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GENERAL TRANSMITTING A COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY THE
HEADQUARTERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS COMMAND IN KOREA

The Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations
presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has
the honor to transmit herewith, for the information of the Security Council,
United Nations Command communique No. 1,636, issued in Tokyo Friday,
June 5, 1953.

UNITED NATIONS COMMAND COMMUNIQUE NO. 1,636,
ISSUED IN TOKYO 10:00 A.M., FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 1953
(KOREAN TIME)

Heavy fighting continued in the central and eastern sectors during the period as battles raged for control of several outpost positions.

In the central sector United Nations Command forces withdrew from an outpost which had been regained yesterday. Strong friendly counterattacks against that position and one other in the same area continued today. Successive United Nations Command counterattacks against five enemy-held positions in the Finger Ridge area have been unsuccessful. Enemy forces suffered heavy casualties as bitter fighting continued in the area. Other central sector actions included an unsuccessful two-squad enemy probe of a friendly outpost early yesterday. Late the night of June 3 an estimated enemy platoon hit friendly positions north of Kumbwa, but was repulsed after an hour of fighting.

In the eastern sector, an unsuccessful counterattack was launched by friendly forces against Anchor Hill. Bitter fighting continues with heavy artillery and mortar fire employed by both sides. The Luke's Castle area was marked by successive counterattacks launched by both friendly and enemy forces, with no decision gained by either side.

Three enemy probes of small friendly outposts were repulsed yesterday in other actions in the area.

Carrier-based aircraft of the United Nations Command Fleet blasted supply areas along the west coast yesterday as they ranged from Ongjin to Songhwa. Eleven supply buildings were destroyed and fifteen damaged. Another four buildings west of Taetan were crumpled in the Songhwa area. Three structures were engulfed by a large fire. Other strikes scored hits on gun positions.

A surface vessel in the Yellow Sea received approximately ten rounds from enemy shore batteries south of Chinnampo, but evaded them all. Coastal positions in the same area were pounded by a United Nations Command rocket loading ship. Near Kosong, on the east coast, surface units destroyed or damaged gun positions and bunkers. Two enemy trains were fired on north of Tanchon.

United Nations Command fighter bombers yesterday slammed explosives into the enemy battleline throughout the day, mounting more than two hundred daylight sorties in support of friendly ground forces. Heaviest air support came in the central and eastern sectors. Medium bombers last night hit the battleline with 190 tons of explosives for the second consecutive night. Night intruders also smashed enemy combat positions bombing the battleline electronically after dark.

