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2. Movement of Chinese armies from Korea confirmed:

In mid-February, three Chinese Communist armies were transferred from northeast China to areas in East and South China where they had been based prior to the Korean war. Two additional
armies which were still in Korea in February were to be transferred to China proper to strengthen the coastal defense.

Comment: This report tends to confirm previous analysis that the large-scale troop movement from South and East China to Korea during the past several months represents a rotation rather than a reinforcement of Chinese Communist forces in Korea.