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1. The current program apparently for the elimination of all persons in China who might be anti-Communist was organized by K'ANG Sheng, an old-time member of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) and Chairman of the Shantung Government. His program, known as the K'ANG Sheng plan, was accepted by the Chinese Communist Supreme Command* on 5 December 1950. The month before, K'ANG is quoted to have said before a meeting of the Politburo, "It is plain that the reactionaries within and outside the Party whose minds are weak will oppose the policy of the Party. Our Party will need to undergo a thorough eradication operation in order to oppress these reactionaries and thereby assure ourselves of victory in Korea and maintain a revolutionary order on the home front. To be lenient with our enemies is an act of suicide and it is the true mission to the Revolution to do away with all opposition."
2. The K'ANG Sheng plan called for the registration of all groups who might be suspected of being anti-Communist. This registration was completed late in December 1950. According to K'ANG there are 20,000,000 reactionaries throughout the nation. Officials of the Chinese Communist Government are boasting that within the next several months they will be liquidated and revolutionary order will have been established in China.
3. About 1 January 1951 wholesale massacre began in all parts of China, and by 1 February two million people had been arrested and about one million had been killed.**

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[Redacted] Comment. K'ANG Sheng is a member of the Chinese Politburo and of the Government Council as well as Chairman of the Shantung Government. He is a native of Shantung, but studied in Moscow from early childhood and is a graduate of the Soviet MVD school.*** He has always been in charge of special operations within the CCP. His position is such that he can give orders to LO Jui-ch'ing, Minister of Public Security.

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* [Redacted] Comment. The term Communist Supreme Command might indicate either the Chinese Communist Army Headquarters or the Revolutionary Military Council of the Chinese Communist Government, or it is more probably intended to mean the Chinese Politburo.

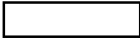
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** [Redacted] Comment. Although there have been a number of reports of mass arrests and killing in the last months, it seems hardly possible to state that a total of two million have been arrested and one million killed in all parts of China. [Redacted]

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*** [Redacted] Comment. [Redacted] KWANG Sheng went to Moscow for the first time for six years beginning in 1932, when he was about 33 years of age. If this is the case he would have studied in the OGPU school.

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