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SITUATION REPORT: ARKANSAS

161700 - 171700 Eastern Standard Time December 1957

1. Summary of Events

a. Minnie Brown, a Negro student, was suspended from Central High School for three days by Mr. Mathews, the school principal, for having spilled some food on two or three white students during the lunch period on 17 December 1957. Mr. Mathews has released the incident to the press.

b. Central High School opened at 0830 hours, Central Standard Time, and closed at 1530 hours, Central Standard Time. Nine Negro students arrived and departed in private vehicles.

c. There was no significant change in attendance at Central High School.

2. Dispositions

a. Central High School

One Platoon, 1st Battalion, 153d Infantry (Reinforced)

b. Camp Robinson

One Platoon, 1st Battalion, 153d Infantry (Reinforced) (30 minute alert)

One Company, 1st Battalion, 153d Infantry (Reinforced) (1 hour alert)

Balance of 1st Battalion, 153d Infantry (Reinforced)



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