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CIVILIAN CASUALTIES. (FBIS-SK 262244)

3. (LOU) KBS, MONITORED BY A JAPANESE EMBASSY SOURCE IN THE NORTH CHOLLA CAPITAL OF CHONGJU, BEGAN BROADCASTING TO THE AREA AT 0500 THAT THE MILITARY HAD RETAKEN MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS IN KWANGJU, CITIZENS SHOULD REMAIN AT HOME, SOME RIOTERS HAD BEEN KILLED AND THOSE STILL AT LARGE SHOULD TURN IN THEIR WEAPONS.

4. (U) ELSEWHERE, SEOUL AND THE REST OF THE COUNTRY REMAINS QUIET.

5. (C) COMMENT: THE REPORTED CASUALTY FIGURES FROM KWANGJU ARE SOMEWHAT LOW. OUR BEST INFORMATION TO DATE IS THAT 2 SOLDIERS AND 13 RIOTERS WERE KILLED AND 295 RIOTERS WERE ARRESTED. THE TASK OF COLLECTING WEAPONS AND MUNITIONS FROM THE STUDENTS IS ALSO JUST BEGINNING. ALL REPORTS INDICATE THAT AMERICAN CITIZENS STILL IN KWANGJU HAVE NOT BEEN HARMED. GLEYSTEN

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