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SUBJECT: MORE ON KWANGJU VERDICTS:
- ALMOST HALF OF THE SENTENCES ARE SUSPENDED

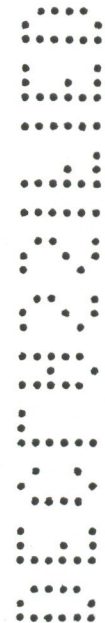
REF: (A) SEOUL 14020 (B) SEOUL 14053

1. REF (B) REPORTED SENTENCES IN THE KWANGJU TRIAL (DESCRIBED IN REF (A)). PRESS REPORTS OCTOBER 26, WHICH WE CONSIDER AUTHORITATIVE, GIVE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. THREE OF THOSE SENTENCED TO DEATH--CHONG TONG-NYON (M-R), 37; CHOSUN UNIVERSITY STUDENT KIM CHONG-PAE (M-R), 26; AND DRIVER PAK NAM-SON (M-R), 26--WERE SENTENCED FOR REBELLION, WHILE TWO OTHERS--DRIVER PAE YONG-CHU (M-R), 34, AND PRINTER PAK NO-CHONG (M-R), 28--WERE SENTENCED TO DEATH FOR MURDER. OF THE 163 SENTENCED TO PRISON, EIGHTY WHO WERE "DEEPLY REPENTANT" GOT SUSPENDED SENTENCES. (UNDER NORMAL LEGAL PROCEDURE, THOSE WITH SUSPENDED SENTENCES OF LESS THAN TEN YEARS WOULD BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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FREED IMMEDIATELY, WHILE THOSE WITH LONGER SUSPENDED SENTENCES WOULD GO FREE ONLY IF THE PROSECUTOR DOES NOT APPEAL THE SUSPENSION; PRESS REPORTS DID NOT SAY, BUT IMPLIED, THAT ALL SUSPENDED SENTENCES WERE OF LESS THAN TEN YEARS.)

2. PRESS REPORTS LISTED THOSE WITH SENTENCES OF TEN YEARS OR MORE; WE WILL POUCH THESE. ONE PRIEST, FR. KIM SONG-YONG (M-R), 46, GOT 15 YEARS. GLEYSTEEN



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