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[redacted] a state-operated salvage company was organized to salvage vessels throughout China. The company salvaged a total of 121 vessels [redacted] Approximately 430 vessels with a total tonnage of 150,000 had been sunk at the time the Communists consolidated their control; of these, vessels representing a total tonnage of 30,000 were repaired. Nineteen jetties in various Yangtze harbors have been repaired and more than 250 motor vessels, excluding those for military use, have been built. Depots at Hankow, Anch'ing (N 30-31, E 117-02), and Wuhsieh (N 29-51, E 115-37) with a total capacity of 18,000 tons have been repaired.

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[redacted] following a decision [redacted] by the Government Administration Council to complete the new T'angku harbor ahead of schedule. widespread mechanized construction was undertaken. [redacted] a total of 17,000,000 cubic meters of earth had been dredged; the original wharves reconstructed and strengthened; a lock allowing passage of vessels of 3,000 tons repaired; two coal-loading machines, each with a loading capacity of 450 tons of coal per hour, repaired; and dikes, depots, and buildings repaired. The first phase of the Tangk'u construction project was thereby completed two months ahead of schedule. [redacted] vessels of 10,000 tons were able to enter the harbor for the discharge or taking on of cargoes.

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[redacted] Whampoa harbor authorities undertook the removal of shoals on the navigation route within the harbor; repair of depots and wharves; installation of buoys for mooring of vessels up to 30,000 tons; and construction of cargo centers, power plants, railway lines, and waterways. [redacted] vessels of 8,000 tons were able to enter the harbor for the discharge or taking on of

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- cargoes. [] the "wall of the bank" at Whampoa frequently collapsed for a distance of four kilometers and to a depth of ten to fifty meters. [] the repair of the wall was undertaken in accord with the advice of a Soviet technician that the course of the current be modified. Dredging of Paishachou (4101/3097/3166) cleared the main navigation route and restricted the current to a central course, permitting completion of the wharf construction. 50X1-HUM
5. [] dredging was completed in many areas near Shanghai, Hsükou (N 34-43, E 119-22), Tsingtao, and along the lower Yangtze River. In the Sungari River, twenty shoals were removed and 1,500,000 cubic meters of silt dredged, permitting fully-loaded vessels to transport commodities between Communist China and the Soviet Union. Nine hundred and twenty-seven signs were erected along the shore and 190 buoys were placed within the harbor. At the mouth of the Yangtze River, obstructions along the navigation route were surveyed, mines swept, and buoys installed. Twenty lighthouses were either constructed or repaired and 32 buoys placed on navigation routes at the mouths of coastal harbors. On the Yangtze River a total of 305 lightboats, lighted posts, and lighted buoys were installed. A new navigation route was opened from the mouth of the Pearl River, enabling ocean liners to sail directly to Whampoa harbor without passing through the territorial waters of Hong Kong. 50X1-HUM
6. Navigation offices have begun development of a systematic program of investigating, surveying, measuring depth and planning construction programs along the navigation routes of inland rivers, harbors, and bays linked with the coast. [] investigation of harbors at Hsükou, Tsingtao, Chefoo, Yingk'ou (N 40-40, E 122-13), Lungk'ou, (N 37-40, E 120-20), Shihtao (N 36-53, E 122-25), Weihaiwei (N 37-31, E 122-06), and Dairen was completed. In South China, the surveying of harbors at Hankow, Ich'ang (N 30-42, E 111-17), Wanhsien (N 30-49, E 108-24), and Chungking was completed. Surveying of harbors at Wuhu (N 31-21, E 118-23), Yüch'i (N 28-22, E 119-40), and Erhpa (0059/1100) was in progress. Surveying of 730 kilometers of navigation route on the Yellow River from Ningshia to Suiyuan was completed and sounding and planning of a wharf and shipyard had begun on this route. 50X1-HUM

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