13. **KOREA. Communist counter-air activity continues heavy south of the Yalu River.**

Enemy air activity during the past two weeks has confirmed an earlier estimate that the Communists would expand their counter-air operations southward. Concurrent with this expansion, enemy jet aircraft are appearing in greater strength. In several recent incidents UN pilots have been outnumbered two and three to one. While not yet in sufficient strength to challenge UN aerial superiority, the enemy's counter-air effort in the area north of Pyongyang has "posed a definite challenge to our fighter-bomber and reconnaissance missions." It is concluded that while the enemy is unable to employ such tactics over all of Communist-controlled North Korea, "his ability...to continue operations at the current level (utilization of at least 200 jet fighters), and even for slight expansion, should not be minimized." (11 Oct 51)