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1. The "military" membership (former ELAS, ELAN, CPLA and leaders of MLA, SK, etc.) of KKE has, for the most part, been leaving Athens, probably for Macedonia. Reasons for this are that the party, in spite of government persecution, is better off in the North, and that the party's efforts in Athens (strikes, collections of funds, etc.) have fallen off. The fighting members are attracted by the successes of their bands.

2. The EKE has been putting out rumors that violent incidents should be issainently expected in Athens. These are directed principally at higher government and army officials. So far, however, there have been no signs that the rumors have any factual foundation. Distribution of weapons and amminition, which are still stored, would take a basic minimum of ten days. Further, members are mostly still living in their own homes; when riots are expected, members disappear. Finally, there have been no mass meetings and workers have not been observed to be leaving their jobs. All these are usual signs of impending trouble, and note of these has been noted yet.

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