

The Accidental Warlord of South Hamgyong Province

Situation

It is early summer. The Second Korean War is sputtering to a close. North Korea has lost. Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un has fled Pyongyang and his location is unknown. Chinese PLA forces occupy territory in the northern part of North Korea; the ROK-US Alliance forces occupy a southern swath of territory from the Korea Bay on the west to the Sea of Japan on the east. Pyongyang is invested by ROK forces and has yet to surrender. There is a strip of land between Chinese and ROK-US Allies that remains uncontrolled, although U.S. and Republic of Korea forces are active in this zone attempting to bring security and stability to the population there.



Things are chaotic. Food, water, medicine, fuel, animal feed and seed stocks are in short supply or non-existent. The power grid is beyond repair and power is available only in those areas close to generators, and even then its availability is sketchy. People cling to their home villages. A few farmers make feeble attempts to plant crops. The threat of widespread famine looms over the devastated countryside.

Only in the port cities on the east coast is there a sign of relief, where foreign aid vessels are able to dock and unload desperately needed cargo. But it is not enough and distribution limited by poor transportation networks and lack of vehicles.

Your Role

You are a (former) Korea Worker's Party official, the Secretary General of South Hamgyong Province. Your province and people have managed to survive the worst ravages of the war, but not its consequences. Your leadership under the Kim Jong Un regime has generally been viewed as fair by the people of the province and you have the support of the majority. In short, you have become a warlord of South Hamgyong Province.

U.S. forces in your area have vetted you and your subordinates to a limited extent and for the time being find you an acceptable leader of the province's population. U.S. leadership now relies on you to provide suitable governance to ensure stability within the province. There are, however, rumblings by a number of Korean People's Army holdouts who have secure positions in mountainous areas. Although you have a sizeable number of KPA followers who constitute a limited security force you are by no

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means able to ignore the potential for violence against your own people and also invading U.S. forces, with whom you are now pledged to cooperate.

Your Challenge

Secure the largest portion of South Hamgyong's population and provide for their safety and wellbeing.

You are attending a meeting with the U.S. commander in the region. During the meeting he asks you to state your top three priorities to care for your people.

What are your top three priorities?