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1. Communist-dominated labor unions in Hong Kong are:
  - a. Hong Kong-Kowloon General Labor Union, 3rd Floor, 142 Lockhart Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong. Chairman: CHANG Ch'en-nan (張振南)\*.
  - b. Hong Kong Branch of the Overseas Seamen's Union, 7 West Point Shan Road, Hong Kong. Chairman: TS'EN Wei (岑維).
  - c. Kowloon Branch of the Overseas Seamen's Union, 11A Jordan Road. Chairman: CHANG Tung-ch'uan (張東荃)\*\*.
  - d. Hong Kong Electric Light and Power Company Chinese Employees' Union, 4th Floor, 353 Hennessy Road, Hong Kong. Chairman: HSIEN Hang-hai (洗航海)\*\*\*.
  - e. Hong Kong Telephone Company Chinese Employees' Union, 146 Lockhart Road, Hong Kong. Chairmen: WU Hua-kan (吳華軒) and CH'EN Yao (陳耀).
  - f. Butterfield and Swire Chinese Employees' Union, 22 Hing Ming Road, Kowloon. Leaders: YEH Kuang (葉光) and LIANG Mien-chih (梁勉之).
  - g. Kowloon Docks Labor Federation, 1st Floor, 48 Po Ka Id Street\*\*\*\*. Chairman: MAI Yao-chuan (麥耀全).
  - h. Kowloon Branch of the Bus Operator's Union, 3rd Floor, 785 Nathan Road, Kowloon. Chairman: YANG Sheng (楊生).
  - i. Hong Kong Gas Company Chinese Employees' Union, 9 Water Street, Sai Ying Poon, Hong Kong. Chairman: CHIANG Ping (江炳).
  - j. Commercial Union, 44 Tak Ka Lap Street. Chairman: T'AN Tsu-k'o (譚棋科).
  - k. Printer's Trade Union, 20 Connaught Road, Hong Kong. Chairman: OU Ch'ao-sheng (歐煥生).

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1. Inland Shipping Union, Connaught Road, Hong Kong. Chairman: LI Ling (李陵) and HO Ch'uan (何泉).
  - m. Motor Car Operator's General Trade Union, 312 Lockhart Road. Chairman: HSIEH Wei-chih (謝偉志).
  - n. Hong Kong-Kowloon Chinese Doctor's Union, 119 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong. Chairmen: YUAN Chun (阮君) and CHU Hui-min (朱浩民).
  - o. Tramway Worker's Union, 30 Low So Street, Hong Kong. Chairman: WU Hua-kan (吳華軒).
  - p. Rubber Worker's Union, 19 Kowloon Boundary Street, Kowloon. Chairman: LU Cheng-chih (盧政之).
  - q. Hong Kong Postal Chinese Union, 3rd Floor, 42 Johnston Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong. Chairman: CHANG Min-chao (張敏釗).
  - r. Hong Kong-Kowloon Women's General Trade Union, 4th Floor, 349 Portland Street, Mong Kok, Kowloon. Chairman: Mrs. OU Li-hua (歐麗華).
  - s. Union of Pig Roasters', 3rd Floor, 20 Central Market Street West, Wanchai, Hong Kong. Chairman: LI Lung-yi (李龍義).
  - t. Naval Dockyards Chinese Worker's General Trade Union, 3rd Floor, 81 Hennessy Road, Hong Kong. Chairman: LI Chung (李仲)\*\*\*\*\*.
  - u. Electrical Worker's Union, 79 Hollywood Road, Hong Kong. Chairman: LIU Ta-chang (劉大章).
  - v. Chromoplaters' Union, 215 Kei Lung Street. Chairman: LU Tao (陸滔).
  - w. Street Seller's Union, 42 Mew Buk Street. Chairman: LIANG Tieh-mien (梁鐵綿).
  - x. Hong Kong-Kowloon Restaurant and Cafe Worker's Union, 3rd Floor, 15 Victory Street, Kowloon. Chairman: HU Chien-chih (胡劍之)\*\*\*\*\*.
  - y. Newspaper Seller's Union, 2nd Floor, 45 Buk Ho Street, Shamshuipo, New Territories. Chairman: OU Han-hua (歐漢華).
  - z. Woodcutter's Union, 198 Tong Mi Road. Chairman: CHEN Hua (陳華).
  - aa. Race Course Chinese Employees' Union, 1st Floor, 6 Shing Wah Street, Happy Valley, Hong Kong. Chairman: CHAN Ying (詹榮).
  - bb. Retreading Tire Worker's Union, 597 Sun Tin Day Street, Mong Kok, Kowloon. Chairman: LIANG Hsin-tsen (梁新甚).
  - cc. Glass Worker's Union, 17 Wai Shu Street, Tai Kwok Jui. Chairman: CHOU Chien-ming (周建明).
  - dd. Copper Metal Worker's Union, 2nd Floor, 96 Li Chi Kok Road, Kowloon. Chairman: HSIEH Jui-sheng (謝瑞生).
  - ee. Chinese Herb Dealer's Union, 2nd Floor, 565 Sun Tin Day Street, Mong Kok, Kowloon. Chairman: CHOU Yu (周佑).
  - ff. Barber's Union, 33 Chan Fuen Street, Wanchai, Hong Kong. Chairman: KUANG Hsin-hua (鄺修華).
2. CHANG Ch'ien-nan, chairman of the Hong Kong-Kowloon General Labor Union, has issued instructions to the leaders of all pro-Communist unions to organize immediately within their unions a special corps consisting of at least 100 men. These men are to be chosen on a basis of their education and physical

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qualifications. Each of these special corps will undergo training in subjects such as ideals and aims of a Communist Government; propaganda; public speaking; and fundamentals in the care, maintenance, and use of arms.

3. A special fund has been established by the union to which every member must contribute. It is earmarked for the military rehabilitation of a New China.
4. A Volunteer Corps has been organized by the unions to help union members wishing to join the Communist Army. The Corps guarantees that the training and skills of the recruits will be used by the army, and they will not be automatically sent into the infantry.
5. On 1 October 1949, a secret memorandum was issued to all union chairmen, stating that the union will back up any demand for increased wages provided one-half of the increased gained is contributed to the union.
6. On 5 November 1949, the Chinese Doctors Union at its annual meeting had serious disputes over the future aims of the union. One group insisted that, as doctors, their task is to remain neutral and heal the sick. As Communist members are both numerous and powerful in this union, it may not be able to pursue its impartial political policy.
7. Although the unions are dominated by Communist chairmen and committee members, not all members are pro-Communist. The members are generally satisfied with working conditions in Hong Kong, and are not in favor of subscribing to increased union dues. Whatever their inclinations, members abide by decisions of their union leaders, as they want to avoid Communist persecutions. In general, they are willing to belong to a Communist union as long as they are not in Communist territory.

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Comment. [redacted] states that CHANG Ch'en-nan is chairman of the Board of Directors of the Hong Kong-Kowloon General Trade Union.

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Comment. Listed as member of the Electrical Repair Union in [redacted]

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Comment. [redacted] the address of the Naval Dockyard Chinese Employees' Trade Union is given as 4th Floor, 178 Lockhart Street, Hong Kong.

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