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MOVES OF THE INDONESIAN ARMY AGAINST THE PKI

President SUKARNO has given full powers to General NASUTION concerning the future of returned rebel leaders within certain general bounds such as that they support Indonesian Government policies of MANIPOL and USDEK. One condition is that NASUTION keep SUKARNO fully informed on his handling of the returned leaders and when and under what conditions they are taken off a black list which proscribes them from participating in politics or holding a government position.

Although he is on the black list and can hold no official position, former Colonel Z. LUBIS has already been ordered by NASUTION to take an active role in assisting the Army against the PKI. LUBIS has recently been sent on a trip to Central Java to look into the situation and make recommendations to the Army on how to fight the Communists and leftist infiltration in the Army there. LUBIS is accompanied by Army officers assigned by NASUTION. Although top Army officers in Central Java know of his presence and will have some contact with him, his recommendations will be made only to NASUTION and his top assistants.

On 4 October Central Java Commander General SARBINI in referring to LUBIS's mission told a group of fellow officers at the Magelang Army Academy, including the Academy commander, Colonel SURONO, that he was no longer alone in facing the situation in Central Java because he had a strong comrade assisting him. SARBINI was obviously pleased that LUBIS had been given this assignment and he seemed much more confident than in the past in facing the many problems in Central Java.

On about 10 October South Sumatra War Administration Chief of Staff Lt. Colonel SUWAGIO said that

the Army in South Sumatra was already engaged in a systematic harassment and elimination of the PKI and its front groups in South Sumatra. He stated that they are ready to ban the PKI but cannot as long as the Central Government insists on the NASAKOM principle. Therefore, they have a three-stage program which includes (a) gathering proof that the PKI is not supporting Indonesian Government policies such as MANIPOL and USDEK; (b) using this proof to justify the retooling and elimination of all Communists holding government positions which SUWAGIO stated is absolutely essential if the PKI is to be deprived of its main source of esteem and influence; and (c) outright banning of the PKI. SUWAGIO stated that the proof gathered on the PKI lack of support for Indonesian policies would be used not only to justify local action against the PKI but also to attempt to force President SUKARNO to admit that the PKI is not loyal to Indonesian principles.

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