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1. In mid-October 1950, the Chiangpei gunboat fleet was transferred to Tanghai (122-06, 30-03). The hundred vessels of this fleet are converted junks equipped with light and heavy machine guns and 13mm anti-aircraft guns. CHIANG Ta-peng (張大鵬) is fleet commander, with headquarters at Haimen (121-25, 28-43). The fleet is divided between Shenchiamen (122-18, 29-58), Wenchow (120-38, 28-01) and Haimen.
2. On 21 October, there were 22 converted Chinese Communist gunboats and 400 junks anchored at the mouth of the Min River. In Chungwu (118-54, 24-53) there were seven converted gunboats and about 100 junks. There were 50 junks in Shenhu (118-37, 24-41) and 50 junks in Leitou (118-34, 24-31). In the harbor at Amoy there were 10 motor tugs and about 40 junks, while there were about 60 junks at Lienho (118-20, 24-36).
3. On 8 November, at the No. 6 CUSMC wharf at Hung K'ou (紅口) were the ships "120", "122", and "125" of the 1,000-ton class, each equipped with 12 guns, and the "201" and "309" of the 2,000-ton class. At the wharf at Paotung Dockyard were two gun boats of the 1,000-ton class and about 30 salvaged and converted gunboats. At Chiangmen Dockyards were about ten ships of the 3,000-ton class, converted from freighters.
4. On 8 November, at Wusung (121-31, 31-33) were about ten landing craft of the 1,000-ton class and the "205", which is reported to be the defected Nationalist ship CH'ANG SHIH (長治). At Wusung also were four 1,000-ton gunboats, the KUANG JUNG (光榮), CHIEH FANG (解放), HSEIN FENG (先鋒), and CHAN TOU (戰門).

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