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25X1 1. Dissidents under CHEN Keng\* in the Tapichshan (115-, 31-) area number about 300,000 and are well-armed. There are also 200,000 dissidents in the Taihu (120-, 31-) area.

25X1 2. Reports of large-scale dissident forces under CHEN are widespread but of uncertain verity [redacted]. The nucleus of the Tapichshan forces was reported formed by CHEN Keng's joining CHIU Ching-shuan, Nationalist general previously believed to have been killed in the battle of Hsuehou.

25X1 [redacted] 3. The 9 Route Army (a Kuomintang guerrilla force) is reported to have attacked Wuhu around 1 September 1949.

25X1 [redacted] Comment. According to information available to this office, as of April 1949 CHEN Keng was deputy commander of the Communist 2 Field Army.

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