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FORMOSA REPORT

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An evacuation ~~xxxxxx~~ ship arrives at Formosa bringing civilian refugees --parents and childrrn-- from Nationalist China's outlying Tachen Islands, besieged by the Communist Chinese, Before landing they receive a chemical spraying as a health measure.

After a hazardous journey they have received a refuge on Formosa.-- to be joined soon by Chinese troops, which the American <sup>N</sup>avy is evacuating from the rocky Tachens.

Southwest in the island studded Formosa straits lies <sup>N</sup>ationalist held Quemoy -- an island outpost deemed strategic to the defense of Formosa. The United States has not committed itself to defend Quemoy, which the Communists have vowed to capture. Despite the mounting tension, inhabitants of the little island go about their business under the guns of Red <sup>C</sup>hina-- on the mainland, only five miles away

With Red Chna visible in the backgrou nd, guards patrol the island's beaches. Lookouts study the nearby Red port of Amoy. <sup>S</sup>hore batteries practice against sudden attack, while Quemoy watches ,and waits for its fate.

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