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TAGS: PINS SHUM KS  
SUBJECT: KWANGJU TRIALS

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LOCAL TELEVISION AND RADIO REPORTED THE EVENING OF  
DECEMBER 20 THAT THE FIRST SESSION IN THE APPEALS TRIAL  
OF THE KWANGJU DEFENDANTS HAD OPENED THE SAME MORNING  
IN KWANGJU. ACCORDING TO SUBSEQUENT MEDIA ACCOUNTS, THE  
SECOND SESSION OF THE APPELLATE COURT MARTIAL WAS HELD  
THE FOLLOWING DAY. REPORTEDLY NINE LAWYERS REPRESENTED  
THE DEFENDANTS, OF WHOM ONLY CHONG TONG-NYON (M-R), WHO  
FIGURED PROMINENTLY IN THE KIM DAE JUNG (M-R: KIM TAE-  
CHUNG) TRIAL, WAS MENTIONED BY NAME. WE ARE NOT SURE  
HOW MANY OF THE 193 DEFENDANTS STILL IN JAIL AS OF  
EARLY NOVEMBER APPEALED THEIR SENTENCES, BUT THE  
AUTHORITIES HAD TOLD US VIRTUALLY ALL OF THEM WOULD IN  
FACT APPEAL.

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