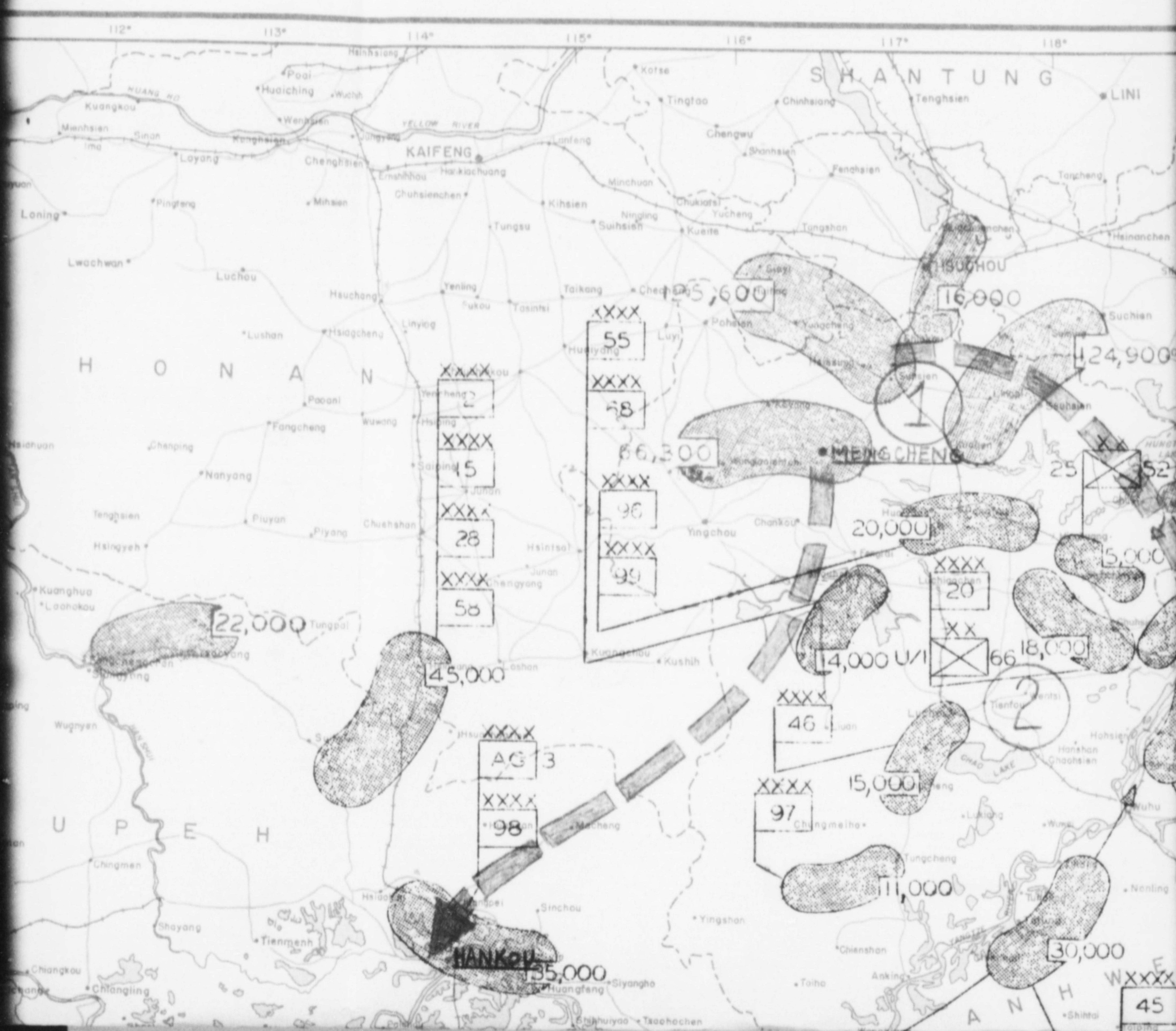

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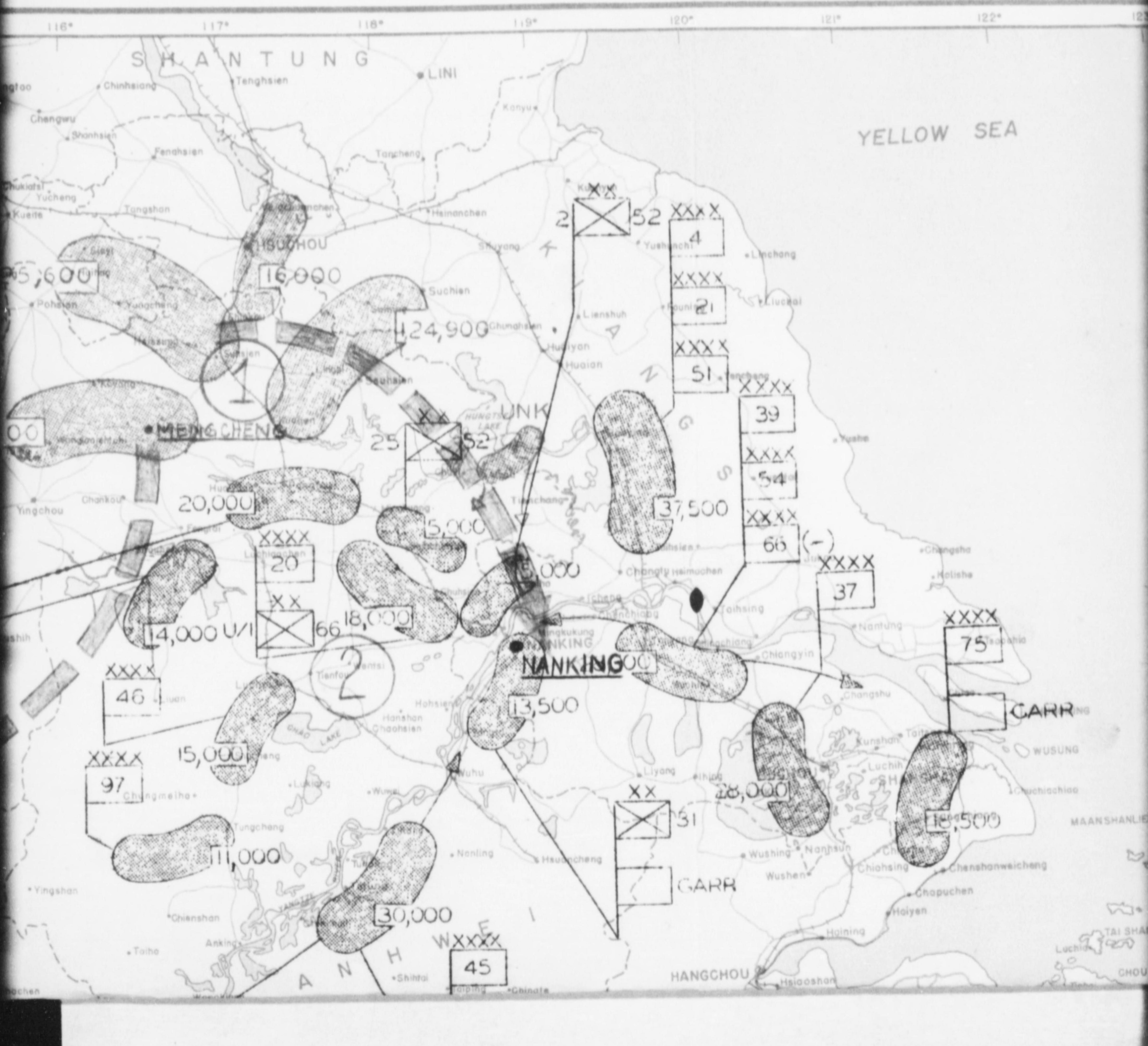

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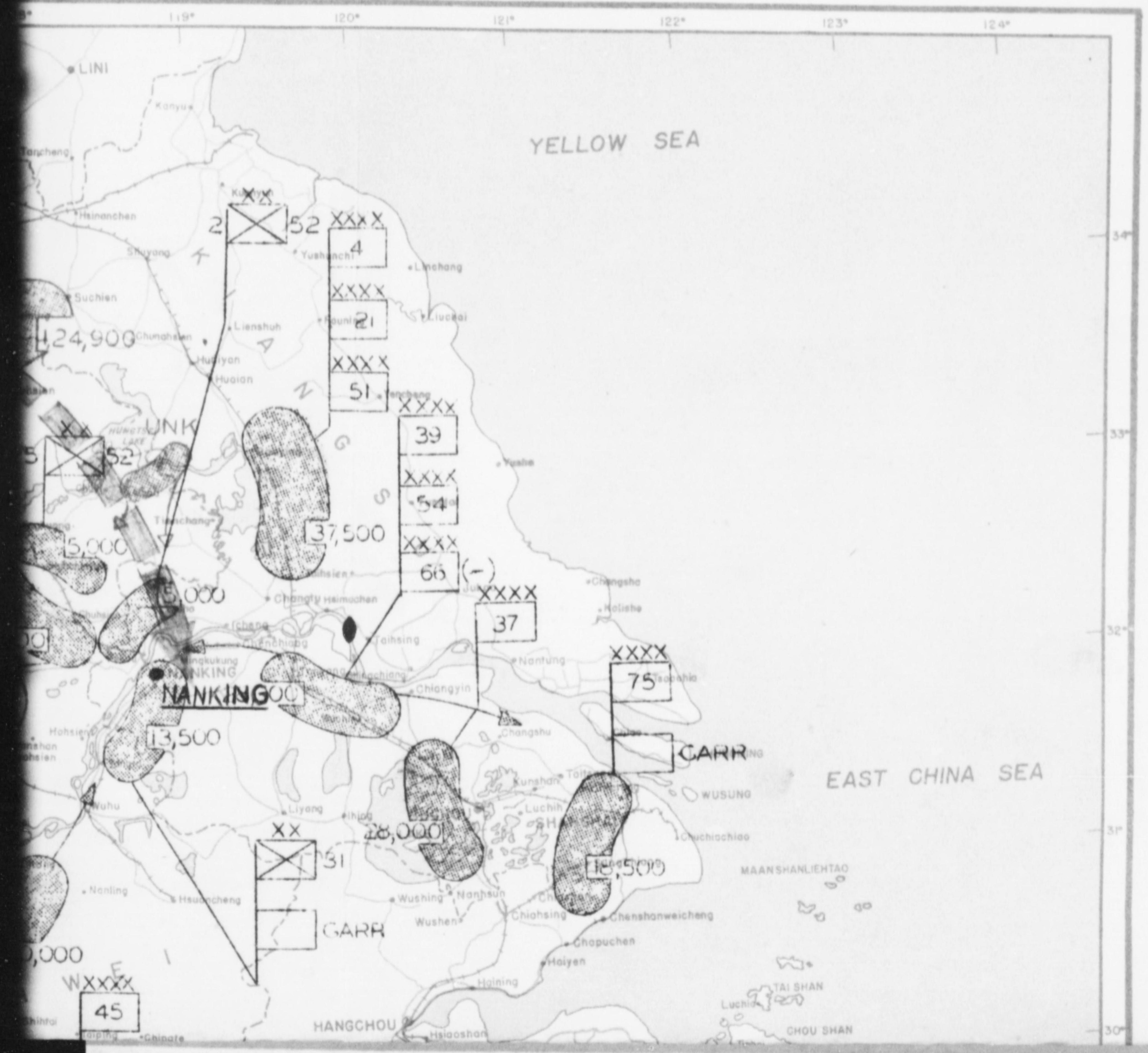

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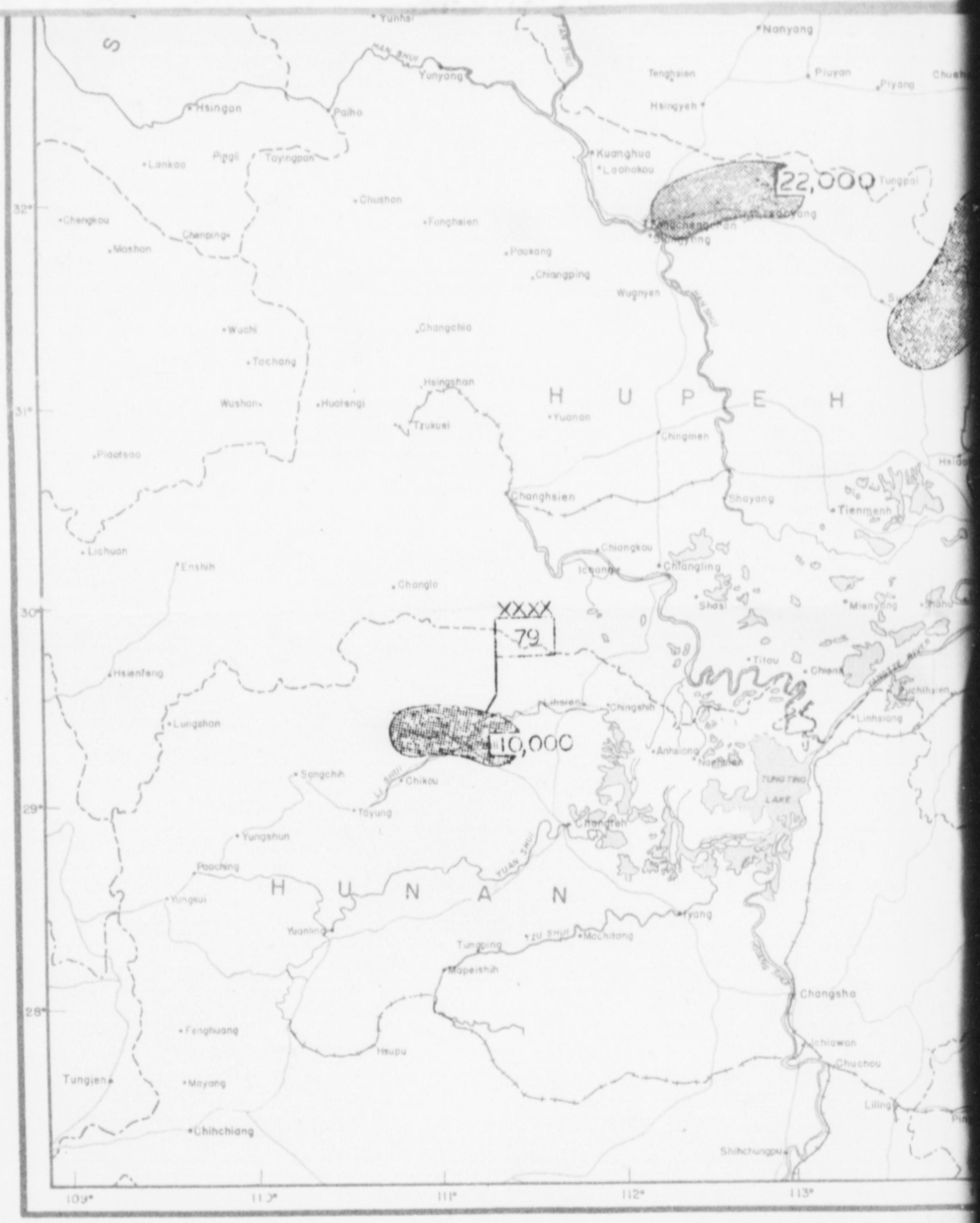

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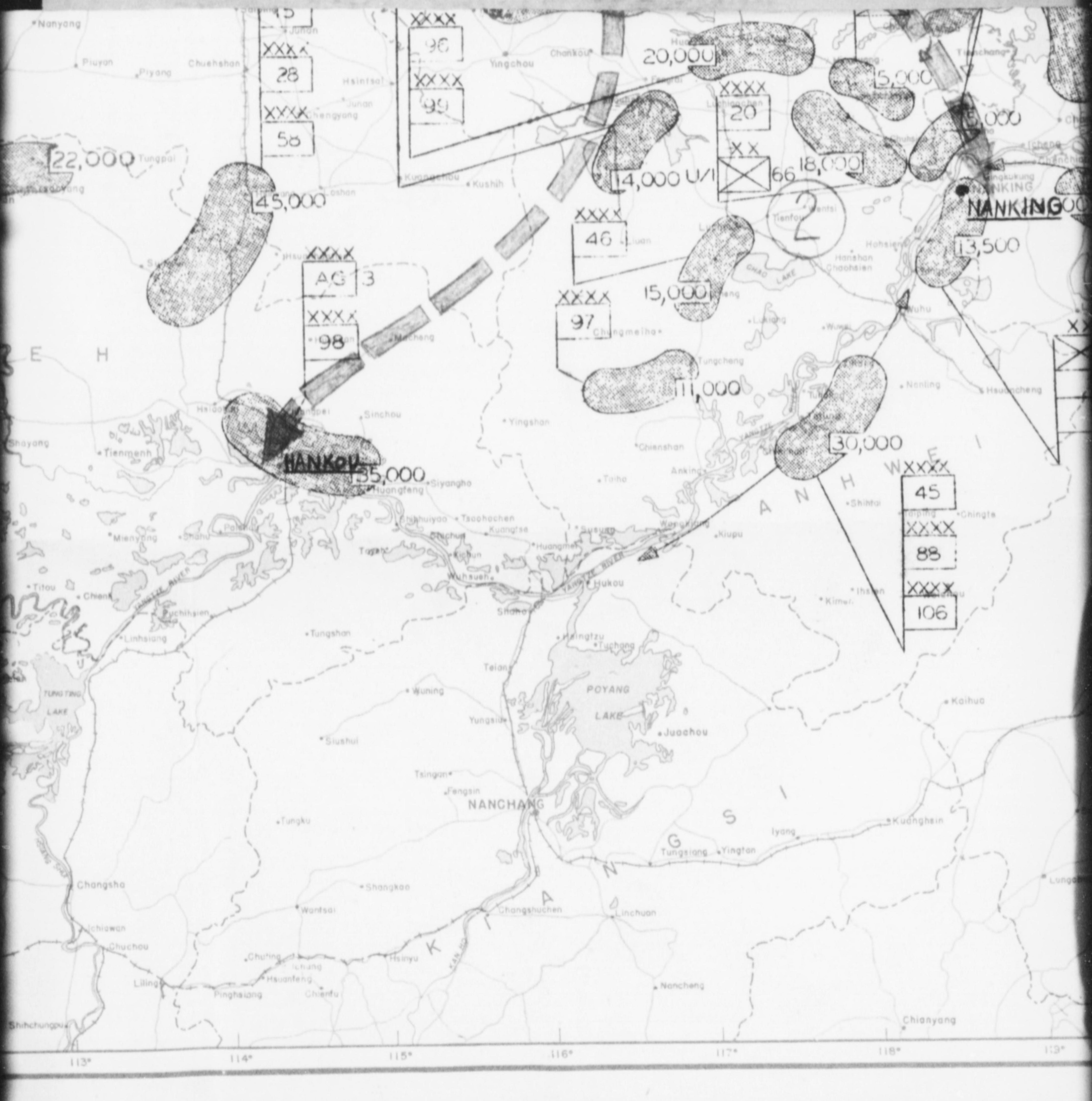

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MILITARY SITUATION
EAST-CENTRAL CHINA (16 Jan)
MAP NO. 1
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SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SECTION. GENERAL STAFF

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1630
DATE: 14 January 1949

SUBJECT: Current Developments in China Military Situation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Essential Elements of Information:

a. Reference is made to JUSMAG, Nanking radio CM 9023 (AG No. 27949), 14 Jan 49 and JUSMAG, Nanking radio CM 9022 (AG No. 27961), 14 Jan 49.

b. Items 1 thru 3 pertain to North China. Item 1 is Nationalist G-2's report of 13 Jan that Tientsin still holds.

c. Item 2 is Tientsin Consulate General's report indicating the return of Nationalist peace delegation with agreement for cease fire while Nationalist commander considers surrender terms.

d. Item 3 is statement by Generalissimo's aide on night of 13 Jan indicating the surrender of Tientsin with subsequent denial by Ministry of National Defnese.

e. Item 4 indicates no significant change in the military situation in East-Central China during the past 24 hours.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. The lack of adequate communications in the Tientsin area is apparently preventing the receipt of information concerning the true situation. It is not improbable that Tientsin has, or is on the verge of surrendering as this has been imminent for several days (G-2 Daily Intelligence Summary 2314, 9 Jan 49). The brief lull in fighting has been attributed to the Communists' reluctance to press destruction of the city until surrender terms have been considered, (G-2 Spot Report 13 Jan).

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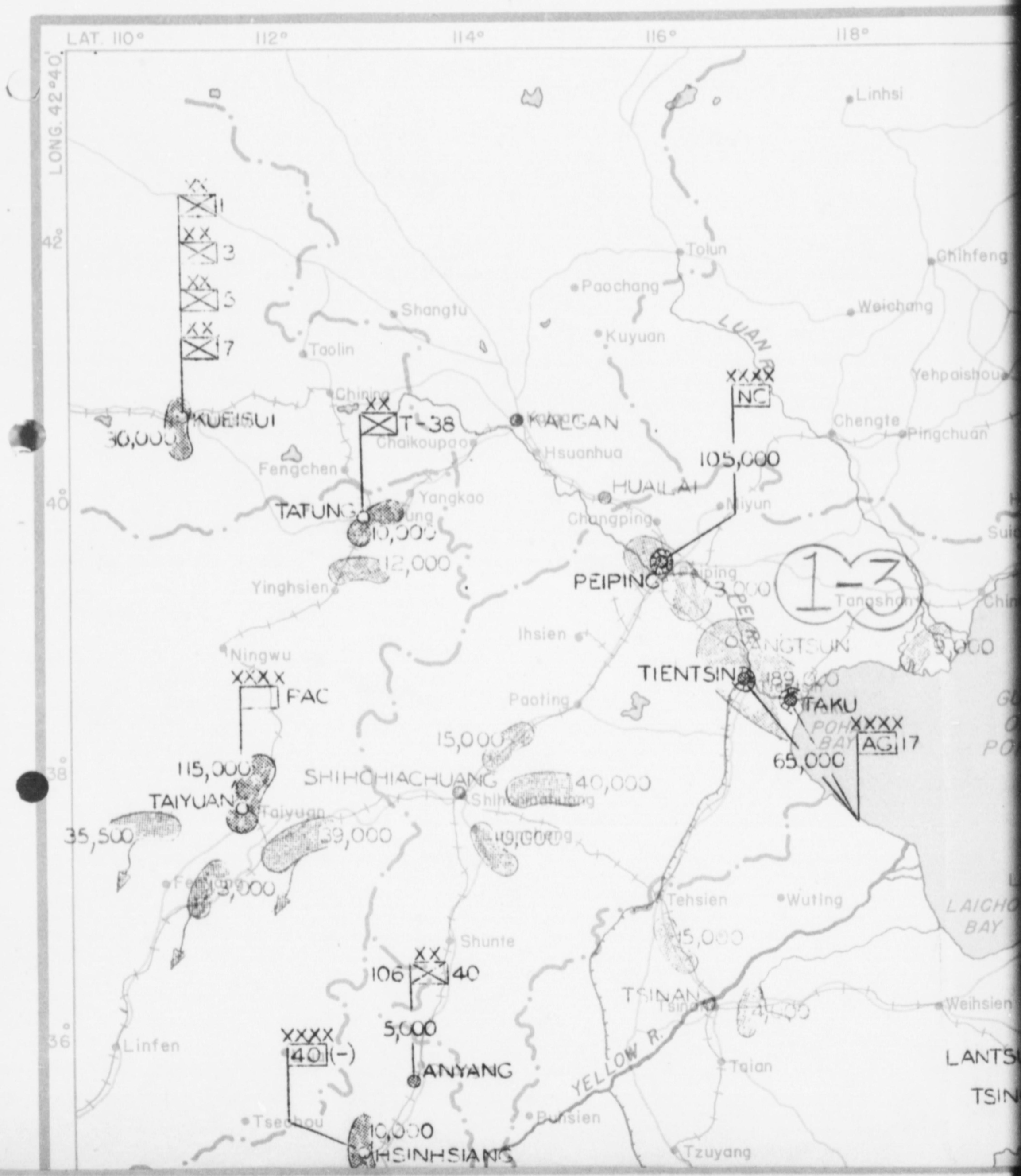

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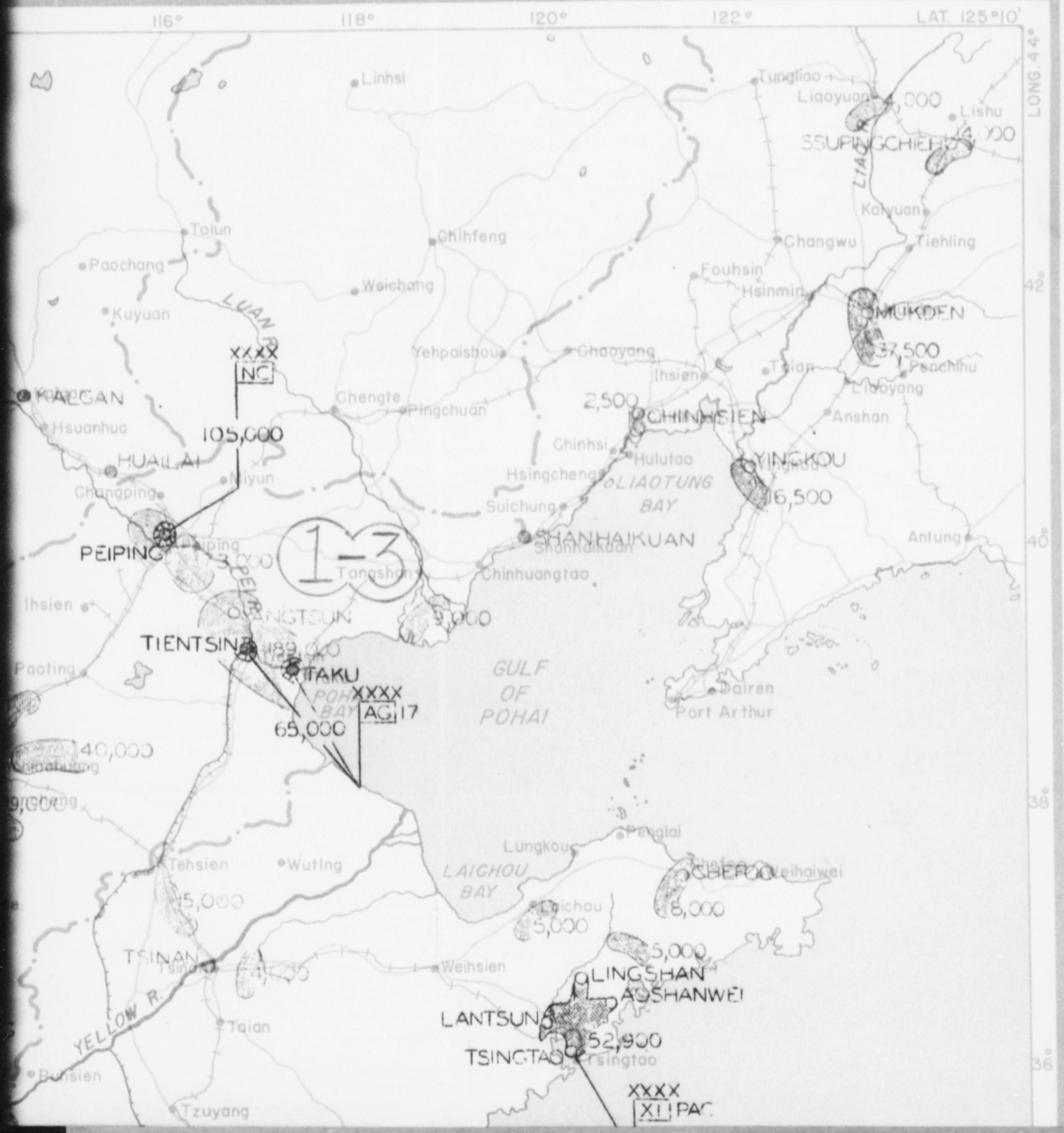

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

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Date: 14 Jan 49
Hour: 1120

SUBJECT: Assassination of Prominent Rightist Korean Leader

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CIC reports that GEN Ko Sho, alias HYUN Ho Sup (Korean) - AITIYAMA (Japanese), a prominent leader in Korean Rightist movements was shot and killed near Ueno Station, Tokyo, at 1815 hours last evening. The assassin fired a pistol at very close range after ordering GEN to step out of a car and then fled into the UENO crowds and disappeared.

b. GEN was the most valuable CIC Informant in the Kobe-Osaka area, chairman of the rightist Korean Residents Union and one of the most powerful Korean anti-leftist leaders in Japan. He was publisher of the TAI Kan Nimpo, a strongly anti-communist newspaper in the Kansai region. GEN was an active leader in Korean anti-communist activities and as such incurred the enmity of all leftist organizations notably the League of Koreans Residing in Japan, its subsidiaries and the Japan Communist Party.

c. GEN had been in the Tokyo area for several days for the following reasons:

(1) To expedite Japanese official approval of a request for cloth to be used in making Korean Republic flags. The flags were to be used as a counter-measure against the illegal leftist display of the flag of North Korea.

(2) To attempt to have the newsprint allocation increased so that he could expand the circulation of his paper.

(3) To confer with local CIC and rightist Korean leaders as to the Korean situation throughout Japan.

d. GEN's address in Tokyo was supposedly a closely guarded secret among the top rightist leaders as he was aware of his many enemies and the possibility that they would carry out previous threats against his life.

e. It is believed that the Koreans in both Kobe and Tokyo will react violently to GEN's assassination.

2. Action:

a. CIC will observe and report on all developments which may arise as a result of this incident.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, DS, CPM, Tokyo PM, G-3.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 0930
Date: 14 Jan 1949

SUBJECT: Communist Front Meeting Planned in School

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CIC reports that the Preparatory Committee of Japan-Soviet Friendship Society (Nisso Shinzen Kyokai Jumbiy Kai) will hold a meeting "to combat anti-Soviet and anti-Communist propaganda" beginning at 1200, 16 Jan 49, in auditorium of Girls' Domestic Science School (Kasei Gakkuen), located in Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo. Meeting will be sponsored by Livelihood Protection League of Repatriates from Russia (Soren Kikansha Yogo Domei).

b. According to CIC's source of information program at meeting will include speeches by the following:

(1) Representative from Soviet Embassy (name unknown, but previous information indicates this representative might be Lt Gen Derevyanko).
(2) Nozaka Sanzo, prominent member of Japan Communist Party.
(3) Tsumura Kenji, chairman of Livelihood Protection League of Repatriates from Russia.
(4) Horie Muraichi, known member of JCP, member of Tokyo-to Board of Education.
(5) Tanabe Minoru, who will lecture on "conditions in Russia".

c. Music will be furnished by Youth Communist League and chorus will sing "New Struggle" (Atarashi Tadakai). Movie entitled "Tales of Siberia" (Siberia no monogatari) will be shown.

d. CIC is informed that this meeting is an important part of the Japan Communist Party election campaign. In an effort to increase the monetary income, a low admission charge will be levied, but copies of songs will be sold in an effort to increase the proceeds. To date about 3,000 tickets have been sold.

2. Action:

a. CIC has been instructed to cover the meeting completely.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, CI&E, CPM, DS, Tokyo PM, CG Hq & Sv Gp, GS, G-3.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1030
Date: 14 January 1949

SUBJECT: Japanese Fire Department Parade in Imperial Palace Plaza, Tokyo

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. The National Headquarters of Fire Department will hold a meeting, 15 Jan 49, from 1000 to 1200 hours, in the Imperial Palace Plaza, Tokyo, for the purpose of conducting its annual fire fighters' inspection and parade.

b. Attendance is estimated at approximately 20,000 people, and a large number of Occupation personnel are expected to be there.

2. Action:

a. CIC will observe and any incidents of consequence will be immediately reported.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, G-3, CPM, Tokyo PM, CG Hq & Sv Gp, and GS.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1700
DATE: 13 January 1949

SUBJECT: Current Developments in China Military Situation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Essential Elements of Information:

a. Reference is made to JUSMAG, Nanking radio CYF 031 AIGA (AG No. 27507), 12 Jan 49.

b. Item 1 pertains to North China: A lull has developed in fighting in the Tientsin area which the Nationalist G-2 attributes to heavy casualties suffered by the Communists. (1)

c. Item 2 pertains to East-Central China: No major change is indicated since the capitulation of TU Yu-ming's 2d and 13th Army Groups (G-2 Spot Report 12 Jan 49.). Confusion continues to exist concerning the location of LIU Po-cheng's Columns in the general Pangfou area. (2)

2. G-2 Comment:

a. Communist action in North China is believed to reflect their reluctance to destroy such potential assets as the cities of Tientsin and Peiping, rather than to indicate their inability to break down Nationalist defenses. Communist action against Tientsin is expected to be resumed at an early date if surrender is not forthcoming. No change is made in previous estimates of Communist capabilities in North China.

b. The lull in East-Central China may be expected to continue until the spoils gained through TU Yu-ming's capitulation have been divided and until regrouping and resupplying of CHEN Yi's forces has been accomplished.

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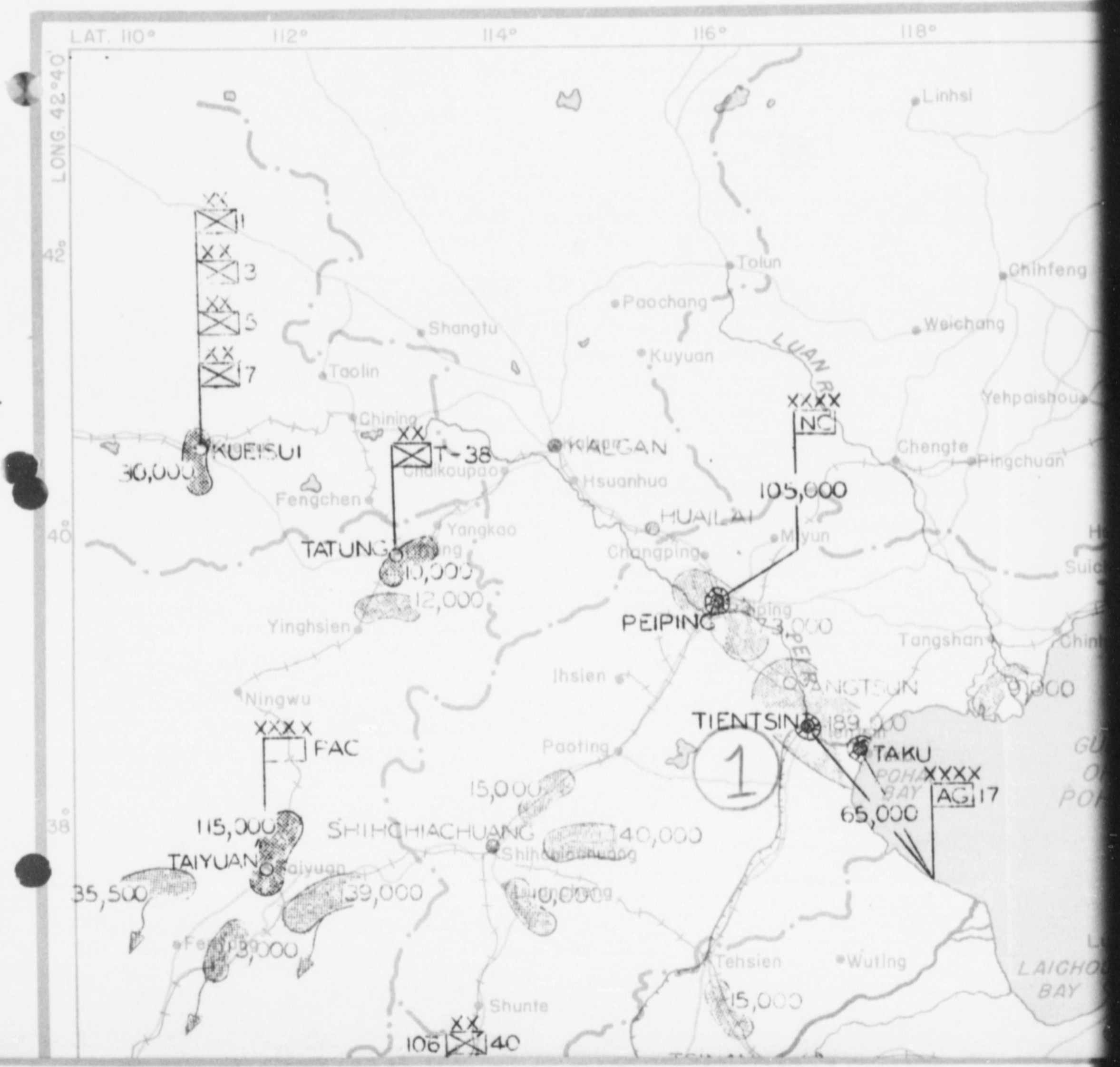

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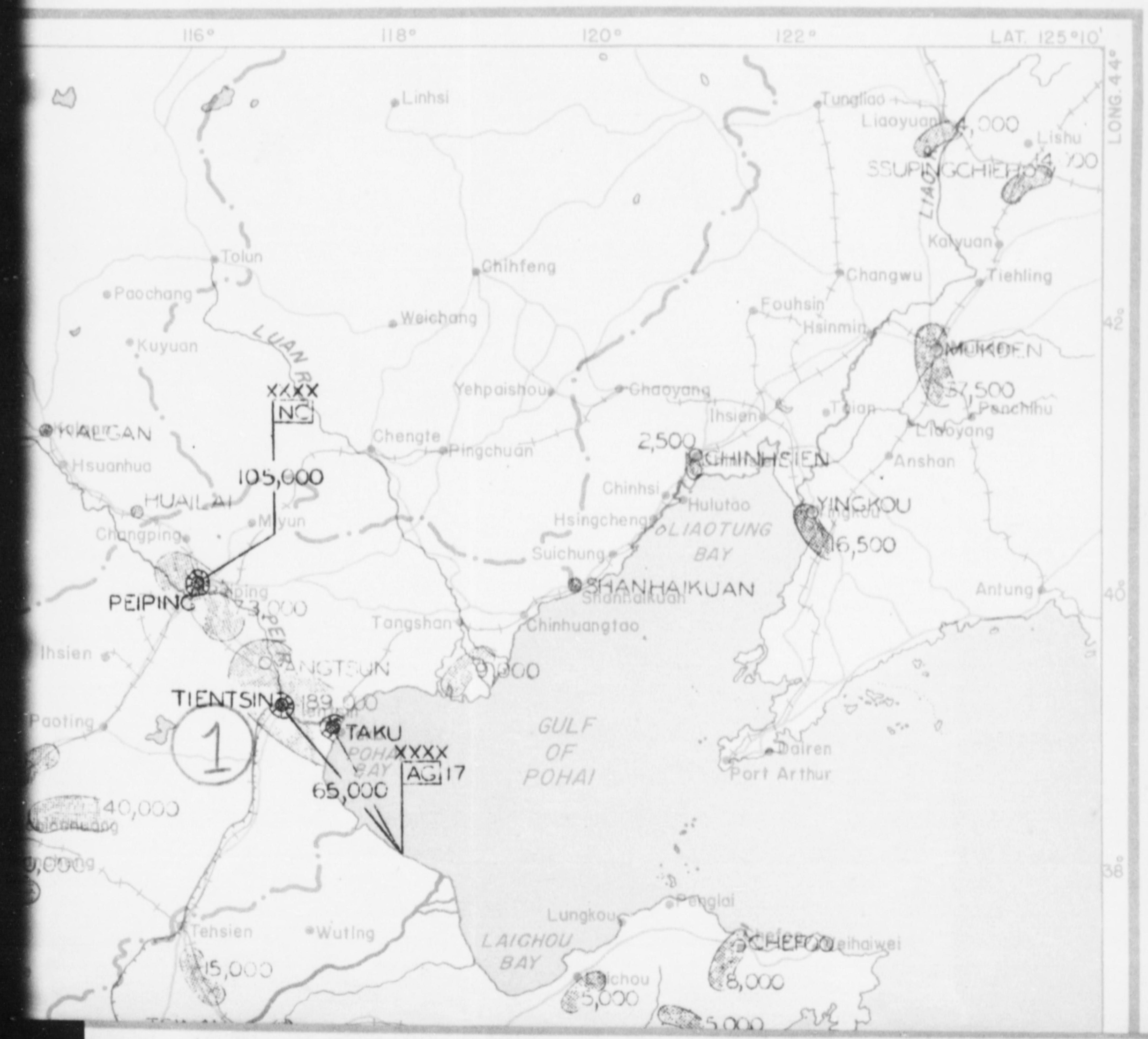
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