

June 25, 1950 - Sunday

Subject:

*Mac's promise:*

Apparently the sequence of events on June 25 is along the following lines:

1. The Korean Military Advisory Group asked MacArthur for certain items of ammunition to be delivered to the South Korean Army.
2. Muccio urged the State Department to support this request.
3. MacArthur informed War Department that, unless counter orders from Washington were received, he would send munitions promptly from his own resources in response to that request.

Source: Joint Chiefs of Staff Secret Briefing Book, for Senate Committees, 30 April 1951.

Note - Thus, the first military action by U.S. was taken on Mac's initiative & not on orders from Washington.