

Table 1 Organisation of the GMD and PLA September 1949

GMD Troops			
Present Area	Commander	Strength	Loyalty
Taiwan	Chen Cheng	105000	Jiang Jieshi
Hunan/Guangxi/Hubei	Bai Zhongxi	175000	Li Zongnan
South Shensi	Hu Congnan	150000	Jiang Jieshi
Northwest	Ma Bufang	90000	Ma Bufang
Sichuan	Zhang Zhun	35000	Jiang Jieshi
Yunnan	Lu Han	15000	?
Guangdong	Xue Yue	85000	?
Fujian	Chen Cheng	26000	Jiang Jieshi
Total combat forces		681000	
Miscellaneous troops		500000	*
Grand Total		1181000	
PLA Troops			
Present Area	Commander	Strength	Loyalty
South China	Liu Bocheng	321000	Mao Zedong
Yangtse	Chen Yi	400000	Mao Zedong
North China	Lin Biao	720000	Mao Zedong
North China	Nie Rongzhen	383000	Mao Zedong
South China	Undesignated	35000	Mao Zedong
Total combat forces		2017000	**
People's militia		2000000	***

*About 200.000 men of these troops are battle ready. Although their training and equipment leaves much to be desired.

** About 90.000 ex GMD soldiers are part .

*** training and equipment unknown

Source: "Survival potential of residual non-communist regimes in China", Ore 76-49, 19 October 1949, CIA