2. Communist pilots in Korea demonstrate high degree of proficiency:

Communist pilots during the week ending 28 December showed an unusually high degree of proficiency, although avoiding engagements with UN F-86’s, the Communists displayed an unusual variety of tactics designed to position themselves for brief firing passes.

This departure from the pattern of the previous six weeks suggests that more experienced pilots are again over Korea for additional combat training. Well-trained units are experimenting with tactics to develop an intercept pattern against F-86’s or aircraft of comparable performance.