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- Five Soviet mechanical engineers arrived in Pyongyang from the USSR on 26 April. They were received immediately by KIM IL-song and then had a long secret conference with CH'OE Yong-kon (崔庸健) of the PA. The Soviets are headed by Darinibus (? Darnivich) and are assigned as technical advisers to the North Korean government for an indefinite period.
- In May, Lt. Colonel VI Yong-su (李永洙) and five other PA officers were sent to the USSR to purchase military equipment. Delivery to North Korea by the USSR of 25 medium-sized tanks and 25 armored cars was expected by 15 June.
- Lt. Colonel Bunodich (? Benovich), a Soviet military adviser of the PA, and five other officers left Pyongyang for an undisclosed destination in the northeast in late April 1950.
- In early May 1950, eight Soviet officers, five majors and three lieutenants, arrived in Pyongyang from the USSR. They held a secret conference immediately with the People's Army staff. These officers are to be attached to the PA as advisers.
- Officials of the Soviet embassy in Pyongyang conducted a special secret inspection of the 38th Parallel border on 20 May 1950.
- A reassignment of Soviet military advisers to the Border Constabulary in late May has permitted the attachment of two additional Soviet officers each to the Third, Fifth, and Seventh Brigades. Soviets in charge of special military training are: First Brigade, Lt. Colonel Buvichina (?Buvichin); Third Brigade, Major Sobuwikchi (?Sovavich); Fifth Brigade, Lt. Colonel Wistikayang (?Wistikoyan); and Seventh Brigade, Burousiv (?Burusev).
- On instructions from the Soviet Military Advisory Group, companies of the PA tank unit stationed in Chorwon (127-12, 38-14) were moved into border areas of Kangwon Province in late May for special training. Each company

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is under the command of a Soviet officer and has attached to it about ten Soviet soldiers to aid in training.

8. On 7 June 1950, four Soviet airplanes, type unknown, arrived at Wonsan (127-26, 39-10) airport. They are said to be the gift of the USSR to the PA.
9. At the end of May, there were the following Soviet vessels in North Korean east coast ports: three warships, 1,500 to 3,000 tons; five P-type submarines; three mine sweepers; and twelve motor torpedo boats, besides a number of transport vessels. Most of these craft remain at anchor in port except for trips to Hajin-dong (130-15, 42-10) and Chongjin (129-49, 41-46) to receive supplies.

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