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1. The E (11 April) Battalion of the Tentara Republik Indonesia Serikat (TRIS), which was organized on 11 April 1949 by the late Maj. Abdulrachman, held its first annual celebration on 11 April 1950 in Sumedang. Among those present at the celebration were:

Lt. Col. Eris Sudewo	Chief of Staff and second in command of the Siliwangi Division.
Capt. de Winter	Commandant of the Royal Netherlands Indonesian Army (RNIA) battalion at Sumedang.
TRIS battalion commandant at Sumedang	
Raden Sanusi	Resident of Priangan
Raden Sukri	Chief of Police of Priangan

27 April 1950

2. The following units of the TRIS are stationed in the Celebes:

<u>Commandant</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Location</u>
Maj. Worang	Worang Battalion	Makassar
Lt. Col. Suharto	Garuda Mataram (Mataram Eagle Brigade)	Makassar
Maj. Dullah	Dullah Battalion	Bonthain

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3. The extremist battalion of Major Bedjo of Central Sumatra and the Malach Battalion are being transferred from Medan to Cheribon Residency to take over from the 4 Brigade of Lt. Col. Rukman. The 4 Brigade is being transferred to the Celebes.
4. The 4 Brigade was originally a group of Murba irregulars called the Kesatuan Perdjoangan Rakjat Murba (Proletarian Fighting Unit). This unit was joined by more irregulars and eventually organized into the 4 Brigade by the Tentara Nasional Indonesia (now the TRIS).
5. In addition to the Bedjo and Malach Battalions, three other battalions of the Siliwangi Division have been transferred to Cheribon Residency to help cope with the activities of the Tentara Islam Indonesia (TII). The latter three battalions came from Bantam, Bogor and Purwakarta. In all there are approximately 4,750 members of the TRIS in Cheribon Residency.

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