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November 1986 [redacted]

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31 October-
8 November

KWP Secretary for International Affairs Hwang Chang-yop and delegation visit **Angola** at invitation of MPLA-Labor Party Central Committee; meet with President Jose Eduardo dos Santos and hold official talks with Secretary of State Juliao Mateus Paulo Dino Matros. (Luanda Domestic Service in Portuguese 31 October 1986) [redacted]

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1 November

The **Mongolian** Embassy in P'yongyang marks 30th anniversary of economic-cultural cooperation agreement; Foreign Minister Kim Yong-nam and Vice Premier Kim Pok-sin attend. (KCNA 2 November 1986) [redacted]

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Representatives from **China, North Korea, Mongolia, and the Soviet Union** conclude seven-day timetable-setting session in Ulaanbaatar for new rail service from P'yongyang to Moscow;

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sign 1987-89 protocol on the international train service timetable. (Beijing Xinhua Domestic Service in Chinese 2 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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1-3 November

Deputy Chairman of Council of State Tadeusz Mlynczak, heading **Polish** Democratic Party delegation, concludes visit to North Korea; meets with **Kim Il-song** and tours P'anmunjom, meeting with members of Polish military mission there. (Warsaw Domestic Service in Polish 1 November 1986; Warsaw Domestic Service in Polish 3 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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2 November

Election of deputies to Eighth Supreme People's Assembly (**SPA**) proceeds in usual joyous fashion; **Kim Il-song** casts vote in local precinct accompanied by **Kim Chong-il**, Ho Tam, Yon Hyong-muk, and O Kuk-yol. (KCNA 2 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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Representing North Korean and **Bulgarian** Academies of Sciences, Vice Presidents Pak Yong-hyop and Dimitr Shopov sign 1986-90 scientific cooperation plan in P'yongyang. (KCNA 3 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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3 November

KWP Secretary Ho Tam meets with Taiji Ioka, leader of delegation of Osaka Prefectural Headquarters of **Japan** Socialist Party. (KCNA 4 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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P'yongyang marks 57th anniversary of Kwangju student incident. Students commemorate event at rally in Central Hall of League of Socialist Working Youth (LSWY); Choe Tok-sin, Deputy Chairman of Committee for Peaceful Reunification of Fatherland, and Chong Tu-hwan, Presidium Member of Central Committee of Democratic Front for the Reunification of the Fatherland, are among those present. (KCNA 4 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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4 November

North Korea denounces the breaking of diplomatic relations with **Syria** by the **United Kingdom**, according to Syrian press reports. (Damascus Domestic Service in Arabic 4 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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Meeting at People's Palace of Culture marks 40th anniversary of founding of Kumsong Political University; Vice President Yim Ch'un-ch'u reads congratulatory message to faculty and students. (KCNA 5 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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Vice President Yim Ch'un-ch'u meets with **Indian** Buddhist delegation headed by R.S. Gavai, Vice President of World Fellowship Buddhists. (KCNA 5 November 1986) [Redacted]

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Director of Resources Development Department of Electric Industry Ministry denounces South Korean opposition to **Kumgangsan** power plant project and claims the proposed dam has only peaceful, energy-producing objectives. (P'yongyang Domestic Service in Korean 4 November 1986)

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In interview with Moscow's Tass correspondent, Culture and Art Minister Chang Ch'ol elaborates on **Kim Il-song**'s recent visit to **Soviet Union**, and announces expansion and development of cultural exchanges. (KCNA 5 November 1986)

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5 November

Ambassador to **Cuba** Pak Yong-se and Cuban Academy of Sciences Vice President Carlos Gomes sign 1986-90 scientific cooperation plan between Academies of Sciences in Havana. (KCNA 9 November 1986) [Redacted]

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Hungarian press releases interview with **Olympic** Committee Deputy Chairman Kim Tuk-chun. Kim reveals that while cohosting should be shared equally, North Korea would find seven or eight events acceptable; rejects current IOC proposal. (Budapest Magyar Hirlap in Hungarian 5 November 1986) [Redacted]

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Vice President Yi Chong-ok, heading a KWP delegation to Nicaragua, stops off in **Cuba** and meets with Cuban Politburo Member Jorge Risquet. (Havana Television Service in Spanish 5 November 1986) [Redacted]

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6 November

KWP Secretary Kim Hwan returns from **Mozambique** after attending funeral for President Samora Machel; Vice Premier Kim Pok-sin and Soviet Ambassador Shubnikov meet his party at the airport. (KCNA 6 November 1986) [Redacted]

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Kang Hui-won identified for first time as Chief Secretary of P'yongyang Municipal Party Committee and Chairman of P'yongyang Municipal People's Committee, replacing So Yun-sok. (See 13 November entry.) (KCNA 7 November 1986)

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6-13 November

Vice President Yi Chong-ok heads a KWP delegation to **Nicaragua** to attend 25th anniversary of founding of Sandinista National Liberation Front; Yi meets with Nicaraguan leader Garcia and Deputy Foreign Minister Javier Chamorro Moro. (P'yongyang Domestic Service in Korean 13 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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7 November

P'yongyang celebrates **69th anniversary of October Revolution** in routine fashion. Kim Pok-sin, Chong Chun-ki, and Yi Mong-ho attend reception hosted by Korean-Soviet Friendship Society; Pak Song-ch'ol, Kim Hwan, Kim Pok-sin, Kang Hui-won, and Kim Yong-ch'ae attend P'yongyang meeting; Kang Song-san, Kim Yong-nam, Kim Hwan, Kim Pok-sin, Chong Chun-ki, and Kang Hui-won attend reception hosted by Soviet Ambassador Shubnikov. Kim Hwan, Chong Chun-ki, Kim Yong-ch'ae, and Yi Mong-ho handle wreath-laying duties at Liberation Tower. Comment: Press coverage of these events was slightly greater and leadership representation was slightly higher than in past years. (KCNA 6 November 1986; KCNA 7 November 1986; KCNA 8 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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Kim Il-song meets with delegation of **Chinese Guangming Daily**; declares Korean and Chinese people to be as close as family members. (Beijing Xinhua 7 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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South Korean Ambassador to **Cameroon** Kim Tong-ho attends **Soviet** National Day reception in Yaounde at Soviet Ambassador's invitation, marking the first appearance by a South Korean ambassador at a Soviet function since the KAL shutdown. [REDACTED]

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8 November

Foreign Minister Kim Yong-nam meets with newly-appointed **Cambodian** Ambassador Son Chhum. (Beijing Xinhua 8 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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Delegation of Korean Physical Culture and Sports Guidance Committee, headed by its chairman Kim Yu-sun, attends meeting of chairmen of physical culture and sports guidance organizations of socialist countries being held in **East Germany** (KCNA 8 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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10 November

President **Kim Il-song** meets with the **Bulgarian** Dimitrov Young Communist League headed by its central committee chairman Andrei Bundjulov; delegation presents gift to **Kim**

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Chong-il as well as Kim Il-song. (KCNA 11 November 1986)

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10-17 November

Delegation headed by Deputy Minister of Foreign Trade Kang Chong-mo visits **China** to discuss trade between China and North Korea in 1987; meets with State Councilor Zhang Jingfu. Kang and Chinese Deputy Minister of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade Wang Pinquing sign protocol on commodity exchanges for 1987. (Beijing Xinhua 10 November 1986; KCNA 19 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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11 November

KPA Chief of Staff O Kuk-yol, accompanied by KPA Colonel General Pak Chung-kuk and Deputy Minister for Culture and Art Ch'oe Chae-hyon, attends performance in P'yongyang by **Hungarian** Army Song and Dance Ensemble. (KCNA 12 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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12 November

P'yongyang issues unprecedented invitation to **US** group to retrieve remains of 400 US servicemen who died in the Korean War. (UPI 12 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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13 November

At workers' rally in South Pyongan province, So Yun-sok is identified for first time as Chief Secretary of the South Pyongan Provincial Party Committee and Chairman of the South Pyongan Provincial People's Committee. Comment: Kang Hui-won replaces So as Chief Secretary of P'yongyang Municipal Party Committee and Chairman of P'yongyang Municipal People's Committee. (See 6 November entry.) (P'yongyang Domestic Service in Korean 13 November 1986)

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14 November

The **US** Department of Defense announces that a battery of "**Lance**" battlefield support missiles will be deployed to South Korea in the next few months. (Seoul Yonhap 14 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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South Korean press disparages North Korean invitation to **US MIA** group to recover remains of US servicemen, labeling the move an attempt to secure official contacts with the US Government. (Seoul The Korea Times 14 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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South Korean Ambassador to the **UN** Pak Kun officially notifies UN Secretary General de Cuellar of North Korea's

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Kumgangsán Dam project in 30-minute private meeting. (Seoul Yonhap 14 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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Representatives of **Zimbabwe** and North Korea sign cultural exchange agreement in Harare. (Harare Domestic Service 14 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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Deputy Foreign Affairs Ministers Kim Chae-suk and Daramyn Yondon sign mutual travel agreement in P'yongyang for citizens of North Korea and **Mongolia**. (KCNA 15 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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15-17 November

"Death" of **Kim Il-song** reported by South Korean officials and press. (Seoul Domestic Service 17 November 1986; Tokyo Kyodo 17 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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18 November

President **Kim Il-song** meets **Mongolian** leader Batmonh and delegation at P'yongyang airport, quashing rumors of his death. [REDACTED]

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Representatives of **Zimbabwe** and North Korea sign agreement for joint economic commission to promote trade and economic-technical cooperation. (Harare Domestic Service 18 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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Kim Chong-il replies to KWP 41st anniversary messages from Polisario Front leader Mohammad 'Abd 'Al-Aziz, President of Madagascar Ratsiraka, PLO leader Arafat, Burundi Party leader Emile Mworoha, and Costa Rican Socialist Party General Secretary Mejia. Comment: Unusual for the younger Kim to be involved in foreign affairs; may be further evidence of an increase in duties. (See August Chronology, 17 August) (KCNA 18 November 1986) [REDACTED]

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18-19 November

Top leadership shows up at first session of Three Revolutions Forerunners Congress with exception of **Kim Il-song** and **Kim Chong-il**, who appear at second session. The Kims meet with participants and pose for photographs with them. KWP Secretary Ho Tam is not present at either session. Comment: Three Revolutions Teams--North Korea's counterpart to Chinese Red Guards--have been closely associated with Kim Chong-il. (P'yongyang Domestic Service in Korean 18 November 1986; P'yongyang Domestic Service in Korean 19 November 1986) [REDACTED]



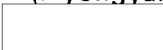
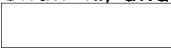

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- 18-21 November Jambyn Batmonh, **Mongolian** leader, heads delegation paying visit to P'yongyang; Vice President Yi Chong-ok and KWP Secretary Kim Hwan accompany them to major attractions. Kim and Batmonh hold two sessions of talks; KWP Secretary Kim Hwan and other KWP officials negotiate with Mongolian Party officials; Foreign Ministers Kim Yong-nam and Dugetsuren hold talks. Kim Il-song and Batmonh sign friendship and cooperation treaty; Foreign Ministers Kim Yong-nam and Dugetsuren sign cultural-scientific cooperation agreement. **Kim Il-song** accompanies Batmonh to airport along with Vice Presidents Yim Ch'un-ch'u and Yi Chong-ok, Foreign Minister Kim Yong-nam, KWP Secretary Kim Hwan, and Chief of Staff O Kuk-yol. (P'yongyang Domestic Service in Korean 18 November 1986; KCNA 18 November 1986; KCNA 19 November 1986; KCNA 20 November 1986; P'yongyang Domestic Service in Korean 20 November 1986; KCNA 21 November 1986)  25X1
- 18-25 November A **Japan** Socialist Party delegation, headed by Hajime Fukuda, visits P'yongyang at invitation of KWP; holds talks with KWP Secretary Ho Tam and Deputy Department Director Kim U-chong. Kim informs delegation that rumor of Kim Il-song's death is South Korean fabrication. (Tokyo Kyodo 17 November 1986; P'yongyang Domestic Service in Korean 17 November 1986; Tokyo Kyodo 18 November 1986)  25X1
- 20 November President **Kim Il-song** and his son, **Kim Chong-il**, join celebrations of 40th anniversary of Kim Il-song University; congratulate faculty and students and pose for photographs. Top leaders present include Pak Song-ch'ol, Yim Ch'un-ch'u, Yi Chong-ok, So Ch'ol, Kim Yong-nam, Ho Tam, Yon Hyong-muk, Kim Hwan, and O Kuk-yol. (P'yongyang Domestic Service in Korean 20 November 1986)  25X1
- 21 November Democratic Front for Reunification of the Fatherland and the Committee for Peaceful Reunification of the Fatherland hold joint meeting at People's Palace of Culture; Vice President Pak Song-ch'ol, Deputy Premier Chong Chun-ki, and other officials attend. (KCNA 21 November 1986)  25X1
- Representatives of North Korea and **Albania** sign protocol on technical-scientific cooperation for 1987-88 in P'yongyang. Both sides will exchange documentation and technical-scientific experience in industry and agriculture as well as areas of mutual interest. (Tirana ATA 23 November 1986)  25X1



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22 November

South Korean Embassy in Tokyo denies Tokyo press report that KWP Secretary Ho Tam and National Planning Agency Director Chang Se Dong have been meeting monthly at P'anmunjom since December 1985. (Hong Kong AFP 22 November 1986) [Redacted]

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Citing western press reports which confirmed Soviet bloc support for the **Seoul Olympics**, North Korea's Olympic Committee Chairman issues press statement charging that the remarks are "grossly distorted" and stating that the North Korea's position on cohosting has not changed. (KCNA 22 November 1986) [Redacted]

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KPA soldiers at P'anmunjom mark 2nd anniversary of shooting incident. (KCNA 23 November 1986) [Redacted]

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23 November

Chiclayo University in Lima, **Peru** awards honorary doctoral diplomas and medals to **Kim Il-song** and **Kim Chong-il**. (KCNA 3 December 1986) [Redacted]

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24 November

North Korean official Kim Do Jun confirms to western journalists--who received visas with exceptional speed--that Defense Minister O Chin-u had been seriously injured in a recent automobile accident; denies reports of a power struggle in P'yongyang. (Hong Kong AFP 24 November 1986) [Redacted]

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KWP Secretary Kim Hwan denounces South Korea's anti-Communist position at mass rally in P'yongyang. (P'yongyang Domestic Service in Korean 24 November 1986) [Redacted]

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Chon Kum-chol and Yu Ho-chun represent North Korean reunification groups at a Vienna, Austria meeting of the National Alliance of Koreans in the North and Overseas for National Reunification. (KCNA 24 November 1986) [Redacted]

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24-25 November

Korean Social Democratic Party Central Committee holds plenary meeting in P'yongyang; Deputy Chairman Kim Yong-chun makes report. (P'yongyang Domestic Service in Korean 25 November 1986) [Redacted]

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24 November- 3 December	<p>A Japanese parliamentary delegation, headed by Chuji Kuno, holds talks in P'yongyang on a variety of issues: a bilateral fishing accord due to expire soon, the release of two Japanese fishermen currently detained in North Korea, scientific-technological exchanges, and a civil aviation accord. Comment: This is fifth mission of the Korean Parliamentary Association for Japan-Korea Friendship to North Korea; Japan has no diplomatic relations with North Korea. (Tokyo <u>The Japan Times</u> 25 November 1986) [REDACTED]</p>	25X1
25 November	<p>Senior Member of North Korea to Military Armistice Commission (MAC) KPA Major General Yi Tae-ho sends one letter to US Navy Rear Admiral William Pendley, Senior Member to MAC, and a second letter to the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission (NNSC) protesting the deployment of Lance missiles in South Korea. (P'yongyang Domestic Service in Korean 25 November 1986) [REDACTED]</p> <p>South Korean soldier Kim Chong-un defects to North Korea. (P'yongyang Domestic Service in Korean 27 November 1986) [REDACTED]</p>	25X1 25X1
26 November	<p>South Korean ministers issue joint statement announcing government plans to build a counter-dam for self-defense and urging the North to halt construction of the Kumgangsan Dam project. (Seoul <u>The Korea Herald</u> 27 November 1986) [REDACTED]</p>	25X1
26 November- December	<p>KWP Secretary Hwang Chang-yop heads delegation to Cuba and meets Cuban Party Politburo Member Jorge Risquet. (KCNA 6 November 1986; Havana Radio Progreso Network in Spanish 29 November 1986) [REDACTED]</p>	25X1
27 November	<p>South Korean scholars propose a joint North and South research team to minimize damages to both sides from the North's Kumgangsan Dam project. (Seoul Yonhap 27 November 1986) [REDACTED]</p> <p>Kim Il-song meets with East German Ambassador Karl-Heinz Kern and Czechoslovakian Ambassador Vaclav Herman; Ambassadors convey letters from their leaders to Kim. (KCNA 27 November 1986) [REDACTED]</p>	25X1 25X1
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28 November

South Korean Construction Minister Lee Kyu Hyo sends letter to Electric Power Minister Yi Chi-ch'an, proposing talks between water resources authorities at P'anmunjom in the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission conference room on 10 December. North Korea refuses to accept letter. (Seoul Domestic Service in Korean 28 November 1986) [Redacted]

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North Korea declines to participate on a joint North-South ping pong team for the Second Euro-Asia **Table Tennis Tournament** scheduled for December in Tokyo; agrees to participate separately and may form teams with Japanese and Chinese players. (Tokyo Kyodo 28 November 1986) [Redacted]

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North Korean Ministry of Electric Power issues statement denouncing South Korea's proposal for joint talks on the **Kumgangsan** Dam project. (P'yongyang Domestic Service in Korean 28 November 1986) [Redacted]

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29 November

North Korea and **China** sign 1987-88 executive plan for cultural exchange in Beijing; plan calls for cooperation in science, education, literature and art, public health, and sports. O Mun-han, heading the cultural delegation, and Deputy Minister of Culture Song Muwen sign plan. (Beijing Xinhua 29 November 1986) [Redacted]

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Representatives of **Soviet Union** and North Korea book publishing industries sign 1986-87 protocol in P'yongyang on cooperation in book publication and distribution. (KCNA 30 November 1986) [Redacted]

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30 November

KPA Chief of Staff O Kuk-yol attends soldiers' meeting held to commemorate 30th anniversary of day of **Cuban** Revolutionary Armed Forces. (KCNA 1 December 1986) [Redacted]

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LOOKING AHEAD

- Early December Political organizations from **Chile, Costa Rica, Peru, and Nicaragua** plan **Havana** meeting in support of Korean reunification. [Redacted] 25X1
- 5 December 1946 40th anniversary of founding of Korean Central News agency (KCNA). [Redacted] 25X1
- 10 December Asia-European Table Tennis Tournament. [Redacted] 25X1
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- 24 December 1917 Birth of **Kim Chong-il** 's mother, Kim Chong-suk. [Redacted] 25X1
- 1 January Announcement of **Kim Il-song** 's New Year's message. [Redacted] 25X1
- 14 January 1959 27th anniversary of activation of Workers/Farmers Red Guard Unit. [Redacted] 25X1
- 17 January 1946 40th anniversary of founding of League of Socialist Working Youth (LSWYK). [Redacted] 25X1
- 16 February 1987 45th birthday of **Kim Chong-il**. [Redacted] 25X1
- 15 April 1987 75th birthday of **Kim Il-song**. [Redacted] 25X1
- June 1987 North Korea to host NAM Ministerial Conference on Economic Matters. [Redacted] 25X1

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