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1. PLA SUPPORTS POLITBURO DECISIONS

PLA leaders and various regional and provincial commands have voiced support for the decisions taken by the enlarged CCP politburo meeting on 16 Jan concerning the resignation of general secretary ((Hu)) YAOBANG and the appointment of premier ((Zhao)) ZIYANG to be concurrently acting general secretary of the CCP. Thus far, those who have made supportive statements include the heads of the three general departments and leaders of four military regions and about twelve provincial military districts. In their statements, they invariably toed the party line - of upholding the "Four Cardinal Principles" and opposing "bourgeois liberalism," and pledged to keep politically in line with the party central committee.

2. MAJOR PLA MISSIONS FOR 1987

According to a report in the

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LIBERATION ARMY NEWS (LAN) OF 10 JAN, CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF ((YANG)) DEZHI OUTLINED THE MAJOR TASKS OF THE PLA FOR 1987 AS FOLLOWS:

- PUT EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN A STRATEGIC POSITION AND ENSURE THAT MILITARY TRAINING IS CARRIED OUT IN EARNEST.

- STRENGTHEN MANAGEMENT AND EDUCATION WORK TO PROMOTE THE ARMY'S REGULARIZATION DRIVE.

- WIND UP THE WORK OF RETRENCHMENT AND REORGANIZATION AND CONSOLIDATE THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF STRUCTURAL REFORM, RETRENCHMENT AND REORGANIZATION.

- DO A GOOD JOB OF BUILDING THE MILITIA AND RESERVE FORCES AND MAKE EFFORTS TO SET UP A RAPID MOBILIZATION SYSTEM THAT SUITS THE CONDITIONS OF CHINA AND THE PLA.

- MEANWHILE, AN NCNA REPORT IN CHINESE DATED LINED BEIJING 26 JAN SAID IN 1987, THE PLA WILL TAKE FURTHER REFORM MEASURES WITH REGARD TO SETTING UP AND PERFECTING ITS CADRE SYSTEM, IMPROVING ITS WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT, DEVELOPING SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND TRAINING, REGULARIZATION OF THE ARMED FORCES, READJUSTMENT OF SYSTEMS AND ORGANIZATIONS AND SCIENTIFIC MANAGEMENT.

- 3. PLA STREAMLINING
A. LATEST RETRENCHMENT FIGURES. AN NCNA BEIJING REPORT DATED 12 JAN CLAIMED THAT OVER 300,000 PLA "SURPLUS CADRES" (CADRES WHO BECAME REDUNDANT AFTER RETRENCHMENT AND REORGANIZATION) HAVE EITHER BEEN TRANSFERRED TO CIVILIAN JOBS OR RETIRED. IT ADDED THAT THUS FAR THE NUMBER OF SOLDIERS IN THE PLA HAS BEEN REDUCED BY 410,000, WHILE OVER 300,000 CADRES HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED FROM ACTIVE DUTY. ALTOGETHER THE PLA HAS CUT ITS PERSONNEL BY STRENGTH OVER 700,000.

- IT MAY BE RECALLED THAT THE ORIGINAL PLA RETRENCHMENT PLAN CALLED FOR DEMOBILIZING 400,000 SOLDIERS, RETIRING 100,000 OFFICERS, TRANSFERRING SEVERAL HUNDRED THOUSAND (MEANING 300,000 OR MORE) OFFICERS TO CIVILIAN POSTS, AND TRANSFERRING AN UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF PERSONNEL OF THE BORDER DEFENSE UNITS TO THE PUBLIC SECURITY DEPARTMENTS AND THOSE OF THE COUNTY AND CITY PEOPLE'S ARMED FORCES DEPARTMENTS TO THE JURISDICTION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. IT APPEARS THAT THE DEMOBILIZATION OF ENLISTED PERSONNEL HAS BEEN SLIGHTLY OVERFULFILLED, WHILE THE "CIVILIANIZATION" OF THE 400,000 OR MORE OFFICERS HAS NOT YET BEEN FULLY ACCOMPLISHED. (YANG SHANGKUN HAD EARLIER ESTIMATED THAT THE RESETTLEMENT OF THE SURPLUS OFFICERS WILL TAKE THREE YEARS TO COMPLETE, WHICH MEANS THERE IS STILL ANOTHER YEAR TO GO.) THE TRANSFER OF PAFDS TO LOCAL ADMINISTRATION WAS REPORTEDLY COMPLETED AT THE END OF JUN 86, BUT NO ANNOUNCEMENT HAS BEEN MADE REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF BORDER

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DEFENSE UNITS TO THE PUBLIC SECURITY DEPARTMENTS.

- B. AIR FORCE MEETS STREAMLINING TARGETS. A REPORT IN THE PEOPLE'S DAILY (OVERSEAS EDITION) OF 23 JAN CLAIMED THAT THE CHINESE AIR FORCE HAS FULLY MET THE MAJOR STREAMLINING TARGETS SET BY THE CENTRAL MILITARY COMMISSION. IT HAS COMPLETED THE READJUSTMENT OF ITS ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE ON SCHEDULE AND HAS MADE PROPER ARRANGEMENTS TO MOEBBALL ITS SURPLUS AIRCRAFT, AA GUNS, RADARS AND OTHER WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT. ARRANGEMENTS HAVE ALSO BEEN MADE TO MAINTAIN AND UTILIZE ITS IDLE BARRACKS. ALL ORGANS SET UP TO HANDLE REHABILITATION WORK IN CONNECTION WITH THE RETRENCHMENT AND REORGANIZATION HAVE BEEN ABOLISHED. THE VARIOUS BRANCHES OF THE AIR FORCE HAVE REGULARIZED AND MODERNIZED THEIR TRAINING COURSES, AND HAVE OVERFULFILLED THEIR 1986 TRAINING MISSIONS BY 3 PERCENT.

- DURING 1986, THE AIR FORCE HAS DECIDED ON THE FIXED POINTS OF DEPLOYMENT FOR NEARLY 100 NEWLY FORMED AND REORGANIZED UNITS AT AND ABOVE THE REGIMENTAL LEVEL. IT HAS PRELIMINARILY SET IN ORDER THE COMMAND RELATIONSHIP AT ALL LEVELS AFTER RETRENCHMENT AND REORGANIZATION. IT HAS REDESIGNATED THE DEMARCATION LINES FOR VARIOUS LEVELS OF OPERATION AND REDELIMITED THE FLIGHT CONTROL ZONES. IT HAS ALSO
READJUSTED THE AIR FORCE STRATEGIC RESERVE UNITS AND PUT THE UNITS IN A SUITABLE STATE OF READINESS.

- 4. MILITARY TRAINING

- A. NEW TRAINING SYSTEM SAID TO BE WORKING WELL. A 24 JAN LAN REPORT CLAIMED THAT THE PLA'S NEW TRAINING SYSTEM HAS SHOWN ITS "ENORMOUS VITALITY." IT SAID PRACTICE IN THE PAST ONE YEAR AND MORE PROVES THAT THE NEW SYSTEM IMPROVES THE QUALITY OF RECRUIT TRAINING, RAISES THE STARTING POINT OF UNIT TRAINING, PROMOTES THE REFORM OF TRAINING CONTENTS AND THEIR APPLICATION AND CONTRIBUTES TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TROOPS.

- UNDER THE NEW SYSTEM WHICH WAS INTRODUCED IN THE LATTER PART OF 1985, RECRUIT TRAINING IS SEPARATED FROM THE TRAINING OF VETERAN SOLDIERS. RECRUITS ARE TRAINED IN TRAINING REGIMENTS SET UP IN THE INTEGRATED ARMIES (JITUANJUN) AND IN TRAINING DIVISIONS (PROBABLY UNDER MR JURISDICTION). AFTER FOUR MONTHS' TRAINING THE RECRUITS ARE THEN ASSIGNED TO THE UNITS WHERE THEY WILL JOIN THE VETERANS IN UNIT ADMIN

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TRAINING FROM SQUAD TRAINING UP TO COMBINED ARMS TACTICAL TRAINING INVOLVING REGIMENTS AND DIVISIONS.

- TRAINING DIVISIONS WERE FIRST NOTED TO HAVE BEEN FORMED BY THE AIR FORCE IN EARLY 1986. REFERENCES TO GROUND FORCES TRAINING DIVISIONS WERE NOTED ONLY RECENTLY. ACCORDING TO THE SAME LAN REPORT, THE GSD FURTHER READJUSTED THE TRAINING ORGANIZATIONS AT THE END OF 1986, AND "EXPANDED THE CAPACITY OF RECRUIT TRAINING ORGANIZATIONS." THIS MAY BE INTERPRETED AS REFERRING TO THE SETTING UP OF TRAINING DIVISIONS.

- B. SHENYANG DIVISION SETS UP TRAINING BASE. A DIVISION UNDER THE SHENYANG MR SET UP ITS OWN TRAINING BASE AT THE END OF LAST YEAR (1986). SINCE THEN, ITS TROOPS AT AND BELOW BATTALION LEVEL HAVE UNDERGONE TACTICAL TRAINING AT THE BASE. THIS HAS BROUGHT AN END TO THE SITUATION THAT EXISTED FOR MANY YEARS IN WHICH TROOP UNITS WERE SHORT OF STANDARD FACILITIES FOR TACTICAL AND TECHNICAL TRAINING.

- THE TRAINING BASE IS MADE UP OF THREE PARTS: A SIMULATION TRAINING CENTER, A DRILL GROUND AND A LIVING AREA. THE SIMULATION TRAINING CENTER HAS SIX DEPARTMENTS: AN AUDIO-VISUAL ROOM FOR THEORETICAL STUDIES, AN ALL-PURPOSE LAB FOR
BASIC TRAINING, A MILITARY CHESS SIMULATION ROOM, A GROUND ARTILLERY TRAINING SIMULATION ROOM, AN ANTIAIRCRAFT ARTILLERY SIMULATION ROOM, AND A COMBINED ARMS TACTICAL TRAINING MICRO-COMPUTER SIMULATION ROOM. THE DRILL GROUND HAS ALL KINDS OF TACTICAL TRAINING FACILITIES, AND IS EQUIPPED WITH A CLOSED CIRCUIT TV MONITORING SYSTEM, AS WELL AS SOUND SIMULATION AND SITUATION AUTOMATIC DISPLAY SYSTEMS. THE LIVING AREA CAN ACCOMMODATE THE HEADQUARTERS OF A DIVISION OR REGIMENT AND A BATTALION OF TROOPS. (LAN, 23 JAN)

- C. STRATEGIC MISSILE UNIT CONDUCTS MOBILE LAUNCHING EXERCISE. A LAN REPORT ON 23 JAN DISCLOSED THAT A PLA STRATEGIC MISSILE UNIT CONDUCTED A "COMBINED ARMS TRAINING MOBILE LAUNCHING EXERCISE" LAST YEAR. NO DETAILS OF THE EXERCISE WERE GIVEN, BUT THE REPORT SAID THE MAPPING GROUP (DADUI) UNDER THE UNIT COMPLETED ITS SURVEYING AND CARTOGRAPHIC TASKS FOR THE EXERCISE ON SCHEDULE, USING NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND NEW METHODS THAT RAISED ITS WORK EFFICIENCY BY THREE TIMES.

- D. PLA REGIMENT CONDUCTS SKI TRAINING. A CERTAIN PLA REGIMENT HAS BEEN CARRYING OUT SKI TRAINING IN A MOUNTAINOUS REGION IN HEILONGJIANG SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THIS YEAR. ALL MEMBERS OF THE REGIMENT, FROM THE COMMANDER TO THE SOLDIERS, INFANTRYMEN AS WELL AS ARTILLERYMEN, WERE ON SKIS. IN TEMPERATURES AROUND 30 DEGREES CELSIUS BELOW ZERO, THEY TRAINED MORE THAN 10 HOURS A DAY AND MASTERED ALL THE SKIING ADMIN

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TECHNIQUES IN 20 DAYS.

- ACCORDING TO COMMANDER ((HE)) (STC: 0149) OF A CERTAIN INTEGRATED ARMY (JITUANJUN), THIS WAS THE FIRST REGIMENT-SIZE SKI TRAINING CONDUCTED BY THE PLA SINCE THE FOUNDING OF THE PRC. (LAN, 25 JAN)

- MEANWHILE, ACCORDING TO ANOTHER LAN REPORT (19 JAN), WHOLE DIVISIONS AND WHOLE REGIMENTS OF PLA TROOPS HAVE TAKEN THE OPPORTUNITY OF THE COLDEST WEATHER IN 70 YEARS TO CARRY OUT CAMPING AND CAMOUFLAGE TRAINING IN SNOWFIELDS IN THE CHANGBAISHAN AREA. SOME OF THEM SPENT SEVERAL DAYS AND NIGHTS DEVELOPING THEIR CAPABILITIES UNDER FRIGID CONDITIONS.

- E. AIR FORCE SETS UP COORDINATED TACTICAL TRAINING ZONES. QUOTING INFORMATION FROM THE MILITARY TRAINING DEPT OF THE AIR FORCE, LAN REPORTED ON 9 JAN THAT THE CHINESE AIR FORCE HAS FURTHER DEVELOPED ITS TACTICAL TRAINING BY SETTING UP COORDINATED TACTICAL TRAINING ZONES ON AN EXTENSIVE SCALE. THIS HAS CHANGED THE PAST PRACTICE OF TECHNICAL TRAINING AND TRAINING OF INDIVIDUAL PERSONNEL, INDIVIDUAL AIRCRAFT AND INDIVIDUAL BRANCH OF ARMS TO COORDINATED TRAINING OF VARIOUS BRANCHES OF ARMS AND DIFFERENT TYPES OF AIRCRAFT. MOREOVER, IT HAS GONE BEYOND THE BARRIER OF DIFFERENT SERVICES AND BROUGHT TRAINING TO A HIGHER

- F. AF TRAINING DIVISION OVERFULFILLS TRAINING PLAN. THE FIRST TRAINING DIVISION OF THE CHINESE AIR FORCE HAS OVERFULFILLED ITS 1986 TRAINING PLAN WITH EXCELLENT RESULTS. IT PROVES INITIALLY THAT THIS IMPORTANT REFORM OF TRAINING HAS BEEN A SUCCESS.

- THE TRAINING DIVISION WAS CONVERTED FROM A COMBAT DIVISION AT THE BEGINNING OF 1986. ITS MISSION IS TO TRAIN NEW PILOTS WHO HAVE GRADUATED FROM THE AVIATION SCHOOLS, THUS CHANGING THE PAST PRACTICE OF SENDING AVIATION SCHOOL GRADUATES DIRECTLY TO THE COMBAT UNITS.

- THE TRAINING DIVISION HAS A WHOLE SET OF MILITARY TRAINING, IDEOLOGICAL AND POLITICAL EDUCATION AND LOGISTICS SYSTEMS FOR THE TRAINING OF NEW PILOTS. IT CAN TRAIN TWICE AS MANY NEW PILOTS A YEAR AS A COMBAT DIVISION CAN. ITS FLYING TIME ANNUAL TARGET IS ABOUT ONE-THIRD GREATER THAN THE PREVIOUS AVERAGE. THE TRAINING CYCLE HAS ALSO BEEN GREATLY SHORTENED. THE FIRST GROUP OF NEW PILOTS TRAINED BY THE ADMIN

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DIVISION SPENT ONLY HALF AS MUCH TIME AS IN THE PAST TO COMPLETE THE MAJOR COURSES IN AIR COMBAT, INSTRUMENTATION AND NIGHT FLYING.

- AFTER ONE YEAR OF TRAINING WITH THE DIVISION, THE NEW PILOTS WILL BE READY TO TAKE UP DUTIES AS SOON AS THEY ARE ASSIGNED TO A COMBAT UNIT. (LAN, 5 JAN)

- G. FIRST TRAINING VOYAGE FOR CHINESE NUCLEAR SUBMARINE. A NUCLEAR SUBMARINE OF THE CHINESE NAVY HAS COMPLETED ITS FIRST TRAINING VOYAGE. APART FROM FULFILLING ITS TRAINING MISSIONS, THE SUBMARINE HAS SET RECORDS FOR THE CHINESE NAVY IN TERMS OF TIME OF SUBMERSION, DISTANCE AND AVERAGE SPEED.

- THE NUCLEAR SUBMARINE THAT UNDERTOOK THE TRAINING VOYAGE WAS DESIGNED AND BUILT BY CHINA ITSELF. ALL ITS MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT ARE CHINA-MADE. THIS TYPE OF NUCLEAR-POWERED SUBMARINE HAS BEEN COMMISSIONED INTO THE CHINESE NAVY. (PEOPLE'S DAILY, OVERSEAS ED., 1 JAN)

- 5. DUAL-PURPOSE TRAINING

- A REPORT IN LAN, 18 JAN, QUOTED INCOMPLETE STATISTICS RELEASED BY THE GENERAL POLITICAL DEPT AS DISCLOSING THAT IN 1986, THE PLA RAN OVER 25,000 TRAINING CLASSES FOR ALL KINDS OF CIVILIAN SKILLS.
OVER 650,000 PLA PERSONNEL JOINED THESE CLASSES AND SOME 430,000 OF THEM HAVE MASTERED ONE OR MORE CIVILIAN SKILLS. MOST OF THE VETERAN SOLDIERS WHO HAD SERVED IN THE ARMY FOR OVER THREE YEARS TOOK THE COURSES. ABOUT 70 PERCENT OF THE DEMOBILIZED SOLDIERS HAVE MASTERED ONE OR MORE CIVILIAN SKILLS.

- THE REPORT ADDED THAT THUS FAR, THE PLA HAS SET UP MORE THAN 6,000 "TALENT-CULTIVATION BASES" (YUCAI JIDI - STC: 5148/2088/1015/0966) FOR THE TRAINING OF DUAL-PURPOSE PERSONNEL.

6. POLITICAL WORK


- STRENGTHEN THE BUILDING OF SPIRITUAL CIVILIZATION IN LIGHT OF THE UNITS' ACTUAL CONDITIONS. MAKE CONSCIENTIOUS EFFORTS TO DO WELL IN THEORETICAL STUDIES, DEEPEN THE EDUCATION ON THE "FOUR CARDINAL PRINCIPLES" AND THE PARTY'S LINE, PRINCIPLES AND POLICIES SO THAT THE CADRES AND FIGHTERS WILL HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THE CURRENT EXCELLENT SITUATION AND CONSCIENTIOUSLY UPHOLD THE
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POLITICAL SITUATION OF STABILITY AND UNITY. CARRY ON THE DEBATE ON "GAINS AND LOSSES" AND STRENGTHEN THE DEVELOPMENT OF SOLDIER'S ETHICS.

- CONSOLIDATE AND DEVELOP THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF PARTY RECTIFICATION AND STRENGTHEN THE DAY-TO-DAY CONSTRUCTION OF THE PARTY. THE SMALL NUMBER OF UNITS WHICH HAVE NOT YET COMPLETED PARTY RECTIFICATION MUST STRIVE TO COMPLETE IT IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF THE YEAR. THE GOOD EXPERIENCE GAINED IN PARTY RECTIFICATION SHOULD BE APPLIED TO THE DAY-TO-DAY BUILDING OF THE PARTY. FURTHER EFFORTS SHOULD BE EXERTED TO IMPROVE THE PARTY STYLE.

- PUT THE STRESS ON BASIC-LEVEL CONSTRUCTION AND FURTHER STRENGTHEN BASIC LEVEL POLITICAL WORK. LEADING ORGANS SHOULD, ON THE ONE HAND, HELP THE COMPANIES BUILD A GOOD FOUNDATION SO AS TO ENHANCE THEIR ABILITY TO SOLVE PROBLEMS BY THEMSELVES, AND ON THE OTHER HAND, HELP THE COMPANIES SOLVE PROBLEMS WHICH THEY CANNOT SOLVE BY THEMSELVES.

- PUT EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN A STRATEGIC POSITION AND DO A GOOD JOB OF POLITICAL WORK IN TRAINING. EDUCATE THE TROOPS SO THAT THEY UNDERSTAND CLEARLY THE IMPORTANCE OF INTENSIFYING EDUCATION AND TRAINING.
- SET UP A SOUND CADRE SYSTEM SO THAT THE APPOINTMENT, DISMISSAL AND PROMOTION OF CADRES WILL BE INSTITUTIONALIZED.

- B. CIRCULAR ON POLITICAL DISCIPLINE. THE DISCIPLINE INSPECTION COMMISSION OF THE PARTY MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (MAC) ISSUED A CIRCULAR ON 15 JAN ON UPHOLDING THE PARTY'S POLITICAL DISCIPLINE. POINTING OUT THAT TO UPHOLD THE FOUR CARDINAL PRINCIPLES, OPPOSE BOURGEOIS LIBERALIZATION AND KEEP STRICTLY IN LINE WITH THE PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE POLITICALLY CONSTITUTES THE POLITICAL DISCIPLINE OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE WHICH ALL PARTY MEMBERS MUST STRICTLY OBSERVE, THE CIRCULAR DEMANDED THAT DISCIPLINE INSPECTION COMMISSIONS AT ALL LEVELS REGARD UPHOLDING THE PARTY'S POLITICAL PRINCIPLE AS THEIR MOST IMPORTANT TASK.

- 7. LOGISTICS

- A. MAIN TASKS FOR 1987. ((HONG)) XUEZHI, DIRECTOR AND POLITICAL COMMISSAR OF THE PLA GENERAL LOGISTICS DEPT, TOLD A MEETING OF LOGISTICS CADRES THAT THE MAIN TASKS OF PLA LOGISTICS WORK IN 1987 ARE: IN KEEPING WITH THE SITUATION OF OVERALL REFORM AND THE STRATEGIC CHANGE IN THE GUIDING PHILOSOPHY FOR ARMY BUILDING, TO STRENGTHEN THE DEVELOPMENT OF LOGISTICAL UNDERTAKINGS, DO A GOOD JOB OF LOGISTICS REFORM, MANAGE WELL AND MAKE PROPER USE OF DEFENSE FUNDS, MAKE EFFORTS TO BROADEN SOURCES OF INCOME,
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REDUCE EXPENDITURES, TAP POTENTIALS AND ACHIEVE BETTER RESULTS, AND FURTHER ENDEAVOR TO DO LOGISTICS WORK WELL WITH FEWER PEOPLE AND LESS MONEY. HE EMPHASIZED THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

- STRICTLY IMPLEMENT THE NATIONAL DEFENSE BUDGET, GIVING GREATER CONSIDERATION TO THE OVERALL SITUATION. THE DEPARTMENTS AT ALL LEVELS MUST REGARD THE BUDGET APPROVED BY THE CENTRAL MILITARY COMMISSION AS LAW AND STRICTLY IMPLEMENT IT.

- CARRY OUT REFORMS IN LOGISTICS MANAGEMENT ACTIVELY AND STEADILY, PAYING ATTENTION TO THEIR EFFECTS.

- INTENSIFY EDUCATION, TRAINING AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND UPGRADE THE QUALITY OF LOGISTICS PERSONNEL.

- RUN THE PRODUCTION UNDERTAKINGS WELL AS A SUBSIDIARY SOURCE OF PROVISIONS SUPPLY FOR THE TROOPS. STRIVE TO ACHIEVE THE TARGET OF "1.5 JIN PLUS FOUR LIANG" (1.5 JIN OR .75 KG OF VEGETABLES, PLUS ONE LIANG EACH OF MEAT, FISH OR EGGS, BEANS AND COOKING OIL PER PERSON PER DAY) IN 80 PERCENT OF THE UNITS IN THE WHOLE ARMY WITHIN THIS YEAR.

- IMPROVE THE STYLE OF WORK AND STRENGTHEN THE BUILDING OF BASIC-LEVEL
UNITS. EVERY REGIMENT SHOULD MAKE EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THEIR SERVICE CENTERS AS WELL AS THE CONDITIONS FOR MATERIAL AND CULTURAL LIFE IN THE GRASSROOTS UNITS. (LAN, 12 JAN)

- B. REFORM IN METHOD OF SUPPLY.
((WANG)) JUXING (STC: 3769/5112/5281), DIRECTOR OF GLD MILITARY SUPPLIES SUBDEPARTMENT, TOLD A LAN REPORTER THAT HIS DEPARTMENT IS IN THE PROCESS OF REFORMING THE METHOD OF PROVIDING SUPPLIES TO THE TROOP UNITS. FOR CERTAIN ITEMS WHICH ARE USED BY THE MILITARY AS WELL AS THE CIVILIAN POPULATION, IT PLANS TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF SUPPLYING THEM IN KIND TO ALLOCATING MONEY TO THE UNITS TO BUY THEM FROM THE MARKET. THIS METHOD NOT ONLY SAVES TIME AND EFFORT BUT ALSO MONEY. (LAN, 19 JAN)

- 8. ARMY BUILDING AT BASIC LEVEL

- GUANGZHOU MR HELD A CONGRESS OF ADVANCED UNITS AND INDIVIDUALS WHO DISTINGUISHED THEMSELVES IN ARMY BUILDING AT THE GRASSROOTS LEVEL OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS AND MORE, FROM 11-19 JAN.

- ON 18 JAN, PLA CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF YANG DEZHI, WHO HAD JUST RETURNED FROM A VISIT TO THAILAND, RECEIVED AND SPOKE TO ALL DELEGATES TO THE CONGRESS. HE GAVE FULL RECOGNITION TO THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE GUANGZHOU MR IN ARMY BUILDING AT THE GRASSROOTS LEVEL AND STRESSED THAT IN THE CURRENT YEAR, THE PARAMOUNT TASK FOR BASIC-LEVEL ARMY BUILDING IS TO GRASP WELL THE EDUCATION ON UPHOLDING THE FOUR CARDINAL ADMIN

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PRINCIPLES AND OPPOSING BOURGEOIS LIBERALIZATION. HE SAID ALL PLA OFFICERS AND MEN MUST CLEARLY UNDERSTAND THE TWO UNSHAKEABLE PRINCIPLES, NAMELY THE PRINCIPLE OF CARRYING OUT REFORM, OPENING TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD AND INVIGORATING THE DOMESTIC ECONOMY, AND THE PRINCIPLE OF UPHOLDING THE FOUR CARDINAL PRINCIPLES. (LAN, 19 JAN)

MR COMMANDER ((YOU)) TAIZHONG AND PC ((ZHANG)) ZHONGXIAN SIGNED AN ORDER ON 17 JAN TO CONFER HONORABLE TITLES ON SEVEN ADVANCED UNITS THAT HAVE "TAKEN A CLEAR-CUT STAND IN UPHOLDING THE FOUR CARDINAL PRINCIPLES IN GRASSROOTS ARMY BUILDING, MADE INTENSIVE EFFORTS TO IMPROVE GRASSROOTS PARTY BRANCHES, STRENGTHENED POLITICAL AND IDEOLOGICAL WORK, AND ACHieved OUTSTANDING RESULTS IN MILITARY AND POLITICAL TRAINING, MAINTAINING GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN THEIR OFFICERS AND MEN, AND DEVELOPING THE ARMY-PEOPLE JOINT CAMPAIGN FOR BUILDING A SOCIALIST SPIRITUAL CIVILIZATION. LEADING MEMBERS OF THE MR CALLED ON ALL OFFICERS AND MEN TO LEARN FROM THE HONORED UNITS AND STRUGGLE HARD FOR 2 TO 3 YEARS TO ACHIEVE THE FOLLOWING GOALS: THE PARTY BRANCHES OF GRASSROOTS UNITS WILL EXERCISE STRONG LEADERSHIP, THEIR CADRES WILL DISPLAY HIGH SPIRIT, THEIR OFFICERS AND MEN WILL HAVE HARMONIOUS RELATIONS, ORGANIZATIONAL RULES AND DISCIPLINE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED, AND WORK WILL BE CARRIED OUT

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STRENUOUSLY AND IN AN ORDERLY MANNER.
(NCNA-CHINESE, 17 JAN)

IN HIS SUMMING-UP SPEECH AT THE CLOSING SESSION OF THE CONGRESS ON 19 JAN, MR. PC ZHANG ZHONGXIAN CALLED FOR CONTINUING EFFORTS TO IMPLEMENT THE MR'S THREE-YEAR PLAN FOR BASIC-LEVEL ARMY BUILDING.
(GUANGZHOU NANNANG RIBAO, 20 JAN)

ZHEJIANG MD HAS ALSO FORMULATED A THREE-YEAR PLAN FOR GRASSROOTS ARMY BUILDING. AN ENLARGED MEETING OF THE MD PARTY COMMITTEE WHICH CLOSED ON 16 JAN CALLED FOR CONCENTRATED EFFORTS ON DOING GOOD WORK AT GRASSROOTS LEVEL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLAN. (HANGZHOU BROADCAST, 16 JAN)

9. SUPPORT FOR ECONOMIC CONSTRUCTION

THE PEOPLE'S DAILY REPORTED ON 2 JAN THAT THE PLA CONTRIBUTED OVER 17.9 MILLION MAN-DAYS AND PROVIDED MACHINERY AND VEHICLES TO PERFORM OVER 843,000 MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF ECONOMIC CONSTRUCTION IN ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY IN 1986. IT COMPLETED A TOTAL OF 6,538 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AS WELL AS SOME 8,780 PUBLIC WELFARE PROJECTS DURING THE YEAR. PROMINENT AMONG THEM ARE THE PROJECT TO DIVERT YELLOW RIVER WATER TO QINGDAO, THE AIRPORT EXPANSION PROJECT IN SHANTOU (SWATOW), THE QIANHUANG EXPRESSWAY IN WUHAN, THE FOUNDATION AND EARTHWORK PROJECT FOR THE YELLOW RIVER HIGHWAY BRIDGE IN ZHENGZHOU, THE PROJECT TO RENOVATE THE LIAOHE RIVER EMBANKMENT, THE PROJECT TO HARNESS THE YUDAIHE RIVER IN BEIJING, AND THE

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PANLONGJIANG RIVER DIVERSION PROJECT. DURING THE YEAR, THE PLA ALSO CONTRIBUTED OVER 2.5 MILLION MAN-DAYS TO HELP PLANT SOME 37.68 MILLION TREES AND SOME 2.16 MILLION SQUARE METERS OF GRASS.

- 10. PRODUCTION AND BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

- A. GLD PLANTS MAKING PROFITS. ALL OF THE 54 PLANTS MAKING MILITARY SUPPLIES UNDER THE DIRECT JURISDICTION OF THE GENERAL LOGISTICS DEPT MADE PROFITS IN 1986. APART FROM FULFILLING THEIR MILITARY ORDERS DURING THE YEAR, THESE PLANTS VIGOROUSLY DEVELOPED THE PRODUCTION OF CIVILIAN GOODS. THEY TURNED OUT OVER 1,000 KINDS OF CONSUMER PRODUCTS, OF WHICH 218 KINDS HAVE BEEN SOLD ON THE MARKET. SOME PRODUCTS HAVE MADE INROADS INTO INTERNATIONAL MARKETS, BOOSTING THE VALUE OF THE PLANTS' FOREIGN TRADE BY 30 PERCENT OVER THE 1985 FIGURE.

- AT AN ALL-ARMY CONFERENCE ON THE PRODUCTION OF MILITARY SUPPLIES HELD IN THE
EARLY PART OF JANUARY, GLD DIRECTOR HONG XUEZHI AFFIRMED THE ACHIEVEMENTS MADE BY THESE PLANTS IN PRODUCING CONSUMER GOODS AND ENCOURAGED THEM TO MAKE GREATER CONTRIBUTIONS TO NATIONAL ECONOMIC CONSTRUCTION IN THE NEW YEAR. (LAN, 10 JAN AND PD, 20 JAN)

- B. NAVY PLANTS PRODUCE MORE CIVILIAN GOODS. FACTORIES UNDER THE CHINESE NAVY TURNED OUT 330 ITEMS OF CIVILIAN PRODUCTS VALUED AT 170 MILLION YUAN IN 1986. THE NAVY THUS RANKED FIRST AMONG THE SERVICES AND ARMS AND MILITARY REGIONS IN THE VALUE OF CIVILIAN PRODUCTION. THE 34 CHEMICAL PLANTS UNDER THE NAVY LAST YEAR PRODUCED CONSUMER GOODS INCLUDING METALLURGICAL, ELECTROMECHANICAL AND CHEMICAL EQUIPMENT, OPTICAL AND ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTS, BUILDING MATERIALS, HARDWARE, HOME ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES, FOODS AND DRINKS AND ARTCRAFTS. MORE THAN TEN NAVAL SHIPYARDS BUILT FREIGHTERS, OILERS, TUGS, LIGHTERS, PASSENGER SHIPS, FIBER GLASS REINFORCED PLASTIC VESSELS OF 5,000 TONS AND BELOW FOR CIVILIAN USE AND UNDERTOOK REPAIRS AND SCRAPPING OF CIVILIAN VESSELS. (PD, 6 JAN)

- C. LANZHOU MR EARNING FROM PRODUCTION. LANZHOU MR REPORTED EARNINGS OF 88 MILLION YUAN FROM ITS PRODUCTION AND BUSINESS OPERATIONS IN 1986, INCLUDING 1.4 MILLION YUAN WORTH OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE. IN THE PAST TWO YEARS THE MR HAS SET UP SOME 200 PRODUCTION BASES FOR LEAD, ZINC, COAL, AGRICULTURE AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY. LAST YEAR

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THE MR ALLOCATED 13 MILLION YUAN FROM ITS PRODUCTION EARNINGS FOR BUILDING BARRACKS, TRAINING OF DUAL-PURPOSE PERSONNEL AND IMPROVING THE DAILY LIFE OF SOLDIERS. (LANZHOU BROADCAST, 14 JAN)

II. (U) PLA ORGANIZATION

1. MR TRAINING DIVISION

- LIBERATION ARMY NEWS REPORTED ON 19 JAN THAT A CERTAIN TRAINING DIVISION UNDER THE CHENGDU MR IN CONDUCTING POLITICAL EDUCATION AMONG THE RECRUITS, HAS GIVEN SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO EDUCATING THEM ON THE "FOUR CARDINAL PRINCIPLES." MEMBERS OF THE DIVISION'S PARTY COMMITTEE LED FIVE TEAMS TO VARIOUS REGIMENTS, INCLUDING AN ARTILLERY TRAINING REGIMENT IN NORTHERN SICHUAN, TO GIVE LECTURES ON THE FOUR PRINCIPLES.

- THIS WAS THE FIRST REFERENCE TO AN MR TRAINING DIVISION. EARLIER, THERE WAS A REFERENCE TO AN AIR FORCE TRAINING DIVISION. THE EXACT ORGANIZATION OF THE TRAINING DIVISION IS NOT KNOWN, BUT AS INDICATED ABOVE, IT HAS SEVERAL REGIMENTS INCLUDING AN ARTILLERY TRAINING REGIMENT. LAST YEAR, TRAINING REGIMENTS WERE SET UP IN ALL INTEGRATED ARMIES (JITUANJUN) TO TRAIN THE RECRUITS, AND TRAINING BATTALIONS IN THE DIVISIONS. THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE MR TRAINING DIVISION AND THE ARMY'S TRAINING REGIMENT AND DIVISION'S TRAINING BATTALION...
IS NOT CLEAR.

- 2. NAVY CONSULTING ORGAN

  A "NAVY POLITICAL WORK STUDY COMMITTEE" (NPWSC) FORMED OF NAVAL CADRES WHO HAVE "RETREATED TO THE SECOND LINE" HAS BECOME AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT IN THE STUDY OF THE PLA NAVY'S POLITICAL WORK. LAST YEAR, THE COMMITTEE SUBMITTED 28 REPORTS, INCLUDING INVESTIGATION REPORTS, WORK STUDY REPORTS, WORK PROPOSALS AND SUMMATIONS OF EXPERIENCES, OF WHICH 11 WERE PUBLISHED IN PUBLICATIONS PUT OUT BY THE GENERAL POLITICAL DEPT AND THE NAVY POLITICAL DEPT, AND 22 WERE CIRCULATED AT THE COMMITTEE'S ANNUAL MEETING WHICH WAS IN PROGRESS IN BEIJING AS OF 11 JAN.

- THE NPWSC IS A CONSULTING ORGAN UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE PLA NAVY PARTY COMMITTEE. IT HAS 69 MEMBERS, OVER 50 OF WHICH HELD POSITIONS IN THE NAVY AT AND ABOVE THE CORPS LEVEL (I.E., READ ADMIRAL OR HIGHER IN RANK). (LAN, 12 JAN)

III. (U) DOCTRINE & STRATEGY

- 1. NINE BASIC PRINCIPLES FOR CAMPAIGNS

- THE MAGAZINE ZHONGGUO MINBING (CHINESE MILITIA) IN ITS DEC 1986 ISSUE QUOTED FROM A DOCUMENT, "COLLECTION OF MAJOR VIEWPOINTS FROM TREATIES PRESENTED AT THE ALL-ARMY SYMPOSIUM ON CAMPAIGN THEORY," CONTAINING A PROPOSAL THAT THE PLA SHOULD ESTABLISH NINE BASIC PRINCIPLES FOR

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- 1) THE PRINCIPLE OF ACTIVELY TAKING THE INITIATIVE;
- 2) THE PRINCIPLE OF INTEGRATING OFFENSE WITH DEFENSE;
- 3) THE PRINCIPLE OF EXTENSIVE MOBILITY:
- 4) THE PRINCIPLE OF ALLROUND ATTACK:
- 5) THE PRINCIPLE OF COORDINATION OF ALL FORCES:
- 6) THE PRINCIPLE OF DEPTH:
- 7) THE PRINCIPLE OF OBJECTIVE;
- 8) THE PRINCIPLE OF GAINING ADVANTAGEOUS RESULTS;
- 9) THE PRINCIPLE OF BATTLEFIELD CONTROL. THE MAGAZINE DID NOT ELABORATED ON THESE PRINCIPLES.

2. STRATEGIC COMPETITION IN OUTER SPACE AND THE OCEANS

- A SIGNED ARTICLE IN THE LIBERATION ARMY NEWS OF 2 JAN CALLS ATTENTION TO A TENDENCY OF MAJOR POWERS EXTENDING THEIR
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COMPETITION TO OUTER SPACE AND THE OCEANS. IT CONTENDS THAT THE FUTURE OF THE WORLD LIES IN OUTER SPACE AND THE OCEANS AND THAT THE FUTURE WORLD POWERS MUST BE COUNTRIES WITH A HIGH LEVEL OF SPACE TECHNOLOGY AND OCEAN TECHNOLOGY.


- NOTING THAT IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF STRATEGIC MEANS, THE ADVANCED COUNTRIES OFTEN TRY TO MAINTAIN THEIR MONOPOLY, IT STRESSES THAT CHINA'S NATIONAL DEFENSE FORCES SHOULD BREAK THE MONOPOLIES OF OUTER SPACE AND THE OCEANS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE, "JUST AS WE BROKE THE MONOPOLY OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS YEARS AGO."

IV. (U) DEFENSE INDUSTRY

- 1. RESPONSIBILITIES OF NEW MACHINE BUILDING COMMISSION

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JIAHUA, MINISTER IN CHARGE OF THE CHINESE STATE COMMISSION OF MACHINE BUILDING INDUSTRY WHICH COMBINES THE FORMER MINISTRIES OF ORDNANCE INDUSTRY AND MACHINE BUILDING INDUSTRY, RECENTLY OUTLINED THE MISSIONS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE NEW COMMISSION AS FOLLOWS:

- AS A GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT EXERCISING ADMINISTRATIVE AND MACROSCOPIC CONTROL, THE PRIMARY MISSION OF THE COMMISSION IS TO CONTROL THE TARGETS BUT NOT THE PROCESS OF ACHIEVING THEM. ITS MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES ARE:

  - TO STUDY AND FORMULATE THE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY, PLANS, ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL POLICIES AND LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF THE MACHINE BUILDING INDUSTRY.

  - TO PREPARE ANNUAL MANDATORY AND GUIDANCE PLANS, CO-ORDINATE THE PRODUCTION OF MANDATORY MILITARY AND CIVILIAN PRODUCTS AND WORK OUT OVERALL PLANS FOR THE BUILDING OF MAJOR EQUIPMENT, AND ORGANIZE IMPORTANT SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH PROJECTS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF ORDNANCE PRODUCTS AND MAJOR NEW PRODUCTS.

  - TO WORK OUT PLANS FOR STANDARDIZATION AND SERIALIZATION OF PRODUCTS AND SUPERVISE QUALITY CONTROL.
- TO EXERCISE OVERALL CONTROL OVER ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES IN MACHINERY PRODUCTS AND OVER THE IMPORT AND EXPORT OF MACHINERY PRODUCTS.

- TO TAKE PART IN FORMULATING AND ENFORCING VARIOUS ECONOMIC REGULATORY MEASURES, SUCH AS PRICING, TAXATION, CREDIT LOANS AND SUBSIDIES.

- TO ORGANIZE THE COLLECTION, ANALYSIS, PROCESSING AND DISTRIBUTION OF RELEVANT INFORMATION.

ZOU SAID THE COMMISSION WILL NOT DIRECTLY MANAGE ENTERPRISES, BUT WILL RELY ON POLICY, LAWS AND ECONOMIC MEANS TO EXERCISE OVERALL CONTROL AND REGULATION OF THE MACHINE BUILDING INDUSTRIES. ACCORDING TO ZOU, ENTERPRISES UNDER THE FORMER MINISTRIES OF ORDNANCE AND MACHINE BUILDING INDUSTRIES ACCOUNTED FOR ABOUT ONE-FOURTH OF THE TOTAL OF CHINA'S INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES IN TERMS OF FIXED ASSETS, ANNUAL OUTPUT VALUE, AND PROFIT DELIVERY AND TAX PAYMENT TO THE STATE. (PD, OVERSEAS EDITION, 5 JAN)

2. DEFENSE INDUSTRY CIVILIAN PRODUCTION STATISTICS

CHINA'S DEFENSE INDUSTRY FURTHER INCREASED ITS PRODUCTION OF CONSUMER GOODS IN 1986. ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL STATISTICS, THE OUTPUT VALUE OF CONSUMER GOODS PRODUCED BY THE INDUSTRY ROSE TO 6.23 BILLION YUAN DURING THE YEAR, UP 8.5
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PERCENT FROM THE 1985 FIGURE.
- THE DEFENSE INDUSTRY NOW OPERATES
OVER 400 PRODUCTION LINES FOR CONSUMER
GOODS. MORE THAN TWO-THIRDS OF THE 400-ODD
MILITARY ENTERPRISES ARE NOW PRODUCING
CONSUMER GOODS REGULARLY. IN THE FIRST
ELEVEN MONTHS OF 1986, THESE ENTERPRISES
TURNED OUT 130,000 MOTOR VEHICLES, 400,000
MOTORCYCLES, 800,000 BICYCLES, 300,000
REFRIGERATORS AND OVER 400,000 TV SETS. (PD,
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MILITARY ENTERPRISES OPERATING IN THE
PROVINCES, EMPLOYING A TOTAL OF ABOUT
300,000 PEOPLE, HAVE NOW BECOME PART OF THE
LOCAL INDUSTRIES UNDER THE ADMINISTRATION OF
LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. THESE ENTERPRISES
SUFFERED HEAVY LOSSES DUE TO DRASTICALLY
REDUCED MILITARY ORDERS SINCE 1980, SO THEY
HAD TO PRODUCE CIVILIAN GOODS TO KEEP GOING.
BY THE END OF 1986, THEIR TOTAL OUTPUT VALUE
OF CIVILIAN PRODUCTS CAME TO 1.1 BILLION
YUAN. (NCNA, 26 JAN)

- 3. ASTRONAUTICS INDUSTRY

- A. CHINA DEVELOPING NEW CARRIER
ROCKET. ACCORDING TO A CNS REPORT DATELINED
BEIJING 8 JAN, CHINESE ASTRONAUTIC EXPERTS
ARE NOW ENGAGED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW
CARRIER ROCKET OF THE "LONG MARCH" SERIES,
FOR USE IN THE LAUNCHING OF ARTIFICIAL
SATELLITES WEIGHING 2.5 TO 3.2 TONS FOR
FOREIGN CLIENTS IN THE 1990S.
B. CHINA BUILDING NEW SATELLITE CENTER. A NEW SATELLITE MONITORING AND CONTROL CENTER IS NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN XI'AN. THE NINE-STORIED MAIN BUILDING IS ALMOST FINISHED AND NEW INSTRUMENTS ARE BEING INSTALLED AND TESTED. ACCORDING TO ((ZHANG)) FENGXIANG, DEPUTY CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE NEW FACILITY, THE NEW CENTER WILL BE EQUIPPED WITH THE MOST ADVANCED EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE IN DATA PROCESSING, SATELLITE CONTROL AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS. (CD, 8 JAN)

C. SPACE SCIENTISTS AND TECHNICIANS TO WORK IN RURAL ENTERPRISES. THE MINISTRY OF ASTRONAUTICS INDUSTRY PLANS TO SEND 10,000 SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL PERSONNEL TO THE ENTERPRISES IN VILLAGES AND TOWNS IN THE NEXT 2-3 YEARS TO HELP DEVELOP THE ENTERPRISES EITHER ON A HIRE, CONTRACT OR PARTNERSHIP BASIS, ON THE PREMISE THAT THEIR DEPARTURE WILL NOT AFFECT THE MINISTRY'S MILITARY PRODUCTION. MINISTER ((LI)) XU'E INDICATED THAT THE FIRST GROUP OF ABOUT 3,000 SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL PERSONNEL WILL BE SENT TO THE RURAL AREAS THIS YEAR. (PD, OVERSEAS ED., 17 JAN)

4. AERONAUTICS INDUSTRY

A. FURTHER SWITCH TO CIVILIAN PRODUCTION. CHINA'S AERONAUTICS INDUSTRY SWITCHED ITS MAIN EFFORTS TO CIVILIAN PRODUCTION LAST YEAR. FOR THE FIRST TIME IT TURNED OUT MORE GOODS FOR CIVILIAN USE THAN FOR MILITARY PURPOSES IN 1986, WITH THE OUTPUT VALUE OF ITS CIVILIAN PRODUCTS
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ACCOUNTING FOR 60 PERCENT OF ITS TOTAL OUTPUT VALUE, AS AGAINST 16 PERCENT SEVEN YEARS AGO. AERONAUTICS MINISTER ((MO)) WENXIANG SAID THE PERCENTAGE IS EXPECTED TO RISE FURTHER TO 70 IN 1987. CIVILIAN PRODUCTS TURNED OUT BY THE INDUSTRY IN 1986 INCLUDED 3,000 AUTOMOBILES, 50,000 MOTORCYCLES, 15,600 AIR-CONDITIONERS, 15,200 REFRIGERATORS, 320,000 WASHING MACHINES AND 870,900 BICYCLES.

MINISTER MO RULED THAT THE INDUSTRY'S DEVELOPMENT OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE CONFINED TO SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND SMALL-SCALE PRODUCTION IN PEACETIME, AND THE INDUSTRY SHOULD BEGIN TO BUILD BIG PASSENGER PLANES AND STRIVE TO PUT THEM INTO SERVICE IN SEVEN OR EIGHT YEARS. (NCNA, 13 JAN)

B. JIAN-8I FIGHTER RATED SUPERIOR. THE JIAN-8I FIGHTER AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURED BY THE SHENYANG AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURING CO. HAS BEEN RATED BY THE MINISTRY OF AERONAUTICS INDUSTRY AS A "SUPERIOR PRODUCT."

THE JIAN-8I IS A SOPHISTICATED HIGH-ALTITUDE HIGH-SPEED FIGHTER. ITS QUALITY IS "HIGHER THAN THE STANDARD SET BY THE STATE." (PD, OVERSEAS ED., 23 JAN)

C. CHINESE AIRCRAFT TO BE SHOWN
AT PARIS AIR SHOW, CHINA WILL DISPLAY A NUMBER OF NEW AIRCRAFT AT THE 37TH INTERNATIONAL AIR SHOW TO BE HELD IN PARIS FROM 11 TO 21 JUN THIS YEAR. THESE WILL INCLUDE AN A5-C FIGHTER-BOMBERATTACKER, A FT-7 TRAINER AND A Y-12II MULTIPURPOSE TRANSPORT. (PD, OVERSEAS ED., 16 JAN)

5. SHIPBUILDING INDUSTRY

A. MORE ABOUT NEW MISSILE FRIGATE. ACCORDING TO THE SHANGHAI JIEFANG RIBAO OF 15 DEC 86, THE NEW MISSILE FRIGATE BUILT BY THE HUDONG SHIPYARD IN SHANGHAI FOR THE CHINESE NAVY WAS THE FIRST NAVAL VESSEL BUILT UNDER A CONTRACT SYSTEM FIRST INTRODUCED IN 1983. WITH A DISPLACEMENT OF 1,721 TONS THE NEW SHIP IS EQUIPPED WITH SOPHISTICATED MISSILE WEAPONS, FULLY AUTOMATIC GUNS, ANTISUBMARINE AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE SYSTEMS, AND INTELLIGENCE AND COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEMS.


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DEPRESSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SHIPPING MARKET, THE CHINESE SHIPBUILDING INDUSTRY IS ACTIVELY DEVELOPING NEW MARKETS. IT WILL BUILD SHIPS FOR THE NAVIES OF THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES AND SERVICE THEIR EXISTING NAVAL VESSELS. (PD, OVERSEAS ED., 21 JAN)

- C. SHIPBUILDING STATISTICS. IN 1986, SHIPBUILDING ENTERPRISES UNDER THE CSSC BUILT 347 SHIPS TOTALLING 845,000 TONS, A RECORD HIGH WHICH IS 18.1 PERCENT HIGHER THAN THE 1985 TONNAGE. TOTAL OUTPUT VALUE EXCEEDED 3.2 BILLION YUAN, UP 3 PERCENT COMPARED WITH 1985. THE RATIO OF SHIPS BUILT FOR MILITARY AND COMMERCIAL USE WAS 1 TO 4. (NCNA AND PD, OVERSEAS ED., 17 JAN)

- D. CHINA'S LARGEST RIVER PASSENGER-FREIGHTER. THE "JIANG HAN NO. 19" (STC FOR JIANG HAN: 3068/3352), CHINA'S LARGEST INLAND RIVER PASSENGER-FREIGHTER TO DATE, WAS RECENTLY LAUNCHED AT THE QINGSHAN (STC: 7230/1472) SHIPYARD IN WUHAN. WITH AN OVERALL LENGTH OF 113 METERS AND A WIDTH OF 19.4 METERS, THE FOUR-DECK SHIP IS CAPABLE OF CARRYING 1,360 PASSENGERS. WHEN COMPLETED, IT WILL PLY BETWEEN WUHAN AND SHANGHAI. (SICHUAN RIBAO, 4 JAN)

V. (U) PLA MODERNIZATION

- 1. MODERNIZATION OF EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES

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A. CHINA'S STRATEGIC DEFENSE SYSTEMS. AN NCNA BEIJING 1 JAN REPORT CLAIMED THAT, APART FROM MODERNIZING ITS WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT, CHINA HAS BUILT FAIRLY COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEMS OF DEFENSE PROJECTS. THESE INCLUDE A SYSTEM OF STRATEGIC COMMAND PROJECTS, WHICH ENSURES AUTOMATED COMMAND OVER COMBAT OPERATIONS AND HAS A SURVIVAL CAPABILITY; A SYSTEM ENSURING A STRATEGIC NUCLEAR COUNTER-STRIKE CAPABILITY; AND A SYSTEM OF STRATEGIC AIR AND NAVAL BASES. IT ADDED THAT CHINA HAS ALSO DEVELOPED A SYSTEM OF CIVIL AIR DEFENSE PROJECTS DESIGNED TO PROTECT ITS POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, INDUSTRIAL, AND COMMUNICATIONS CENTERS.

B. CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS TESTING BASE. CHINA'S FIRST CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS TESTING RANGE BUILT ON THE HORQIN GRASSLANDS IN NEI MONGGOL NEAR THE BORDER OF JILIN IN AUG 1954 HAS NOW DEVELOPED INTO A COMPREHENSIVE TESTING BASE FOR CONVENTIONAL GROUND, NAVAL AND AIR WEAPONS. THE BASE EMPLOYS SCIENTIFIC MEANS AND SPECIAL TEST STANDARDS TO CARRY OUT PROTOTYPE EVALUATION OF SUCH CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS AS GROUND ARTILLERY, ANTI-AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY, NAVAL GUNS AND AMMUNITION, DETONATORS, LIGHT ARMS, AERIAL BOMBS, OPTICAL INSTRUMENTS FOR MILITARY USE AND METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS, TO PROVIDE THE SCIENTIFIC BASIS FOR THE RESEARCH, DESIGN AND PRODUCTION OF WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT. IN THE PAST 30 YEARS AND MORE, IT HAS COMPLETED THOUSANDS OF TEST MISSIONS AND TESTED OVER 100 KINDS OF CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS FOR THE PLA. (LAN, 21

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C. NEW BOMBER FOR NAVAL AIR FORCE. CHINA HAS DEVELOPED ITS FIRST GENERATION OF MISSILE-CARRYING BOMBERS - THE B6-D - FOR THE PLA NAVAL AIR FORCE. THE B6-D IS AN IMPROVED VERSION OF THE SUBSONIC MEDIUM-RANGE B-6 BOMBER. IT CARRIES TWO AIR-TO-SHIP MISSILES UNDER BOTH WINGS. (PD, 13 JAN)

CHINA DAILY ON THE SAME DAY QUOTED AN OFFICIAL OF THE MINISTRY OF AERONAUTICS INDUSTRY AS SAYING THAT THE B6-D BOMBER WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR EXPORT.

D. STRATEGIC MISSILE AUTOMATIC TESTING DEVICE. A STRATEGIC MISSILE AUTOMATIC TESTING DEVICE PASSED TECHNICAL APPRAISAL IN BEIJING ON 23 JAN. THE DEVICE WAS DEVELOPED BY A CERTAIN RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF THE CHINESE STRATEGIC MISSILE FORCE. (PD, OVERSEAS ED., 28 JAN)

E. NEW COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM. A NEW COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM HAS BEEN DEVELOPED BY THE SECOND ARTILLERY ENGINEERING DESIGN INSTITUTE. THE "LONG RANGE DIGITAL MICROWAVE PASSIVE DIFFRACTION COMMUNICATION SYSTEM" PASSED ITS TECHNICAL APPRAISAL IN BEIJING ON 20 JAN. THE DOZENS OF EXPERTS AND PROFESSORS FROM THE GSD COMMUNICATIONS SUBDEPARTMENT, THE MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY, QINGHUA UNIVERSITY AND 17 OTHER
ORGANIZATIONS HELD THAT THE SYSTEM OPENS A NEW ROAD IN DEVELOPMENT OF MICROWAVE COMMUNICATIONS IN CHINA. ITS POPULARIZATION WILL SAVE THE COUNTRY GREAT AMOUNTS OF MANPOWER, MATERIAL AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES. (LAN, 21 JAN)

2. PERSONNEL TRANSFORMATION

A. CADRE REJUVENATION AND INTELLECTUALIZATION. LIBERATION ARMY NEWS REPORTED FROM BEIJING ON 20 JAN THAT THE QUALITY OF PLA GRASSROOTS CADRE HAS IMPROVED MARKEDLY AS A RESULT OF STREAMLINING AND REORGANIZATION. QUOTING 1986 STATISTICS, IT SAID 99 PERCENT OF THE GRASSROOTS CADRE HAVE MET THE AGE REQUIREMENTS FOR MILITARY SERVICE, WHILE 97 PERCENT OF THEM HAVE HAD EDUCATION UP TO SENIOR MIDDLE SCHOOL OR HIGHER, AND ONE OUT OF SIX IS A UNIVERSITY GRADUATE. HALF OF THESE OFFICERS HAVE BEEN TRAINED IN THE PLA COMMAND ACADEMIES.

MEANWHILE, PEOPLE'S DAILY REPORTED ON 16 JAN THAT MOST OF THE FLIGHT PERSONNEL IN THE CHINESE AIR FORCE ARE NOW COLLEGE GRADUATES. NEARLY HALF OF THE LEADING CADRE AT AND ABOVE THE REGIMENTAL LEVEL, AND ONE OUT OF THE FOUR OF THE OTHER CADRE, ARE COLLEGE GRADUATES. IT ADDED THAT IN THE PAST THREE YEARS, OVER 7,000 AIR FORCE CADRE OBTAINED UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE DIPLOMA THROUGH SELF-STUDY, WHILE MORE THAN 10,000 CADRE HAVE COMPLETED THEIR SENIOR MIDDLE SCHOOL COURSES AND HAVE SUBSEQUENTLY TAKEN UP UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE COURSES.

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VI. (U) MILITARY RELATIONS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES

- 1. RELATIONS WITH USA - AN NCNA REPORT DATED LINED WASHINGTON 6 JAN QUOTED THE U.S. DEFENSE DEPT AS SAYING THAT IT WILL SELL CHINA RADAR AND RADIO SETS OF A TYPE USED TO LOCATE HOSTILE ARTILLERY UNITS IN A DEAL VALUED AT US$62 MILLION.

- THE NEWS WAS PLAYED UP BY THE PRO-PRC XIN WAN BAO (NEW EVENING POST) IN HONG KONG. IT PRINTED THE REPORT IN RED HEADLINES AND QUOTED REUTER AS SAYING THAT THE DEAL IS SEEN AS A FURTHER SIGN OF GROWING MILITARY COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

- 2. RELATIONS WITH USSR - A CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID ON 17 JAN THAT CHINA HAS TAKEN NOTE OF MOSCOW'S ANNOUNCEMENT THAT IT IS PULLING SOME OF ITS TROOPS OUT OF MONGOLIA THIS SPRING. HE REITERATED THAT THE KEY TO NORMALIZING RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES LIES IN THE REMOVAL OF THE "THREE OBSTACLES."

- 3. RELATIONS WITH THAILAND - THE BANGKOK NEWSPAPER, THE NATION, REPORTED ON 26 JAN THAT CHINA HAD OFFERED TO SELL A NUMBER OF TANKS TO THE THAI ARMY AT A "FRIENDSHIP PRICE" (MEANING A VERY CHEAP
PRICE) AND MAY SWAP THEM FOR THAI AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

- QUOTING INFORMED SOURCES, IT SAID THE OFFER WAS MADE DURING PLA CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF YANG DEZHI'S VISIT TO THE COUNTRY 11-17 JAN. YANG IS SAID TO HAVE ALSO PLEDGED TO GIVE MORE ARTILLERY PIECES TO THAILAND THIS YEAR.
- THE SOURCES DID NOT REVEAL HOW MANY TANKS CHINA WANTED TO SELL TO THAILAND BUT INDICATED THAT THE TANKS WILL BE T-69S. YANG REPORTEDLY OFFERED TO SEND SOME OF THE TANKS TO THAILAND FOR A DEMONSTRATION SOMETIME IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS YEAR.

- THE NATION ALSO REPORTED EARLIER THAT PRIOR TO YANG'S VISIT TO BANGKOK, CHINA HAD OFFERED TO SELL THREE ROMEO CLASS SUBMARINES TO THAILAND AND TRIED TO CONVINCE THE THAIS THAT BUYING CHINESE MILITARY EQUIPMENT "IS A GOOD DEAL THAT CAN SAVE THAILAND A LOT OF MONEY." HOWEVER, THE SAME PAPER QUOTED THAI SUMPREME COMMANDER ADM SUPHA KHOCHASEN as saying that Thailand would accept the Chinese subs if they were given free of charge, but that if China wanted to sell them, Thailand was not ready to buy yet because of budget constraints.

- DURING HIS WEEKLONG VISIT, YANG DECLARED MORE THAN ONCE THAT CHINA WOULD FIRMLY STAND BY THAILAND IN CASE IT IS THREATENED BY VIETNAMESE AGGRESSION. AT THE FAREWELL DINNER ON 16 JAN, HE SAID THERE WERE BROAD PROSPECTS FOR DEVELOPING FRIENDLY ADMIN

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RELATIONS AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE CHINESE AND THAI ARMIES. ON HIS DEPARTURE ON 17 JAN, HE SAID HIS VISIT TO THAILAND WAS "ENTIRELY SUCCESSFUL."

- 4. RELATIONS WITH SRV - IN JANUARY, ARMED CLASHES OCCURRED ON THE SINO-VIETNAMESE BORDER ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS, WITH BOTH SIDES MAKING CHARGES AND COUNTERCHARGES. THE FIRST CLASH OCCURRED ON 5 JAN AND CONTINUED FOR THREE DAYS. HANOI CLAIMED THAT THE CHINESE STAGED THREE DIVISION-SIZED ATTACKS ON VIETNAMESE HILLS IN VI XUYEN DISTRICT IN HA TUYEN PROVINCE ADJACENT TO CHINA'S YUNNAN PROVINCE ON 5 JAN. THE CHINESE WERE ALSO ACCUSED OF FIRING 14,000 ARTILLERY AND MORTAR ROUNDS INTO VIETNAMESE TERRITORY IN SUPPORT OF THE ATTACKS ON THE SAME DAY. ON 6 JAN THE CHINESE LAUNCHED A COMPANY-SIZED "SURPRISE RAID" ON VIETNAMESE POSITION AND FIRED UP TO 60,000 SHELLS INTO VI XUYEN DISTRICT - THIS, HANOI CLAIMED, WAS A RECORD NUMBER OF SHELLS FIRED BY THE CHINESE ON ONE DAY. SOME SHELLS LANDED UP TO 18 KM DEEP INSIDE VIETNAMESE TERRITORY, IT SAID. ON 7 JAN, THE CHINESE "FIELDED A DIVISION-SIZED FORCE TO LAUNCH 15 WAVES OF ATTACKS" IN THE SAME AREA. THE VIETNAMESE CLAIMED THAT IN THE THREE DAYS OF FIGHTING, THEY "KILLED NEARLY 1,500 ENEMY SOLDIERS AND DECIMATED FIVE ENEMY INFANTRY REGIMENTS."
THE CHINESE, ON THE OTHER HAND, TERMED THE VIETNAMESE CLAIMS AS "SHEER BOASTING."
NCNA REPORTED FROM THE LAOSHAN FRONT ON THE YUNNAN BORDER THAT ON 5 JAN,
CHINESE BORDER TROOPS REPELLED 10 VIETNAMESE OFFENSIVES AGAINST POSITIONS IN LAOSHAN,
KILLING ABOUT 200 VIETNAMESE SOLDIERS. IT FURTHER REPORTED THAT ON THE MORNING OF 7
JAN, CHINESE BORDER TROOPS WIPE OUT ABOUT ONE COMPANY OF VIETNAMESE INTRUDERS.
A CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID ON 10 JAN THAT IN THE THREE DAYS OF FIGHTING,
CHINESE TROOPS "KILLED AND WOUNDED OVER 500 VIETNAMESE TROOPS."

NCNA FURTHER CLAIMED THAT ON THE EVE OF THE SPRING FESTIVAL, VIETNAMESE TROOPS
SHELLED CHINESE BORDER AREAS IN YUNNAN CONSECUTIVELY ON 26 AND 27 JAN AND SENT
SMALL BANDS OF TROOPS TO CARRY OUT HARASSING ATTACKS AGAINST CHINA'S FORWARD POSITIONS IN
THE LAOSHAN AREA.

5. RELATIONS WITH JAPAN - CHINA HAS OPENLY EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER JAPAN'S
DECISION TO EXCEED ITS SELF-IMPOSED ONE PERCENT GNP CEILING ON DEFENSE SPENDING. A
CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID THIS JAPANESE DECISION HAD MADE ITS NEIGHBORS
"FEEL UNEASY." HE SAID FOR REASONS KNOWN TO ALL, ASIAN COUNTRIES HAVE ALL ALONG BEEN
VERY SENSITIVE TO THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT BUILDING UP ITS MILITARY STRENGTH. HE
EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WOULD DRAW ON THE HISTORICAL LESSON IN
EARNEST ON THIS ISSUE. (NCNA, 2 JAN)
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THE HONG KONG WEN WEI PO, A PRC MOUTHPIECE, SAID EDITORIALLY ON JAN THAT THIS DECISION OF THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT RAN COUNTER TO JAPAN'S CONSTITUTIN AND CHANGED THE DIRECTION OF ITS NATIONAL DEFENSE POLICY. THIS WOULD LEAD JAPAN FROM AN ECONOMIC POWER TO A MILITARY POWER. IT CALLED ON COUNTRIES THAT HAVE SUFFERED FROM JAPANESE AGGRESSION IN THE PAST TO HEIGHTEN THEIR VIGILANCE.

- 6. RELATIONS WITH BANGLADESH - CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF YANG DEZHI VISITED BANGLADESH FOR FIVE DAYS FROM 7-11 JAN. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY HIS WIFE AND A 10-MEMBER DELEGATION INCLUDING DEPUTY CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF XU XIN. DURING THE VISIT, YANG HAD MEETINGS WITH PRES. HUSSAIN MOHAMMAD ERSHAD AND CHIEFS OF THE THREE SERVICES. HE WAS THE HIGHEST CHINESE MILITARY LEADER THAT HAS VISITED BANGLADESH SINCE THE TWO COUNTRIES ESTABLISHED DIPLOMATIC TIES IN 1975. (NCNA, 8 AND 11 JAN)

- 7. RELATIONS WITH PAKISTAN - A SIX-MEMBER CHINESE MILITARY DELEGATION LED BY DEPUTY CHIEF OF PLA GENERAL STAFF (XU) HUIZI VISITED PAKISTAN 11-19 JAN. DURING THE VISIT, XU WAS RECEIVED AND FETED BY PRES. MOHAMMAD ZIAUL HAQ AND HAD MEETINGS WITH PRIME MINISTER MOHAMMAD KHAN JUNEJO, JOINT CHIEF OF THE STAFF COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN RAHIMUDDIN KHAN, AIR FORCE COMMANDER AIR
CHIEF MARSHAL JAMAL AHMAD KHAN, NAVY CHIEF ADM IFTIKHAR AHMED SIROHEY AND VICE CHIEF OF THE ARMY STAFF GEN KHALID MAHMUD ARIF AND EXchanged VIEWS WITH THEM ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST. (KARACHI BROADCASTS AND NCNA)

- EARLIER, ACCORDING TO A KARACHI BROADCAST OF 6 JAN (FBIS REF: BK061648), A SIX-MEMBER CHINESE AIR FORCE DELEGATION LED BY DEPUTY CHIEF OF AIR STAFF - TRAINING (ZHIM YANGENG) (XIN DIANFENG?) CALLED ON PAKISTAN CHIEF OF AIR STAFF AIR CHIEF MARSHAL JAMAL KHAN IN RAWALPINDI ON 6 JAN AND DISCUSSED MATTERS OF COMMON INTEREST TO THE AIR FORCES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES. LATER, THE DELEGATION VISITED PAKISTAN AIR FORCE BASE CHAKLALA. (THE DELEGATION'S VISIT WAS NOT REPORTED BY PRC MEDIA.)

- 8. RELATIONS WITH BRAZIL - BRAZILIAN AERONAUTICS MINISTER OCTAVIO MOREIRA LIMA CONFIRMED ON 28 JAN THAT HIS MINISTRY WAS STUDYING THE POSSIBILITY OF PURCHASING 30 CHINESE F-7M AIRPLANES FOR BRAZILIAN AIR SECURITY. HE SAID THE FEATURES OF THE CHINESE AIRCRAFT WERE OF INTEREST TO BRAZIL BECAUSE OF THEIR RUGGEDNESS, SIMPLICITY AND EASY MAINTENANCE. (BRASILIA EBN IN PORTUGUESE, 28 JAN - FBIS REF: PY291705)

- 9. RELATIONS WITH NIGERIA - A CHINESE MILITARY DELEGATION WITH DEPUTY CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF XU HUIZI AT THE HEAD VISITED NIGERIA 4-11 JAN. (NCNA SAID THE DELEGATION HAD FOUR MEMBERS, BUT A LAGOS BROADCAST SAID

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IT WAS COMPOSED OF SEVEN MEMBERS.) DURING THE WEEKLONG VISIT, XU HAD MEETINGS WITH NIGERIAN PRESIDENT IBRAHIM BABBANGIDA, DEFENSE MINISTER DOKMAT BALI AND THE CHIEFS OF THE THREE SERVICES. BOTH SIDES EXPRESSED THE DESIRE TO FURTHER PROMOTE THE LINKS AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES. THE NIGERIAN MILITARY LEADERS TOLD XU THAT THEY WERE STUDYING THE REPORT OF THE NIGERIAN MILITARY DELEGATION TO THE RECENT CHINESE MILITARY FAIR (ASIANDEX?) TO IDENTIFY AREAS MOST APPROPRIATE FOR NIGERIA'S NEEDS.

- 10. RELATIONS WITH ZAIRE - MARSHAL MOBUTU SESE SEKO, PRESIDENT OF ZAIRE, RECEIVED ((SUNG)) RUAN, GENERAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CHINESE MILITARY MISSION IN ZAIRE, IN KISANGANI ON 24 JAN. THEIR DISCUSSIONS CENTERED ESSENTIALLY ON SINO-ZAIRIAN MILITARY COOPERATION. SUNG REVEALED THAT THE ZAIRIAN PRESIDENT HADEXPRESSED THE WISH THAT THE CHINESE HELP TRAIN ANOTHER NIGERIAN BRIGADE. APART FROM DONATING 8,000 UNIFORMS TO THE 41ST BRIGADE, THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT HAS GRANTED A CREDIT LINE OF 7 MILLION YUAN WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF STRENGTHENING MILITARY COOPERATION BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES. (AZAP IN FRENCH, 21 AND 24 JAN - FBIS REF: AB212250 AND AB241745)

VII. (U) CIVIL-MILITARY RELATIONS
1. RESETTLEMENT OF SURPLUS CADRES

AN NCNA REPORT DATED BEIJING 12 JAN CLAIMED THAT OVER 300,000 SURPLUS PLA CADRES HAVE BEEN EITHER TRANSFERRED TO CIVILIAN WORK OR RETIRED SINCE PLA LAUNCHED ITS STREAMLINING PROGRAM IN JUN 85.

IT WAS PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED THAT 47,000 RETIRED ARMY CADRES WOULD BE RESETTLED IN AND 287,000 CADRES WOULD BE TRANSFERRED TO CIVILIAN WORK IN 1985-86, MAKING A TOTAL OF 334,000. IN 1985, 16,000 RETIRED OFFICERS WERE RESETTLED (BEIJING BROADCAST, 9 DEC 85) AND IN 1986, MORE THAN 21,000 (PD OVERSEAS EDITION, 13 JAN 87). THE CIVIL AFFAIRS MINISTRY, WHICH HANDLES THE RESETTLEMENT OF RETIRED ARMY CADRE, ANNOUNCED THAT THE APPROXIMATELY 10,000 REMAINING WOULD BE SUCCESSIVELY RESETTLED IN REST HOMES AND SERVICE CENTERS FOR RETIRED ARMY OFFICERS. IN 1985, THE NUMBER OF SURPLUS PLA CADRES TRANSFERRED TO CIVILIAN WORK ACCOUNTED FOR 99.8 PERCENT OF THE TARGET FIGURE OF 100,000; IN 1986, IT ACCOUNTED FOR 99.7 PERCENT OF THE TARGET FIGURE OF 187,000. (PD, 29 JAN 87)

2. RESETTLEMENT OF DEMOBILIZED SOLDIERS

MINISTER OF CIVIL AFFAIRS (CUI) NAIFU ANNOUNCED THAT CHINA HAD RESETTLED IN THE LOCALITIES OVER 1.7 MILLION DEMOBILIZED SOLDIERS AND VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS (MEANING THOSE ON EXTENDED MILITARY SERVICE), THE LATTER HAVING BEEN RESETTLED IN CIVILIAN ADMIN

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- CUI SAID OVER 1.2 MILLION DEMOBILIZED SOLDIERS WHO HAD RECEIVED DUAL-PURPOSE TRAINING WHILE SERVING IN THE ARMY FOUND JOBS IN RURAL AREAS THROUGH THE MINISTRY'S RECOMMENDATION. (NCNA, BEIJING, 20 JAN)

- AMONG THE 1.2 MILLION, 250,000 ARE NOW WORKING AS CADRES AT RURAL GRASSROOTS UNITS, 260,000 HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED IN RURAL FACTORIES, AND NEARLY 11,000 ARE NOW WORKING AS INDIVIDUAL LABORERS IN FARMING AND OTHER SPECIALIZED FIELDS OF PRODUCTION. (LAN, 14 JAN)

- 3. JOINT BUILDING OF "CIVILIZED UNITS"

- AN NCNA REPORTED OF 9 JAN QUOTED "INCOMPLETE STATISTICS" AS SAYING THAT IN 1986, THE PLA COOPERATED WITH THE PEOPLE IN VARIOUS LOCALITIES IN BUILDING OVER 3,400 "CIVILIZED FACTORIES" AND NEARLY 12,000 "CIVILIZED VILLAGES." IN CARRYING OUT ITS "JOINT BUILDING OF SPIRITUAL CIVILIZATION" ACTIVITIES DURING THE YEAR, THE PLA HELPED THE LOCALITIES TRAIN OVER 325,000 TECHNICAL PERSONNEL OF ALL CATEGORIES. OVER 475,000 PLA CADRES AND SOLDIERS PARTICIPATED IN THESE "SUPPORT THE PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL RESOURCES" ACTIVITIES.
VIII. (U) OTHERS

1. LAN ARTICLE ON RANK SYSTEM

LIBERATION ARMY NEWS CARRIED IN ITS 20 JAN EDITION A SIGNED ARTICLE DISCUSSING THE ROLE OF RANKS IN REGULATING THE PAY OF CADRES. THE ARTICLE IS SUPPORTIVE OF THE RANK SYSTEM, SAYING NOT ONLY THAT IT HAS BEEN LEGALLY AFFIRMED BY THE PRC CONSTITUTION AND THE MILITARY SERVICE LAW, BUT ALSO THAT IT HAS MANY STRONG POINTS VERSUS THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF POSTS TO DIFFERENTIATE CADRES' MERITS AND PAY. IT SUGGESTS THAT THE BASIC PAY FOR A CADRE SHOULD BE DETERMINED BY HIS RANK, WHILE THE SALARY FOR HIS POST SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AN ALLOWANCE FOR THE POSITION AND SHOULD BE SMALLER IN PROPORTION TO HIS BASIC PAY. IT FURTHER SUGGESTS THAT THERE SHOULD BE A FIXED INTERVAL FOR PROMOTION IN RANKS, SO THAT ONE WHO GETS A PROMOTION IN POSITION MAY NOT GET A RANK POSITION AT THE SAME TIME.

2. 2D ARTILLERY HOLDS PARTY CONGRESS

THE PLA SECOND ARTILLERY CORPS HELD ITS 3D PARTY CONGRESS RECENTLY. ON 3 JAN, LEADING MEMBERS OF THE PARTY CENTRAL MILITARY COMMISSION, INCLUDING EXECUTIVE VICE CHAIRMAN YANG SHANGKUN AND DEPUTY SECRETARIES-GENERAL YU QIULI, YANG DEZHI, ((ZHANG)) AIPING, AND HONG XUEZHI MET WITH THE NEARLY 500 DELEGATES TO THE CONGRESS IN BEIJING. YANG SHANGKUN TOLD

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THE DELEGATES THAT THE CMC WAS SATISFIED WITH THE WORK OF THE SECOND ARTILLERY. HE HOPED THAT IN THE NEW YEAR, THE CORPS WOULD DO ITS WORK STILL BETTER IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE "CMC DECISION ON POLITICAL WORK IN THE ARMY DURING THE NEW PERIOD" AND OTHER INSTRUCTIONS ADOPTED BY THE ENLARGED CMC MEETING WHICH HAD JUST ENDED.

- SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF OTHER CMC LEADING MEMBERS, ZHANG AIPING SAID A MAJOR INDICATOR OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE SECOND ARTILLERY IS ITS ABILITY TO CARRY OUT COMBAT MISSIONS. HE ENCOURAGED THE DELEGATES TO SCORE NEW CREATIVE ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE NEW YEAR. HE URGED THE CORPS TO DO TWO THINGS WELL: ONE, TO MAKE ITS ORGANIZATION MORE COMPATIBLE WITH ITS CHARACTERISTICS AS A HIGH-TECH FORCE BY CHANGING CERTAIN THINGS THAT ARE INCOMPATIBLE. TWO, TO START GIVING CONSIDERATION TO ITS SURVIVAL CAPABILITY - IT SHOULD CEASE TALKING ABOUT PASSIVE SURVIVAL CAPABILITY AND DEVELOP ITS POSITIVE SURVIVAL CAPABILITY. (LAN, 4 JAN)

- 3. PLA SECURITY REGULATIONS

- AN ARTICLE BY CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF YANG DEZHI CARRIED IN LAN, 3 JAN DISCLOSED THAT A NEW SET OF "SECURITY REGULATIONS OF THE CHINESE PLA" HAS BEEN APPROVED FOR PROCLAMATION BY CMC CHAIRMAN DENG XIAOPING. IT EMBODIES THE POLICIES, PRINCIPLES, TASKS, AND MEANS TO ENSURE THE SECURITY AND SAFETY OF THE PLA.
AND REQUIREMENTS FOR PLA SECURITY WORK IN THE NEW PERIOD. YANG URGED ALL PLA UNITS, DEPARTMENTS AND PERSONNEL TO CONSCIENTIOUSLY IMPLEMENT THE REGULATIONS. THESE REGULATIONS, HOWEVER, HAVE NOT BEEN PUBLISHED IN THE MEDIA.

- 4. PEOPLE'S ARMED POLICE (PAP)

A. PAP PERFORMANCE IN 1986.

ACCORDING TO LAN, 10 JAN, IN 1986 PAP UNITS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY MADE OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO MAINTAINING SOCIAL ORDER AND CONSOLIDATING THE SITUATION OF STABILITY AND UNITY. THE SEVERAL THOUSAND TARGETS, INCLUDING LABOR CAMPS, RAILROADS, BRIDGES, IMPORTANT WAREHOUSES AND OFFICES OF STATE LEADERS, GUARDED BY THE PAP WERE ALL SAFE FROM TROUBLE. PAP ALSO HAS SATEFCTORILY ACCOMPLISHED SEVERAL TEN THOUSAND DUTY MISSIONS ENTRUSTED TO IT BY JUDICIAL ORGANS AT ALL LEVELS TO ARREST, TRACK DOWN, ESCORT AND EXECUTE CRIMINALS. DURING THE YEAR, PAP ORGANIZED PATROLS FOR 135 CITIES WITH A POPULATION OF 300,000 OR MORE.


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7806/6855) UNITS FOUND 65 EXPLOITABLE GOLD DEPOSITS IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE COUNTRY IN THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, AND PRODUCED MORE THAN 50,000 OUNCES OF GOLD. THEY BUILT AND COMMISSIONED INTO SERVICE NINE GOLD-MINING VESSELS. (HONG KONG WEN WEI PO, 25 JAN)

- 5. RESERVE FORCES

- A. PLA RESERVE FORCES BEGIN TO TAKE SHAPE. AFTER ALMOST THREE YEARS OF DEVELOPMENT, CHINA'S RESERVE FORCES HAVE BEGUN TO TAKE SHAPE. TO MEET THE NEEDS FOR WARTIME MOBILIZATION AND FORCE EXPANSION, ARMY, NAVY AND AIR FORCE RESERVE UNITS HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED IN KEY AREAS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING INFANTRY, ARTILLERY, SIGNAL, ENGINEER AND ANTICHEMICAL WARFARE UNITS. THE RESERVE DIVISIONS AND REGIMENTS ALL HAVE THEIR COMMANDING HEADQUARTERS AND POLITICAL AND LOGISTICS DEPARTMENTS, AND COMMAND ORGANS AT SUBORDINATE LEVELS. THEY ARE STAFFED BY ACTIVE-DUTY PLA MEN. THE RESERVE OFFICERS ARE PRE-APPOINTED. THEY CARRY OUT MILITARY AND POLITICAL TRAINING ACCORDING TO PLAN. (PD, OVERSEAS EDITION, 19 DEC)

- B. AIRBORNE RESERVES. THE FIRST GROUP OF 152 AIRBORNE RESERVE SOLDIERS HAVE COMPLETED THEIR TRAINING AT A TRAINING BASE IN HENAN. ALL OF THEM PASSED THE TESTS OF BASIC GROUND COURSES ON PARACHUTE JUMPING
AND 80 PERCENT OF THEM CAN JUMP FROM PLANES.

- THE SOLDIERS WHO TOOK PART IN THE TRAINING WERE ALL DEMOBS PICKED FROM THE FIRST CATEGORY RESERVE LIST. SINCE THEY ALL HAD PREVIOUS TACTICAL AND TECHNICAL TRAINING, IT ONLY TOOK THEM 20 ODD DAYS TO COMPLETE THE AIRBORNE TRAINING COURSE. (LAN, 14 JAN)

- C. YANBEI ARMY RESERVE DIVISION. A REPORT IN LAN, 10 JAN, INTRODUCED THE YANBEI (IN SHANXI PROVINCE) ARMY RESERVE DIVISION. WHEN THE REPORTERS VISITED THIS DIVISION, THEY SAW "ROWS OF MODERN LARGE-CALIBER GUNS AND UNITS OF TANKS AND ARMORED VEHICLES." THE DIVISION LEADERS BRIEFED THE REPORTERS PROUDLY: "OUR LIGHT AND HEAVY WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT ARE COMPARABLE TO THOSE OF A REGULAR ARMY DIVISION. WE NOT ONLY POSSESS MODERN INFANTRY WEAPONS CURRENTLY USED BY THE PLA, BUT ALSO LARGE-CALIBER HOWITZERS, CANNONS, AA GUNS, ROCKET GUNS, TANKS, TRANSPORT VEHICLES AND COMMAND VEHICLES."

- D. XI'AN AIR FORCE AAA RESERVE DIVISION. THE XI'AN MILITARY SUBDISTRICT AND THE XI'AN AIR FORCE AAA RESERVE DIVISION JOINTLY HELD A MEETING ON 31 DEC 86 TO READ OUT THE ORDERS OF COMMENDATION FOR 42 PERSONS WHO DISTINGUISHED THEMSELVES IN 1986, AND TO ISSUE CITATIONS AND MEDALS TO SIX INDIVIDUALS WHO WON THIRD-CLASS MERITS DURING THE YEAR. (SHAANXI RIBAO, 2 JAN)

- E. DAXIAN ARMY RESERVE DIVISION.
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THE DAXIAN ARMY RESERVE DIVISION IN DAXIAN PREFECTURE, SICHUAN PROVINCE, HELD A FIELD EXERCISE (NO DATE GIVEN). THE EXERCISE SHOWED THAT THE MILITARY AND POLITICAL TRAINING OF THE RESERVE UNIT HAS BEEN UPGRADED. (CHENGDU BROADCAST, 24 JAN)

- 6. MILITIA

- A. MILITIA TRAINING BASES. AN ARTICLE BY TAN DONGSHENG (6223/0392/3932), DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE MOBILIZATION SUBDEPARTMENT OF THE PLA GENERAL STAFF DEPT, POINTED OUT THAT WHILE MILITIA TRAINING BASES (MTB) ARE BEING EXTENSIVELY BUILT IN VARIOUS COUNTIES AND CITIES, TWO TENDENCIES ARE WORTHY OF ATTENTION. ONE TENDENCY IS TO BUILD MTBS AS LARGE AND AT AS HIGH A STANDARD AS POSSIBLE, WITHOUT REGARD FOR THE OBJECTIVE CONDITIONS. ANOTHER TENDENCY IS A LACK OF INITIATIVE AND INTEREST, THINKING THAT SINCE THE TRAINING TASK OF THE MILITIA HAS BEEN REDUCED, MILITIA WORK IS NO LONGER IMPORTANT AND THERE IS NO NEED TO SET UP MTBS. TAN STRESSED THAT THESE TWO TENDENCIES MUST BE CORRECTED. THE CORRECT PRINCIPLE SHOULD BE: ACTIVELY TAKE THE INITIATIVE, SEEK TRUTH FROM FACTS, TAKE LOCAL CONDITIONS INTO ACCOUNT AND ACT ACCORDING TO ONE'S CAPABILITY. NO ATTEMPT SHOULD BE MADE TO BUILD MTBS ACCORDING TO ONE SPECIFIC STANDARD OR MODEL; THEY MUST BE BUILT ACCORDING TO THE ACTUAL SITUATION IN
THE LOCALITY. AFTER THE MTBS ARE BUILT, THEY SHOULD BE WELL-MANAGED AND WELL-UTILIZED SO THAT THEY MAY BECOME SELF-SUPPORTING. THE BASES MAY BE UTILIZED TO RUN SPECIALIZED TRAINING COURSES AND DEVELOP PRODUCTION AND BUSINESS ACTIVITIES TO INCREASE INCOME, ON CONDITION THAT THEY MUST FIRST FULFILL THEIR TRAINING ASSIGNMENTS AND STRICTLY FOLLOW THE RELEVANT POLICIES AND RULES OF THE STATE. INCOME DERIVED FROM SUCH ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE USED PRIMARILY IN DEVELOPING THE BASE AND IN MILITIA AND RESERVE SERVICE WORK. (ZHONGGUO MINBING, NO. 12, DEC 1986)

-  B. MILITIA HEROES AND MODELS IN BEIJING. THE BORDER DEFENSE MILITIA HEROES AND MODELS REPORT GROUP FROM YUNNAN AND GUANGXI MADE THEIR FIRST REPORTS IN THE PRESENCE OF OVER 8,000 PARTY, GOVERNMENT AND ARMY CADRES AND PEOPLE AT THE GREAT HALL OF THE PEOPLE IN BEIJING ON 15 JAN. THE GROUP WAS INVITED TO BEIJING JOINTLY BY THE PROPAGANDA DEPT OF THE CCP CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND THE PLA GENERAL STAFF AND GENERAL POLITICAL DEPARTMENTS.

-  ON 22 JAN, THE GROUP WAS RECEIVED BY CHINESE LEADERS YANG DEZHI, YU QIULI, QIAOMU AND HONG XUEZHI, WHO PRAISED THEM FOR THEIR LOFTY SPIRIT OF SACRIFICING THEMSELVES FOR THE DEFENSE OF THE COUNTRY AND SELFLESS DEDICATION. (PD, 16 AND 23 JAN)

-  7. XINJIANG PRODUCTION & CONSTRUCTION CORPS AFTER THREE YEARS OF ALLROUND REFORMS,
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THE XINJIANG PRODUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION CORPS HAS WITNESSED MARKED DEVELOPMENT IN ITS PRODUCTION. ACCORDING TO STATISTICS, TOTAL PRODUCTION OF GRAIN ROSE FROM 1,040 MILLION KG IN 1983 TO 1,175 MILLION KG IN 1986; COTTON FROM 1,527,000 PICULS TO 2,100,000 PICULS, OIL CROPS FROM 740,000 PICULS TO 2,012,000 PICULS, AND SUGAR BEETS FROM 289,000 TONS TO 349,000 TONS. THE CORPS' INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT VALUE ALSO ROSE FROM 1.2 BILLION YUAN IN 1983 TO 1.7 BILLION YUAN IN 1986. THE TOTAL OUTPUT VALUE OF THE CORPS' INDUSTRIAL AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION INCREASED FROM 2.2 BILLION YUAN TO 3.2 BILLION YUAN BY THE SAME COMPARISON. PER CAPITA EARNING WAS 431 YUAN IN 1983; IT IS EXPECTED TO RISE TO ABOUT 620 IN 1986. (XINJIANG RIBAO, 24 DEC 86)

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