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ANTICIPATE NEXT RED THRUST FROM BULGARIA

A Communist victory in Korea would encourage Communists to make similar attacks elsewhere. Defeat in Korea would probably lead the Reds to provoke unrest elsewhere in order to confuse their enemies and recoup their lost prestige. Observers believe that the Reds' next thrust may take the form of a Bulgarian attempt to unite portions of Macedonia now belonging to Yugoslavia, Greece, and Bulgaria. This belief is based on the following facts:

1. The Bulgarian High Command has replaced some commanders with Russian generals. Soviet Gen Arsen Grekof, originally a Bulgarian, has been named Bulgarian Chief of Staff. General Novikov, also a Russian, has been placed in command of the Bulgarian Second Army, whose headquarters are at Plovdiv.
2. Bulgarian military units have been moved up to the vicinity of the Yugoslav frontier. Many infantry regiments have been transferred from the Rumanian frontier to the neighborhood of Kyustendil, near the border of Bulgaria and Yugoslav Macedonia. An antitank regiment has also been sent to Kyustendil. The 6th Division, which is directly under Soviet orders, has been moved from Vratca to Kula, and the 7th Division has been deployed along the Macedonian border.
3. The Bulgarian government has issued identity cards to all citizens for use in the event of mobilization, and has made a list of all transport facilities in the country.
4. Soviet war materiel is being unloaded daily in the harbors of Varna and Burgaz. The Soviets are sending vast stocks of war materiel to Bulgaria through Rumania via the Danube.
5. Many groups of Russian officers and soldiers in civilian dress are regularly entering Bulgaria from Rumania through the city of Vidin, and from there are going on to Kostendil, Khaskovo and Petrioh. All of these three cities are situated near the Macedonian border.

Observers also recall that the Communists have long favored creation of an independent "Greater Macedonia," which would separate Yugoslavia from Greece, unite Bulgaria and Albania, and provide Bulgaria with an outlet to the sea.

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