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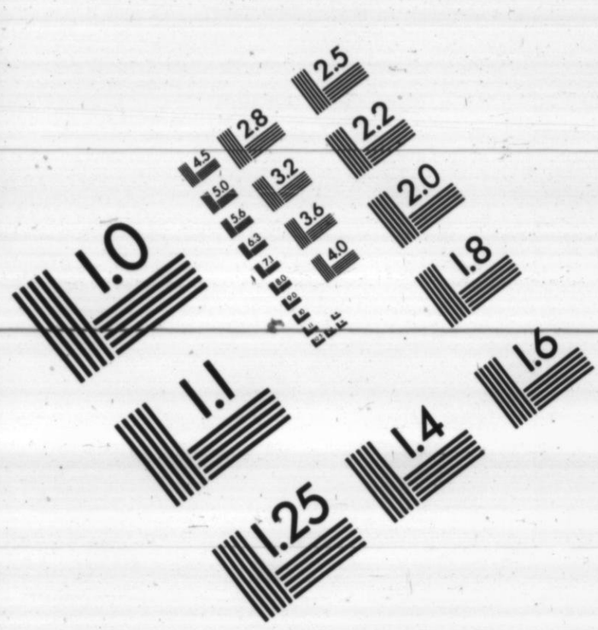



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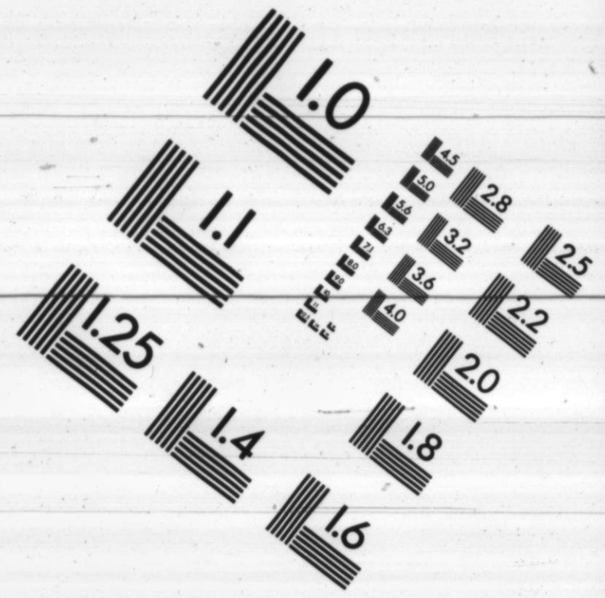

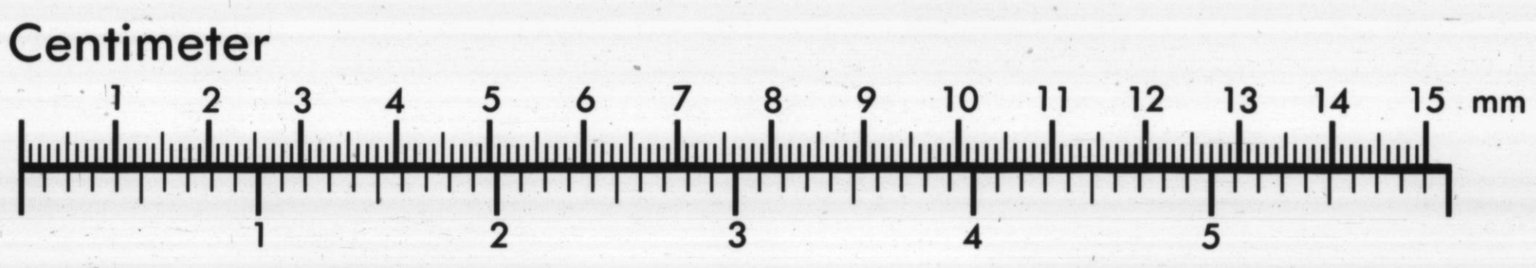

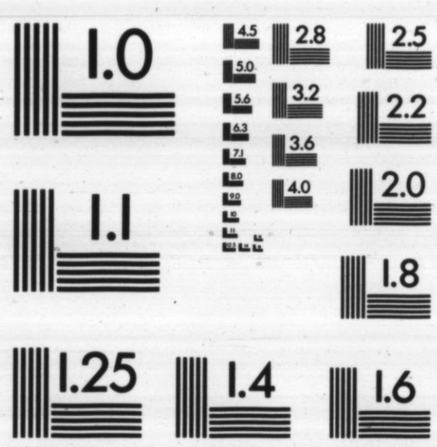

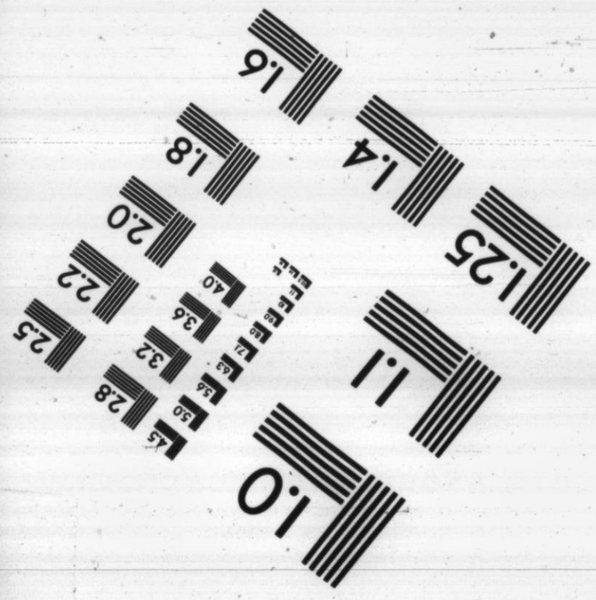

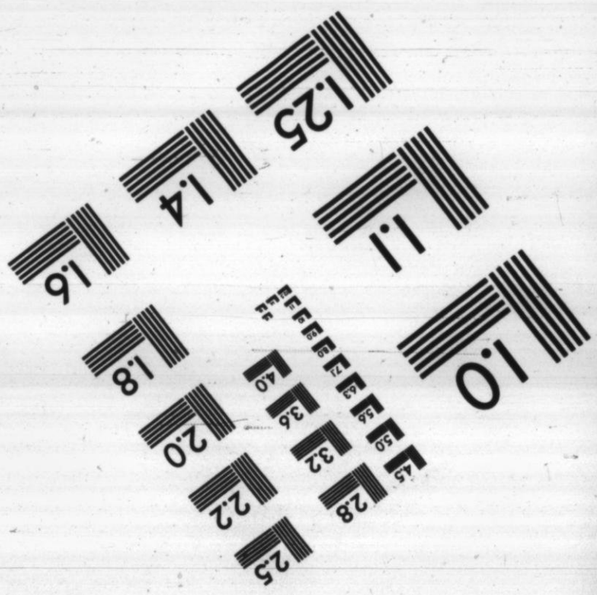

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September 16, 1955

Dear Mr. Fitzsimmons:

I am sending you herewith a letter from Ambassador Lacy in Seoul in reply to your letter of July 5 on the subject of property records in Korea.

Ambassador Lacy's letter, which he transmitted to the Department of State, was held up in order that we might examine again in the Department the possible usefulness of such records, as Mr. Drumright indicated would be done in his letter to you of July 19, 1954.

We have concluded, in accordance with the views which Ambassador Lacy has expressed, that there is no present need for the documents which you have offered to put at our disposal. Your offer is much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Neal Hemmendinger
Acting Director
Office of Northeast Asian Affairs

Mr. P. J. Fitzsimmons,
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February 21, 1957

Letter to Pyo Hak Hon
Embassy of Korea

Dear Miss Hall:

I am enclosing a letter about the Korean works of art in San Francisco for transmittal by the Department of State to Mr. Han. We would appreciate it if the Department will emphasize to Mr. Han how important it is to us to have a reply by March 27th. Therefore the transmittal of this letter is a matter of considerable urgency.

We are still waiting to hear from Mr. Han through the Department that the proposed contract for the exhibition is acceptable to him so that we can proceed to have it signed by the various museums and submitted to him formally for signature.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

John Walker
Director

Miss Ardelia Hall
Arts and Monuments Advisor
Room 2024, Tempo 5, S.A. 16
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Dear Mr. Han:

The enclosed letter from Mr. John Walker, Director of the National Gallery of Art dated February 21, 1957 was received for transmittal to you.

Sincerely yours,

Arthalia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosure:

From Mr. Walker,
February 21, 1957.

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The Honorable
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SUBJECT: Publication or Availability of Diplomatic Records of the Republic of Korea

(UNCLASSIFIED) In accordance with the reference instruction, an Embassy officer on October 16 called on Mr. NO Sin-yong of the Information and Cultural Section, Bureau of International Relations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, to determine whether the diplomatic records of the Republic of Korea are being published serially or may be made available to the public.

The Republic of Korea still has not established definite procedures for public access to diplomatic records nor begun serial publication of diplomatic papers. The statement on the Republic of Korea in the Historical Division's paper attached to the reference instruction remains correct in every detail, with two exceptions: (1) It should not be inferred that private individuals are in fact given access to diplomatic records, even on an informal and individual basis. (2) The Foreign Ministry plans to make diplomatic records and papers available to the public and publish them serially, deleting those of a very secret nature, and is now engaged in screening the documents. The Foreign Ministry has no objection to publication of this information. (END UNCLASSIFIED).

(BEGIN OFFICIAL USE ONLY) The screening of materials is to be completed in January or February 1959, according to present schedules, and public availability and serial publication is to begin shortly thereafter. Mr. No indicated, however, that this deadline might not be met, and asked that no information be made public indicating that the records would be available to the public in the near future. In view of the short history of the Republic of Korea, and the loss of its archives in the Communist aggression of June 1950, the Embassy doubts whether the Foreign Ministry will in fact begin serial publication of diplomatic papers and availability of diplomatic records to the public as early as 1959. (END OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

FOR THE AMBASSADOR:
William G. Jones
William G. Jones
First Secretary of Embassy

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Independence Day celebrations went off very well. President Rhee delivered in Seoul Stadium main address (TWX 010340 Z) which contained numerous complimentary references to United States. He later reviewed honor guard at recently established Seoul ROK Army headquarters and spoke informally to troops. Principal theme was that ROK with aid free nations had won its independence by fighting and only by remaining strong could this independence be maintained.

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PRES RHEE SPOKE APRIL 7 AT ROK NAVAL ACADEMY GRADUATION CEREMONY AND SOUNDED NEW CALL FOR UNIFICATION. RHEE'S REMARKS INCLUDED EXPRESSIONS GRATITUDE FOR MATERIAL, MORAL AND TRAINING ASSISTANCES GIVEN ROK ARMED FORCES BY US.

RHEE LASHED "SHAMEFUL IDEA OF COEXISTING WITH COMMUNISTS FOR TEMPORARY STABILITY" AND BOASTED OF ROK COOPERATION WITH ALLIES WHILE ROK PREPARES FOR DAY TO COME WHEN ALL NATIONS "WILL RISE IN STRUGGLE TO PROTECT HUMAN FREEDOM". ASSERTING THAT CHINESE AND NORTH KOREAN COMMUNISTS ARE PREPARING TO ATTACK ROK, RHEE STATED THAT PEOPLE OF ROK HAVE NO REASON FOR FEAR FOR ROK ARMY AND PEOPLE "ARE NOT AFRAID OF DEATH" AND ARE DETERMINED TO DIE AS FREE MEN RATHER THAN LIVE IN SLAVERY OR LIVE WITH KOREA DIVIDED. PRES RHEE ALSO WARNED THAT UNLESS EVERY MAN FULFILLS HIS DUTY JAPAN WILL AGAIN ENSLAVE KOREAN PEOPLE AND COMMUNIST OCCUPATION WILL FOLLOW.

KOREAN REPUBLIC EDITORIAL APRIL 11 (TWX 110500Z) PICKED UP THEME ABOVE ADDRESS AND SOUGHT TO EXPLAIN "WHY WE MUST UNIFY". EDITORIAL CLAIMED SOME ROK'S "AMERICAN FRIENDS" CANNOT RPT NOT UNDERSTAND ROK'S CHOICE IS ONLY BETWEEN UNIFICATION AND EXTINCTION AND NOT ONE OF WAITING-TO-SEE-WHAT-HAPPENS. PAPER CLAIMS INTERNATIONAL SITUATION OF ROK CAUGHT "BETWEEN 2 FIRES" OF COMMUNIST PREPARATIONS IN NORTH AND REARMING JAPAN TO EAST. DEMANDS ROK "STAND FIRM FOR UNIFICATION NOW". EDITORIAL CONCLUDED WITH HOPE US "AND OTHER FOREIGN FRIENDS" WILL GIVE ROK HELP IMPORTANT TO US, FREE WORLD AND ROK.

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anniversary Korean Independence

IN SAM-IL DAY ADDRESS, PRES RHEE RESTATED IN MODERATE TONES HIS BASIC THESIS THAT WHILE DEMOCRACIES ADVOCATE "RELAXATION OF TENSIONS" THE COMMUNIST CONSPIRACY HAS MADE MAJOR GAINS IN ALL PARTS WORLD. RHEE CALLED UPON FREE NATIONS OF WORLD TO REVERSE THIS TREND AND TO TAKE ACTION TO:

1) "DECLARE AT ONCE THAT TRUCE IN KOREA NO LONGER EXISTS,"

2) "SHUT OFF ALL TRADE WITH COMMUNISTS,"

3) "REFUSE TO ENTER INTO ANY FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH COMMUNISTS UNLESS OR UNTIL THEY KEEP AGREEMENTS THEY HAVE ALREADY MADE," AND

4) "MAKE PLAIN AND EXPLICIT FACT THAT THEY REFUSE TO SANCTION ANY OF AGGRESSIVE GAINS OF COMMUNISTS AND ... DO ALL IN THEIR POWER TO ASSIST AND ENCOURAGE SUCH NATIONS AS OURS TO REGAIN WHAT HAS BEEN LOST TO COMMUNIST FORCE."

WITH RESPECT TO ROK-JAPANESE RELATIONS, RHEE SAID: "WE ARE FACED BY MOST THREATENING DANGER FROM NORTH, AND AT SAME TIME WE HAVE FOUND IT IMPOSSIBLE TO MAKE ANY PROGRESS TOWARD SETTLING OUR PROBLEMS WITH JAPAN. JAPANESE STILL THINK OF KOREA AS A POTENTIAL PROVINCE IN WHICH THEY CAN REGAIN SOME OF GROUND THEY LOST IN WORLD WAR II. ONCE AGAIN THEY ARE TALKING OF HOW

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IMPOSSIBLE IT IS TO LIVE ON THEIR OWN SLENDER RESOURCES, AND ARE CASTING GREEDY EYES IN OUR DIRECTION. WE HAVE MADE MANY EFFORTS TO SOLVE THESE PROBLEMS WITH JAPAN, BUT SO FAR WE HAVE MET ONLY WITH REBUFFS."

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SUBJECT: Celebration of 37th Anniversary of Korean Independence Movement

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About fifty thousand Koreans gathered in the Seoul Stadium at 10 o'clock Thursday, March 1 (Samil Day), to celebrate the anniversary of their attempt in 1919 to win independence from the Japanese by bloodless revolution. President Rhee delivered an address of about thirty-five minutes' duration criticizing the Free World--albeit far more gently than usual--for softness toward the Communist menace. The Chinese Ambassador made a short congratulatory address in his capacity of dean of the diplomatic corps, and the Philippine Minister did likewise in his new role as Philippine Delegate to the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea.1/ The Speaker of the House of Representatives read the 1919 Declaration of Independence. (A copy of the entire program is given in Enclosure 1).

Upon adjournment of the ceremonies at 11:15, the usual parade into the [redacted] of Seoul began, continuing until about one o'clock. Most of the marchers were schoolboys and girls, who had constituted about four fifths of the total attendance at the Stadium. They confined themselves to quiet marching except for a few jeep-borne orators and occasional banners with patriotic generalities. Korean Military units also paraded.

The President's address was noteworthy for its unusually statesmanlike and dignified tone, its almost total lack of invective, and its scant reference to Japanese relations. The usual themes, however, were covered: the cynical Communist campaign for world conquest; the current "peace campaign"; the danger to the free world in "relaxation of tensions"; the past mistakes of Free World leaders; the need for abrogating the Korean Armistice Agreement; proper Free World courses of action toward the Communists; the danger from the Japanese, who are "casting greedy eyes in our direction"; and the need for Korean unification. Relatively new notes included in the speech were the acknowledgement that "our situation in Korea is definitely improving economically", and that "so far as our own armed forces are concerned, they, too, are stronger and better trained and equipped than they have ever been". The English version of the speech (which probably was the original, although the President spoke in Korean) as published by the ROK Office of Public Information is contained in Enclosure 2.

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1/The previous Philippine Delegate, Maximino G. BUENO, departed on February 28.

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Although there were a few other observances of the day, such as a memorial ceremony in Pagoda Park, the holiday passed off in an atmosphere of general calm, despite its obvious potentialities for propaganda exploitation. As usual, government offices and the larger commercial establishments were closed.

For the Chargé d'Affaires a.i.

Turner C. Cameron, Jr.

Turner C. Cameron, Jr.,
First Secretary of Embassy.

Sources: Personal observation of Embassy employee; OPI release; newspapers.

Enclosure 1. Program
2. OPI Bulletin

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PROGRAM

CEREMONIES IN CELEBRATION OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE KOREAN DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

March 1, 1956

10:00 A. M.

At Seoul Stadium

1. Opening Announcement
2. Opening Music
3. Salute to the National Flag
4. National Anthem
5. Tribute to the Dead Patriots
6. Declaration of Independence,
   by Speaker, House of Representatives
7. Address by the President
8. Congratulatory Speeches:
   by Dean, The Diplomatic Corps (Chinese Ambassador, WANG Tung-yun)
   by Chairman, UNCURK (Minister of Philippines)
9. Presentation of gifts to the surviving signatories of the Declaration and to the families of the deceased signatories, by the Vice President and the Minister of Home Affairs
10. Song of "Sam-Il-Jol"
    by Ewha Girls' High School Chorus
11. Three Cheers
12. Closing Music
13. Closing Announcement

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REPUBLIC OF KOREA

March 1, 1956.

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SEOUL, March 1 -(OPI)- Following is the text of President Syngman RHEE's speech prepared for delivery at ceremonies in Seoul Municipal Stadium beginning at 10 a.m., in celebration of the 37th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence of March 1, 1919:

A TIME FOR DECISION

Once again assemble to celebrate the brave spirit of the Mansei Revolution in a time of grave and threatening danger to our nation and to all the free world.

As is well known, the communists are proceeding with great skill with their frankly announced plan of world conquest. First the Communist leaders meet in Geneva to announce that a new era of world peace is about to begin. Then their Foreign Minister goes back to another conference in Geneva to refuse to make any agreements for solving world problems. Next, the top communist leadership goes to India to do all they can to arouse antagonisms toward the democracies and to do their best to pull the so-called neutralists even further into their camp. And then they launch still another "peace campaign" to lull the suspicions of the democratic world.

Actually, I do not believe that Krushchev and Bulganin are so blind as to think they are in any way fooling the leaders of the world's greatest free nation. But they do understand that democratic elections are soon to be held, and they know that very few political leaders dare to tell the voters that more sacrifices will have to be made and more dangers faced. They are cynical enough to see that they can use the very fundamental processes of democracy as an aid in their effort to destroy freedom.

As you all know, there is a difference between the freedom of citizens in a time of peace and the rigid discipline of citizen-soldiers in time of war. While a nation is at peace, its people like to enjoy all their luxuries and to have peace of mind, relieved of all worries and tension.

It is no accident that one of the most popular phrases all around the world these days is "relaxation of tension". The communists launched this phrase and do all they can to maintain its popularity--even though behind their Iron Curtain of censorship, and under their system of strict dictatorial discipline they never dream of permitting their own people to relax. No matter how much they talk peace, they still insist that this is not the time to produce goods for popular consumption, but that every resource of the state must be devoted to piling up huge engines of modern war.

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Meanwhile the democracies enjoy the phrase "relaxation of tensions" because in the midst of their prosperity and fancied safety they really do want to relax. Consequently, everyone preaches relaxation, while the communists themselves never practice it."

So what happens? For one thing, the communist enemy in Korea violates the truce and prepares in every way for a renewal of the war against us — at a time and in a manner of their own choosing.

For another thing, the communists use the pretense of relaxed tensions as a means of winning more and more support from the nations that openly declare themselves to be neutral — even though they still pretend to be the world's chief advocates of morality. The great pity is that they refuse to see any moral question whatsoever in the aggression by the communists and in their enslavement of more than one-half of the total world population.

Meanwhile, under the pretense of relaxed tensions the communists have openly moved into the Middle East and Africa, where they are creating all the tensions they possibly can. However, since these communist activities are not directed openly at the great democracies themselves, it still is difficult for the relaxed peoples to be aware of the great dangers that continue to close about them.

I do not wish to be understood as criticizing the leadership of the free world. The great statesmen who preside over the destinies of the powerful democracies have their own problems and are dealing with them according to their own policies. They are maintaining the most powerful armaments in world history — and at great cost, for they have no illusions as to what would happen if the Soviet Union were enabled to acquire a definite and clear-cut superiority of military power.

They are trying their best to avoid global war, for they know the destructive power of modern weapons.

They are trying to maintain their own loosely-linked alliance, for they realize that a primary purpose of the communists is to conquer them one at a time by creating divisions. And they feel that unity can best be preserved by not asking very much by way of effort or sacrifice from one another. I understand their problems and sympathize with them.

But, nevertheless, I cannot believe that the free world leaders are waging the cold war in a way that will lead to the preservation of world freedom. In this respect history speaks for itself. We all see that during the past decade the Soviet Union has extended its power over an additional 800,000,000 people, and over more than one-third of the surface of the earth.

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We also clearly see that forward progress of communist imperialism has not in any respect stooped or even slowed down -- but that it is flowing forward more rapidly and effectively than ever before.

Only two years ago Southern Asia and the Middle East were believed to lie safely outside the Soviet orbit. Now they are distinctly in danger of being swept into it -- and all without war or any costly struggle.

Only yesterday, so it seems, Africa with its immense treasures and great strategic values, lay safely beyond their grip. But now the tentacles of Russian intrigue are deeply intwined in the very vitals of the African continent.

Even South America is now being wooed as only the Soviets know how -- first with trade, and thereafter with cultural and political influence.

These are simple facts. Many people who find such warnings of danger disagreeable to hear must nevertheless agree completely that the factual account I have just given is entirely accurate. Such facts as these may not be confronting, but it does no good to ignore them. They will not be wished away.

The big, difficult, and pressing question, of course, is what ought to be done to stop the march of communist imperialism before it may be too late. To me this question seems less difficult than it does to many of our allies.

I do not believe that the free world should dignify the communist aggressors by bargaining with them on their own terms and in their own way. I do not think it helped the cause of world freedom for the United Nations to agree to a "horse trade" with the communists, to bring in a certain number of communist stooge-states in return for the admission of genuinely free nations. I think it is really most dangerous to freedom, as well as being hateful morally, for free nations to hint that the Nationalist Chinese Government will probably be punished for its courage in refusing to agree to a nefarious deal to pretend that Outer Mongolia is worthy of membership in the United Nations. This kind of conduct belittles the free nations and weakens greatly their moral position in trying to defend the world against the immorality and materialism of naked communist power.

Neither do I believe that the free world can win the cold war while it closes its eyes to crass and cynical violations by the communists of the truce in Korea.

The Korean war was a great and heroic crusade so long as the free nations were voluntarily banded together in sacrificial effort to enforce collective security and to safeguard world peace by united action. But it failed to maintain its heroic character when those same nations took part in compromise truce negotiations with the communist armies of aggression while that agression was still being committed.

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Moreover, after the truce was signed the communists proceeded instantly to violate it. This the whole world knows, and the free nations themselves have officially denounced the violations. Yet even so, they still insist that they and we are bound by the very truce which the communists are violating. Surely the cold war can never be won so long as the free world operates in so soft and vacillating a manner.

An agreement that is violated is no longer an agreement. This is a simple principle of any decent society. It is the only basis on which free people can live together in mutual safety and honor. It is an even more sacred and essential principle when free people are face to face with an aggressive dictator. When this principle is abandoned, there is no recourse left except war itself.

Accordingly, it seems to me absolutely necessary for the preservation of freedom that the free nations should declare at once that the truce in Korea no longer exists. It may be that the great democracies do not choose at this moment to renew the war. That is a matter for them to decide themselves, as a question of their own national policies. But it is the height of irony for them to point out on the one hand that the truce is violated by the enemy, and to insist at the same time that it nevertheless is still binding upon our side. Under these conditions, only the aggressor benefits. We know now that he can, indeed, have his cake and eat it too.

There are many things that the free world can do. It can shut off all trade with the communists, thereby beginning to choke and destroy the communist economy, for it is absolutely dependent upon many imports.

The free world can refuse to enter into any further discussions with the communists unless or until they keep the agreements they have already made. This ending of negotiations would remove from the communists the false claim of legitimacy which they regain every time the free nations sit down with them around a council table.

The free nations can make plain and explicit the fact that they refuse to sanction any of the aggressive gains of the communists, and can do all in their power to assist and encourage such nations as ours to regain what has been lost to communist force.

In my judgment nothing is gained by repeated assurances to the communists that no matter what they do, they will be safe from even defensive military measures by the free world. War is never any better than a court of last resort, but when the communists are encouraged to think it no longer is even a last resort, they are freed from all fear of consequences and can push their imperialism by every means in their power.

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As we view the world situation today there are some signs of encouragement. Our situation in Korea is definitely improving economically. With the generous and far-sighted assistance of the United States and some of our other friendly Allies, our industrial productivity is gradually being restored. In this respect we can look forward to the future with more hope than we could have a year ago.

So far as our own armed forces are concerned, they, too, are stronger and better trained and equipped than they have ever been. Our ROK armed forces are the strongest anti-Communist force in all Asia, and among the three or four strongest in all the world. We are far from being as helpless as we were when the communist attack was launched in 1950.

Our nation is progressing, also, in education and in the development of our own technologists and trained administrators. There is great cause for pride in the way in which our youth is developing in ability and in experience with freedom and democracy. In some ways our nation is stronger today than it has been before in all our history.

This, however, is no cause for us to relax. We are faced by a most threatening danger from the north, and at the same time we have found it impossible to make any progress toward settling our problems with Japan. The Japanese still think of Korea as a potential province in which they can regain some of the ground they lost in World War II. Once again they are talking of how impossible it is to live on their own slender resources, and are casting greedy eyes in our direction. We have made many efforts to solve these problems with Japan, but so far we have met only with rebuffs.

We need today, more than ever, the brave spirit of the Mansei Revolution of 1919. The patriots of that day were ready and willing to sacrifice themselves in order that our beloved nation might again be free. That is precisely the challenge that confronts us today.

Ours is a glorious heritage — a heritage of 4,289 years of bold history, and a heritage of unquenchable patriotism and glory as our people fought first against conquest by Japan and next against invasion by the communists. Wherever around the world people admire bravery and the free spirit, there the name of Korea is spoken with pride.

We may live in danger and in hardship, but we never shall live in degradation and shame. When we think of our brothers and sisters in the north suffering from starvation, cold and the constant threat of extiction by the Communists' wholesale murders, we feel strongly moved to rush to their aid, whether or not we have the weapons, because if we cannot live together at least we can die together. We are victims of a world situation not of our making. For the moment we only pray that this intolerable status may be righted soon. Our nation was not divided with our consent, and so long as true Koreans live and breathe we shall struggle on for unification and

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freedom. This both our enemies and our friends know full well. It is our great hope to regain what is our own. And on this day we once more solemnly pledged that we never shall rest until Korea once again is reunited and free.

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The 38th Anniversary of Sam Il Day, commemorating the signing of the 1919 Korean Declaration of Independence and the beginning of the passive resistance movement against Japanese domination, was observed in Seoul Stadium by a simple ceremony on March 1. The ceremony consisted of a tribute to dead patriots, the reading of the 1919 Declaration, a 30-minute address by President Syngman RHEE, congratulatory speeches by the Dean of the Diplomatic Corps (Chinese Ambassador WANG Tung-yuan) and the Chairman-for-the-month of the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea (Philippine Minister Cosme P. GARCIA), and the presentation of tokens of national appreciation to YI Kap-seng, the only known living signer of the Independence Declaration, and to the families of the deceased signatories.1/ Also present at the commemoration celebration were other members of the Diplomatic Corps, the Speaker of the National Assembly, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, cabinet members, ex-ministers of state, government officials, and a crowd of approximately 21,000 school children and private citizens. The entire ceremony, which began at 10 o'clock, lasted about one and a half hours. (A copy of the program is attached as Enclosure 1.)

The usual parade through the center of Seoul followed the stadium ceremony and consisted primarily of school boys and girls, who carried banners inscribed with the slogans "Let us Liberate Our Brethern In North Korea With The Sam Il Spirit," and "Let Us Accomplish Our Holy Task With the Sam Il Spirit." The parade was conducted in an orderly manner and with little apparent enthusiasm. Unlike last year's parade, no military units participated in the line of march. A memorial service was also held at Pagoda Park, the site of the signing of 1919 Declaration. As March 1 is a legal holiday, government offices and most commercial establishments were closed.

President RHEE's Sam Il Day address was in keeping with the spirit of the occasion and made reference to the pacific nature of the Korean people and of

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1/ O Ha-yong and KIM Chang-jun, the other remaining survivors of the 33 signatories, were kidnapped by the Communists during the Korean War and have not since been heard from.

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the March 1, 1919 movement. The central theme of the President's speech, however, was that as long as considerations of political expediency, such as those that resulted in the 1910 abandonment of Korea to Japanese domination, in the 1945 division of the Korean penninsula, and in the 1953 conclusion of the Korean Armistice Agreement, continue to take precedence over the principles of freedom and international justice, the world will know no lasting peace and security. While he approved the President's Middle East policy as "a determination to support justice when necessary with force", President RHEE stressed the global ambition of Communist aggression and criticized the Free World and the United Nations for continually compromising the principles of international morality while dealing with Communism. He called for conversion of the United Nations "into a body to enforce justice, not merely to be a forum in which aggressors can freely spread propaganda and foment disagreement", and, observing that neither war nor subjection to tyranny are inevitable but too often the price humanity pays for weakness and indecision, urged the United Nations to act with firm and courageous judgement when facing world problems. (The official Office of Public Information translation of the President's address is attached as Enclosure 2.)

Vice President CHANG Myon, Assembly Speaker YI Ki-bung, Chief Supreme Court Justice KIM Pyong-no, and the Liberal Party also issued statements which commemorated the March 1, 1919, movement and pointed out the applicability of the Sam Il spirit to the national tasks of unifying Korea and rehabilitating the country's economy. 1/

According to the Embassy's local observer at the March 1 celebration, this year's ceremony was much better organized than last year's service and there was no confusion or delay in seating the spectators. The relative ease with which the crowd was handled may be attributed to the presence this year of a greater number of civil and military policemen. The local employee, however, feels that the police guard was increased more for reasons of security than for crowd control. The observer also remarked that not as many people attended the 1957 celebration as did the 1956 ceremony. 2/ This lack of

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1/ The Korean Republic for March 1 stated that Vice President CHANG Myon urged the people "to start an all-out march to save our brethern in North Korea" while the Korean language Seoul Sinmun quoted the Vice President with saying ". . .Today we are charged with a great mission of achieving the democratic task of crushing the Communist aggressors, of unifying the divided national territory, and of resucing the North Korean fellow compatriots suffering under a tyranny, acting as a bastion of democracy in the Far East . . ."

2/ In the referenced despatch, the Embassy estimated that a crowd of approximately 50,000 attended the 1956 Sam Il Day ceremony.

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attendance could have been the result of cold weather as well as public disinterest in viewing a ceremony that has followed the same basic pattern for eight years.

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Enclosures:

1. Sam Il Day Program
2. Translation of President RHEE's Address.

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PROGRAM

THE COMMEMORATION CEREMONY OF THE THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY OF KOREA'S INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT

at ten o'clock a.m.
on Friday, the first of March (Sam-Il-Jol)
at Seoul Stadium

1. Opening Music
2. Salute to the National Flag
3. National Anthem
4. Tribute to the Dead Patriots
5. Reading of the original Declaration of Independence
   by Speaker, House of Representatives
6. Address by the President
7. Congratulatory Speeches:
   by Dean, Diplomatic Corps
   by Chairman, UNCURK
8. Presentation of gifts to the surviving signatories of the Declaration
   and to the families of the deceased signatories,
   by the Presiding Minister
9. Song of "Sam-Il-Jol"
   by Ewha Girls' High School Chorus
10. Three Cheers
11. Closing Music

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SPEECH BY PRESIDENT RHEE FOR MARCH 1, 1957

A Day of Accounting

My Fellow Citizens:

March 1 is the birthday of our Republic.

On Saturday, March 1, 1919, in the Blue Moon Cafe, in Seoul, at 2:00 p.m., the thirty-three patriots whose memory we honor placed their signatures on our Declaration of Independence. Then they called in the Japanese police and gave themselves up.

On that day there commenced in our country a nation-wide mass movement of protest against the alien domination of our homeland by the empire-building imperialists of Japan. Our people did not resort to war. But neither did they supinely accept their status as exploited colonials. They devised a dignified middle way of honorable appeal to the decency and sense of justice of the civilized world.

Theirs was the first passive revolution in this history of modern times. In all the years since then, we have never weakened in our desire to settle all disputes, national and international, through appeals to facts and reason, without passion and in the spirit of common sense.

But there is also another spirit that has been demonstrated continuously through all the four thousand three hundred years of our history. This is the courageous and honorable spirit of self-defense. This is also a part of our tradition and it is a part of our policy today.

If there is one word that strongly characterizes the long history of our nation, that word is Justice. Never in our entire history have we attacked any other nation. In fact, we never have fought outside our own national boundaries.

No nation on earth can point an accusing finger at us. We have reason to be proud of the great tradition that has come down to us. We have always fought like tigers to defend our own fields and our own homes. But we never have tried to take from any other people one single acre of ground or piece of property that was not ours.

In 1882 a new era in our history began. At that time our Government was persuaded to enter into a series of treaties -- first with the United States and then with other outside Powers. Our ancient isolationism was abandoned.

Unhappily, the world community of nations had entered into an era of power politics. We tried to live according to our own national standards of morality, but we encountered conditions in which immorality was backed by ruthless power.

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In 1910 we were abandoned to Japanese conquest, with the concurrence of the Western nations whose offers of friendship had persuaded us to give up the protective isolationism of the old Hermit Kingdom. In 1919 we found that although the Western Powers talked of the rights of self-determination of all peoples, their policies were still dominated by what they called expedient power politics.

Then, in 1945, at the conclusion of a war that had been fought under the ringing slogan of the "Four Freedoms" we found that once again power politics was the guiding policy of the dominant nations. We were promised liberation -- but we found our nation divided along the 38th parallel and occupied by foreign troops.

In that time of great tribulation, we maintained both our dignity and our sense of national independence and justice. We refused to accept a plan of "trusteeship," which would have fastened the grip of Communist domination upon our entire nation. Our demand for self-government was manfully recognized by the United States, though contemptuously spurned by the Soviet Union. With the cooperative assistance of the United Nations, the Republic of Korea was established and elections were held in this part of our country. But the Soviet Union continued to hold its domination in the north.

When, in 1950, the Communist armies -- recruited, equipped, led, and directed by the Russian tyrants -- launched the infamous attack against us, our faith in justice seemed for a time to be unjustified. Under the leadership of the United States, the United Nations came to our assistance, and the Communist invaders were defeated.

Then, once again in the name of expediency, and in disregard of justice, the neutralist members of the United Nations, under the leadership of Mr. Nehru of India, insisted that the beaten Communist imperialists must be allowed to "save face" by being left in control of the northern half of our country.

This was done in the name of compromise -- with disregard for the fact that justice is justice, and to compromise with justice is to destroy both justice and peace. A truce was forced upon us which was wicked in itself -- but which far more wickedly has been viciously and continuously violated by the Communist invaders. The faith which our people placed in international morality was violated.

During the years since that truce was imposed on us in 1953, our warnings against the perpetuation of injustice in the name of expediency have been repeatedly justified. The very nation, India, which insisted that we must bow to the demands of the United Nations is now flouting and rejecting the authority of that organization. The Communists, who were supposed to be pacified by the sacrifice we were forced to make to them, have continued their aggression, their brutality, and their subversion of freedom on an ever wider scale. Time after time the nations of the world have been taught that when they flout justice, there is a heavy price that must be paid by all who cherish freedom and try to live in honor.

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The events of the past several months have involved a series of crises which may mark the beginning of a new era in international relations.

The brave patriots of Hungary have proved that Communism cannot destroy free spirits with the poison of propaganda. The savagery of the Russian tyranny in Hungary had disgusted millions of peoples who had permitted themselves to become deluded by Communist hypocrisy. The Kremlin has been forced to admit openly that its so-called anti-Stalinist movement was a shameful farce. The demagogery of India's Nehru and Krishna Menon has begun to weaken the grip which they had fastened upon the foreign policies of several of the nations in Asia.

Meanwhile, in the Middle East Russian ambitions for world conquest have once again been emphasized, and in a manner that genuinely alarms the Western nations. The United Nations has been clearly revealed as a one-sided organization that can impose restrictions upon nations that recognize the meaning of justice, but that is helpless when it confronts aggressors who are still governed by the morality of the jungle.

Japan, too, has been caught up in these rapid movements of international change. She has signed an agreement with the Communists in Moscow, and has openly begun to orient her policies toward friendship with Russia and Red China. She has encouraged a hysteria of anti-Americanism among her own people. The new Government of Japan made a few empty gestures of pretended interest in conciliation with our nation, in an attempt to influence world opinion -- but has flatly refused to join us in a constructive move to restore just relations.

As we view the world today, there is great cause for discouragement and ample reason for pessimism about the present aimless drift of international affairs.

But there are also gleams and portents of hope.

President Eisenhower spoke glowingly in his Inaugural Address of the absolute need for a world order based on justice. His new policy for the Middle East shows a determination to support justice, when necessary, with force. Within the United Nations, many member nations are deeply disturbed by the failure of that organization to do anything constructive to help the people of Hungary against the open aggression of Russia.

A great testing time now confronts humanity.

All around the world the lesson has been driven home again and again that genuine peace is impossible while the Great Powers helplessly acquiesce in the flouting of justice by aggressors. There can no longer be any doubt in the minds of honest men that peace must be sought through bold justice rather than through weak concessions to aggressors. The time is ripe for the emergence of a new spirit and a new international program.

On our part, we have constructive proposals to present -- just as we have always had in the past. We call for the reform of the United Nations.

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1) We believe it should be converted into a body to enforce justice, not merely to be a forum in which aggressors can freely spread propaganda and foment disagreement among the democratic Allies.

2) In order to make this change possible, we believe the great majority of law-abiding nations must enforce the provision of the Charter that all nations in order to be members must be "peace-loving," and must accept the procedures and principles of honest negotiation.

3) The basic responsibility of a United Nations genuinely pledged to the provisions of the Charter is to ensure to all peoples the right of free and fair election of their own Governments.

4) As to the Korean situation, I do not want to emphasize the injustices forced upon us by the Soviet Union, Communist China, and Japan because by this time the people of all friendly nations should be fully aware of the unjust dealings of these countries toward Korea. When the world conscience has awakened to the necessity of international morality and equity the situation will be righted. Our great hope is that the United Nations will change its present attitude of helplessness and act with firm, courageous judgment.

5) Other disputes, in all parts of the world, whether in Kashmir, or the Middle East, or elsewhere, should similarly be settled within the United Nations by a moral Court of Justice supported by all free member nations in accordance with just rules of law.

In my judgment, the great majority of the peoples and the nations around the world are ready to accept and support such a program as this. Unless such measures of reform are adopted, the alternative is still further chaotic drift, with more and more surrenders to Communism, until another world war of desparate self-defence shall be forced upon the free nations, perhaps after it is too late.

My public life has extended through six full decades. During that time I have witnessed four full scale wars in North Asia, and two world wars. During all that time, statesmanship by the Great Powers has been characterized by a patchwork expediency that has tried to bridge crises with compromises and that has tried to avoid conflicts by a pretense of unity when the fundamental foundation for unity did not exist.

The world must face the fact that power politics as practised by single powerful nations and by blocs of nations has failed and always will fail. War has followed war with frightening constancy, and each war has been ended with a patchwork of expedient compromises which has nurtured the injustices that lead straight on to another conflict.

Surely we must learn the lesson that the great enemy of mankind is the horrid spectre of aggressive sovereignty. When the free will of powerful nations is unchecked by a decent respect for the opinions of mankind, the world must always tremble upon the brink of disaster.

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There is an alternative, and we should be mature enough to grasp it. If a program of justice is spelled out, nations will rally around it. Aggression will not have to be smashed down by war, if the peoples of the world are offered a mechanism and a leadership through which they can express their united will to enforce justice with united determination. Excommunication, economic sanctions, and boycotts can be effective, if they are organized on a clear basis of justice and are applied alike to all aggressors, without fear or hesitancy.

From this platform, I address my plea primarily to the United States and to all those many small nations who will gladly rally behind a constructive program to enforce justice. Let us be wise before the event and not merely desperate after it. Our destiny is in our own hands if we but have the courage and the wisdom to guide it.

Neither war nor subjection to tyranny are inevitable. They are but the price humanity too often pays for weakness and indecision. The future calls us to a new haven of human unity based on justice. This is a challenge we dare not longer deny.

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Info:

Your G-13, February 11.

White House has inquired whether any new developments ROK plans for celebrating August 15 tenth anniversary establishment ROK. In event special celebration, feeling is President may wish send representative.

Department explained on basis your G-13 ROK plans probably not yet developed. Nevertheless, would appreciate current plans ROK for transmittal White House in further reply its inquiry.

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FROM: SEOUL

TO: Secretary of State

NO: 666, MARCH 1

SENT DEPARTMENT 666; REPEATED INFORMATION TOKYO 200, TAIPEI 25.

39TH ANNIVERSARY KOREAN INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT OBSERVED IN UNUSUAL WELL ORGANIZED AND ORDERLY CEREMONY SEOUL STADIUM 10:30 A.M. MARCH 1. PRESIDENT, CABINET, CHIEFS ALL DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS, VARIOUS KOREAN DIGNITARIES IN ATTENDANCE. ABOUT 50,000 MASSED STUDENTS AND SEVERAL THOUSAND OTHER CITIZENS PRESENT. ASSEMBLY SPEAKER YI KI-BUNG READ 1919 DECLARATION INDEPENDENCE. PRESIDENT IN STATESMANLIKE SPEECH TOOK MODERATE LINE RE UNIFICATION, EMPHASIZED ENTRY MANKIND INTO OUTER SPACE, CALLED FOR "CLEAR VISIONED STATESMANSHIP OF HIGHEST ORDER", CONCLUDED WITH CALL FOR "RENEWING OUR DEVOTION AND DEDICATION TO HIGH PRINCIPLES RIGHT LIVING AND RIGHT THINKING" (TEXT TWX'D 010400Z). CHINESE AMBASSADOR CRITICIZED CHINESE COMMUNIST TROOP WITHDRAWAL ANNOUNCEMENT, SAID "CHINESE COMMUNIST TROOPS SHOULD NOT HAVE ENTERED KOREA OR SHOULD HAVE LEFT KOREA RIGHT AWAY WHEN CONDEMNED AS AGGRESSORS SEVEN YEARS AGO BY UN." (TEXT CHINESE EMBASSY PRESS RELEASE TWX'D 010410Z). PHILIPPINE CHARGE SPOKE AS CHAIRMAN UNCURK, ALLUDED PEACEFUL EMPHASIS INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT, KOREAN PROGRESS SINCE THEN, AND HOPE FOR ULTIMATE UNIFICATION.

OTHER EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR DAY INCLUDE RINGING INDEPENDENCE BELL, FANCY-DRESS PARADE, COMMEMORATION DEAD PATRIOTS, LIGHTING TORCHES SEOUL HILLTOPS. COMMENT BY AIRGRAM.

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Reference Embassy telegram 666, March 1, 1958, on ROK March 1 observance.

This year's ceremonies marking 39th anniversary Korean 1919 uprising were in sharp contrast to similar exercises previous years. Seoul Stadium exercise in morning was extremely well organized by any standard; functions proceeded like clockwork, unruly crowds and confusion of previous years were wholly absent. President Rhee, who could have seized on commemoration Korean bloodless revolution against Japanese oppression to re-open anti-Japanese offensive, chose instead to make calm and thoughtful appraisal international situation from Korean viewpoint which probably most statesmanlike public utterance his career.

Parade in afternoon also ran like clockwork, despite large numbers (claimed 5000) of persons participating, and wholly departed from precedents recent previous years. Instead of masses plodding students with canned slogans, each of principal Seoul schools entered float, tableau, or pantomime depicting some aspect independence movement. Parade led by bands from each of armed services, large portraits Syngman Rhee, Son Pyong-hi, President Wilson, and tableaux legendary heroes Ulchi Mundok and Yi Sun-sin. Replicas pagoda and pavilion in park where Declaration Independence proclaimed recurred in several floats, serving as one of parade's central themes. Thirty to forty different entries. Several school bands and National Police Band also participated. All played old-style Korean national anthem ("Auld Lang Syne" tune). Some of pantomimes were vivid portrayal Korean sufferings under Japanese, with mock Japanese gendarmes manhandling patriots in almost too convincing style, but emphasis was on "spirit of March First." Several floats had mottoes suggesting unification by means this spirit. Only reference current affairs noted was one banner demanding return of kidnapped KNA airplane. Parade witnessed by estimated half-million people, despite cold and light snow.

Only known untoward incident was failure of ailing and elderly YI Kapsong, only surviving signer 1919 Declaration resident South Korea, to appear at

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Stadium ceremonies to receive scheduled award. Newspapers report police refused allow his car to enter Stadium because ordered permit no cars except President, Speaker, Chief Justice. Also report Secretariat of State Council has apologized to Yi. Yi thereupon decided go home rather than walk necessary hundred yards to grandstand.

In Embassy opinion, March First observances encouraging evidence of newly developing ROK Government approach to its problems, as well as of higher standards organization and execution. This largely result of influence rising group young and energetic government officials with encouragement and support of YI Ki-bung, notable among whom is O Chae-gyong, Director Office Public Information. (Example is fact Vice Minister Foreign Affairs told Embassy officer he counselled President not to castigate Japanese in March 1 speech.) If same energy and effectiveness employed on March First can be brought to bear on other Korean problems in sustained fashion, there is real reason to hope for accelerated rate ROK progress in future.

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Vice Minister Foreign Affairs and Presidential Secretary PARK Chan-il informed Embassy officer May 23 ROK plans special celebration August 15 tenth anniversary establishment ROK. No detailed plans yet made but Park said ROK hopes have special representatives certain countries present at ceremonies.

Seems likely, therefore, invitation be extended to United States to send special representative. Unlikely, however, ROK plans be formulated in any detail for some weeks to come. Embassy will keep Department informed.

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Your G-82.

Department informed by ROK Embassy ROK Government planning special celebration of major proportions August 15 tenth anniversary establishment ROK and that elaborate plans being formulated.

In view White House interest, possibility President may wish send representative, and increasing proximity celebration, would appreciate report ROK plans soonest ~~xxxxxx~~x including your comments and suggestions.

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FROM: SEOUL

TO: **Secretary of State**

NO: 910, JUNE 20, 10 AM

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SEVERAL DAYS AGO FOREIGN MINISTER ASKED ME GIVE BRIEF SPEECH, AS ACTING DEAN OF DIPLOMATIC CORPS, AT USUAL CEREMONY JUNE 25 COMMEMORATING COMMUNIST ATTACK OF ROK. YESTERDAY, PRESIDENT RHEE SENT WORD URGING ME GIVE PRINCIPAL ADDRESS, WHICH HE HAS TRADITIONALLY GIVEN HIMSELF.

WOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR ANY GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT CAN GIVE ME RE POINTS WHICH MIGHT BE STRESSED.

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Department suggests that main emphasis your speech June 25 be review accomplishments in past several years resulting joint efforts Koreans UN and US in rebuilding from devastation Communist aggression. Progress in democratic government ROK might also be stressed.

Do not repeat not believe advisable highlight unification and armistice situation as principal themes. You may wish however make reference to revulsion civilized peoples to recent executions Hungarian leaders (along lines June 19 Congressional resolutions carried FEF 116). Such reference could perhaps be included in introductory remarks on 1950 Communist aggression.

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TO: Secretary of State

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REFERENCE: EMBTEL 910

ADDRESS DELIVERED AT CEREMONY COMMEMORATING COMMUNIST AGGRESSION 1950. PRINCIPAL ADDRESS FOLLOWED BY SPEECHES BY BRITISH AMBASSADOR EVANS, UNCURK CHAIRMAN DUNN (AUSTRALIA), AND GENERAL DECKER, UN COMMAND. ONLY KOREAN SPEECH WAS BRIEF EXTEMPORANEOUS REMARKS BY PRESIDENT RHEE AT END, THANKING SPEAKERS, INTRODUCING NEW CHIEF JUSTICE, AND URGING PEOPLE BE DETERMINED ACHIEVE UNIFICATION BEFOR NEXT ANNIVERSARY COMMUNIST AGGRESSION.

PRESIDENT RHEE ALSO ISSUED STATEMENT CALLING FOR INCREASED STRENGTH, UNITY, AND DETERMINATION MEET THREAT COMMUNIST AGGRESSION. TEXTS PRINCIPAL ADDRESS, GENERAL DECKER'S ADDRESS, AND RHEE STATEMENT TWX 250700Z.

SUBSEQUENT PARADE COMPOSED OF SCHOOL GROUPS AND MILITARY SERVICES BANDS AND TOKEN UNITS.

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FROM: SEOUL

TO: Secretary of State

NO: 23, JULY 16, 5 PM

DEPTEL 15 JULY 9.

IN RESPONSE EMBASSY INQUIRY AT FOREIGN OFFICE, PRESIDENT RHEE'S SECRETARY CAME TO SEE ME THIS MORNING TO SAY THAT WHILE PLANS NOT YET FIRM FOR CELEBRATION ROK TENTH ANNIVERSARY, THEY WOULD INCLUDE AT LEAST ONE CEREMONY AT SEOUL STADIUM, FOR WHICH GENERAL VAN FLEET HAD BEEN INVITED TO BE GOVT GUEST AND MAKE PRINCIPAL ADDRESS. HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT WHILE NO RPT NO OTHER STATES WOULD BE ASKED SEND SPECIAL DELEGATION, ROK GOVT WOULD BE PLEASED INVITE U.S. TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES IF WE DESIRED DO SO; IN THAT CASE, HOWEVER, HE WOULD HOPE GENERAL VAN FLEET COULD BE INCLUDED IN OFFICIAL DELEGATION. IN CIRCUMSTANCES, I RECOMMEND STRONGLY AGAINST SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OR DELEGATION. MY VIEW THIS REGARD REINFORCED BY OBVIOUS CARE WHICH SECRETARIAT AND MRS. RHEE HAVE RECENTLY BEEN TAKING TO SPARE PRESIDENT RHEE PUBLIC APPEARANCES AND ADDRESSES. MY SUGGESTION, THEREFORE, IS THAT REQUIREMENTS OF OCCASION COULD BE MET BY SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY.

DT 1) Discussed in Mtg. Staff (O) 7-21-58 for
2) { accordance to Mtg. White House agrees with Amb. Dowling's recommendations (O) 7-28-58 }

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Department and White House concur your recommendations, and plan to send special message to President Rhee [redacted] soonest from President, Secretary and Mr. Robertson.

Has Van Fleet accepted invitation?

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Info:

Air Force has notified Department that Chief Staff ROK Air Force has requested USAF participate in flyby honoring tenth anniversary ROK August 15. Air Force has requested our approval. Department has informed Air Force no objection with proviso USAF in ROK clears matter with you.

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FROM: SEOUL

TO: **Secretary of State**

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DEPTEL 39.

CAS REPORTS VAN FLEET HAS DECLINED INVITATION.

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Mrs. Stanley (O) notified. She believes current arrangements should stand. Dane
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ASSISTANT SECRETARY

August 7, 1958

TO : The Secretary

THROUGH: S/S

FROM : FE - Walter S. Robertson

SUBJECT: Recording of Message for Korean Independence Day

The Korean Broadcasting Company, operated by the Office of Public Information of the Republic of Korea (ROK), has asked that you record a message on tape to be broadcast in Seoul on August 15, the tenth anniversary of the founding of the ROK. Ambassador Dowling has strongly recommended that you comply with the Korean wishes (Tab B). In the event you agree and the tape is made, the Voice of America would also use it in its broadcasts.

If you agree to make the tape, USIA will make the necessary arrangements to record the message at your convenience. Recording of the message would take only a few minutes. It would be necessary, however, to make the recording sometime on Friday, August 8, in order to pouch the tape in time for it to arrive in Seoul for use on August 15. A suggested message to be recorded is attached (Tab A).

RECOMMENDATION

That, in view of the auspicious nature of the occasion and in the interest of cordial relations with the ROK, you record the attached message.

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Defense has notified Department ROK military has requested US military participation in ROK Armed Forces Day celebration. Department has informed Defense 1) no objection provided COMUSK clears matter with you 2) would be desirable if US forces participate to have other elements UN forces also participate.

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SUBJECT: Demonstration by Chosen Soren on Korean War Anniversary, June 25, 1959.

Slightly dampened by a heavy morning shower the Chosen Soren held a "Korean War Anniversary Demonstration" at the Nagoya TV Tower, and paraded the streets of the City 1500 strong, interrupting their exercise long enough for a demonstration in front of the Consulate Building.

A fairly heavy fall of rain in the early morning caused some delay in the proceedings scheduled as a "Korean War Anniversary Demonstration". At the meeting held at the Nagoya TV Tower resolutions were adopted to petition President Eisenhower and the United Nations to withdraw American Forces from Korea.

Instead of arriving at the Consulate at noon as scheduled the first deputation appeared on the scene in a sight-seeing bus, girl guard and all, at 2 p.m.

In accordance with instructions, Mr. W. Tanaka, senior local employee of the Consulate, met the group in front of the Consulate and advised them that they would not be received by the Consul. They insisted they wanted to see an American, and that they had a protest which they wished to deliver, but only to an American. Although fairly insistent and a little unpleasant, they were not very abusive. (Mr. Tanaka is to be commended for his excellent manner, his cool, calm handling of what might have been a very unpleasant situation).

The main body of demonstrators arrived en masse, snake dancing in the street, adorned with the usual bands, head and arm, and assorted sashes. The thirty or forty placards of various sizes advised the U.S. Forces in fairly uncomplimentary fashion to get out of Korea.

The group was accompanied by a six-piece band (the brass section included two trombones falling far short of the "Seventy-six trombones and one hundred and ten cornets close behind" in order to qualify (in the popular song) as a real marching band. The vocal rendition accompanying the band was somewhat monotonous since it consisted primarily of a refrain "Yonkee Go Home". Between musical renditions the entr'acte consisted of uncomplimentary shouts and some waving of fists, directed by a handful of cheer-leaders.

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The performance which was well attended by the local police, was colorful, almost exciting, and lasted for about thirty minutes. No significant damage was done to any property.

Although this event was billed in the press to include action against revision of Security Pact, the only mention of the Pact was in the handbills given out at the TV Tower, and this almost in passing. Translation attached.

Joseph F. Donelan, Jr.
American Consul

Enclosure:

Translation - Handbills Distributed by Koreans on June 25, 1959,

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Translation of

Handbills Distributed by Koreans on June 25, 1959

Let's fight together on "International Action Day" to have the U. S. Forces withdraw from South Korea.

Our beloved Japanese people! On 25 June 1950, American Imperialist started its agression in Korea. It is 9 years since then and 5 years since the truce was concluded.

Koreans, World Peace Council, A-A Committee, World Labor Federation (Sekairoren) and all other peace loving people are fighting together on 25 June as their "International Action Day to have U.S. Forces withdraw from South Korea".

Wishing for the unification of Korea, the Red China Volunteer Force withdrew from North Korea in October of last year.

Yet, the aggressor American Force is continuing its occupation of South Korea. Not only that, the U. S. Forces is strengthening its force, bringing A-arms into Korea, dividing Korea. The U.S. Force is now crazily setting up its missile base. Near the military boundary line, the U.S. Force is taking action to invite troubles every day. Moreover, Rhee passed his "National Security Law" to suffocate Koreans and stopped the distribution of "Keikyo News" a Catholic newspaper. He is executing "opposition party" leaders and he is clamping down on people in "fascist" manner. He heads 720,000 soldiers and he is ready even tomorrow to march into North Korea. He is trying to draw all Asia into a nuclear war.

Japanese people! The U.S. Force is not only occupying South Korea but Japan and Okinawa as well. The American imperialist, working behind Rhee is trying to start a war again in Korea. In Japan the U.S. is seeking to revise the Security Pact with the Kishi Cabinet, thereby making its plan of aggression into Asia go forward.

If American force and Rhee's puppet army again start a war in Korea, Japan will be immediately involved into the war. The American imperialist occupies Japan and Korea. It threatens the peace of Asia and tramps on the freedom and independence of Japanese and Koreans.

Our beloved Japanese people, let us, on this day of 25 June on which date 9 years ago the American aggression force started the Korean War, stop our common enemy of freedom and independence which continues its occupation. Let us have them withdraw from Korea. We ask all peace loving people of this world, to fight with us.

We support your fight to have U.S. Force withdraw from Japan and Okinawa. Let us strengthen our tie. We have a common enemy.

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SUBJECT: Provincial University President's Comments on Korean Education

The President of North Cholla Province National University, Dr. KIM Tu-hon (6855/2435/2009), was entertained at lunch on November 24 by the reporting officer at his quarters. In the course of conversation, Dr. Kim made several observations on the state of education in Korea, which are summarized in the following paragraphs as of possible background interest to the Department. A brief description of Dr. Kim's university, as furnished by him in a mimeographed sheet for foreign visitors, is appended as Enclosure 1.

Approximately ten thousand students graduate yearly from all higher institutions of learning in the Republic. Of this number, Dr. Kim's universit[y] supplies approximately seven hundred. Few of them receive jobs on graduati[on]. Some are drafted into the Army; others leave their native places and hope th[at] the draft will not catch up with them. Evasion of the draft is one of the most compelling reasons for the popularity of higher education, and has resulted in a lowering of educational standards, which Dr. Kim feels is unfortunate. Nevertheless, he feels that the campus morale is slowly improving.

According to conscription plans now being made, all students over 20 years old are to be drafted, exception being made for those who are juniors or seniors in the next academic year only. In Dr. Kim's opinion, this is unfortunate, for it will result in the interruption of college education and a resultant waste of time when the students eventually return to school; he strongly favors an ROTC-type program, which was formerly in force but was discontinued about two years ago. It is true that some students can complete their education before attaining the draft age; but especially in the rural areas, school shortages have delayed the admission of many students, so that they are older than the theoretical seventeen years when they graduate from high school. (At present, according to Dr. Kim, the building of primary-school classrooms has progressed to the point where nearly every child can enter school at the proper time.) Another delaying factor is that some students, forced to work their way through college, take longer than the normal four year period to finish.

At Dr. Kim's university, there are virtually no organized recreational activities of the sort taken for granted in American colleges -- a lack which Dr. Kim blamed on lack of auditoriums and other facilities. He commented that

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the chief recreation for students seemed to be drinking and dancing, often in illegal places, which was unfortunate. There are no dormitory facilities. Athletics do not play a major role in the life of his university.

The Ministry of Education is currently cracking down on marginal colleges and private institutions. One of the casualties was the College of Commerce in Kunsan (a small port in North Cholla Province -- scene of anti-NNIT activity last year) which has been one of the constituent schools of Dr. Kim's university. The college was given a deadline by which it was required to meet the Ministry's standards of classroom space and library facilities; the deadline was once extended, but the citizens of Kunsan despite their eagerness to keep their school could not raise more than a fifth of the money needed to make the necessary improvements. Accordingly, the Commercial College has been moved to the main campus at Chonju.

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A Brief Sketch of Chonpuk National University

"In order to decentralize the higher educational institutions in Korea, Chonpuk National University in mid-autumn of 1952 was chartered by the Ministry of Education, Republic of Korea. Prior to this establishment, several colleges both public and private were incorporated into this university, which was then one of the three national universities established simultaneously; Kyonpuk, Chon-nam, and Chonpuk National University.

"The schools and facilities absorbed into this establishment are: Myongyoon College (private), Chollapukto Provincial Agricultural College, Kunsan College, and the facilities of Iri Technical Highschool.

"The annual budget by the government amounts to H/ 150,000,000 (1956), while the annual budget by the PTA amounts to H/ 200,000,000 (1956). Besides these two financial sources, the "Chonpuk National University Foundation" was accredited in 1952 with total assets of approximately H/ 200,000,000, but since its founding it has brought almost no profit to the operation of this university.

"Five (5) Colleges: Liberal Arts & Sciences (Chonju), Law & Political Science (Chonju), Agricultural (Iri), Engineering (Iri), and Commercial (Kunsan).

"One Graduate School.
"Two hundred (200) faculty; 4,000 enrollment; 750 graduates
"University Library (central) and two branches in Kunsan and Iri, containing 25,000 vols. (to be standard, 120,000 vols. needed).

"Campus grounds		350,000 Pyong
"Buildings		6,000 Pyong
"Expansion program to be completed within 5 years henceforth,		5,000 Pyong
"Laboratory & experimental facilities	approx.	1,000 Pyong
"Farms for agricultural education		20,000 Pyong
"Forest for experimentation		500 Chong-bo (1 Chong-bo = 2.45 acres)
"Animal Hospital		1 (Iri)"

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SUBJECT: Comments on Korean Education by a Leading Educator

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Dr. PAEK Nak-chun (L. George PAIK), President of Chosun Christian University 1/, addressed the University Club of Seoul 2/ on December 4, 1956, on the subject, "Problems in Korean Education." As head of Korea's most respected university, and as a former Minister of Education, Dr. Paek is better qualified than most to discuss this subject. A brief summary of his twenty-minute "off-the-record" talk, as prepared by a member of the University Club, is therefore forwarded as of possible interest to the Department.

According to Dr. Paek, the primary schools of Korea are relatively in better shape than the higher schools. There are more primary school buildings than in 1950, thanks to foreign aid, although not enough to keep pace with population growth; and although there is a shortage of teachers, those who are available are eager to learn and willing to employ new educational techniques. Eighty-five to ninety percent of those eligible are said by the Government to be attending primary school, although some of these drop out during the term because of their parents' inability to meet their share of the subsidies provided through parent-teacher associations.

Middle and high schools and colleges, on the other hand, are still largely dominated by the Japanese approach on education, which emphasizes rote learning and rigid discipline at the expense of original thinking. Moreover, there is an acute shortage of properly qualified instructors. There are many so-called "mushroom schools" which have sprung up since Liberation and more particularly since institution of the military draft, from which collage students are exempt. However, the Ministry of Education is now commencing to enforce legal standards upon colleges (Dr. Paek himself had just returned from an inspection tour of schools in North and South

1/ Chosun Christian University (heretofore known locally as Yenhi Taehakkyo) has just been combined with Severance Medical School by votes of the respective boards of trustees. The combined institution will be known as Yonse Taehakkyo (1693/0013/1129/1351/2699).

2/ The University Club of Seoul is an organization composed of both Koreans and Occidentals who have attended Western schools at the graduate level. It has a membership of approximately 65.

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Kyongsang Provinces on behalf of the Ministry); and contemplated changes in the conscription regulations are expected to reduce sharply the pressure of draft-dodgers to get into higher institutions of learning, which fact, in Dr. Paek's opinion, will probably spell ruin for some of the smaller and less distinguished colleges.

Dr. Paek's address, although made extemporaneously in English, was well-organized, well and simply expressed, and carried the ring of real conviction when he spoke of the responsibilities of the educational system toward the development of democracy. His conclusion illustrates this conviction: While the security forces defend the "outer citadel" of the nation, education must make the "inner citadel" of the people strong and firm to hold and advance the goals of Korea.

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Enclosure 1: Att

Summary of Address by Dr. L. George Paik.

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Summary of Address by Dr. L. George Paik on "Problems of Korean Education"

At the meeting of the University Club Tuesday evening, the 4th of December, Dr. George Paik, President of Chosun Christian University, spoke on problems in Korean education. Dr. Paik divided his talk into a discussion of primary, secondary and higher education in Korea. He discussed each of these three regarding the policy, status and problems.

The policy for primary education was covered in the Compulsory Education Law of 1950 which was enacted during the time that Dr. Paik was Minister of Education. This law provided for compulsory education for every child in Korea through six years of primary school. However, war broke out immediately and prevented the fulfillment of this policy. At present the education authorities estimate that about 85 to 90 percent of primary school-age children are usually attending school.

There are many problems in primary education, namely shortages of facilities, buildings, teaching material and funds. Many school buildings were destroyed during the war. With assistance received from the US and UN agencies there are now more schools than existed before the war, but the school population has increased at a faster rate so there is still a great shortage of school buildings. There is a lack of teachers. Of the 70,000 to 80,000 teachers required there are only about 50,000 or 60,000 teachers. Under the Japanese regime most of the teachers were Japanese. Therefore, after liberation there was a great shortage which could not be filled immediately with Korean teachers. Recently in many places these schools have been opened on two or three shifts per day. In most places the three-shift school has been eliminated. Normal schools are training teachers, but many of the teachers do not wish to return to the more remote rural areas to teach.

One of the most serious problems is the teachers' pay and financial problems of the schools. The government pay scale is much too low. This started the practice of assessing fees through the Parent-Teacher's Association, thus free education is not free, but in actual practice financed by the parents. Many children drop out of school because of the parents' inability to pay the fees and pay clothing and other expenses associated with school attendance.

During the Communist invasion all school textbooks were burned. With US and UN aid Korea obtained paper, but there is still printing and distribution costs. One of the first permanent rehabilitation projects completed by UNKRA was the government textbook printing plant. With the help of both UN and UNESCO this plant was completed and is now printing textbooks. About 3,000 tons of paper are required annually. Textbooks are sold to the children. Until recently the textbooks were revised every year, but now textbooks will be revised only every four or five years. Few of the textbooks are passed on from year to year and it might be well

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for the government to buy back the books at the end of the year and re-issue them to the succeeding classes.

The primary teachers are accepting democratic principles. There seems to be a much better move toward democratic education in the primary schools than at other levels of schools.

In the secondary schools there is much more of a hold-over from the Japanese system of teaching. Thus the schools are much less democratic. The policy of secondary schools is the three-principle, that is three years middle school and three years high school. This was meant to permit each village to have a middle school, with high schools at gun (county) towns. This principle is not being followed because many large schools conduct both middle schools and high schools, but frequently require a child moving from the middle school to pass another examination and pay additional fees to enter the high school. Another policy in secondary schools is the seven to three ratio, that is seven industrial schools to three humanity schools. Humanity schools are now very much over-crowded, but the industrial schools do not have enough students. This is due to the great desire of Korean students to enter universities to go into the white-collared professions.

In higher education it has been the policy to attempt to standardize colleges and universities. There is a need to raise all of them to a certain minimum standard. After 1945 when the Japanese left there were many mushroom colleges which sprang up throughout the country. These did not have adequate teaching staff and other facilities. Further growth of the mushroom colleges was caused by the Army draft deferment of university and college students. A change in policy here may have a serious effect upon the Korean colleges. The Presidential Decree now requires every college student over the age of 20 to serve 1½ years military service. Medical students are exempt from this. At present there are 40,000 college students in Korea with an additional 3,000 students in universities abroad. The growth of the college population has been very rapid and the graduates cannot be absorbed readily into suitable jobs in Korea. There is a problem in the teaching staff in universities as many have been trained under the Japanese. The colleges have grown faster than good teaching staff has been available to meet the needs. Many professors now teach in two colleges. Many professors are needed both considering the numbers and quality of the teaching staff. The Japanese-trained professors have been very reluctant to accept democratic and modern ideas of education.

There is also the problem of books and literature in specialized fields for university study. No Korean publisher can afford to publish the large number of specialized books required for the small number of copies of each book that is needed. Therefore students must learn a second language. English is now required for scientific studies and specialized fields. However, advancement in teaching of English has

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been slow and much is required to improve teaching techniques of languages.

Another problem is the oriental scholar's desire to study only those things that are old and difficult. This is true in many fields of study where greater emphasis is placed on the history of the subject than on current problems and ideas. Korean students must spend more time on current problems and theories and also must spend more time on things that are Korean. The study of foreign problems and ideas should augment the Korean studies.

The goal of Korean education is to establish firm democratic institutions within Korea. Dr. Paik stated that while the security forces defended the "outer citadel", education should make the "inner citadel" of the Korean people strong and firm to hold and to advance the goals of Korea.

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SUBJECT: Notes on the Status of Education in Korea

BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED: In supplement of information contained in the reference despatches, the Embassy transmits a brief summary outline of a talk entitled "Korean Education Since Liberation" given on July 3, 1956, by Dr. O Chon-sok (AUGH Chun Suk), Dean of the Graduate School of Ewha Women's University, Seoul, and formerly Director of the Department of Education under the South Korean Interim Government.1/

Mr. O cited figures to demonstrate the growth in the Korean educational system, pointing out for example that the number of schools had increased 173 percent between the Japanese Government General period and 1955, while numbers of teachers and students had increased 161 and 121 percent, respectively. He mentioned the establishment of local boards of education, implementing the principle of local educational autonomy, but pointed out that "there are those who oppose this, particularly those for whom it has meant the loss of access to tax money intended for education purposes." He stated that "the principle of separation of public education from politics and religion has been introduced" and "is still being striven for." He referred to the introduction of a new educational philosophy based upon the principles of (1) respect for individuals, (2) liberation of human minds, (3) "learning through experience, not just books; as enriching entire life, not just the acquisition of dead knowledge." Dr. O then listed the following six "peculiarities" of Korean education:

1. "A strong demand for education, a faith in education, and a willingness to pay any price for education, not found in the West."
2. "High regard for the liberal arts or non-industrial education, which will lead to white collar jobs."
3. Concentration of schools in cities, especially Seoul.
4. "Highly competitive examination system."
5. Necessity of extensive support of the schools by the parents, leading to undue influence of teachers and the consequent necessity of examinations for college entrance.

1/ Dr. O's talk was made in English before the University Club of Seoul on an off-the-record basis, and the outline was distributed to Club members in mimeographed form in March 1957, on the basis of notes made by one of the audience.

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6. Concentration of "enormous power" in the central educational authority.

As the main problems facing Korean education today, Dr. O enumerated the following:

1. Provision of adequate facilities for the "ever-increasing demand for education."
2. Finding and training of able teaching personnel.
3. Improvement in the quality of education.
4. Elimination of politics, such as the current movement to abolish local education boards.
5. Prevention of "undemocratic influences" -- "There is a nostalgia for things Japanese, an effort to gain and exert authority, and advocacy of a dual system of education" [i.e., separate system for the elite]
6. Democratization of educational administration.
7. Democratization of educational methods.

Despite his emphasis on "democratization", however, Dr. O stated in response to questions following his talk that "if the choice lay between efficiency and inefficiency, then democracy would have to be abandoned." END UNCLASSIFIED

Embassy Comment

Dr. O's enumeration of Korean educational peculiarities and problems parallels in many respects the observations of Dr. PAEK Nak-chun in reference Despatch 221, and constitutes a fair, if oversimplified, summation of the consensus of educators both Korean and Western who have talked with Embassy officers on this subject. It is encouraging that the two authorities reported upon, both leading figures in the Korean educational field, have such a clear perception of the situation.

However, neither Dr. Paek nor Dr. O is able to play at present more than an indirect, advisory role in the system of public education in Korea. Dr. O, in particular, is politically unacceptable to the ruling group at the present time. The day-to-day administration of the greater part of the educational system is in the hands of much the same bureaucracy which existed under the Japanese, and most of the senior officials of the Education Ministry today -- to say nothing of the teachers themselves -- spent years in low-level, pedestrian assignments under Japanese supervision. The result is -- with occasional hopeful exceptions, it is true -- a widespread acceptance of traditional attitudes toward the educational process as an ex cathedra handing down of old, dry learning which often has little relevance to daily life.

This situation has been mitigated somewhat with the appointment of CH'OE Kyu-nam, a thoroughly respected, American-trained scientist and educator, as Minister of Education in 1956; but with the best will in the world he cannot single-handedly reform the system, and his bureau chiefs are still representatives of the Japanese-trained old guard (rather to the surprise of some observers who had expected the Minister to bring in some "new blood"). Dr. Ch'oe enforced

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an inspection of Korean colleges in late 1956, as reported in reference Despatch 237, and closed down some of the sub-standard schools; but some educators have voiced private disappointment that he had been unable to act more resolutely in bringing about needed reforms in Korean educational practices and policies.

The United States has had, since 1945, considerable influence on Korean education both directly and indirectly. At the present time, in addition to the enormous assistance of Armed Forces Assistance to Korea (AFAK) in reconstructing war-damaged school buildings and facilities, the United States Government is sponsoring teacher-training projects (through contract with George Peabody College), assisting Seoul National University medical, engineering, and agricultural schools (through contract with the University of Minneosta), and sending numbers of teachers and technicians to the United States for observation and study under the exchange of persons and technical assistance programs. Under private auspices, Protestant and Catholic mission groups operate a considerable number of secondary and higher schools, both in Seoul and the provinces, although qualified foreign supervision of these institutions is unfortunately becoming increasingly attenuated in most instances.

All this aid, however, in the opinion of the reporting officer, is hardly more than enough to maintain the present level of democratization of Korean education. Given the enormous Korean thirst for education, as emphasized by both the authorities above cited, this is a potent field for the encouragement of long-run democratic trends in all Korean society, as well as in the educational process itself. It is also a segment of the Korean community in which much can be done to stimulate Korean respect for the farmer, craftsman, and factory worker -- respect which, although still undeveloped, is vital if Korea is successfully to be industrialized for domestic satisfaction of basic consumer needs.1/ The educational process also offers opportunity for the development of constructive Korean attitudes toward social and political responsibility, and for encouraging constructive indigenous thought and work to establish and achieve national goals and long-range plans. In these three respects, continuing

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1/ Two examples of this underdeveloped respect for manual work are, first, the unpopularity of technical schools in Seoul compared with liberal arts schools (cited by Dr. Paek); and second, the recent private statement of the Adviser to the Merchant Marine Academy in Pusan that thousands of dollars' worth of the finest modern shop machinery in the school have stood idle since importation by UNKRA because of the inability and lack of interest of the Academy staff.

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American assistance for Korean education at present or even higher levels for a good many years to come would appear to be an essential component of the aid program here.

For the Charge d'Affaires, ad interim:

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First Secretary of Embassy

Enclosure
1. Outline of talk given by Dr. Augh Chun Suk

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The following is the outline of a talk given by Dr. AUGH Chun Suk, Dean of Ewha University Graduate School, on "Korean Education Since Liberation", on July 3, 1956.

I. Important changes in Korean education since the Liberation; the result of efforts for the democratization of education in Korea.

1. In an effort to provide equality of opportunity for Korea's young people the number of schools has been greatly expanded. There has been a much higher school enrollment with the introduction of the idea of universal education and with the right of education up to twelve years of age provided for in the Constitution.

	Before Liberation	End 1955	Percent increase
Schools	3,357	9,174	173%
Teachers	25,329	60,135	161%
Students	1,696,594	3,771,832	121%

The present breakdown by the three levels of education:

	Schools	Teachers	Students
Elementary	4,056	40,998	2,745,710
Secondary			
(Middle School)	803	9,147	420,174
(High ")	486	5,855	225,723
(Total)	1,289	15,002	645,897
Higher:			
(Junior College)	6	97	1,061
(College)	30	1,207	19,183
(University)	15	2,661	42,144
(Total)	51	3,965	62,388
Grand Total	5,396	59,965	3,453,995

There are 2,350,280 men students and 1,398,980 (38%) women students.

2. The second great change since Liberation is the introduction of the single system of education. Formerly there was a dual system - one for the governing and another for the governed.

3. The establishment of local boards of education puts into practice the principle of local autonomy of education and the distribution of power. There are those who oppose this, particularly those for whom it has meant the loss of access to tax money intended for education purposes.

4. The principle of separation of public education from politics and religion has been introduced, a principle which is still being striven for.

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5. There has been the introduction of a new theory of education, identified as the New Education or Democratic Education which urges the following points:

Education based upon the principle of respect for individuals.
Education based upon the principle of liberation of human minds.
Education conceived of as learning through experience, not just books;
as enriching entire life, not just the acquisition of dead knowledge.

II. Peculiarities of Korean Education:

1. There are in Korea a strong demand for education, a faith in education, and a willingness to pay any price for education, not found in the West.

2. There is a high regard for the liberal arts or non-industrial education, which will lead to white collar jobs.

3. Schools are concentrated in cities, particularly in the city of Seoul.

4. There is a highly competitive entrance examination system.

5. The schools are tax-supported in name only. Heavy additional support must be provided by the parents. This makes possible undue influence of teachers in assigning grades, so that school records cannot be trusted and examinations are required for college entrance.

6. Enormous power is concentrated in the central educational authority.

III. Problems facing Korean Education today:

1. Adequate facilities for the ever increasing demand for education must be provided.

2. The finding and training of able teaching personnel presents another problem.

3. The quality of education needs improvement.

4. Politics should be kept out of education; there is even now a movement to abolish the local boards of education.

5. Undemocratic influences should be prevented from controlling education. There is a nostalgia for things Japanese, an effort to gain and exert authority, and advocacy of a dual system of education.

6. Educational administrative practices and systems need democratizing.

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7. Educational methods need democratizing.

In response to several questions bearing on the greater efficiency of a dual system of education in view of Korea's great need of technically trained people, Dean Augh replied that if the choice lay between efficiency and inefficiency, then Democracy would have to be abandoned.

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SUBJECT: Status of Education in the ROK, and American Aid to Education

The Embassy transmits for the information of the Department, with the concurrence of the Office of the Economic Coordinator, United Nations Command (OEC), a summary of a talk on Korean education given by Dr. W. Goslin of Peabody Institute before an OEC staff meeting on May 22, 1957, as reported in the minutes of the meeting.

Dr. Goslin's remarks in large measure parallel those of Korean educational leaders reported in reference despatches in respect to educational problems. He points out that although there is an adequate supply of teachers, their preparation is inadequate and must be improved -- that the bulk of primary school teachers have only a high school education or less -- and speaks of his Institute's pilot teacher-training project in South Cholla Province. He mentions the textbook problem and the inadequacy of libraries. He calls attention to the need for decentralization and community participation in education, and points out that the best opportunity in contributing to the development of citizenship is at the primary-school level. He also mentions the need for training educational leaders, and speaks of plans for a leadership training center at the Seoul National University College of Education.

For the Ambassador:

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First Secretary of Embassy

Enclosure:
1. Summary of talk given by Dr. W. Goslin

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May 22, 1957

TEACHER TRAINING

Dr. Goslin said he had four points he would like to get across: 1) give some background information on Korean education relating to teacher training; 2) give a brief description of the current situation; 3) enumerate the phases of activities of the Peabody Staff at the present; 4) identify the staff's objectives and hopes.

Historically, education in Korea followed the Chinese tradition. It was selective - available to the few rather than to many. It was highly academic and formal - characterized by lectures and examinations even at the elementary school level. It was aimed at the development of scholars. Scholarship represented a status attained usually for the purpose of escaping the responsibilities of a normal working life rather than attaining proficiency as a useful citizen.

There has been a general expansion of education in Korea for several centuries. It was expanded to a considerable degree under the Japanese. But the Japanese education program was highly confirmed by their own interest in developing citizens that would submit to their rule. At the time of the liberation, there was left only a very badly impaired fragment of a Korean school system. Korean text books had been eliminated. The Japanese language was taught. A majority of the teachers were Japanese. There has always been more interest in education among the Koreans than the facilities would accommodate. Upon liberation there began a really remarkable renaissance in terms of education for the masses. Efforts began to make the primary school available to all children and secondary schools were increased.

This nation, in trying to establish a universal school system, has been confronted, not only by a normal complement of problems, but also by the loss of 60% of the teaching staff, the loss of all Korean text books, and the destruction of thousands of class-rooms. The demand for education following liberation was too great to be met by the reduced supply of teachers. The Government of Korea has been trying to repair this deficiency.

The first step toward securing teachers took the form of reaching into Korean society for individuals who had some training and placing them in schools. In addition, training programs were established at all levels - primary, middle, and high school. The Ministry of Education established 18 normal schools to train primary school teachers. These normal schools are high school level institutions. Teachers for the middle school (our junior high level) are trained in temporary institutes - 8 in number, and normal colleges. Several of the institutes are being closed as new and better training programs are developed.

Statistics in the field of education are not entirely complete. We have a specialist in this field and hope to encourage improvements. It appears that there are nearly 4 million children and youth in the schools of Korea. There may be as many as 3½ million in the primary schools with about 600,000 in the middle and high schools, and 75 or 80 thousand in the colleges and universities.

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There are about 60 thousand school teachers in the nation. The vast proportion of teachers in the primary schools have a high school education or less. The junior high school or middle school teachers are trained through junior college level. High school teachers have college educations. At the present time the teacher situation is such that the supply essentially meets the demand if we ignore the nature of preparation. The staff members of OEC and Peabody College in company with the Ministry of Education are concerned with the improvement of quality.

Peabody has a staff of 8 specialists in Korea. As part of the present program we are cooperating with Chosun Christian University in the creation of a school of library science for the training of librarians. There are some excellent collections of books in Korea but without adequate cataloging they are almost useless.

Another fact of our program deals with text book preparation. We hope to make a significant contribution in this field. The staff is working with the College of Education at Ewha University to stimulate the writing of children's literature, and to encourage democratic studies and practices for young children. We are working with parents as well as teachers.

The College of Education at the Seoul National University, where a large proportion of high school teachers of the nation receive their training offers an opportunity to develop a center out of which can radiate improvement in teacher training because most normal school faculty members are graduates of the College of Education. We have a pilot project at the provincial level in Cholla Namdo where we are working with normal schools, education officials of the provincial government and local school system.

At present the school system is highly centralized - it should become increasingly decentralized. There needs to be increased emphasis on community participation. In terms of general development of citizens, economic as well as civic, the best opportunity is at the primary school level. Therefore, we anticipate an expansion of our program at the provincial and community level.

One of our problems is in the field of training educational leaders such as principals and supervisors. The present group of leaders received their training under the Japanese. The development of a center of leadership training offers an opportunity for a small investment in time, money and man power to be reflected in widespread gains. This center should be developed at the College of Education, Seoul National University.

The two main points in our program involve the improvement of campus preparation and the upgrading of the existing teaching staff. The further development of leadership is essential to these ends.

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JOINT EMB-OEC-USIS MESSAGE.

FOLLOWING PERSISTENT EFFORTS BY AMERICAN OFFICERS TO INTEREST ROK MINISTRY OF EDUCATION IN PROJECT SIMILAR TO ONE CONTEMPLATED BY ICA IN GUATEMALA BASED ON "CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION PROJECT", MINISTRY HAS SHOWN DEFINITE DESIRE ADOPT PROJECT KOREA, CLAIMING "TOP-LEVEL" GOVERNMENT APPROVAL.

REPRESENTATIVES ALL THREE ADDRESSEES CONSIDER ONE GREATEST KOREAN NEEDS IS SYSTEMATIC FORMULATION BASES OF DEMOCRACY IN KOREAN TERMS WHICH CAN BE INCORPORATED INTO EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS BY ROK AUTHORS. ON BASIS LIMITED INFORMATION AVAILABLE BELIEVE GUATEMALA PROJECT OFFERS VALUABLE BACKGROUND EXPERIENCE. REQUEST ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE IN PLANNING AND DEVELOPING PROJECT.

TO ASSURE SOUND PROFESSIONAL PLANNING NEED COMPETENT PERSON, PREFERABLY ONE FAMILIAR WITH GUATEMALAN OR SIMILAR PROJECTS, TO ASSIST IN DEVELOPING PLAN. IS SUCH PERSON AVAILABLE? HOW CAN HE BE SECURED? PROMPT ACTION REQUESTED TO INSURE SUSTAINED ROK INTEREST.

ALSO, AIRMAIL FOUR COPIES OF REPORT ON GUATEMALA PROJECT AND OTHER AVAILABLE RECENT INFO RE THIS, OTHER SIMILAR PROJECTS.

IN TERMS KOREAN PROBLEMS, I PERSONALLY REGARD THE POTENTIAL IN THIS PROJECT OF CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE, AND STRONGLY URGE ACTION REQUESTED.

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SUBJECT: Acknowledgment of Message to President Eisenhower from Louise YIM

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TO: The American Embassy, Seoul

The following message dated April 13 was received by the White House by commercial telegram:

"The President

The White House Washington, D. C.

Words can not express our deepest gratitude for gifts and your unceasing kindness to Korea and Chungang University.

Louise Yim"

The Embassy is requested to make an appropriate acknowledgment at its discretion to Miss Yim.

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SUBJECT: Deportation of Korean Students

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The May 19, 1958 issue of the Korean language Hanguk Ilbo carried a story concerning six Korean students who were deported from the United States on charges of violating United States Immigration Laws. (See Enclosure 1 for an unofficial translation of this story.) According to the Hanguk Ilbo story, five of these six students claim they were deported because they held jobs while attending school. The newspaper quoted the students, who arrived in Seoul on May 17, as saying, "Previously, the Immigration Bureau overlooked foreign students obtaining jobs at night or during vacations for the purpose of earning money to meet their school expenses. Recently, they have suddenly begun to apprehend violators of the law. This is apparently attributed to the fact that the Americans themselves are suffering from unemployment." The students are also reported to have said, "Scores of thousands of students who are remaining in the United States are also expected to be deported."

The names of the six students and the Hanguk Ilbo version of the reason for their deportation follow: (1) SONG Chong-sun (1345/6945/7311) - although reportedly married to an American, deported for psychopathic reasons; (2) KIM Chae-hyong (6855/0961/3518) - deported for finding employment as a miner after leaving the University of Utah; (3) IM Son-yong (0117/0810/5391) - deported because she was suffering from nervous prostration resulting from college studies; (4) T'AK Sang-yong (0587/4161/5391) - deported because she was found working in a flower garden during a week's vacation from an unidentified Los Angeles college; (5) YI Yong-gu (2621/5391/3061) - while a student at the University of Florida, deported after one week's imprisonment for failure to submit an application for an extension of his visa; and (6) YI Ch'ong-ju (2621/1131/2691) - deported because he secured a job in a shipping company to defray school expenses while studying in an Illinois college. Yi Ch'ong-ju reportedly was imprisoned in Chicago for 40 days. The next day, the English language Korea Times also reported the deportation, but identified the deportees as four students and two insane persons. The Times also reported the students as saying they were deported because they violated US immigration laws by holding part-time jobs while attending school.

Although the Consular Section of the Embassy was notified by the Department of the deportation and arrival date of these Korean students, it was not informed as to the names, number of deportees or the specific reasons for

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deportation. In view of the somewhat unfavorable light in which U.S. policy on deportation is cast in the Hanguk Ilbo editorial, and the possibility of future cases of a similar nature arising, it would be helpful if the Department could apprise the Embassy of the names and detailed reasons for deportation of Korean nationals. It would be particularly useful to have information on such deportees as would substantiate U.S. concern with the problem so often raised by the ROK Government, i.e. efforts on the part of Korean students to avoid return to their homeland after completing their studies by seeking employment in the United States.

For the Ambassador:

William G. Jones

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First Secretary of Embassy

Enclosure:

1. Unofficial translation of May 19, 1958 Hanguk Ilbo article.

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SIX KOREAN STUDENTS DEPORTED FROM US.

(Hanguk Ilbo - Summary, 3/4 or original)

Six Korean students who have been deported from the United States on the charge of violation of the American Immigration Law while studying in the United States arrived at Kimp'o Airport yesterday afternoon by a special plane of the American Immigration Bureau. They were the first to be deported from the United States since the liberation of Korea. Five of the six deportees were having jobs in the United States while studying. The deportees unanimously said, "Previously, the Immigration Bureau overlooked foreign students' assumption of jobs at night or during vacations for the purpose of earning money to meet their school expenses. Recently, they have suddenly begun to disclose the violators of the law. This is apparently attributable to the fact that the Americans themselves are suffering from unemployment." They said, "Scores of thousands of students who are remaining in the United States are also expected to be deported." The recent six deportees were as follows:

SONG In-sun, 1/ 31-year old woman: Miss Song went to the United States in 1952 and was married to an American there. She has been deported as she has been suffering from psychopathy.

KIM Chae-hyong, 25-year old male student: KIM, who went to the United States in 1954, left the University of Utah at the senior class. He has been deported after being found to be working at a mine.

IM Son-yong, 27-year old female student: The eldest daughter of PAEK Nam-sun, Director of the Songsim School in Pusan, Miss Im was suffering from nervous prostration while studying in a college. Her elder and younger sisters are studying in the United States.

T'AK Sang-yong, 25-year old female student: The eldest daughter of Mr. T'AK Ki-yong, inspector of the Hungob Bank, Miss T'ak was studying in the linguistic course of a college in Los Angeles. She has been deported after being found to be working at a flower garden during one week's vacation.

YI Yong-gu, 27-year old male student: An ex-Air Force Captain, Yi went to the United States in 1957 after retiring from the Air Force. While studying in the Florida College, he was imprisoned for one week upon being found to have failed to submit an application for extension of his visa last February.

YI Ch'on-ju, 25-year old male student: YI, who went to the United States in 1956, was studying in a college in Illinois. He secured a job at a shipping company to earn money to meet his school expenses. But he was uncovered and jailed in Chicago Prison for 40 days.

1/ An Embassy local employee translated this name as Song Chong-sun while the contract translator rendered it Song In-sun. The name Song Chong-sun is used in the transmitting despatch.

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SUBJECT: Korean Students in America

The Embassy transmits herewith ten (10) copies of a talk on Korean students in America delivered by Gre[illegible]y Henderson, Cultural Attache', at the International Rotary Club of Seoul on March 11, 1959. Following the speech, a motion was passed that the Rotary Club should further consider and take action on the return of Korean students from America and their placement in Korea.

The Embassy understands that the Department has, for approximately one year, been pursuing a plan to present evidence on the world-wide problem of the return of American-trained students to their less-developed homelands to the inter-Departmental Committee concerned with the development of resources for under-developed areas. The Embassy hopes that the Committee can soon take action on the evidence presented and requests information from the Department on the progress made toward alleviation of the Korean student problem.

FOR THE AMBASSADOR:

Henry F. Arnold

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SUBJECT: The International Art Exhibition as an Expression of Friendship and Gratitude.

TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL

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The following extracts from official catalogues of important international art exhibits in the United States may be of interest to the Korean Minister of Education and others who hope for the unanimous approval by the Korean National Assembly of a comparable loan of Korean masterpieces.

ART TREASURES FROM VIENNA COLLECTIONS LENT BY THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT 1949-1950: "FOREWORD. One of the most interesting aspects of the post-war period has been the interchange of works of art between countries. Since 1946 the American public has had an opportunity to see many wonderful masterpieces which heretofore have been available only to those fortunate enough to travel or through photographs and color reproductions. The paintings of three British masters were shown through the generosity of H. M. the King. His Holiness Pope Pius XII sent the celebrated statue of the Good Shepherd. The Italian Government has likewise permitted (two) famous sculptures by Michelangelo to travel to New York and Washington. The French Government celebrated the resumption of cultural relations with the glorious exhibition in New York and Chicago of its most precious tapestries. The present exhibition of art treasures from the Vienna collections is another of these epoch-making events whose memory will be cherished by all art lovers."

PAINTINGS LOOTED FROM HOLLAND RETURNED THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES, December 7, 1946 - January 1, 1948: "Holland is deeply grateful to America. Through the efforts of American Armed Forces an important part of the Dutch Treasures looted by the Nazis was retrieved .... As a token of this gratitude the Government of the Netherlands has sent a number of returned paintings for exhibition in the United states ... only a handful of works taken from the enormous collection of returned loot — a few flowers from a large bouquet. It is not possible to send this exhibition to as many towns and places as we should like.... An extended tour on top of years of exile makes owners long still more for a reunion with their paintings. We decided therefore upon a definite and somewhat restricted itinerary....Again to you, Americans, our sincerest gratitude."

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A HANDBOOK OF THE LOAN EXHIBITION OF FRENCH TAPESTRIES ARRANGED THROUGH THE COURTESY OF THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT. November 21, 1947 to February 29, 1948. "A message from France: "If the Lady with the Unicorn has crossed the seas amid all the heraldic panoply of a warship it is to bring a message to the people of the United States from the people of France...."

EIGHTY MASTERPIECES FROM THE GOLD MUSEUM, BANCO DE LA REPUBLICA, BOGOTA, COLOMBIA, 1954: "....The Banco de la Republica ... has consented to send eighty masterpieces from the Museo del Oro to the United States on temporary loan for exhibition in several cities ... This action, above all, bears added witness to the warm admiration in which we Colombians hold the great democracy of North America ...."

EXHIBITION OF JAPANESE PAINTING AND SCULPTURE SPONSORED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN. 1953. "Preface. It is deeply gratifying to me that an exhibition of Japanese ancient art is to be shown in five of the leading art galleries in America at this time ... As for the selection of art objects for the exhibition we proceeded cautiously by conferring with the American committee ... As a result a perfect agreement on both sides was finally reached and a splendid selection was made. I have no hesitancy in declaring that each of the 91 items of art objects chosen belongs to the highest class of art work that Japan is able to send abroad at present. The exhibition is to remain in America for the duration of one year ... I fervently hope that this exhibition will play a useful role, not only in bringing an increase in good will to the participating countries, but also in contributing something worthy to world culture.

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Captions 304 Signal Battalion/and Embassy negatives (negatives) selected for exhibition will be forwarded Embassy Seoul and Posner soonest. Other captions will follow.

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Dear Captain Posner:

As soon as you receive the Embassy negatives from Mr. M. W. Scherbacher, Cultural Attaché, at the American Embassy, Seoul, would you make up 8" x 10" or 11" x 14" enlargements of the enclosed twenty pictures for the Department of the Army? I had these pictures enlarged for President Rhee and they saw the enlargements at the Pentagon. They are marked for cropping.

I would very much appreciate it if you would substitute or add any others - up to 25 or so- from the negatives of later trips that I have not seen, particularly if you think they would make especially handsome pictures.

Colonel Norman D. King, CA/MC, Department of the Army, in the Pentagon has asked for them. Would you prefer to send them to him directly? I thought that if I received them I could offer to have them mounted. But I could make the offer anyway.

With many thanks,

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall

Arts and Monuments Adviser
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Enclosure:

Twenty contact prints of Korean monuments.

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GENERAL REPORT OF MISSION TO KOREA BY THE ARTS AND MONUMENTS ADVISER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

On October 19, 1954, I left Washington under Department of the Army and Department of State orders to make preliminary arrangements in Korea for proposed exhibitions of Korean art and to locate any available combat art by members of the US Forces. I arrived in Seoul on October 27, 1954 and remained in Korea for two months. I returned to Washington on January 10, 1955. On my way out to Korea I took with me a Korean sword recovered in the United States. (A clipping about the sword is attached.)

COMBAT ART. In both Tokyo and Seoul, I inquired about the possibility of locating any combat art by members of the US Forces. However, no art of any merit by an American artist was found, although I saw some poor work. Paintings by Korean artists of the war and of refugees are in private hands in Korea. If the work of Korean artists would be of any interest, it will be possible to arrange with Mr. M. W. Scherbacher, Cultural Attaché at the American Embassy, Seoul, to have the paintings photographed for preliminary consideration. Then if any of the work is selected, a copy could probably be made by the Korean artist, whenever the original could not be acquired.

THE FIELD TRIPS. Through the expert and unfailing assistance of the Civil Affairs Division of the Eighth Army in Seoul, including that of Colonel Whately, Colonel Hinson, and particularly of Colonel King and Major MacCracken, arrangements were made with the Army Air Force, the Signal Corps, and the Korea Civil Assistance Command (KCAC) for three long trips and four one-day trips. On four trips we flew from Seoul in Army planes and were met by KCAC vehicles; (1) to Chonju returning from Kwangju (for ten days) (2) to Andong (for five days) (3) to Taegu returning from Pusan (for eight days) (4) to Nam-Nonsan and Puyo (for one day). On other one-day trips we went to Kwangnung, to Suwon, and to Uijongbu, where we were met by Colonel Ray Allen who took us to a temple (Pokwang-sa) restored by the Armed Forces Assistance to Korea (AFAK). The party usually consisted of an Embassy official, a Korean museum officer delegated by the Korean Government, a Signal Corps photographer, an Embassy photographer, and the KCAK Korean drivers, and myself. With vehicles having four-wheel drive, it was possible to go to places never before visited by a Westerner and certainly never by an American woman.

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Many temples and historic sites are situated in the mountain areas which have only recently been freed from guerrilla activity. It was found safe to travel throughout South Korea. All the trips were made without the slightest difficulty of any kind whatsoever.

About fifty Buddhist temples, Confucian schools, and historic sites of great antiquity were visited and photographed. We were everywhere most cordially and hospitably received. I have assembled full information about the places photographed and the attached captions were duplicated for use of the Signal Corps, the Embassy and Department.

While the photographic coverage in black and white of the places visited on the field trips was satifactory, the facilities for photographing in color with very difficult lighting problems were not adequate for exhibition purposes. In all we have only about 25 Ektachrome transparencies. The Signal Corps of the Department of the Army is the only agency equipped to do the work.

I would like to recommend that with the knowledge we now have of the special requirements that arrangements should be made for obtaining additional color photographs in April and May, when the spring landscape, with the flowering trees, will lend itself to more attractive exhibition-photographs that we could have possibly taken in November and December.

INTERNATIONAL LOAN EXHIBITION OF KOREAN ART. The possibility of an important exhibition in the United States of Korean masterpieces supplemented by photographs of Korean architecture was welcomed by President Rhee and by all the Korean officials whom I met. No such exhibition of Korean art has ever previously been shown in any country and it was generally felt that such recognition was overdue and that an exhibition of Korean art in the United States might well have preceded the Japanese exhibition.

It is planned that the exhibition will include about one hundred objects of superior quality to be loaned by the Korean Government for approximately one year. The exhibit will be shown in five or six American museums under arrangements to be made by the sponsoring museums. It has been recommended that all objects loaned to the United States should be exhibited in Seoul on their return to Korea and that a special Korean edition of the exhibition catalogue should be published for distribution there.

It is believed that the benefit and advantages which Korea may receive when the cultural achievements of the country are better known is generally appreciated in Seoul. While the loan of the national treasures has not yet been approved by the National Assembly, it is hoped that when the matter comes up for a vote, that it may be approved unanimously.

The condition of the art objects after years in storage and the possible need for special treatment and restoration before they can be exhibited, however, may possibly delay the exhibition.

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EXHIBITION OF KOREAN ARCHITECTURAL PHOTOGRAPHS. The loan exhibition of Korean art is to be accompanied by a supplementary exhibit of architectural photographs. For several reasons the photographic exhibit has taken on increased interest and importance.

The beautiful monuments and impressive scenery combine to make the photography far more effective than could possibly have been anticipated. Some of the greatest examples of Far Eastern art and architecture were found to have survived through the centuries in the Korean mountains. Their enormous artistic significance has been little appreciated outside Korea. Except for examples found in Japanese publications, many have never been photographed or published. An exhibition of photographs of the early monuments and the magnificent buildings with their brilliantly colored decoration will, therefore, be of unique importance because their existence is virtually unknown in the West.

The chief advantage of a photographic exhibit is that the pictures can be duplicated and circulated to many smaller places at the same time that they are being shown with the loan exhibition. And the tours can be extended for as long as there is a demand.

Certain American museum officials have expressed the opinion that if the Korean loan exhibition of art is shown only in five or six cities and not on a wider tour, it would arouse protests from Americans who had fought in Korea or had sent members of their family to fight in Korea. However, I believe that the exhibit of photographs would forestall any such criticism.

Some of the black and white Embassy photographs taken on the field trips are now being enlarged and prepared, with the help of the Signal Corps, for exhibition throughout Korea, at the USIS Centers. A small group has been mounted in the Department of State for presentation to President Rhee, which suggests the scope and interest of the Korean national treasures.

WAR DAMAGE TO HISTORIC PROPERTY. Information about the loss and damage in guerrilla areas in the south was obtained from priests and local officials and information about the more severe losses in the combat areas in the north near the 38th parallel was obtained from observers. I found no evidence that any of the mountain-temples was burned through action by the United States Forces. The most tragic losses were the temple-buildings destroyed by guerrillas at Songkwang-sa, Porim-sa, Taean-sa and the reported losses in the north as at Wolchang-sa during the military operations. Plans are already being laid to rebuild some of these temples.

The record of the present condition of the surviving monuments will be most valuable to the Korean Government in planning for their protection and care. The National Museum of Korea has stated in a book published in 1953 on the War Damage to Korean Historical Monuments that, "Most of the temples were scattered in the countryside especially in the mountainous areas, which makes it difficult to collect data on their degree of damage or present condition. On the spot surveys and collection of data is our urgent task at present, prior to taking any steps

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toward the preservation or restoration of the monuments."

The rarity and importance of Korea's monuments makes it imperative that adequate measures by the Korean Government be taken to restore them to good repair and that they be protected from fire, theft, and vandalism.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE MADE TO THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION BY THE ARTS AND MONUMENTS ADVISER. On several occasions I discussed the Korean needs with the Minister of Education, His Excellency Dr. LEE Sun-Keun. The most pressing emergency while I was in Korea was the transfer of the national collections out of Pusan where they were endangered by fire. The objects are now reported to have been moved to Kyongju and Seoul.

The Minister of Education asked me to send him any suggestions and advice that I might feel it would be helpful for him to have. I am, therefore, preparing for the Minister a special report illustrated by photographs obtained on the field trips recommending (1) general conservation measures and legislation that may be desirable, (2) repairs that are specifically needed to save some of Korea's national monuments, and (3) the extension of the list of declared national treasures protected under Korean law to include many more buildings, monuments, and examples of sculpture and painting than enjoyed such protection under the Japanese Government-General. A copy of the report will be transmitted to the Department of the Army and to interested private organizations where I hope that the needs may enlist some practical assistance, in addition to my advice.

Two urgent needs are (1) the microfilming of early Court diaries and Temple records (where they exist in only one manuscript copy) and (2) the equipment of a scientific laboratory for the care and restoration of works of art.

The Korean museum officials and the custodian of the Royal Household properties are able and competent men, aware of the prodigious tasks of rehabilitation and reconstruction in order to salvage Korean monuments from the deterioration and damage of war-years. They have rebuilt the Li Household Western Palace in the Duk Su grounds and it was opened as the National Museum when I was there. They are vigorously repairing the palace buildings and starting a new Zoo. I feel that they greatly deserve whatever encouragement and support we can give them.

AFAK ASSISTANCE. Under the Armed Forces Assistance to Korea (AFAK) programs (which has notably rebuilt many schools) some assistance has already been given in restoring the small temple at Pokwang-sa, which we visited. AFAK under the sponsorship of the 7th Infantry Division has established an orphanage for 70 homeless children at this temple and has thus combined two excellent and worthwhile projects. Another AFAK orphanage at the Yongju-sa Temple near Suwon was also visited. Photographs by the Signal Corps or Embassy photographers were obtained at both these temples. I have found the greatest interest and approval in the United States whenever I have had an occasion to mention the splendid work of the AFAK projects.

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Preliminary arrangements before I left Korea were being made with the help of Colonel Ray Allen of the Civil Affairs Division to have AFAK assist in building a small bell-tower at Pongsun-sa in Yangju County near Uijongbu to shelter a large Koryo bell of the 14th century. The bell fell to the ground and was left unprotected (and undamaged) when the temple burned.

It is hoped that when the photographs are assembled showing the urgent repairs that are needed to save some of the Korean monuments that the Army and AFAK may be able to lend further assistance where engineering "know-how" and special equipment are required.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS. It was particularly gratifying to me to have found such generous and helpful interest from those I dealt with, in both Japan and Korea. It is an indication I believe, of the interest which everyone will have in the national treasures of Korea.

My debt of thanks begins with Major Roy Hall, and Dr. Arthur K. Loomis of the FEC, Miss Gale Hargroves and Mr. Amott of the American Embassy, in Tokyo, who smoothed my path in many expeditious ways. The Signal Corps officers and Captain George E. Posner were exceedingly helpful in preparing me for the photographic problems to be encountered.

In Korea, the Civil Affairs officers of the Eighth Army, who have already been mentioned, gave me every support in arranging for the field trips. The Signal Corps was able to provide a photographer on three trips. Mr. Richeson, at the KCAC Headquarters in Seoul, arranged for our transportation with the KCAC Team Commanders in the provinces: Colonel McLamb at Chonju, Colonel Webb at Kwangju, and Colonel Rosenfeld at Taegu.

Ambassador Briggs and the Cultural Attaché, Mr. M. W. Scherbacher, on whom I relied for experienced advice and guidance, could not have been more considerate and helpful. I count it a part of my good fortune to have been in Korea when they were at the American Embassy. On my return from the last field trip, I was invited to stay with Ambassador and Mrs. Briggs, where I was able to meet and work with the Korean officials and Embassy officers under the most pleasant circumstances.

President and Mrs. Rhee, the Minister of Education, the Custodian of the Imperial Household, the Director of the Korean National Museums and many others entertained me most hospitably and presented me with many gifts including recent books and reprints on Korean art. I could not have been received with greater kindness by the Korean officials and scholars. I hope that the wider appreciation of the cultural heritage of Korea will lead to more extensive research and a new appraisal of the unique and important contribution the Korean people have made to the art of the Far East.

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1. Clipping: "Ancient Korean sword returned by U. S. " from the Korean Republic, November 6, 1954.

2. Captions of photographs.

3. List of the collection of photographs for presentation to President Rhee.

4. Letter from the American Ambassador to the Department of State.

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" ANCIENT KOREAN SWORD RETURNED BY UNITED STATES"

THE KOREAN REPUBLIC, SEOUL, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1954

An ancient Korean sword, which an American soldier bought while serving in Korea and later took to the United States as a souvenir, has been returned here by Miss Ardelia R. Hall, Arts and Monuments Adviser to the State Department.

In a brief ceremony held yesterday at the U. S. Embassy, Miss Hall handed the sword over to Sun Keun Lee, ROK Minister of Education, in the presence of U. S. Ambassador Ellis O. Briggs and National Museum Director Jae Won Kim.

The huge sword, covered with inscriptions, is five feet long and weighs 30 pounds. It is reputed to date back to 16th century Yi Dynasty days.

The sword was confiscated by U. S. Customs inspectors in Los Angeles when the soldier arrived there. Later, the Los Angeles Museum, after long inquiry, established it as an authentic ROK Government possession of historic value.

Lee awarded Miss Hall a citation, in which he expressed gratitude for the kindness of the U. S. Government and Miss Hall in sending back the treasure.

Miss Hall told reporters that the U. S. Government is always willing to send back such national treasures.

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Three-storey Mirok-jon: "Hall of the Maitreya Buddha" erected in the Li dynasty, National Treasure No. 337.

Exterior from south with Korean school boys in foreground and on steps leading to high terrace, where there is a five-storey stone stupa dating from early Koryo dynasty, National Treasure No. 38.

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Three-storey Mirok-jon: "Hall of the Maitreya Buddha" erected in the Li dynasty, National Treasure No. 337.

Exterior from south-east, showing rear of building.

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Three-storey Mirok-jon: "Hall of the Maitreya Buddha" erected in the Li dynasty, National Treasure No. 337.

Exterior from west, showing front of building. Five-storey stupa, National Treasure No. 38 at far left. Lotus pedestal, probably of Great Silla date (AD 668-935), National Treasure No. 36 and poly-storied slate stupa, probably of Great Silla date, National Treasure No. 40, are in left foreground.

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Taechokkwang-jon: "Hall of the Great Calm Radiance", one-storey building of the Middle Li dynasty (16th-18th century).

Exterior Lotus pedestal, probably Great Silla date (AD 668-935) at the left. The Abbot of the Temple; Ha Kyu-ho, and a priest are in front of the building.

The building is beginning to lean backward and needs reinforcing and strengthening.

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Interior: view of long main altar, showing the five seated Buddhas and four of the six standing Bodhisattvas.

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Taechokkwang-jon: "Hall of the Great Calm Radiance", one-storey building of the Middle Li dynasty (16th-18th century).
Interior: view of the long main altar, showing the five seated Buddhas and four of the six standing Bodhisattvas. The Abbot of the Temple, Ha Kyu-ho, and a priest are standing in front of altar.

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Interior: view of the long main altar, showing the five seated Buddhas and four of the six standing Bodhisattvas. One priest is shown, the other is blotted out.

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KUMSAN-SA: "Temple of the Golden Mountain" on Moak San: "Mother Mountain", Suryu-myon (Suryu Township), Kumje-gun (Kumje County), Cholla Pukto (North Cholla Province), 12 miles southwest of Chonju.
Five-storied stupa, dating from the early Koryo dynasty - 10th to 11th century, National Treasure No. 38. On the right the bell-shaped memorial stupa, called "Sari-t'ap"-"Sacred Ashes", with nine dragon-heads also of the early Koryo dynasty, National Treasure No. 39. The Abbot of the Temple, Ha Kyu-ho, stands at right center.

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SILSANG-SA: "Temple of True Reality", at the base of Chiri Mountain, Samnae-myon (Sannae Township), Namwon-gun (Namwon County), Cholla Pukto (North Cholla Province), 18 miles east and south of Namwon.

East and West three-storey stone stupas of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 50. On the left is the stone lantern of the Great Silla period, National Treasure No. 48. Four priests of the Temple in the center foreground.

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SILSANG-SA: "Temple of True Reality" at the base of Chiri Mountain, Sannae-myon (Sannae Township), Namwon-gun (Namwon County), Cholla Pukto (North Cholla Province), 18 miles east and south of Namwon.

The Ungnyo memorial stupa of Chonghak Taesa of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 51.

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SILSANG-SA: "Temple of True Reality" at the base of Chiri Mountain, Sannae-myon (Sannae Township), Namwon-gun (Namwon County), Cholla Pukto (North Cholla Province), 18 miles east and south of Namwon.

Seated iron statue of Yaksa-yore or Bhaisajyaguru, the Healing Buddha of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 55. Priest of temple at the left.

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PAEKCHANG-AM, SIDE TEMPLE OF SILSANG-SA: "The Thousand-foot-high Side Temple", Sannae-myon (Sannae Township), Namwon-gun (Namwon County), Cholla Pukto (North Cholla Province), 18 miles east and south of Namwon.

three-storey stone memorial stupa with relief sculpture: Guardian King and Bodhisattva on the first storey, two apsaras in a balcony playing musical instruments on the second storey, and apsaras on the third storey, National Treasure No. 54. In the left foreground is the upper part of the stone lantern, National Treasure No. 53. Both the stupa and lantern date from the end of the Great Silla period, about A.D. 850.

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HWAOM-SA: "Temple of the Flower Sūtra" on the southwest slope of Chiri San: "Chiri Mountain", Masan-myon (Masan Township), Kure-gun (Kure County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province), 5 miles north-east of Kure;

Two-storey Kakhwang-jon;"Realized Buddha Hall", completed in 1703, National Treasure No. 378.

Exterior, showing front of building with great stone lantern, dating from Great Silla period (A.D. 663-935), National Treasure No. 63: the East and West stone five-storied Stupas, dated A.D. 754, National Treasures Nos. 215 and 216, in the lower courtyard. (Hwaom-sa and Pulkuk-sa are temples of the same sect: Hwaom-chong.)

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HWAOM-SA: "Temple of the Flower Sūtra" on the southwest slope of Chiri San: "Chiri Mountain", Masan-myon (Masan Township), Kure-gun (Kure County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province), 5 miles north-east of Kure;

The five-storied West Stupa with relief sculpture, dated A.D. 754, National Treasure No. 216. The Abbot of the Temple, Kim Ha-un, and a priest are standing at the left.

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HWAOM-SA: "Temple of the Flower Sūtra" on the southwest slope of Chiri San: "Chiri Mountain", Masan-myon (Masan Township), Kure-gun (Kure County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province), 5 miles north-east of Kure;

Two-storey Kakhwang-jon "Realized Buddha Hall", completed in 1703, National Treasure No. 378.

Interior, showing main altar with three seated Buddhas and attending Bodhisattvas. The Abbot of the Temple, Kim Ha-un, and a priest, in scarlet vestments, standing before altar.

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HWAOM-SA: "Temple of the Flower Sūtra" on the southwest slope of Chiri San: "Chiri Mountain", Masan-myon (Masan Township), Kure-gun (Kure County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province), 5 miles north-east of Kure;

Two-storey Kakhwang-jon "Realized Buddha Hall", completed in 1703, National Treasure No. 378.

Interior, showing main altar with three seated Buddhas and attending Bodhisattvas. The Abbot of the Temple, Kim Ha-un, and a priest, in scarlet vestments, standing before altar.

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HWAOM-SA: "Temple of the Flower Sutra" on the southwest slope of Chiri San: "Chiri Mountain", Masan-myon (Masan Township), Kure-gun (Kure County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province), 5 miles north-east of Kure;

The Lion Pagoda on a high terrace: a three-storey stone pagoda with four lions and a priest standing with his hands folded in prayer in the center, dated A.D. 754, National Treasure No. 151. The statue of the priest represents the founder of the Temple, Yong-gi Tou. The Abbot of the Temple, Kim Ha-un, is facing the pagoda. A stone lantern at left.

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HWAOM-SA: "Temple of the Flower Sutra" on the southwest slope of Chiri San: "Chiri Mountain", Masan-myon (Masan Township), Kure-gun (Kure County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province), 5 miles north-east of Kure;

Gateway with two Guardian Kings; the one at the right with a lute and the one at the left with a sword.

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SONAM-SA: "Temple of the Sacred Rock" on Chiryo Mountain, Ssangam-myon (Ssangam Township), Sunju-gun (Sunju County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province).

Taeung-jon: "Great Hero Hall". Main Hall of Temple, erected in the Li dynasty, 18th-19th century.

Exterior, with two stone stupa of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935) in the courtyard. The priest of the Temple is facing the Main Hall.

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PORIM-SA: "Temple of the Treasure Forest", Yuchi-myon (Yuchi Township), Changheung-gun (Changheung County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province).

Seated Iron Buddha, of Great Silla Period (A.D. 668-935) with priest at left.

The iron statue of Buddha is in a temporary building, as the Main Hall of the Temple, the Taeung-jon: "Great Hero Hall", National Treasure No. 240, has been destroyed.

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PORIM-SA: "Temple of the Treasure Forest", Yuchi-myon (Yuchi Township), Changheung-gun (Changheung County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province).

The Ch'angsong t'ap or memorial pagoda of the famous priest Pojo Sonsa, erected in the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935). The priest of the Temple is at the left.

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MUWI-SA: "Temple of Non-Activity", Songjon-myon (Songjon Township), Kangjin-gun (Kangjin County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province).
Kuknak-jon: "Paradise Hall", erected in the early Li dynasty (14th to 15th century), National Treasure No. 67.
Interior, showing mural painting on the east wall, probably contemporary with the building.

(Note the mural with three seated figures is the east wall mural and the one with eight standing figures and the Buddha is the west wall mural.)

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SIG CORPS PHOTO (18) Color 17 Nov 1954

MUWI-SA: "Temple of Non-Activity", Songjon-myon (Songjon Township), Kangjin-gun (Kangjin County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province).
Kuknak-jon: "Paradise Hall", erected in the early Li dynasty (14th to 15th century), National Treasure No. 67.
Interior: showing mural painting on the west wall, probably contemporary with the building.

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TAEHEUNG-SA: "Temple of the Great Advance", Samsan-myon (Samsan Township), Haenan-gun (Haenan County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province).
Chunbul-jon: "Hall of a Thousand Buddhas", the oldest building at the temple, dating from the Middle Li dynasty.

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TOGAP-SA: "Temple of the Virtuous Way, Kunso-myon (Kunso Township), Yongam-gun (Yongam County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province).
Avenue bordered by flowering chrysanthemums leading to the Taeungpo-jon "Great Buddha Hall", the Main Hall of the Temple, dating from the Middle Li dynasty. Two priests in the courtyard.

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SANGBONG-SA: "Temple of the Twin Peaks", Iyang-myon (Iyang Township), Hwasun-gun (Hwasun County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province).
Taeung-jon: "Great Hero Hall", three-storey wooden pagoda, National Treasure No. 274.

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PAEKYANG-SA: "Temple of the White Sheep", Puksang-myon (Puksang Township), Changsong-gun (Changsong County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province).
Taeung-jon: "Great Hero Hall", the Main Hall of the Temple, erected during the 1920's.

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PAEKYANG-SA: "Temple of the White Sheep", Puksang-myon (Puksang Township),Changsong-gun (Changsong County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province).
Bell and Drum Tower. The priest from Porim-sa standing at right.

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PAEKYANG-SA: "Temple of the White Sheep", Puksan-myon (Puksang Township), Changsong-gun (Changsong County), Cholla Namdo (South Cholla Province).
Two Guardian Kings. Modern workmanship.

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WANGGUNG-T'AP: "King's Palace Stupa", Wanggung-myon (Wanggung Township), Iksan-gun (Iksan County), Cholla Pukto (North Cholla Province).
Five-storey stone stupa of the Paekche dynasty, dating from the 7th century A.D., National Treasure No. 58.

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KYONGBUK PALACE, SEOUL

Palace of the Li Kings rebuilt 80 years ago.
Courtyard of the Throne Hall surrounded with colonnade.

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KYONGBUK PALACE, SEOUL

Bridge over lotus pond to island pavilion.

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KYONGBUK PALACE, SEOUL

The pavilion on the island reflected in the lotus pond.

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KYONGBUK PALACE, SEOUL

Palace of the Li Kings rebuilt 80 years ago.
View looking across formal garden toward the two-storey Throne Hall with mountain range in distance.

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KYONGBUK PALACE, SEOUL

Vista down colonnade on east side of the courtyard of the Throne Hall of the Li Kings.

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KYONGBUK PALACE, SEOUL The two-storey Throne Hall of the Li Kings.
View from the entrance gate.

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KYONGBUK PALACE, SEOUL The large open pavilion beside a lotus pond.

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SIG CORPS PHOTO 11-1206-8/FEC 54 Black and White 5 Nov 1954

KYONGBUK PALACE, SEOUL The two-storey Throne Hall of the Li Kings.
View from the south-east corner of the colonnade.

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PONGSUN-SA: "VENERATE ANCESTORS TEMPLE", CHICHOP-MYON (CHICHOP TOWNSHIP) YANGJU-GUN (YANGJU COUNTY), KYONGGI PROVINCE, 20 MILES NORTHEAST OF SEOUL.

SIG CORPS PHOTO 11-1084-6/FEC 54 Black and White 7 Nov 1954

PONGSUN-SA "Venerate Ancestors Temple" was established near Kwangnung, the tomb of King Sejo, by his son in 1468. Shortly thereafter became the chief temple of the Kyo or Dogma Sect of Korea.
Temple area with only one small hall left standing and the fallen Koryo bell in foreground. All the other buildings were burned during the Korean war.

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PONGSUN-SA The great Koryo bell as it fell during fire that razed the temple buildings.

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PONGSUN-SA The great Koryo bell. Ardelia R. Hall, Arts and Monuments Adviser, Department of State, at right.

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KWANGNUNG Chichop-myon (Chichop Township) Yangju-gun (Yangju County) Kyonggi Province, 20 miles north of Seoul.
The tomb of King Sejo with the pine forest below which surrounds the site of tombs of King and Queen.

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KWANGNUNG Tombs of King Sejo and his Queen Chungui Yoon. Sign at entrance.

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SILSANG-SA: "TEMPLE OF TRUE REALITY" AT THE BASE OF CHIRI MOUNTAIN, SANNAE-MYON (SANNAE TOWNSHIP, NAMWON-GUN (NAMWON COUNTY), CHOLLA PUKTO (NORTH CHOLLA PROVINCE), 18 MILES EAST AND SOUTH OF NAMWON.

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View of temple courtyard with the East and West three-storey stupas of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 50, with priests of the Temple.

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HWAOM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE FLOWER SUTRA"ON THE SOUTHWEST SLOPE OF CHIRI SAN "CHIRI MOUNTAIN", MASAN-MYON (MASAN TOWNSHIP), KURE-GUN (KURE COUNTY), CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE), 5 MILES NORTH-EAST OF KURE.

SIG CORPS PHOTO 11-1205-19 Black and White 15 Nov 1954

HWAOM-SA Two-storey Kakhwang-jon: "Realized Buddha Hall" completed in 1703, National Treasure No. 378.
Exterior showing front of building with great stone lantern, dating from Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 63. The Abbot Kim Ha-un and a priest stand beside the lantern at right. The East and West five-storied stone stupas, dated A.D. 754, National Treasures Nos. 215 and 216 in the lower court-yard. The symbolic, triple stairs of 48 steps lead from lower courtyard to the upper terrace.

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SIG CORPS PHOTO 11-1205-21 Black and White 15 Nov 1954

HWAOM-SA The Lion Pagoda on high terrace: a three-storey stone pagoda with four lions and a priest standing in center with his hands folded in prayer, dated A.D. 754, National Treasure No. 151. The Abbot of the Temple, Kim Ha-un, faces the pagoda. Stone lantern at the left,

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SIG CORPS PHOTO 11-1205-23/FEC 54 Black and White 15 Nov 1954

HWAOM-SA The great stone lantern, dating from the Great Silla Period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 63. The Abbot and priest at right.

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SIG CORPS PHOTO 11-1205-24/FEC 54 Black and White 15 Nov 1954

HWAOM-SA Five-storey stone West Stupa with relief sculp-ture, dated A. D. 754, National Treasure No. 216. The Abbot of the Temple, Kim Ha-un, and a priest at left.

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HWAOM-SA: " TEMPLE OF THE FLOWER SUTRA" ON THE SOUTHWEST SLOPE OF CHIRI SAN "CHIRI MOUNTAIN", MASAN-MYON (MASAN TOWNSHIP), KURE-GUN (KURE COUNTY), CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE), 5 MILES NORTH-EAST OF KURE.

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HWAOM-SA Pagoda supported by lions in front of the Kakhwang-jon: "Realized Buddha Hall".

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HWAOM-SA Discussing the history of Hwaom-sa and temple losses of Korean war with the Abbot.
Left to right: Mr. Hwang Su-young, Korean authority on Buddhist architecture and monuments, the Reverend Kim Ha-un, Abbot of Hwaom-sa, Miss Ardelia R. Hall, Arts and Monuments Adviser, Department of State, Mr. Marcus W. Scherbacher, Cultural Attaché of the American Embassy, Seoul.

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HWAOM-SA Terrace wall on north west side of lower courtyard that has crumbled in recent years, since the Japanese photographed the temple for the Chosen Koseki Zufu. Priest at right.

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SIG CORPS PHOTO 11-1205-32/FEC 54 Black and White 15 Nov 1954

HWAOM-SA West Stupa, five-storey stone monument with relief sculpture, dated A.D. 754, National Treasure No. 216. Priest at right.

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HWAOM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE FLOWER SUTRA " ON THE SOUTHWEST SLOPE OF CHIRI SAN "CHIRI MOUNTAIN", MASAN-MYON (MASAN TOWNSHIP), KURE-GUN (KURE COUNTY), CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE), 5 MILES NORTH-EAST OF KURE.

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HWAOM-SA East Stupa, five-storey stone monument, dated A. D. 754, National Treasure No. 215. Main Hall in the background. Temple priest at right.

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HWAOM-SA The great stone lantern, dating from the Great Silla period (A.D. 66-935), National Treasure No. 63.

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SONAM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE SACRED ROCK", SSANGAM-MYON (SSANGAM TOWNSHIP), SUNJU-GUN (SUNJU COUNTY), CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE).

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SONAM-SA Taeung-jon: "Great Buddha Hall". Main Hall of Temple erected in the Li dynasty, 18th-19th century.
Exterior with two stone stupas of the Great Silla period (A. D. 668-935) in the courtyard. The priest of the Temple before the Main Hall.

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SONAM -SA Taeung-jon: "Great Buddha Hall". Main Hall of Temple erected in the Li dynasty, 18th-19th century.
Exterior with two stone stupas of the Great Silla period (A. D. 668-935) in the courtyard. The priest of the Temple before the Main Hall.

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PORIM-SA:"TEMPLE OF THE TREASURE FOREST" ON MOUNT KAJI, YUCHI-MYON (YUCHI TOWNSHIP), CHANGHEUNG-GUN (CHANGHEUNG COUNTY), CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE) APPROXIMATELY 30 MILES SOUTH OF KWANGJU. FORMERLY THE FIRST OF THE FAMOUS NINE MOUNTAIN TEMPLES OF THE SILLA DYNASTY.

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PORIM-SA Two Guardian Kings and attending figure (left) of Chun Wang Mun: "Gate of the Kings of Heaven".

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PORIM-SA East Stupa (at right) and West Stupa (at left), three-storied stone monuments in the former court-yard of the temple, dating from Great Silla period (A. D. 668-935), National Treasures Nos. 261 and 262 respectively. Stone lantern. The priest, Ra Tai-hung stands in center. The new temporary thatched shelter for the iron Buddha of Great Silla period is in the background.

All important temple buildings have been burned including Main Hall, the Taeung-jon: "Great Hero Hall" of the early Li dynasty which was National Treasure No. 240.

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PORIM-SA The seated iron Buddha of Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935) with priest, Ra Tai-hung, at left in a temporary thatched shelter.

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PORIM-SA The Ch'angsong-t'ap or memorial pagoda of the famous priest, Pojo Sonsa, erected in the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 263. View from rear of monument, the temple priest, Ra Tai-hung, at left.

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PORIM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE TREASURE FOREST" ON MOUNT KAJI, YUCHI-MYON (YUCHI TOWNSHIP), CHANGHEUNG-GUN (CHANGHEUNG COUNTY), CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE) APPROXIMATELY 30 MILES SOUTH OF KWANGJU. FORMERLY THE FIRST OF THE FAMOUS NINE MOUNTAIN TEMPLES OF THE SILLA DYNASTY.

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PORIM-SA The stele of the Ch'angsong-tap of Pojo Sonsa, erected in the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 264; the temple priest, Ra Tai-hung at right.

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PORIM-SA Entrance Gate. The temple priest, Ra Tai-hung in foreground.

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TAEHUNG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE GREAT ADVANCE", SAMSAN-MYON (SAMSAN TOWNSHIP), HAENAM-GUN (HAENAM COUNTY), CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE).

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TAEHUNG-SA Chun bul-jon: "One Thousand Buddhas' Hall". Exterior: detail of eaves with dragon heads on each side of central doors.

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TAEHUNG-SA Chun bul-jon: "One Thousand Buddhas' Hall". The oldest building at the temple, dating from the Middle Li dynasty.
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TAEHUNG-SA Tae ung po-jon: "Hall of the Great Buddha", the main treasure hall of the temple.
Exterior

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TAEHUNG-SA Guardian Kings.

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TAEHUNG-SA Entrance Gate.

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TAEHUNG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE GREAT ADVANCE", SAMSAN-MYON (SAMSAN TOWNSHIP), HAENAM-GUN (HAENAM COUNTY), CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE).

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TAEHUNG-SA The bronze bell, of Tapsan-sa of the Koryo dynasty (A. D. 935-1392), National Treasure No. 149.

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TOGAP-SA: "TEMPLE OF BUDDHA'S WAY," KUNSO-MYON (KUNSO TOWNSHIP), YONGAM-GUN (YOUNGAM COUNTY), CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE).

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TOGAP-SA Haetal Mun: "Gate of Understanding", National Treasure No. 248.

The Main Hall of the temple is framed in the archway of the Gate.

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SANGBONG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE TWIN PEAKS", IYANG-MYON (IYANG TOWNSHIP), HWASUN-GUN (HWASUN COUNTY), CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE).

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SANGBONG-SA Taeun-jon: "Great Buddha Hall", Three-storey wooden pagoda of the middle Li dynasty, National Treasure No. 274. Priest in front of entrance.

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PAEKYANG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE WHITE SHEEP", UNDER THE PAEK-AM-SAN:WHITE ROCK MOUNTAIN",PUKSANG-MYON (PUKSANG TOWNSHIP), CHANGSONG-GUN (CHANG-SONG COUNTY), CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE).

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PAEKYANG-SA Bell and Drum Tower. (Also SIG CORPS PHOTO (16) Color)

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PAEKYANG-SA Taeung-jon: "Great Buddha Hall", the Main Hall of the Temple, built 30 years ago in the 1920's. The Paekam-san: "White Rock Mountain" a beautiful granite peak rises behind the temple.

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PAEKYANG-SA The Korean drivers of the KCAC vehicles. Paekam-san: "White Rock Mountain" in background.

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PAEKYANG-SA One of the four Guardian Kings

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PAEKYANG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE WHITE SHEEP" UNDER THE PAEK-AM-SAN: "WHITE ROCK MOUNTAIN", PUKSANG-MYON (PUKSANG TOWNSHIP), CHANGSONG-GUN (CHANG-SONG COUNTY), CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE).

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HAEIN-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE SIGN ON THE SEA" NEAR MOUNT KAYA, KAYA-MYON (KAYA TOWNSHIP). HYUPCHUN-GUN (HYUPCHUN COUNTY). KYONGSANG NAMDO (SOUTH KYONGSANG PROVINCE).

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HAEIN-SA Courtyard between the storehouses of the 80,000 wood blocks of the Tripitaka, cut in the early 13th century. These buildings are 500 years old. Priests of the Temple standing near entrance to rear storehouse.

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HAEIN-SA Interior of the Main Hall, showing the long altar with seated figures of the Buddhas and altar paintings under a canopy. Priest before altar.

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TAEGU Kyongsang Pukto (North Kyongsang Province)
Pagoda with dragons encircling the base - in the garden of the former Omura house, now the ROK CIC headquarters.

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TAEGU Kyongsang Pukto (North Kyongsang Province).
Statue of Buddha with aureole on a lotus pedestal. Sculpture assembled in the garden of the former Omura house, now the ROK CIC headquarters.

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KUMSAN-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE GOLDEN MOUNTAIN" ON MOAK SAN: "MOTHER MOUNTAIN", SURYU-MYON (SURYU TOWNSHIP), KUMJE-GUN (KUMJE COUNTY), CHOLLA PUKTO (NORTH CHOLLA PROVINCE), 12 MILES SOUTHWEST OF CHONJU.

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KUMSAN-SA

Taechonkkwang-jon: "Hall of the Great Calm Radiance", One-storey building of the Middle Li dynasty (early 17th century).

Exterior from the south-east. Stone lotus pedestal (for a standing Maitreya Buddha,) probably of Great Silla date, as at the left, National Treasure No. 36. The building is leaning backward and needs reinforcing. The abbot of temple stands at foot of steps and a priest on terrace above.

All the buildings of Kumsan-sa were burned during the Hideyoshi Invasion and were rebuilt by Su Mun over a period of 35 years in the early 17th century, during the Middle Li dynasty.

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KUMSAN-SA

Taechonkkwan-jon: "Hall of the Great Calm Radiance", One-storey building of the Middle Li dynasty (early 17th century).

Interior: view of long main altar, showing the five seated Buddhas and four of the six standing Bodhisattvas, of a date contemporary with the building. The Abbot of the Temple and a priest are standing before the altar.

EMB PHOTO 3
12 Nov 1954

KUMSAN-SA

Three-storey Mirok-jon: "Hall of the Maitreya Buddha", National Treasure No. 337.

Exterior from west, showing front of building. The largest three-storey temple hall in Korea. All the buildings of Kumsan-sa were burned during the Hideyoshi Invasion and were rebuilt by Su Mun over a period of 35 years in the early 17th century, during the Middle Li dynasty.

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KUMSAN-SA

Three-storey Mirok-jon: "Hall of the Maitreya Buddha", erected in the Li dynasty, National Treasure No. 337.

Exterior from the south-west.

EMB PHOTO 5
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KUMSAN-SA

The colossal statue of Mirok, the Maitreya Buddha, in the three-storey Mirok-jon: "Hall of the Maitreya Buddha". The statue is of clay and was completed in 1938 by KIM Pok-jin, a famous sculptor who has since died.

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Lotus pedestal of the Great Silla dynasty (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 36,

The granite pedestal was made for a bronze statue of Mirok, the Maitreya Buddha. Two large holes in top show that it was the base of a standing figure of great size. The base has 10 sides each 80 cm. long and 17 cm. high. Flower and lion patterns in panels on each side. The base survived fire probably of the Hideyoshi Invasion with slight damage, a crack on one side.

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KUMSAN-SA

Slate pagoda of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 40.

The hexagonal poly-storied slate pagoda stands on a three-storey granite base; eleven stories remain and only the two top stories are complete with wall and roofs. The walls of each storey between the roof are missing in all the lower stories.

The roofs and walls are carved with line decoration. The stone on top has been added and is not a part of the monument.

EMB PHOTO 8
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KUMSAN-SA

Five-storey stone stupa of early Koryo period 10th-11th century, National Treasure No. 38.

The stupa is on the upper terrace of the temple grounds, called Song-tai; "Pine Tree Terrace", at the left is the stone bell-shaped stupa with nine dragon heads, National Treasure No. 39.

The bell-shaped memorial stupa is the oldest and best preserved stupa of its type in Korea. The bell-shaped stupa rests on the lotus center of a stone base with a lion head at each corner. It is placed on a broad, two-storey square stone platform. The platform is faced with slabs, carved in relief with apsaras.

The Abbot of the Temple, Ha Kyu-ho, stands at the left.

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KUMSAN-SA

Dew Basin (Korean Ro dai), National Treasure No. 35. Originally it stood in front of the Main Hall.

The stones laid on top of the monument have been added and do not belong there.

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Stele of the Buddhist priest Hedok, teacher of Prince Hyodom, dated A.D. 1111, of the early Koryo dynasty, on the hill behind the Mirok-jon or Maitreya Hall.

A part of the dragon top is on the ground in the main compound of the temple. (The memorial stupa of Hedok, the Chinung T'ap, stands in front of the stele.)

EMB PHOTO 11 KUMSAN-SA
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The"Chinung-T'ap", early Koryo dynasty, A.D. 1111, (Should be a National Treasure).

The bell-shaped memorial stupa for Prince Hyodom's teacher, He-dok, in which the ashes of the deceased priest were placed. The Prince gave the stupa the name of Chimung; "Real Response"

Every stupa has its own name given by the king, disciples or followers of the priest for whom it is dedicated, when the stupa is completed.

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IKSAN, KIYANG-NI (KIYANG VILLAGE), KUMNE-MYON TOWNSHIP), CHOLLO PUKTO (NORTH CHOLLA PROVINCE).

EMB PHOTO 12 IKSAN
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Stone Pagoda on the site of Mirok-sa: "Temple of the Maitreya", erected at the beginning of the 7th century, in the reign of the Paekje King Mu Wang.
The oldest and largest stone pagoda in Korea. National Treasure No. 59

EMB PHOTO 13 IKSAN
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Flanking pillars of stone, the support for pole of temple-banner, on the site of Mirok-sa:"Temple of the Maitreya", dating from the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935) of a later date than the Mirok-sa stone pagoda. National Treasure No. 365.

EMB PHOTO 14 IKSAN
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Seated stone Buddha on the site of Sokpul-sa: "Temple of the Stone Buddha", early 7th century. National Treasure No. 60.
Lower half of the seated figure.

EMB PHOTO 15 IKSAN
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Seated stone Buddha on the site of Sokpul-sa: "Temple of the Stone Buddha", early 7th century. National Treasure No.60
View from left side showing the great stone aureole behind the seated figure and the weathered head, which has been replaced by another head attached to the figure.

EMB PHOTO 16 IKSAN
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Seated stone Buddha on the site of Sokpul-sa: "Temple of the Stone Buddha", early 7th century. National Treasure No.60
View of the stone aureole, showing the lotus halo and deities carved in relief. The top of the aureole is broken off.

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EMB PHOTO 17 12 Nov 1954	IKSAN	Wanggung-t'ap: "King's Palace Stupa," The monumental five-storied stupa, dating from the end of the 7th century. View at dusk. left to right: Mr. Hwang Su-young, Ardelia R. Hall, and Mr. M. W. Scherbacher.

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Cholla Pukto (North Cholla Province).
The South Gate, called Pung-nam-mun: "Abundant South Gate". View from south, outside the city-gate.

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Cholla Pukto (North Cholla Province).
The South Gate, called Pung-nam-mun: "Abundant South Gate". View from south, outside the city gate.

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PAEKCHANG-AM, SIDE-TEMPLE OF SILSANG-SA: "THE THOUSAND-FOOT-ELEVATION SIDE-TEMPLE OF THE TEMPLE OF TRUE REALITY". SANNAE-MYON (SANNAE TOWNSHIP), NAMWON-GUN (NAMWON COUNTY), CHOLLA PUKTO (NORTH CHOLLA PROVINCE)

EMB PHOTO 20
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PAEKYANG-AM

General view of walled enclosure with the three-storey stone pagoda of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 54, the stone lantern also of Great Silla period, and a modified bell-shaped sari-t'ap: memorial stupa in the foreground.

The three-storey stone pagoda carved with celestial figures in relief has many details imitating the architectural type of wooden pagodas, as the corbel under the roof and the balustrade of the balcony. The finial is complete.

The stone lantern is octagonal with the balcony motif. It was moved from its hexagonal pedestal, which is now behind the three-storey pagoda and with the lotus base that the pedestal rested upon is half buried in the ground.

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PAEKYAN-AM

Three-storey stone pagoda of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 54.

South side of the pagoda with gate, Bodhisattva at the left and a Guardian King at the right carved in relief. The other three sides, west north and east, each are carved with a Guardian King.

In the second-storey balcony, two apsaras are seated behind a balustrade playing musical instruments. In the third-storey balcony, there is one flying apsaras on each side.

EMB PHOTO 22
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PAEKYANG-AM

Three-storey stone pagoda of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 54.

Detail of lower stories of the south side of pagoda, showing the lotus petal motif under the eaves of the roofs of the first and second stories and the balustrade of the terrace and balcony (the third storey has a similar balustrade) and the beautiful representation of the celestial beings.

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PAEKCHANG-AM, SIDE TEMPLE OF SILSANG-SA: "THE THOUSAND-FOOT-ELEVATION SIDE-TEMPLE OF THE TEMPLE OF TRUE REALITY". SANNAE-MYON (SANNAE TOWNSHIP), NAMWON-GUN (NAMWON COUNTY), CHOLLA PUKTO (NORTH CHOLLA PROVINCE).

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PAEKYANG-AM

Three-storey stone pagoda of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 54.

West side of the pagoda with the Guardian King and attendant on the first storey: two apsaras playing musical instruments seated behind a balustrade on the second storey; and one flying apsaras behind a balustrade on the third storey.

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PAEKYANG-AM

Three-storey stone pagoda of the Great Silla period (A. D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 54.

Detail of the lower stories of the west side of pagoda, showing the Guardian King and his boy attendant and the two heavenly musicians seated behind the balustrade in the second storey.

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SILSANG-SA: "TEMPLE OF TRUE REALITY" , AT THE BASE OF CHIRI MOUNTAIN, SANNAE-MYON (SANNAE TOWNSHIP), NAMWON-GUN (NAMWON COUNTY), CHOLLA PUKTO (NORTH CHOLLA PROVINCE), 18 MILES EAST AND SOUTH OF NAMWON.

EMB PHOTO 25 SILSANG-SA
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View of temple courtyard with the three-storey stone stupas of the Great Silla period, dating from the ninth century, National Treasure No. 50. The finials are complete. The East Stupa is at the left in the rear and the West Stupa is in the foreground. Four priests of the temple in brillantly colored vestments are standing at the left.

EMB PHOTO 26 SILSANG-SA
13 Nov 1954

The octagonal lantern of the Great Silla period dating from the ninth century, with contemporary stone steps, in the temple courtyard. National Treasure No. 48.

The three-storey East Stupa is in background.

EMB PHOTO 27 SILSANG-SA
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The Ungnyo Pagoda of Chonghak Taesa of the Great Silla period (A. D. 668-935). National Treasure No. 51.

One-storey octagonal pagoda with walls carved with figures in relief. Leans slightly to west. Three priests at right.

EMB PHOTO 28 SILSANG-SA
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The Ungnyo Pagoda of Chonghak Taesa of the Great Silla period (A. D. 668-935). National Treasure No. 51.

Detail of the octagonal walls with relief sculpture and under side of roof.

EMB PHOTO 29 SILSANG-SA
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The Nungga-bowol Pagoda of Such'ol Hwasang of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935). National Treasure No. 46

The finial is missing, one storey pagoda with octagonal walls carved with four Guardian Kings in relief and a gate with lock.

Three priests of the temple at the left.

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EMB PHOTO 30 SILSANG-SA
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The stele of the Nungga-bowol Pagoda of Such'ol Hwasang, of the Great Silla period (A. D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 47.
Square lotus base and dragon top; the inscription on the tablet is largely illegible.
Re-erected in 1714.

EMB PHOTO 31 SILSANG-SA
13 Nov 1954

Seated iron statue of the Healing Buddha, Yaksa-yore or Bhaisajyaguru, of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935) in the Yaksa-jon: "Hall of Yaksa-yore". National Treasure No. 55.
The knees of the Buddha are concealed behind the altar.
A priest of the temple stands at left.

EMB PHOTO 32 SILSANG-SA
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Seated iron statue of the Healing Buddha, Yaksa-yore or Bhaisajyaguru, of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935) in the Yaksa-jon: "Hall of Yaksa-yore". National Treasure No. 55.
Detail of the upper part of the statue from the front.

EMB PHOTO 33 SILSANG-SA
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Bronze incense burner of the Koryo dynasty (A.D. 935-1392).
Height 12 inches, diameter at foot 8 1/2". An example of Horyuji Temple from Kumsan-sa is dated 1178.

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SITE OF MANBOK-SA: "TEMPLE OF TEN-THOUSAND JOYS". WANGJONG-NI, NAMWON UP, NAMWON-GUN (NAMWON COUNTY), CHOLLA PUKTO (NORTH CHOLLA PROVINCE)

EMB PHOTO 34 MANBOK-SA
14 Nov 1954

Five-storey stone stupa of the Koryo dynasty (A.D. 935-1392). National Treasure No. 43.

Only four stories remain, the upper storey and finial are missing. There is no relief carving.

The temple was famous during the Koryo dynasty and followed the one-stupa plan.

EMB PHOTO 35 MANBOK-SA
14 Nov 1954

Standing stone Buddha with stone mandala, of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935) National Treasure No. 57

The statue is in a tile-roofed shelter. The top of the aureole is broken off above the head.

EMB PHOTO 36 MANBOK-SA
14 Nov 1954

Stone lotus pedestal, hexagonal in shape for a colossal statue, probably Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 44.

Height 160 cm. Granite. View of pedestal from outside the hedge. There is a hole in the top for the statue. Badly weathered and marred.

EMB PHOTO 37 MANBOK-SA
14 Nov 1954

Stone lotus pedestal, hexagonal in shape for a colossal statue, probably Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 44.

View from yard of a house inside the hedge.

EMB PHOTO 38 MANBOK-SA
14 Nov 1954

Flanking stone pillars for support of the pole of temple banner (at left), two stone heads of figures buried in the ground by the side of the road (at right). Elderly men of village at right.

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YONGDAM-SA: "DRAGON POOL TEMPLE", YONGDAM-NI, CHUCH'ON-MYON, NAMWON-GUN (NAMWON COUNTY), CHOLLA PUKTO (NORTH CHOLLA PROVINCE).

EMB PHOTO 39
14 Nov 1954

YONGDAM-SA

Standing Stone Buddha of the Koryo dynasty (A. D. 935-1392), National Treasure No. 56.

Granite. Ht. 20 shaku. Badly weathered and eroded. Upper part of halo broken off.

(Nonsan has a Koryo standing Buddha: Puyo has another, 8 miles south of Puyo; and Kaesong has one in the Kaesong Museum Compound.)

EMB PHOTO 40
14 Nov 1954

YONGDAM-SA

Seven-storey stupa and stone lantern in the courtyard of temple.

The stupa dates from the Li dynasty, middle of the 19th century.

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HWAOM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE FLOWER SUTRA" ON THE SOUTHWEST SLOPE OF CHIRI SAN: "CHIRI MOUNTAIN", MASAN-MYON (MASAN TOWNSHIP), KURE-GUN KURE COUNTY, CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE), 5 MILES NORTHEAST OF KURE.

EMB PHOTO 41 HWAOM-SA
15 Nov 1954

Taeung-jon: "Great Buddha Hall", the Main Hall of the Temple. The East Stupa at right in lower courtyard. The Abbot of the Temple, Kim Ha-un, standing at foot of steps.

EMB PHOTO 42 HWAOM-SA
15 Nov 1954

Two-storey Kakhwang-jon "Realized Buddha Hall", completed in 1703, National Treasure No. 378.
Interior showing main altar and decoration of the ceiling. The Abbot Kim Ha-un and a priest standing before the altar.

EMB PHOTO 43 HWAOM-SA
15 Nov 1954

The five-storied West Stupa with relief sculpture, dated A. D. 754, National Treasure No. 216. The Abbot of the Temple, Kim Ha-un, and a priest are standing at the left.

EMB PHOTO 44 HWAOM-SA
15 Nov 1954

The five-storied West Stupa, dated A. D. 754, National Treasure No. 216.
Detail of relief sculpture.

EMB PHOTO 45 HWAOM-SA
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The great stone lantern, dating from the Great Silla period (A. D. 668-935), National Treasure No. 63.
The Abbot, Kim Ha-un, and priest at right.

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EMB PHOTO 46 HWAOM-SA
15 Nov 1954

The Lion Pagoda on a high terrace: a three-storey stone pagoda with four lions and a priest standing with his hands folded in prayer in the center, dated A.D. 754, National Treasure No. 151. The statue of the priest represents the founder of the Temple, Yong-gi Tou. The Abbot of the Temple, Kim Ha-un, is facing the pagoda. A stone lantern at left.

EMB PHOTO 47 HWAOM-SA
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Guardian Kings.

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SITE OF YONGKOK-SA, NAEDONG-NI, T'OJI-MYON, KURE-GUN, CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE).

KMB PHOTOS 48 to 57	YONGKOK-SA	NOT IDENTIFIED. Mr. Hwang or Abbot Kim may be able to help distinquish these monuments one from the other.
		National Treasure No. 255: "Three-storey stone pagoda of Yongkok-sa"
		National Treasure No. 256: "Stela of the pagoda of Hyonhak Sonsa."
		National Treasure No. 257: "East Stupa of Yongkok-sa".
		National Treasure No. 258: "Stela of the East stupa of Yongkok-sa"
		National Treasure No. 259: "West stupa of Yongkok-sa"
		National Treasure No. 260: "North stupa of Yongkok-sa"

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TAEAN-SA: "TEMPLE OF GREAT PEACE", NEAR PONGDU SAN, CHUKKONG-MYON (CHUKKONG TOWNSHIP), KOKSONG-GUN (KOKSONG COUNTY), CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE)

EMB PHOTO 58 15 Nov 1954	TAEAN-SA	Distant view of temple in a forest of pine and bamboo, taken from small side-temple.
EMB PHOTO 59 15 Nov 1954	TAEAN-SA	Entrance Gate.
EMB PHOTO 60 15 Nov 1954	TAEAN-SA	Site of the Main Hall which was destroyed in the Korean war on March 23, 1951. The priests returned to the temple in the spring of 1954.
EMB PHOTO 61 15 Nov 1954	TAEAN-SA	Memorial stupa near entrance. It was moved from Hechol-am: "the Hechol Side-temple" about 20 years ago.
EMB PHOTO 62 15 Nov 1954	TAEAN-SA	Memorial stela for the Priest Kwang-ja, who succeeded the Founder Hechol. Base and dragon top near the entrance. a fragment of the stela tablet remains.
EMB PHOTO 63 15 Nov 1954	TAEAN-SA	The memorial pagoda of the Priest Hechol, Founder of Taean-sa. Not a National Treasure, but should be. The memorial pagoda is set up on a platform in a separate terrace dedicated to the Founder.

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SONAM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE SACRED ROCK", SSANGAM-MYON (SSANGAM TOWNSHIP), SUNJU-GUN (SUNJU COUNTY), CHOLLA NAMDO (SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE)

EMB PHOTO 64 16 Nov 1954	SONAM-SA	General view of the temple area.
EMB PHOTO 65 16 Nov 1954	SONAM-SA	Taeung-jon: "Great Buddha Hall", Main Hall of the Temple, erected in the Li dynasty, 18th-19th century, showing one of the two stone stupas in the courtyard.
EMB PHOTO 66 16 Nov 1954	SONAM-SA	The East and West Stupas in the temple courtyard. The East stupa is in the foreground at right and the West Stupa is in the background.
EMB PHOTO 67 16 Nov 1954	SONAM-SA	Two stelae.
EMB PHOTO 68 16 Nov 1954	SONAM-SA	Seated iron statue of Buddha, covered with white paper, which has been whitened and painted. (May preserve the iron from moisture.)
EMB PHOTO 69 16 Nov 1954	SONAM-SA	Portrait of the Second Priest, To Sun.
EMB PHOTO 70 16 Nov 1954	SONAM-SA	Portrait of the Third Priest, Tae Kak.

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EMB PHOTO 71 16 Nov 1954	SONGGWANG-SA	Entrance gate.
EMB PHOTO 72 16 Nov 1954	SONGGWANG-SA	General view of temple area, showing the site of the destroyed buildings, burned during the Korean war.
EMB PHOTO 73 16 Nov 1954	SONGGWANG-SA	View of temple buildings above the burned area.
EMB PHOTO 74 16 Nov 1954	SONGGWANG-SA	View of temple buildings remaining around the burned area.
EMB PHOTO 75 16 Nov 1954	SONGGWANG-SA	View of temple buildings above burned area.
EMB PHOTO 76 16 Nov 1954	SONGGWANG-SA	Kuksa-jon: "State Teacher Hall", Hall with portraits of the temple priests, erected in the early Li dynasty. National Treasure No. 275. Exterior with temple priest.
EMB PHOTO 77 16 Nov 1954	SONGGWANG-SA	Kuksa-jon:"State Teacher Hall", erected in the early Li dynasty, National Treasure No. 275. Interior view of altar with portraits of three founders of Songgwang-sa.

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EMB PHOTO 78 SONGGWANG-SA
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Side-temple of Songgwang-sa. Interior showing altar.

EMB PHOTO 79 SONGGWANG-SA
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Side temple of Songgwang-sa. Interior showing wood-blocks for printing a Buddhist sutra stored on shelves. The former abbot of the temple holds one wood-block.

EMB PHOTO 80 SONGGWANG-SA
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A former abbot and the priest who saved the temple treasures during the Korean war.

EMB PHOTO 81 SONGGWANG-SA
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Small carved tablets of ivory and bone of the Great Silla period (A.D. 668-935). National Treasure No. 294. (Eight of about 39 or 43 tablets are shown.)

EMB PHOTO 82 SONGGWANG-SA
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Chinese carved-wood shrine of the T'ang dynasty (A.D. 618 - 907), shown open as a triptych with the figure of the Buddha in the center, his right hand raised in the Abhaya mudra; the Buddha on the left, probably Samantabhadra, seated on a lion-throne, and the Buddha on the right, probably Vajrapani, on an elephant throne: surrounded by bodhi-sattvas, saints, and apsaras. National Treasure No. 217.

EMB PHOTO 83 SONGGWANG-SA
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Gilt bronze hand bell of the T'ang dynasty (A.D. 618-907). National Treasure No. 295.

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(Set of 66 photographs in 3 albums prepared for presentation to President Rhee.)

1. CHONJU.

Pung-nam-mun: "Abundant South Gate."

2. IKSAN. SITE OF MIROK-SA: "MAITREYA TEMPLE."

Stone stupa of 7th century, National Treasure No. 59.

3. KUMSAN-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE GOLDEN MOUNTAIN."

Taechokkwang-jon: "Hall of Great Calm Radiance".
Left foreground: stone lotus pedestal, National Treasure No. 36

4. KUMSAN-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE GOLDEN MOUNTAIN."

Interior of the Taechokkwang-jon: "Hall of Great Calm Radiance."

5. KUMSAN-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE GOLDEN MOUNTAIN."

Three-storey Mirok-jon: "Hall of the Maitreya Buddha", National Treasure No. 337.

6. KUMSAN-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE GOLDEN MOUNTAIN."

Five-storey stone stupa, National Treasure No. 38, and bell-shaped stupa, National Treasure No. 39, in background.

7. SILSANG-SA: "TEMPLE OF TRUE REALITY."

East and West Stupa, National Treasure No. 50.

8. SILSANG-SA: "TEMPLE OF TRUE REALITY."

Iron Buddha, National Treasure No. 55.

9. HWAOM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE FLOWER SUTRA."

West Stupa, National Treasure No. 216.

10. HWAOM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE FLOWER SUTRA."

Exterior of two-storey Kaehwang-jon, National Treasure No. 378.

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11. HWAOM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE FLOWER SUTRA."
Interior of two-storey Kakhwang-jon, National Treasure No. 378.

12. HWAOM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE FLOWER SUTRA."
Stone lantern, National Treasure No. 63.

13. HWAOM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE FLOWER SUTRA."
Three-storey stupa with 4 lions, National Treasure No. 151.

14. TAEAN-SA: "TEMPLE OF GREAT PEACE."
Entrance Gate.

15. SONAM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE SACRED ROCK."
General view.

16. SONAM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE SACRED ROCK."
Taeung-jon: "Great Buddha Hall."

17. SONGKWANG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE FLOURISHING PINES."
Entrance gate.

18. SONGKWANG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE FLOURISHING PINES."
Site of main buildings which have been destroyed.

19. SONGKWANG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE FLOURISHING PINES."
Former abbot with wood-block for printing sutras.

20. SONGKWANG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE FLOURISHING PINES."
Former abbot and priest who saved the temple treasures.

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21. MUWI-SA: "TEMPLE OF NON-ACTIVITY."

Kukrak-jon: "Paradise Hall." National Treasure No. 67.
Mural painting on East wall.

22. MUWI-SA: "TEMPLE OF NON-ACTIVITY."

Kukrak-jon: "Paradise Hall." National Treasure No. 67.
Main altar.

23. PORIM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE TREASURE FOREST."

East and West Stupas, National Treasure Nos. 261 and 262.

24. PORIM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE TREASURE FOREST."

Stupa, National Treasure No. 263.

25. TOGAP-SA: "TEMPLE OF BUDDHA'S WAY."

Stela.

26. SANGBONG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE TWIN PEAKS."

Three-storey pagoda.

27. TAEHUNG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE GREAT ADVANCE."

Taeungpo-jon: "Hall of the Great Buddha."

28. PAEKYANG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE WHITE SHEEP."

Taeung-jon: "Hall of the Great Buddha."

29. PAEKYANG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE WHITE SHEEP."

Bell and drum Tower.

30. ANDONG:

Brick pagoda, National Treasure No. 76, on site of Pŏp heung-sa.

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31. ANDONG:

Detail of relief sculpture at base of Brick Pagoda.
Guardian King.

32. TOSAN SOWAN: "TOSAN SCHOOL OF CONFUCIAN LEARNING."

General view, National Treasure No. 338.

33. SOSU SOWAN: "SOSU SCHOOL OF CONFUCIAN LEARNING."

Hall dedicated to the Confucian scholar, Anju,
Ancient Remains No. 86.

34. PUSOK-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE FLOATING STONE."

Sakyamuni Buddha, National Treasure No. 224.

35. YONG-MUN-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE DRAGON GATE."

Revolving sutra stand of polychrome wood, National
Treasure No. 243.

36. PONGAM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE PHOENIX CRAG."

Two-storey Hall.

37. PONGAM-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE PHOENIX CRAG."

Three-storey stupa, National Treasure No. 284.

38. KUMNYONG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE GOLDEN DRAGON."

Taeung-jon: "Great Buddha Hall."

39. TAESUNG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE GREATER VEHICLE (MAHAYANA)."

Exterior of great Lecture Hall.

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40. TAESUNG-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE GREATER VEHICLE (MAHAYANA)."
Gold altar in the Main Hall.

41. KYONGJU:
Stone pagoda of Pun-hwang-sa, National Treasure No. 100.

42. KYONGJU:
Buddha and two Bodhisattvas - standing figures, stone, at Pae-ri, National Treasure No. 91.

43. KYONGJU:
Tomb of Silla King, Ancient Remains No. 42.

44. KYONGJU:
Tomb of Silla King, Ancient Remains No. 42.

45. KYONGJU:
Tomb of Silla King, Guardian Warrior and Guardian scholar. Ancient Remains No. 42.

46. KYONGJU:
"Stone Channel of the floating wine cups", P'o-sok-jong.

47. KYONGJU:
Artificial lake of the ancient garden of the Silla Palace.

48. PULKUK-SA: "TEMPLE OF BUDDHA'S REALM."
Ch'ongungyo: "Blue Cloud Bridge" and Paekungyo: "White Cloud Bridge", National Treasure No. 88.

(Yonhwagyo: "Lotus Bridge" and Ch'ilbogyo: "Seven Treasures Bridge", National Treasure No. 87 leads to the temple hall of the two gold-bronze Buddhas.)

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49. PULKUK-SA: "TEMPLE OF BUDDHA'S REALM."

Three-storey stupa, National Treasure No. 85.

50. PULKUK-SA: "TEMPLE OF BUDDHA'S REALM."

Stone pagoda, National Treasure No. 84.

51. PULKUK-SA: "TEMPLE OF BUDDHA'S REALM."

Gold bronze Amitabha Buddha, National Treasure No. 97.

52. SOKKULL-AM: "ROCK-CAVE SIDE-TEMPLE."

Rock chapel with Buddha, National Treasure No. 89.

53. SOKKULL-AM: "ROCK-CAVE SIDE-TEMPLE."

Buddha, National Treasure No. 89.

54. SOKKULL-AM: "ROCK-CAVE SIDE-TEMPLE."

Guardian King, National Treasure No. 89.

55. SOKKULL-AM: "ROCK-CAVE SIDE-TEMPLE."

Bodhisattvas, National Treasure No. 89.

56. TAEGU:

Seated Buddha.

57. TAEGU:

Stone pagoda with dragon base.

58. TAEGU:

Stone pagoda with garuda top.

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59. HAEINSA: "TEMPLE OF THE SIGN ON THE SEA."
Entrance gate.

60. HAEINSA: "TEMPLE OF THE SIGN ON THE SEA."
Main Hall with store houses in rear, National Treasure No. 251

61. POMO-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE SACRED FISH."
Taeung-jon, exterior.

62. POMO-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE SACRED FISH."
Taeung-jon, interior-mural painting.

63. POMO-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE SACRED FISH."
Taeung-jon, interior-Corbels, mural and polychrome decoration.

64. POMO-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE SACRED FISH."
Bell and drum tower.

65. POMO-SA: "TEMPLE OF THE SACRED FISH."
Stone lantern three-storey stupa and bell tower in background.

66. TONGDO-SA: "TEMPLE OF UNIVERSAL SALVATION."
Five-storey stupa.

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American Embassy, Seoul,
January 5, 1955.

Dear Bob:

Miss Ardelia R. Hall, Arts and Monuments Adviser, left Seoul early last week after having spent two months in Korea assisting Republic of Korea authorities in plans for a proposed exhibition of Korean art in the National Gallery, and supervising the photography of important Korean architecture and stone work for exhibition in the United States.

During her stay in Korea, Miss Hall made a significant contribution to cultural understanding. Her enthusiasm for and knowledge of Korea's historic remains immediately earned her the good will of Korean cultural leaders with whom she worked. Her indefatigable energy impressed everyone. The Minister of Education, Dr. Lee Song-keun, was especially appreciative of the work of Miss Hall and it was largely the result of Miss Hall's influence that arrangements were made to move the National Museum objects from storage in Pusan where they were in constant danger of destruction by fire. Miss Hall also gave important advice to the Director of the National Museum and the Director of the Lee Household properties on the individual objects which would most interest museum authorities in the United States.

We are

Robert J. G. McClurkin, Esquire,
Deputy Director,
Office of Northeast Asian Affairs,
Department of State,
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We are sorry that action by the Republic of Korea National Assembly has been delayed so that during Miss Hall's stay it was not possible to arrange for a final offer by the Republic of Korea Government to the National Galleries in Washington. However, the work Miss Hall did in Korea will greatly facilitate arrangements for the exhibition when a formal offer is finally made.

In short, we were delighted with Miss Hall's visit which was as constructive in its contribution as it was pleasant for us.

Sincerely yours,

Ellis O. Briggs

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Ardelia R. Hall

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Dear Colonel King:

The general report on my visit to Korea and the captions for the photographs taken by the Signal Corps are, herewith, attached.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all the support you gave me in planning for the trip. I hope that the results of my visit will be commensurate with the great opportunity that I have had. And also I trust that the United States Government policy of concern for the preservation of cultural property in combat areas will benefit Korea and continue to bring credit to the United States.

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I feel certain that all we can do to make possible the exhibition of Korean art and architectural photographs will be repaid a thousand-fold in good publicity and in good will.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall

Arts and Monuments Adviser
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Colonel Norman D. King, Chief,
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Information is requested on the status of Republic of Korea sending Government action on the Korean art exhibition to the United States. The Department has seen no indication of Republic of Korea interest in such an exhibition since the fire in Pusan destroyed some of the national treasures. The Republic of Korea Government may not appreciate the time required for selection and preparation of material before institutions in the United States can be approached with specific proposals, and concrete arrangements made for the exhibition.

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Hall could help expedite ROK Government action and assist Posner but these not adequate justification for trip. She could however make unique contribution selection objects for Korean art exhibition. Non-availability funds this FY makes her assignment very difficult and she not available next fiscal year from July to December. Before making effort secure funds success of which in doubt Department requests your estimate whether ROK Government will have moved art objects to place where uncrating and selection photographing and cataloging for exhibition could be completed with Hall's assistance before July.

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REFERENCE YOUR 455 DATED JANUARY 18, 1955. AT EMBASSY REQUEST FAR EAST COMMAND AGREES SEND POSNER, OUTSTANDING PHOTOGRAPHER KOREAN NATIONAL TREASURES AND MONUMENTS. PROJECT IMPORTANT FOR MUSEUM EXHIBIT AND TO COUNTER COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA OF WANTON DESTRUCTION BY UN FORCES. EMBASSY BELIEVES SERVICES ARDELIA HALL INVALUABLE FOR SELECTION OBJECTS. ALSO HALL'S STATUS AS FINE ARTS SCHOLAR AND HER EXCELLENT RELATIONSHIPS KEY ROK OFFICIALS MAY EXPEDITE US EXHIBITION KOREAN MUSEUM TREASURES. WEATHER CONDITIONS MAKE ONE MONTH PROJECT BEGINNING EARLY MAY ADVISABLE.

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After consultation Minister Education and Director National Museum, Embassy believes impossible assure art objects removal for uncrating in time meet hall schedule.

Time necessary for selection objects and preparation catalogue suggests exhibit autumn 1956 more feasible.

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At the close of a discussion on another matter Minister Han referred to the intention of the Republic of Korea to bring to the U.S. its national art treasures for exhibition. It was hoped that the project might be sponsored jointly by the two Presidents. Minister Han referred to Miss Ardelia Hall's visit to Korea to begin arrangements.

Mr. Sebald commented that this required careful planning and said that the Department of State was very much in favor of it and would do its best to facilitate it.

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SEATTLE ART MUSEUM
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September 23, 1955

Miss Ardelia Hall
U. S. State Department
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Miss Hall:

For the past year I have been corresponding with Mr. Griffing of the Honolulu Academy of Arts concerning the possibility of participating in the circuit of the Korean exhibit. He now advised me to write to you personally.

As you may know our Museum is the most active on the Pacific Coast in the field of Asiatic art. We therefore had the honor of being the only western museum included in the circuit of the Official Japanese Exhibition and had the record attendance. We are most anxious to participate in the circuit of this proposed exhibition of Korean art.

So much time and effort is expended in the organization of such an exhibition that I consider it most desirable that the circuit should be as extensive as possible to acquaint the American public with the high cultural background of this ancient people with whom we have been so closely allied. Whatever the size of the circuit is however, Seattle, both for its interest and for its port facilities, would be an essential factor in the circuit.

Sincerely,

Richard E. Fuller

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Dear Mr. Finley:

For your information, I enclose a copy of the letter which I have received from Mr. Richard E. Fuller, President and Director of the Seattle Art Museum expressing the interest of his museum in participating in the proposed Korean exhibition, together with a copy of my reply.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosures:

1. From Mr. Fuller, September 23, 1955.
2. To Mr. Fuller, of even date.

Mr. David E. Finley, Director,
National Gallery of Art,
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Dear Mr. Fuller:

Your letter of September 23, 1955 regarding the proposed exhibition of Korean art has been received. The National Assembly of Korea has given its approval for a loan exhibition in the United States for one year. We are now awaiting definite information about the objects which the directors of the Korean National Museum and the Li Household Museum are willing to loan, before laying the possibility of a Korean exhibition before the American museums who will sponsor the exhibit and assume the responsibility for the tour.

I shall be glad to forward your letter to Mr. David E. Finley of the National Gallery of Art for appropriate consideration when a firm decision is reached.

I very much hope that the exhibition will be truly representative of the great art traditions of Korea, so that many will share your warm interest.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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Dear Mr. Finley:

A small exhibition of black and white photographs of Korean palaces and temples is to be shown by the Department of the Army in the Concourse of the Pentagon during the week of Thanksgiving.

General Maxwell Taylor has been invited to open the exhibition on Monday, November 21, 1955, at 3 p.m.

I hope that you may be able to attend the opening ceremony.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Advisor

Mr. David E. Finley, Director,
National Gallery of Art,
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Stewart:

The Department of State has cooperated with the Department of the Army in arranging for an exhibition of photographs of Korean national treasures to be shown at the Pentagon during the week of Thanksgiving, opening on Monday, November 21, 1955.

Would it be possible to borrow from the United States Botanic Garden for one week, tubs of either bamboo, pine, or chrysanthemums, any of which would be appropriate and add to the show.

If such a loan can be made, I will be glad to be of assistance in completing the arrangements. My telephone is Code 191, extension 2666.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Mr. J. George Stewart,
Architect of the Capitol,
Acting Director,
United States Botanic Garden,
Washington 25, D. C.

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TO : FE - ~~Mr. Robertson~~ Jones
Mr. Sebald – WSB

FROM : NA - Mr. Hemmendinger HH

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SUBJECT: Pentagon's Exhibit with Photographs of Korean Temples and Art Objects.

A few weeks ago Miss Ardelia Hall, the Department's Arts and Monuments Adviser, sent memoranda to FE and NA to inform us that an exhibit of photographs of Korean temples and art objects, under the joint sponsorship of the Departments of Army and State, would be opened in the Pentagon Concourse at 3:00 p.m. November 21.

General Maxwell B. Taylor has accepted the invitation to open the exhibit. Ambassador Yang and Minister Han of the Korean Embassy are also expected to attend.

Army has asked who will be present from the Department of State.

Recommendation:

That either Mr. ~~Robertson~~ Jones or Mr. Sebald ~~agree to~~ appear. Someone from NA will be there.

Approval { I will be glad to go WSB

Disapproval _____

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SUBJECT: Korean Art Treasures.

PARTICIPANTS: Ambassador Yang, Republic of Korea
P. W. Han, Minister of ROK Embassy

Walter S. Robertson, Assistant Secretary
Noel Hemmendinger, Acting Director, Office of Northeast Asian Affairs

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Minister Han referred to the plan of the Korean Government to send art treasures to the United States for exhibit and said that President Rhee had asked him to solicit the continued interest of the Department of State in this project. His Government hoped in particular that it would be possible for the Department to send Miss Ardelia Hall out to Korea again when the museum directors go to assist in the selection of the art objects.

Mr. Robertson said that the Department did have a sympathetic interest in the project and that he would examine the possibility of Miss Hall's going out to Korea again.

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Dear Mr. Walker:

A loan exhibition of Korean art, representative of Korea's great national treasures, is to be assembled and shown in six American museums in 1957 - 1958. This will be the first exhibition of Korean art ever arranged in the West. The exhibition will be under the patronage of the United States Government and the Republic of Korea. It will be arranged under the joint sponsorship of the Department of State and the participating museums.

During the period of the exhibition an American Committee to aid in the Restoration of Korean Monuments, in association with the American-Korean Foundation, will raise funds from private subscription for the urgent repair of Korean monuments and the rehabilitation of Korean museums.

The Rockefeller Foundation will provide funds for three American directors or curators, who are specialists in Far Eastern art, to go to Korea to select the exhibition; and the Department of State will provide travel grants for the Korean museum directors and curators to come to the United States accompanying the exhibition. An estimated budget, on the basis of similar costs for the Japanese exhibition, will be about $30,000.00. Therefore, the amount to be deposited by each of six museums will be $5,000.00.

In view of the great prestige of the National Gallery of Art it is hoped that the trustees will agree to participate in the exhibition and to plan for the opening to take place at the National Gallery of Art.

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Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Mr. John Walker, Chief Curator,
National Gallery of Art,
Washington, D. C.

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April 19 1956

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Dear Mr. Griffing:

Your letter of April 12, 1956 concerning the proposed Korean exhibition has been received. I have noted that you sent copies to the Korean Consulate-General, Honolulu; the National Gallery of Art, Washington; Dr. Kim Che-won, Seoul; and Mr. W. Dumon Giffard. I am sending Mr. David E. Finley a copy of this reply and I would appreciate it if you would kindly hand on the following information to the others.

The National Gallery of Art did not consent on March 17, 1956 to hold the Korean exhibition. The Rockefeller Foundation has not made a grant for American museum experts to go to Korea to select the exhibition. In any case, the Rockefeller Foundation would not be asked to pay for my travel. I have tried to keep Mr. Finley, Mr. Archibald G. Wenley, Mr. Robert Treat Paine, Mr. Laurence Sickman, and the Metropolitan Museum of Art informed about the proposed exhibition as a matter of courtesy. I have been in communication with Dr. Kim Che-won through the American Embassy in Seoul and the Korean Embassy in Washington. On April 9, 1956 I wrote to you saying that plans for the Korean exhibition were still under consideration and that I would write to you as soon as some decision was reached.

I am sorry that the Honolulu Academy of Arts has been inconvenienced by the delay. However, I hope that we may continue to work with the Korean Government to make a really great exhibition of Korean art possible.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Mr. Robert P. Griffing, Jr.,
Director, Honolulu Academy of Arts,
Honolulu, Hawaii.

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April 19 1956

Dear Mr. Finley:

I have received from Mr. Robert P. Griffing, Jr., Director of the Honolulu Academy of Arts, a letter dated April 12, 1956 concerning the proposed Korean exhibition.

As Mr. Griffing sent you a copy of the letter, I am enclosing a copy of my reply.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosure:
To Mr. Griffing,
of even date.

Mr. David E. Finley,
Director, National Gallery of Art,
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Plimpton:

The Korean Government has offered to send a loan exhibition of Korean classic art to the United States for one year in 1957-58, and has asked the Department of State to inform museums in the United States which may be interested in taking part in the exhibition.

The Department of State has a strong interest in the offer of a Korean exhibition and hopes that the Minneapolis Institute of Arts will wish to take part in the exhibition. Korea is one of our closest Allies and has a rich artistic tradition. As a result of the recent hostilities in Korea, almost every American family has some acquaintance with and interest in Korea. An exhibition of Korean art in the United States would contribute substantially to the friendship and association of the two countries and to scholarly and public knowledge of an outstanding phase of Asian art.

There is an urgent need for post-war reconstruction of monuments and rehabilitation of museums in South Korea. The sponsoring museums may wish to consider the possibility of assisting in raising funds for that purpose from voluntary contributions and, at least partially, from admission fees. Significant contributions to relief and reconstruction in Europe were made possible through earlier exhibitions, such as that of the Berlin paintings shown in cooperation with the Department of the Army and an exhibition of photographs arranged by the American Committee for the Restoration of Italian Monuments.

Preliminary discussions by the Department of State and the Korean Government have laid much of the ground work for arranging the exhibition. The Korean Government is prepared to loan whatever works of art American museum authorities consider most desirable for exhibition in the United States.

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Mr. Russell A. Plimpton, Director,
Minneapolis Institute of Arts,
201 East 24th Street,
Minneapolis 4, Minnesota.

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A private foundation would be willing to pay the costs of sending American experts in Far Eastern art to Korea to make the selection. The Department of State would consider it appropriate to make travel grants for the Korean museum curators to accompany the exhibition during the tour in the United States.

On the basis of similar exhibitions in the past, it is believed that a deposit of $5,000 by each of the six participating museums would be adequate to cover the expenses of the exhibition.

A list of the types of art among Korean national treasures that might be included in the exhibit; an estimated budget, and the preliminary text of the contract have been prepared for submission to the museums which are to sponsor the exhibition.

Sincerely yours,

E. Allan Lightner, Jr.
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Public Affairs

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Mr. Thomas Carr Howe, Jr., Director,
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May 28, 1956 *Office of the Director*

Mr. E. Allan Lightner, Jr.
Deputy Asst. Secretary for
Public Affairs
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Lightner: Re: AM

This will acknowledge your letter of May 23 to Mr. Perry T. Rathbone, relative to an exhibition of Korean classic art.

Both Mr. Tomita, Curator of our Asiastic Department, and Mr. Rathbone are interested in such an exhibition. However, Mr. Rathbone is out of town until June 1, so cannot answer your letter directly until after date. I am sure it will receive his prompt attention after his return.

Sincerely yours,

Florence M. Rourke

(Miss) Florence M. Rourke
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THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART
NEW YORK 28, N. Y.

28 May 1956

Honorable E. Allan Lightner, Jr.
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Sent June 4, 1956

Dear Mr. Lightner:

Before he left the Museum last Friday to be away for about a week, Mr. James J. Rorimer, the Director, handed me your letter of May 23, 1956 (AM), regarding the possibility of a special loan exhibition of Korean classic art to be sent to the United States by the Korean Government for one year in 1957-1958.

By chance, the day before Colonel James E. Wilson, who was Mayor of Seoul during the Military Government period and is, I understand, a personal friend of President Rhee, handed me a letter that he had just received from C. J. Yu, Secretary to President Rhee, dealing with the same subject. I am enclosing a photocopy of that letter for your information and files.

The proposal for a Korean loan exhibition was first raised in 1951. At that time I wrote to Mr. Lawrence S. Morris, the then Chief of the Division of Libraries and Institutes in the Department of State, bringing the matter to his attention and stating that this Museum would not be interested in exhibiting the material then proposed (from two large private collections) unless the proposal had the backing and sponsorship of the State Department. On May 25, 1951, Mr. Morris wrote me that the Department had no information regarding the proposal but would be glad to look into it.

Your letter of May 23, 1956, indicates that the matter has now been put on an official intergovernmental basis, and that funds can be made available to defray the cost of sending American experts in Far Eastern art to Korea to make the selection and bringing Korean museum curators to the United States to accompany the exhibition while it is on tour, as was done with the exhibition of Japanese art during 1953.

Past experience, with the exception of the exhibition of the Berlin paintings, in which the participating museums were required to absorb their own local costs, has indicated that major international exhibitions do not generally show any net profit which might be applied to relief and rehabilitation. While we have not had a chance to explore the matter, Colonel Wilson has indicated that he believes he can arrange

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for private contributions to defray all or part of the cost of the exhibition here at The Metropolitan Museum of Art. Should that prove to be the case, I am sure that some arrangement regarding the application of net proceeds from admissions here to relief and rehabilitation in Korea can be worked out. In any event, this is a matter to be explored.

If the exhibition is to be in the United States for only one year, I would assume that the itinerary would be more or less similar to that for the Japanese Exhibition. In that connection, I wonder if you would be kind enough to let me know what other museums the State Department may have approached with a letter similar to the one sent to Mr. Rorimer. At the same time we should very much like to have copies of the information regarding the types of art, estimated budget, and form of contract, referred to in the last paragraph of your letter to Mr. Rorimer.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of The Metropolitan Museum of Art will be meeting on June 11, 1956, for the last time before the summer holiday. It will give me great pleasure to bring your letter to their attention at that time and to request their approval of the proposal in principle, subject to working out the terms in a mutually satisfactory manner.

Sincerely yours,

Dudley T. Easby Jr.

Dudley T. Easby, Jr.
Secretary

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10 May 1956

Dear Mr. Wilson:

President Rhee has asked me to tell you how very much he appreciates your kind letter of 27 March. He values deeply the interest you have shown in Korea ever since you were in our country and is confident he may count on you always as a good friend.

The President is very enthusiastic about your suggestions to hold an exhibit at the famous Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, and on tour, of our art treasures. It has been his desire for a long time to have a showing of our antiquities in your great country and if your plan can be brought to fruition, he will be most gratified.

In an endeavor to have this plan expedited we have contacted our Minister Pyo Wook Han in Washington and asked him to discuss with you a concrete proposal to be submitted to our Government here. Direct communication between you and the Minister will save the time involved in an exchange of correspondence.

The President is particularly pleased that you may be able to arrange for this exhibit to go on tour and that you already have some plan to defray the costs of this project. We have no funds appropriated for this purpose, but can offer every cooperation to you to make available some of our finest objects of art for The Metropolitan Museum of Art and other Museums.

President Rhee and Mrs. Rhee send their personal regards to you.

Yours sincerely,

Yu, Chang Jun

C. J. Yu
Secretary to President Rhee

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Dear Mr. Rathbone:

An acknowledgement by Miss Rourke of Mr. Lightner's letter which was sent inviting the Museum of Fine Arts to participate in an exhibition of Korean classic art, has been received.

A list of Korean national treasures, the estimated budget, and a preliminary draft of the agreement are enclosed for your information.

If the Museum of Fine Arts is desirous of having the exhibition in Boston, would it be possible for you to come to Washington, at your own expense, for a meeting with the Korean Minister? The Museum Directors will meet with him at my office in the Department of State, in Room 2024, State Annex 16 or Tempo 5, at Constitution Avenue and the 16th Street extension into the Washington Monument grounds, on Friday, June 8, 1956 at 2 p.m.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosures:

(1) Notable types of art.
(2) Estimated expenses.
(3) Preliminary draft agreement.

Mr. Perry T. Rathbone, Director,
Museum of Fine Arts,
Boston, Massachusetts.

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Dear Mr. Easby:

Your acknowledgement of Mr. Lightner's letter regarding the loan exhibition of Korean art has been received.

The present offer of the Korean Government to loan works of art from the Korean national collections has no connection with the earlier proposal in 1951 for a loan exhibition by private collectors during the Korean conflict.

Whatever contribution is made by the participating museums to the fund for post-war reconstruction of Korean monuments will be at the discretion of each museum.

A list of the Korean national treasures, the estimated budget, and a preliminary draft of the agreement are enclosed for your information.

If the Metropolitan Museum of Art is desirous of participating in the loan exhibition, would it be possible for you or Mr. Rorimer to come to Washington, at your own expense, for a meeting with the Korean Minister and other museum directors? The meeting will be held at the Department of State, in Room 2024, State Annex 16 or Temps 5 Building, at Constitution Avenue and the 16th Street extension into the Washington Monument grounds, on Friday, June 8, 1956 at 2 p. m.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

For enclosures, see following page.

Mr. Dudley T. Easby, Jr., Secretary,
The Metropolitan Museum of Art,
New York 28, New York.

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Dear Mr. Finley:

I enclose the list of Korean national treasures for possible inclusion in a Korean exhibition, the estimated expenses, and the preliminary draft agreement for the Korean loan exhibition.

I have asked the directors of all the museums invited to participate in the Korean exhibition to a meeting in my office on Friday, June 8, 1956 at 2 p. m. I hope very much that you will be able to attend.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
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Mr. David E. Finley, Director,
National Gallery of Art,
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SENT TO: Mr. Richard S. Davis, Director,
Minneapolis Institute of Arts,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Can you come to Washington to attend meeting with Korean Minister and other museum directors on Korean exhibition, Friday, June 8, 2 p. m. in my office? Air mail letter follows.

Ardelia R. Hall

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser
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A report of the meeting on the Loan Exhibition of Korean National Treasures at the Department of State, June 8, 1956, is enclosed. The matters discussed are briefly summarized.

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Arts and Humanities Adviser

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REPORT OF MEETING, JUNE 8, 1956, DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
ON THE LOAN EXHIBITION OF KOREAN NATIONAL TREASURES

Present: The Honorable P. W. Han, Charge d'Affaires ad interim of Korea
Mr. David E. Finley, Director, National Gallery of Art
Mr. John Walker, Director Designate, National Gallery of Art
Mr. Robert P. Griffing, Jr., Director, Honolulu Academy of Art
Mr. Vaughn R. DeLong, Chief, Program Development Staff, IES, for
Mr. E. Allan Lightner, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary,
Public Affairs
Mr. Christopher A. Norred, Jr., Korean Affairs
Miss Ardelia R. Hall, Arts and Monuments Adviser

Copies to: The Honorable P. W. Han, Korean Embassy
Mr. Finley, National Gallery of Art
Mr. Walker, National Gallery of Art
Mr. Rorimer, Metropolitan Museum of Art
Mr. Rathbone, Museum of Fine Arts
Mr. Davis, Minneapolis Institute of Arts
Mr. Howe, California Palace of the Legion of Honor
Mr. Griffing, Honolulu Academy of Arts

A meeting for the consideration of a loan exhibition of Korean art treasures in the United States was held on Friday, June 8, 1956 at 2 p.m. in the office of the Arts and Monuments Adviser. Miss Hall opened the meeting and said that the directors of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston; the Minneapolis Institute of Art, the California Palace of the Legion of Honor, and Mr. Griffing (present) had written the Department expressing their interest in the Korean exhibition. The Metropolitan Museum had not yet given a decision. Mr. Finley said he believed Mr. Rorimer of the Metropolitan Museum would be interested in going along.

Mr. Finley explained the procedures followed by the National Gallery of Art in arranging for international loan exhibitions. After having been given the assurance of what will be in the exhibition, the museums accept; a committee of museum directors is formed; the schedule of the exhibition is planned; the budget, and the contract are formulated.

Mr. Han spoke of the interest of the Korean Government in the exhibition, that it was the fervent wish to send the finest objects, so that outsiders might know of Korea's artistic achievements. President Rhee and the National Assembly approved the loan and the exhibition had been discussed with Mr. Robertson (Assistant Secretary, Far Eastern Affairs).

Mr. Walker asked for consideration of the number of participating museums, length of tour, and opening date. He said plenty of time should be allowed for preparation and for museums to schedule the showings. The exhibit might open in the autumn of 1957 in October at the National Gallery. Allowing for one month on exhibition and one month to move and reinstall, it would, therefore, be possible to send the exhibition to five museums in the United States and to the Honolulu Academy within a year. Mr. Griffing said he and Mr. Rathbone recommended that a showing for five or six weeks might be preferable to one

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month. It was noted that Mr. Rathbone had written the Department that exhibitions in the Boston Museum were already scheduled through 1957. Mr. Walker suggested that the exhibition might be extended to 18 months depending on the circumstances.

The estimated budget as drafted and circulated to the museums by the Arts and Monuments Adviser was considered. Mr. DeLong replied to Mr. Finley's inquiry that the Department was prepared to arrange for the Korean Director-General and Korean curators to come to the United States on a grant. The estimated cost for photographing objects for the catalogue was confirmed by the estimate made by Mr. Griffing. Need for technical assistance for repairs and packing was discussed. Mr. Han said the Korean Government would welcome such technical assistance. Mr. Griffing proposed that a skilled carpenter-packer might be sent. Miss Hall mentioned the need for an expert restorer (who might also supervise the packing). Mr. Finley proposed sending the restorer to Korea. It was preferred that any restoration should be done in Korea or, if necessary, in Honolulu.

Mr. Walker explained the estimate of $12,000 for self-insurance by the Korean Government, each museum paying the Korean Government $2,000 and the Korean Government taking full responsibility. Mr. Han said he believed the arrangement would be satisfactory.

Mr. Griffing said that his museum had agreed with the Korean Government that the material might come to Honolulu first and the exhibition could be prepared, the photographing done, and the catalogue written there.

Reference was made to the estimated $3,000 proposed for the preparation of the Korean exhibit and its installation, comparable to the beautiful installation of "Asian Artists in Crystal"; and to the suggestion of Mr. Rathbone that special cases should be provided for the security of the Silla gold.

Mr. Finley said someone should go to Korea to make the selection. Mr. Han said his Government is hoping a committee of American experts would come out and help in the selection of material for the exhibition, that the Korean Government was prepared to lend whatever was wanted. Mr. Walker asked when the experts should go to Korea. It was agreed that the group should go in September and October 1956 after the heat and humidity of August and before the cold set in. Mr. DeLong said that a Department grant might be made to send the American experts to Korea.

Mr. Griffing brought up charging admission fees outside Washington to raise funds for reconstruction in Korea. Mr. Han said they would go along with whatever the museums suggested.

It was agreed with Miss Hall that the photographic exhibition of Korean historic architecture should be separate from the art exhibition; the photographic exhibition to be circulated by Smithsonian.

Mr. Finley said he would talk with Mr. Rorimer about the participation of the Metropolitan Museum.

Mr. Han said he would like to thank everyone in the name of the Korean Government.

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Dear Mr. Walker:

In reply to the question, which you raise in your letter of July 31, 1956, as to what commitment the Department of State will make to provide for Korean personnel to accompany the Korean exhibition to the United States in 1957-58, the Department is forbidden by law to commit funds which have not been appropriated.

As you know, the Department has a sympathetic interest in the objectives of the Korean exhibition and has expressed the intention of providing a grant to Korean personnel to accompany the proposed exhibition during its tour in the United States.

Section 4 of Article I of the draft contract between the Korean Government and the participating museums has been amended to read:

"The exhibition shall be accompanied by a party of Korean personnel not less than two at any time. It is understood that the Department of State will provide a grant covering travel and the usual living allowance for the above Korean personnel."

A copy of the letter which is being sent to the participating museums with the draft contract is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosure:

To Mr. Griffing,
of even date.

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Mr. John Walker, Director,
National Gallery of Art,
Washington 25, D. C.

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NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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July 31, 1956

Dear Miss Hall:

I am enclosing a letter to the Korean Minister which I would like to transmit through the good offices of the Department of State. It is, of course, essential that we receive a favorable answer to this letter before our Committee goes to Korea to select the Korean works of art. Otherwise, they may make their trip to no purpose. As soon as we have the concurrence of the Korean Government we can execute the contract and send it to them for their signature.

You will note that Section 4, Article I of the proposed contract provides that the travel and living expenses of the Korean personnel who will accompany the exhibition to the United States, will be paid by grant by the Department of State. It is imperative that my letter should not be submitted to the Korean Minister and no further arrangements should be made until a firm commitment has been made by the Department of State to provide these funds.

I am enclosing extra copies of the proposed contract which you should clear with the other participating museums.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

John Walker
Director

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THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART
NEW YORK 28, N. Y.

August 3, 1956

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Dear Miss Hall:

I enclose a copy of Mr. Walker's letter to complete your files.

This makes it clear that you are in charge of all details.

Our meeting here with Mr. Paine clarified things a good deal. You are aware that Mr. Paine and I prefer to be off as early as possible in September. Please do your best to expedite our clearance with the State Department.

If we wait until September 15th to be cleared there will be further delay to get tickets, passports and typhoid injections. I myself will get passport, injections and tickets and proceed as far as Japan early in September with the expectation my travelling expenses will be reimbursed by the State Department. Both Mr. Paine and I wish to know exactly what the State Department will allow. They have on occassion allowed twenty-five dollars a day. In 1952 my expenses averaged over thirty dollars a day. My museum is likely to cover the difference — if not I can manage it and it may well be that Korea is less expensive.

I myself would much prefer to go in the spring of 1957 — after all in the case of the Japanese Government Show, we had our first meeting in Tokyo, August 11, 1952. The show was ready to open complete with catalogue in December 1952 (it may have been early January, but less than five months). April 1957 would be plenty of time. However, if you and Mr. Paine prefer September 1956, I cannot object. If delayed till November or December, I must protest.

Let me recapitulate a bit of our meeting with Mr. Paine. Your committee as planned will be Mr. Paine, Mr. Davis, Mr. Priest. Mr. Paine and I are in agreement on the general plan for an exhibition of first quality material. Mr. Paine and I are agreed that the catalogue must be done by Korean scholars, translated and edited in the United States. We see no reason for them to have two unpackings in Honolulu. Let the objects be sent directly to Washington where members of the Freer Gallery are at hand and Mr. Paine and I are easily available, if needed.

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I have suggested to you to inquire of "Life" magazine if they would take on the photography. They offered to for the Formosa show. If "Life" won't, they should be photographed either in Seoul or Washington.

Who pays for the catalogue? Inquire as to precedent in the case of the Japanese Exhibition -- I think in the contract.

You said you would ask Mr. Cairns to send the proposed contract to the directors of the six museums as soon as possible. The Korean Government will probably want it signed long before they complete negotiations. We do not actually have to wait for it as the Korean Government is "in principle" agreed they want the exhibition.

This is all I can think of at the moment.

I do ask that you forward arrangements as rapidly as possible.

Sincerely,

Alan Priest

Alan Priest, Curator
Far Eastern Art

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NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART
Washington 25, D. C.

July 27, 1956

Dear Mr. Priest:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 17. Since writing it I believe you have seen Miss Hall. I am going to Europe on August 1st and will not return until September 11. Miss Hall is arranging all details about your trip to Korea and I would appreciate it, therefore, if you would keep in touch with her.

With deep appreciation of your assistance in this exhibition,

Sincerely yours,

(sgd.) John Walker

John Walker
Director

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Curator, Far Eastern Art
Metropolitan Museum of Art
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Miss Ardelia Hall
The State Department
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Miss Hall:

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Your letter of August 1st and my letter of August 3rd seem to have passed each other.

I did have a conference with Mr. Rorimer in the afternoon of August 3rd, at which time he spoke to Mr. Paine over the telephone. This clarified things a little bit. I think my administration is under the impression that they are lending me, so to speak, to the State Department as a member of the visiting committee to Korea. They expect the State Department to take care of my traveling and living expenses "comfortably".

As I am instructed to turn to you for all details, I must again ask for more details than were given in your letter of August 1st. I wish to know exactly what the State Department will allow for this expedition. Let me tell you what I would like to begin with. I would like authorization for first class travel from here to Seoul and back, with stopovers both for rest and for business in San Francisco, Honolulu, and Tokyo both coming and going. I would expect that transportation included, along with tickets, other necessary transportation, i.e. taxi cabs and a car when necessary (if I am not mistaken, in 1952 it cost us $30 a day to hire a car to get around and see collections in the neighborhood of Tokyo and Kokura for instance.) I would much prefer to have the State Department issue me a lump sum instead of having to run around to Embassies to collect it. If the International Education Service is to look after passports, to what office do I send my passport? Do they need new photographs? Do they need my birth certificate? Is there an office in New York?

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In the matter of inoculations, I am not fond of public health services and will get my own. I expect to pay for them myself.

I would like answers to all these questions and I am sure Mr. Paine would too. It is not that we are getting balky but we really need to know what we are doing.

I believe in our conversations in New York you said that you yourself were responsible for the State Department grant. If the State Department grant proves to be difficult to use or inflexible, why do you not follow the precedent of the proposed contract of the Chinese Govern-

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ment Show which includes an allowance for sending a visiting committee to Formosa? It is not too late to put that in the contract, and would perhaps make things easier for the members of the visiting committee. It would also give us more latitude in the dates when we go. As things stand now, I can make no plans whatsoever.

Yours sincerely,

Alan Priest

Alan Priest, Curator
Far Eastern Art

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KOREAN EMBASSY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Letter to Mr. John Walker National Gallery of Art

The Ambassador of the Republic of Korea presents his compliments to His Excellency the Secretary of State, and has the honor to enclose a letter by Minister Pyo Wook Han addressed to Mr. John Walker, Director of the National Gallery of Art, concerning the proposed exhibition of Korean Art in the United States.

Washington, D. C.

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September 14, 1956

My dear Mr. Walker:

Upon receipt of your letter of July 31, 1956, I immediately forwarded to my Government in Korea for approval the proposed contract concerning the exhibition of masterpieces of Korean art in this country which you were kind enough to prepare.

My Government shares with me a sincere appreciation for the understanding and enthusiasm which you and the American Museums which you represent have evidenced for this undertaking. Except for a limited number of changes, my Government wholeheartedly approves of the proposed contract which you have submitted. I am enclosing a revised draft of this contract in which these minor changes are indicated by underscoring. If these changes meet with your approval, a final contract can be immediately executed.

I am very pleased that this proposed exhibition will soon become reality. I fully concur with your view that through this exhibition the mutual understanding and appreciation of the peoples of our two Republics will be greatly enhanced.

Sincerely yours,

Pyo Wook Han
Minister

Mr. John Walker
Director of the
National Gallery of Art,
Washington, D. C.

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AGREEMENT

The Korean National Museum representing private lenders as well as itself and Former Royal Household Gallery of Arts (hereinafter referred to as the Korean Museums), represented by Minister Pyo Wook Han, acting pursuant to authority granted by the Government of the Republic of Korea, and the following American Museums:

the trustees of the National Gallery of Art, Washington,
D. C. constituted by a joint Resolution of the Congress on March 24, 1937,
and the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, N. Y., a private educational
corporation organized in 1870 by an Act of the New York Legislature, and
the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Massachusetts, a quasi public corporation,
organized by Act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
February 3 in the year 1870, and the Minneapolis Institute of Arts,
Minneapolis, Minnesota, and
the California Palace of the Legion of Honor Museum, San Francisco,
California, and
the Honolulu Academy of Arts, Honolulu, Hawaii (hereinafter sometimes
referred to as the Participating Museums)
have concluded the following agreement for the purpose of organizing
exhibitions in the United States of selected works of art, the property
of the Korean Museums and private persons, in the above-mentioned museums.

I

1. The exhibition shall be organized jointly by the Korean Museums and the Participating Museums.

2. The Participating Museums hereby designate the Director of the National Gallery of Art their agent and representative with full authority to conduct negotiations with the Korean Museums. Each Participating Museum shall have the right to designate a curator to assist and advise him.

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3. The Korean Museums will be represented during negotiations and while the exhibition is in the United States by Minister Pyo Wook Han.

4. The exhibitions shall be accompanied by a party of Korean personnel not less than two at any time. It is understood that the Department of State will provide a grant covering travel and the usual living allowance for the above Korean personnel.

II

1. The exhibition shall comprise selected masterpieces of Korean works of art, agreed upon by the parties. It is understood, however, that no Participating Museum shall be obliged to exhibit all items agreed upon if such exhibition would conflict with the policy of the museum.

2. The Participating Museums shall appoint a committee responsible for the selection and preparation of the exhibition.

III

1. The Participating Museums agree to exhibit the Korean works of art in their own buildings exclusively unless some other arrangement is specifically agreed to by Minister Pyo Wook Han.

2. The sequence of the exhibition in the Participating Museums shall be decided by agreement between these museums. This shall be so organized that unnecessary travel may be avoided.

IV

1. The duration of each individual showing shall be determined in advance by agreement between the Korean Museums and the Participating Museums. The dates of the opening and closing of each showing shall be communicated by the appropriate Participating Museum to the Korean Museums through the Korean Embassy in Washington at least one week in advance of each respective opening and closing.

2. The total period during which the exhibition will be shown in the United States not including the period of preparation in Honolulu shall not exceed one year. This period may be extended if so agreed by the contracting parties.

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1. Transportation of the exhibition to and from the United States shall be in a safest and most suitable vessel available of the United States Government. It is understood that the United States Government shall be responsible to return the exhibition to Korea as soon as the exhibitions are over in the United States.

2. The exhibition material shall be ready for shipment on May 1, 1957 or as soon as possible thereafter, as agreed by the Participating Museums.

3. Inland transportation in the United States shall be made by such means of transportation and with such protection as shall be agreed upon by the shipping museum and the Korean official in charge.

4. During transportation by van or rail the exhibition shall be accompanied at all times by the Korean officials and officials of the Participating Museums.

5. Packing in Korea will be carried out under the direction of the Korean officials without cost to the Participating Museums.

VI

1. The Participating Museums shall take all necessary measures for the safety of the exhibition during its transportation and while it is in the United States. Each of the same museums shall be held responsible for any loss or damage caused by the negligence of its respective employees, the negligence including the packing and supervision within the respective museum. Any liability of the National Gallery of Art for loss or damage caused by the negligence of its employees shall be determined and governed by the Federal Tort Claims Act, as amended (28 U.S.C. 2671-2680).

2. Each of the Participating Museums shall pay to the Korean Museums, under Article XV, the sum of $2,000 with which sums the Korean Museums shall place whatever insurance it in its sole discretion desires. Payment of this sum shall automatically release each of the Participating Museums and their trustees, officials, and employees from liability on any claim for loss or damage to any of the material, except in the case of the negligence of the

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employees, as well as from all responsibilities in connection with the placing of insurance, and shall give rise to an agreement on the part of the Korean Museums (1) that in the event of any loss or damage, except in the case of the negligence of the employees, no claim shall be asserted against any of the Participating Museums or their trustees, officers or employees, and (2) that in the event that any such claim shall be made by, or on behalf of, a private lender, the Korean Museums shall indemnify and hold said museums and their trustees, officers and employees harmless from any and all liability, except in the case of the negligence of the employees.

3. The Government of the Republic of Korea expressly recognizes that the United States Government, its personnel and employees cannot legally and will not assume any responsibility for loss, damage, or deterioration of the exhibition material while it is on board a United States Government vessel or in the course of transportation by the United States Government and expressly releases both the United States Government and the Participating Museums from any and all liability for any loss, damage, or deterioration which may occur on such vessel or in the course of transportation by the United States Government. However, the United States Government shall do its best to prevent loss, damage or deterioration of the exhibition and shall give full consideration to any suggestions of the attending Korean officials with respect to the prevention of loss, damage or deterioration.

4. The Government of the Republic of Korea hereby declares the property involved diplomatic property in the United States of said Government confided to the care of the Korean Ambassador accredited to the United States and hereby authorises said Ambassador to take such steps as may be necessary to establish and maintain said status. If it should be impossible to establish and maintain said status, the Korean Museums shall have the right to consider this agreement terminated and to be relieved of all further obligation thereunder, and any unexpended amounts advanced hereunder as well as any rebates or refunds shall be repaid ratably pursuant to the procedure in Article XV paragraph 2.

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1. Each of the Participating Museums shall provide an adequate number of guards for the exhibition while on its premises.

2. Special precautions shall also be taken during the exhibition against overcrowding in the galleries and the dangers resulting therefrom.

3. All fire precautions shall be observed according to the regulations of the local city fire departments.

VIII

1. The Korean officials and the Participating Museums shall be jointly responsible for the installation of the exhibition.

2. In case of any disagreement with respect to installation between subordinate representatives of the parties, the disagreement shall be reported to the Korean official in charge and to the Director of the Museum in which the exhibition is being held, and they shall make a joint decision in the matter.

3. Should a question arise on which the Korean official in charge and the Director of the particular Museum are unable to come to an agreement, the matter shall be referred to the trustees of such museum who shall reach a decision in conference with the Korean official in charge.

IX

1. The participating Museums shall organize a Committee responsible for the publication of illustrated catalogues of the exhibition to be placed on sale during the exhibition.

2. It shall be composed and published by individuals appointed by the Committee of Participating Museums. One hundred copies of the catalogue shall be reserved gratis for the Korean Museums and one for each Korean lender.

3. Each Participating Museum shall pay the cost of all catalogues ordered by it. Unsold catalogues may not be returned.

4. The Korean Museums shall be informed of the number of catalogues sold.

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1. Reproductions of works of art may be published and placed on sale during the exhibition.

2. No reproductions of works of art shall be made in the United States except for publicity or archival purposes without the authorization of the Korean official in charge.

3. Each Participating Museum shall pay the cost of all reproductions ordered by it. Unsold reproductions may not be returned.

4. The Korean Museums shall be informed of the number of reproductions sold.

XI

1. An admission fee shall be charged wherever possible. The amount received through admission fees which shall be contributed to the Fund for the Restoration of Korean Museums and Monuments or reserved by the Participating Museum to pay its share of the costs of the exhibition as shall be determined by the particular Participating Museum.

2. If a fee is charged, whether the privilege of free entry or entry at a reduced fee is to be extended to school children and students shall be determined by the particular Participating Museum.

XII

1. The Korean Museums shall appoint a restorer who will be the only person responsible for the condition of the objects in the exhibition and for any treatment which may become necessary. Under no condition shall any treatment be applied by anyone except by this restorer or under his direction. This restorer is to be informed by the respective Participating Museums of any condition requiring his attention.

2. If for reasons affecting the condition of the objects, the exhibition is temporarily closed, the duration of showing in any single museum may be prolonged for a period equivalent to the time lost provided ~~by~~ the Korean

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1. The Participating Museums will organize a committee to carry out publicity in connection with the exhibition.

XIV

1. Should a committee of patrons of the exhibition be formed, the Korean Museums shall suggest the names of Korean personalities to serve thereon, and the Participating Museums, the names of the American personalities. The names of any such personalities shall be listed at the beginning of the catalogue.

XV

1. Overhead expenses Each of the Participating Museums shall pay an equal ratable share of the following expenses:

(a) Any payment in lieu of insurance under Article VI, paragraph 2.

(b) Transportation of the exhibition outside of Korea.

(c) Customs and brokerage fees.

(d) The cost of minor repairing not covered by insurance. Each Participating Museum shall pay the cost of all catalogues and reproductions ordered by it.

2. Deposit. Each Participating Museum shall deposit its equal pro rata share of an estimated total of $ 30,000 with the Treasurer of the National Gallery of Art to cover the expenses mentioned in paragraph 1 hereof, one-half of which deposit shall be made on the signing of this agreement, and the remaining one-half shall be made upon demand of the Treasurer of the National Gallery of Art. Any amount which may remain after payment of all the expenses in paragraph 1 hereof, shall be repaid ratably to each of the Participating Museums. If the deposits made hereunder shall not be sufficient to pay all the expense under paragraph 1 hereof, each Participating Museum shall pay its equal share of the deficiency upon demand of the Treasurer of the National Gallery of Art.

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1. The Korean Museums shall not be held in any way responsible or liable should a financial loss occur at any Participating Museum as a result of the exhibition, and no part of the profits realized from the exhibition at any Particular Museum shall be used to make up any loss or deficit on the exhibition at another Participating Museum.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE SET THEIR HANDS AND SEALS AS OF THE DAY OF

FOR KOREAN MUSEUMS:

BY PYO WOOK HAN

TITLE: MINISTER OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

TRUSTEES OF THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

BY

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THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART

BY

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THE MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS, BOSTON, MASS.

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THE MINNEAPOLIS INSTITUTE OF ARTS

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September 17 1956

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Dear Mr. Walker:

It gives me pleasure to transmit to you the enclosed communication from the Honorable Pyo Wook Hun, which has been received under cover of a note from the Ambassador of the Republic of Korea.

Attached to Mr. Hun's letter is a revised copy of the contract for the Korean Exhibition containing the emendations proposed by the Korean Government in Seoul.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosure:

From the Honorable
Pyo Wook Hun to
Mr. John Walker,
September 14, 1956.

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NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Re: AM

September 21, 1956.

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Dear Miss Hall:

Thank you for your letter of September 17 with enclosures: 1) the letter from the Minister of the Korean Embassy to me, dated 14 September, and 2) the revised draft of the Agreement approved by the Government of Korea.

I note that the Korean Government requests (Agreement V,1) "transportation of the exhibition to and from the United States ... in a safest and most suitable vessel available of the United States Government." I, therefore, request the assistance of the Department of State, through your good offices, in arranging transportation of the Korean Exhibition to and from the United States in a vessel of the United States Government.

Sincerely yours,

John Walker
Director

Miss Ardelia Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser
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TO : FE - Mr. Sebald — not seen
Through: FE/EX - Mr. Gilstrap
FROM : NA - Mr. Hemmendinger

DATE: SEP 26 1956

SUBJECT: Authorization for Miss Ardelia Hall to Travel to Korea and Taiwan.

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It is requested that Miss Ardelia Hall, Arts and Monuments Adviser (A/AM) be authorized to travel to Korea and Taiwan in early 1957, if the FE budget permits. In Korea she would assist in completing the selection and assembling of works of art for the exhibition of Korean National Art Treasures in the U. S. in 1957 and 1958, prepare a catalogue for the photographic exhibit of Korean Monuments and Historic Architecture, and perform other related assignments as directed by the Department of State or requested by the U. S. Army, consulting with Korean officials and U. S. Embassy officers. In Taiwan she would discuss the possibility for a similar Chinese art exhibition with the Embassy and Chinese authorities. This portion of her trip should be authorized only if it does not affect travel to Taiwan and Hong Kong planned by CA in FY1957.

No funds have been budgeted for this trip, or for activities of this general character. The P area (i.e. IES) of the Department, which is already committed to pay for the travel of American and Korean museum specialists, is not permitted to make funds available for this aspect of the Korean art exhibition project. It is important that Miss Hall go to Korea, however, in order to complete arrangements for the exhibition.

As in her trip to Korea in 1954 (orders attached), the Department of Army has offered to provide the necessary invitational travel orders for Miss Hall to and from Japan and Korea (letter from Assistant Secretary of Army Roderick attached). Colonel King (CAMG) has advised Miss Hall these orders can be amended to include travel to Taiwan should the Department request.

This means Army supplies air travel, we supply the rest. Nitt

Miss Hall would leave for Korea probably in early 1957, and would proceed to Taiwan after completion of her work in Korea. About six weeks of work would be required in Korea and one week in Taiwan. Her orders, to be issued at an appropriate time, should include the following special provisions, FE budget and Departmental regulations permitting:

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1. Delays in San Francisco, Honolulu, and Tokyo for liaison connected with her missions.

2. Travel to points within the ROK to photograph, examine, and transport works of art to Seoul.

3. Expenditures

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3. Expenditures for food and lodging of Korean experts, of Korean employees of the Embassy and U.S. Army, and of U.S. Army photographers who assist her in these trips (estimated at $400).

4. Use of taxis and authority to carry an official case of documents between places of business and places of lodging and business.

Recommendation

That you approve authorization for Miss Hall's travel to Korea and Taiwan.

Attachments

1. Copy of Miss Hall's 1954 travel orders.

2. From Assistant Secretary Roderick, September 6, 1956.

Clearances

P - Mr. DeLong
A/AM - Miss Hall
A - Mr. Estes
FE/P - Mr. Murfin
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TO : NA: Mr. Barbis

DATE: September 26, 1956

FROM : AM: Ardelia R. Hall ARH

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SUBJECT: Selection of Korean Exhibition.

cc - Mr. Scherbacher, American Embassy, Seoul.

A letter from the Director of the Minneapolis Institute of Arts, Mr. Richard S. Davis, says in part,

"I am writing to thank you for the invitation to go to Korea and, more especially, for your very considerate approach to my particular problem...

I am greatly relieved to know that you will be going before the material is shipped to the U. S. and that you will have a chance to review it. If the exhibition is to be of any consequence, it must contain the best early material."

I am also enclosing a letter from Mr. Walker asking for Department assistance in arranging for Navy transportation. Please advise me on this matter.

My letter to him, with comments on his letters which he sent to me for clearance, is also enclosed.

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1) From Mr. Walker, September 21, 1956. — returned to Miss Hall 9/28/56
2) To Mr. Walker, September 26, 1956.

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TO : NA - Mr. Parsons

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SUBJECT: Travel Orders for Miss Ardelia Hall

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Reference is made to the attached memorandum from Mr. Hemmendinger to Mr. Sebald requesting authorization for Miss Ardelia Hall to travel to Taiwan and Korea for seven weeks and authorization for use of taxis and for her to incur expenditures for food and lodging of Korean civilians and United States Army photographers.

First, it should be pointed out that this Bureau has no funds from which Miss Hall could be authorized to pay food and lodging costs for Korean civilians and United States Army photographers who may accompany her while in Korea. We can authorize only payment of per diem in accordance with travel regulations for Korean employees of the Embassy while they are in a travel status.

The per diem for Miss Hall during this trip would amount to approximately $925. Since she will be away from the Embassy most of the time she is in Korea we would have to plan on paying her the maximum per diem which is $20 per day. Taxi fares and per diem for local employees of the Embassy would amount to an additional three or four hundred dollars. Thus the total cost of Miss Hall's trip to this Bureau would amount to approximately 13 hundred dollars.

We have attempted to apportion our domestic travel funds for 1957 among the offices in the Bureau in accordance with their stated needs. This apportionment provides for two trips to Japan and/or Korea for NA in addition to one trip to the Chiefs of Mission Conference for the Director. Mr. Nes's trip to Korea accounted for one of the trips for your office. I believe you have plans for Mr. Ockey to make a trip to Japan later during this year. If this be the case, our apportionment of travel funds does not provide for both the Ockey and the Hall trips to Japan & Korea this year.

I thought perhaps you may wish to reexamine Mr. Hemmendinger's request for Miss Hall's travel in view of the above information. If you feel that the remaining trip apportioned for your office should be used by Miss Hall, then I will recommend that Mr. Sebald approve your request for per diem and use of taxis by Miss Hall. Since the Embassy at Seoul has requested an increase

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an increase in local positions during this year I do not believe they are in a position to release any of their employees to travel with Miss Hall during her stay in Korea. If we should approve Miss Hall's travel, then I think we should query the Embassy as to the availability of local employees to work with Miss Hall before authorizing such.

This office experienced some difficulty as a result of Miss Hall's trip to Korea in 1954 since she incurred a number of expenditures for which she had no authorization. I am informed she has submitted some claims which she could not pay and which are still pending with the General Accounting Office. If this trip is approved for Miss Hall she should be informed that FE will be liable only for her per diem, taxi fares and possibly for per diem for Embassy locals and that she would be personally liable for any expenses she incurs in behalf of the State Department over and above these items. Furthermore, she must return to the Department within the time covered by her travel orders or request an extension of her orders prior to the date of their expiration.

I would appreciate your reexamining Mr. Hemmendinger's request and inform me as to whether or not you wish to submit this request to Mr. Sebald.

Attachment:

As stated.

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Re Korean Art Exhibit splendid final list ready soon. Unnecessary send San Francisco material to Honolulu. Suggest photography and translations done Washington with help Korean Library Of Congress Assistants.

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Dear Mrs. Rose:

Thank you for your inquiry of October 26, 1956 about the Korean exhibition. The loan collection of Korean national treasures will be shown in six leading American museums throughout 1958. The works of art have been selected but will not be photographed until next year.

I should be very glad to let you know when the photographs are available, which will probably be about the time of the opening of the exhibition. The Korean exhibition, I believe, may have examples that would interest children as much as the beautiful works of art selected from the Japanese exhibition.

Sincerely yours,

Arthelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Mrs. Ada Campbell Rose, Editor,
JACK AND JILL,
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October 26, 1956

Miss Ardelia Hall
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Miss Hall:

JACK AND JILL is a Curtis magazine for children. In case you are not familiar with the publication, we enclose a copy of the current issue.

Your name has been given to us by Dr. Reischauer of Harvard University as someone from whom we might inquire about a forthcoming exhibition of Korean art.

Occasionally in JACK AND JILL we use pictures of such exhibits, and we are wondering if you can give us more information about the Korean project. We should like to know when and where the art work is to be shown. Also, we would like to find out if photographs would be available.

We would very much appreciate hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Very sincerely,

Ada Rose

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P.S. You might like to see the way we have handled material of this kind on another occasion, and enclose tear sheets showing an exhibition of Japanese art work.

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Dear Mr. Walker:

Ten copies of the "Selected List. Exhibition of Korean Art" which was received from Mr. Alan Priest and Mr. Robert T. Paine, Jr. are enclosed.

I am awaiting with interest their comments.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosure:

Selected List.
Exhibition of
Korean Art.
(10 copies)

Mr. John Walker,
National Gallery of Art,
Washington, D. C.

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NO.: A-175 April 26, ~~1957~~ 1957

SUBJECT: Sea transportation of Korean loan Exhibition of art by US Navy and Korean personnel accompanying loan.

TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL

The Department of the Navy, in the enclosed letter of April 10, 1957, has agreed to provide sea transportation in a United States Naval vessel from a port in Korea to San Francisco, California. The shipment from Korea will be made prior to either August 6, 1957 or September 5, 1957, when the shipment can be scheduled to leave the port of Yokosuka, Japan. This arrangement is in accordance with article V of the enclosed final text of the Agreement for the Korean Art Exhibition. Please convey the information to the appropriate Korean authorities.

A copy of the covering letters sent with the letter from the Navy to Mr. John Walker, Director of the National Gallery and Chairman of the Exhibition and to the Honorable P. I. Han, official representative of the Korean National Museums are also enclosed for your information.

Arrangements will also be made by the Navy for one Korean curator to accompany the objects, as is customary whenever an important international loan exhibition is being transported.

Under article I, paragraph 4 of the Agreement, Korean officials in charge of the Exhibition, not to exceed two at any time, will accompany the exhibit. It has been understood that Department grants can be made for the Korean officials. The following articles of the Agreement relate to the responsibilities of the Korean officials in charge:

Article IV, paragraph 1 - Notification of opening and closing of each exhibit.
" V, " 3 - Transportation and protection.
" V, " 4 - Accompany transport.
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" VI, " 4 - Possible termination of Agreement, if status of exhibit as diplomatic property is not maintained.

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Article VIII - Joint responsibility for installations in each country.
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1. From Mr. Smith, Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Material), April 18, 1957.
2. Agreement on Korean Art Exhibition.
3. To Mr. Wilson, of even date.
4. To Mr. Kim, of even date.

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

American Embassy,
Seoul, Korea,
January 23, 1957.

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Dear Ardelia:

re Korean art exhibit

Your letter of January 14 pleases me very much. On this end we have already gotten General White's agreement to Mr. Boria's services for several weeks this spring. I think that under Mr. Stern's supervision and help he will do a top job. We were a little worried about the costs of photographic materials and the $6.00 per diem, but you have stopped our worries on this point.

I am sure that Mr. Boria will do a competent job, and with Mr. Stern's help I think the Koreans can do a good job on the catalog. I am really delighted that things are going so well.

I am leaving today for Hong Kong, Ankor Vat, Saigon and Singapore. I shall be gone for three weeks but shall be back in plenty of time to help with the photographing. My best wishes to you and to your mother. I look forward to seeing you here in the spring, Ardelia.

Sincerely,

Marcus W. Scherbacher

Marcus W. Scherbacher
Cultural Attache'

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January 29 1957

Dear Mr. Walker:

The works of art on the "Selected List-Exhibition of Korean Art", chosen by Mr. Priest and Mr. Paine in Korea, were from the Korean national museums and private collections. The list contains many objects of great beauty and interest. The Paekche bronze statues (Nos. 47 and 48) are among the greatest artistic treasures of Korea. A similar Paekche statue of a seated Maitreya in Kyōto was described in the UNESCO Courier (August 1956) as "one of the noblest images of meditation ever created by the hand of man" and of "matchless grace, calm, and beauty." Two gold statuettes of Buddha have only been briefly exhibited since they were found. Other objects of Silla gold, the crowns and jewelry, should form a rich and handsome group that will attract popular interest, as did the Cellini gold salt in the exhibition from Vienna. The ceramics are of unrivalled quality and many are registered national treasures.

It is believed, however, that the exhibition would be strengthened by the inclusion of the works of art from Buddhist temples on the attached list, if the objects are available. They were registered by the Japanese Government-General as Korean national treasures. For the most part they have never been published and would be introduced to the public for the first time in the Korean exhibition. It is believed that the description of each object will speak for itself; photographs, where noted, are available. Arrangements would have to be made to have these pieces brought to Seoul to be photographed, catalogued, and packed with the objects already selected.

I would appreciate your comments and your opinion as to whether these additional types of Buddhist art should be included in the exhibition.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosure:

List of Korean works of art.

Mr. John Walker, Director,
National Gallery of Art,
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Dear Mr. Walker:

Mr. Han tells me that he believes there will be no difficulty in arranging for the extension of the loan exhibition to include Los Angeles.

I enclose three additional copies of the Korean works of art in Buddhist temples I am recommending for inclusion in the Korean exhibition. The photographs are the best we could obtain at the time. There was, of course, no electricity at the mountain-temples. The relief photographed at the Andong Brick Pagoda happened to be the one in the best afternoon light, if not in the best condition. There are 32 panels to choose from with bodhisattvas and the four guardian kings. The Silsangsa incense burner with Sanskrit letters shows the influence of India; the Ssangkwangsa travelling altar shows the influence of China; the Sūtra scrolls are in manuscript; the early edition of the Haeinsa Tripiṭaka pre-dates the Gutenberg Bible. The Buddhist paintings are of equal or better quality than some of the secular paintings already selected from museum collections.

I have personally seen all these objects. I recommend them from among many others in order to present varied and additional contributions of Korean Buddhism to the art of Korea. There are over one thousand Buddhist temples in South Korea today. I feel that some evidence of these types of Buddhist art should be included in a Korean exhibition. I showed Mr. Priest the photographs and kodachrome slides of these objects but he did not ask for any information about them or, to my knowledge, consider them further for inclusion in the exhibit.

I enclose a copy of paragraphs in a letter from Mr. Scherbacher about photographing works of art in Korea, which I know you will be glad to receive.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

For enclosures, see next page.

Mr. John Walker, Director,
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Enclosures:

1. Korean works of art re Buddhist temples recommended for inclusion in the Korean exhibition (3 copies).
2. Photographs (8" x 10"):
   1. Andong relief sculpture,
   2. Silsangsa incense burner,
   3. Ssongkwangsa travelling altar,
   4. " Sūtra markers,
   5. " portraits of abbots,
   6. Muwisa altar painting.
3. From Mr. Scherbacher, January 23, 1957.

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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February 7, 1957

Dear Miss Hall:

I am enclosing a copy of the final version of the Korean contract for you to discuss with Mr. Han. I have underlined in pencil the changes which have been suggested by the various museums to the previous draft which Mr. Han saw. These changes are relatively minor and I do not believe he will have any objection to them.

The present schedule for the exhibition is as follows:

Washington, December 14, 1957 to January 12, 1958
New York, February 4, 1958 to March 30, 1958
Boston, May 1, 1958 to June 15, 1958
Seattle, July 14, 1958 to August 17, 1958
Minneapolis, September 20, 1958 to October 19, 1958
San Francisco, November 20, 1958 to January 1, 1959
Los Angeles, January 15, 1959 to March 1, 1959
Honolulu, April 15, 1959 to June 1, 1959

I am also enclosing a letter from Mr. Walker to Mr. Han dated January 11, 1957, about the Korean works of art in San Francisco for you to deliver to him.

As soon as you advise me that the enclosed final version of the contract is acceptable to Mr. Han, I will proceed to have it signed by the various museums and then submit it to him for his signature.

Sincerely yours,

Perry Cott
Chief Curator

Miss Ardelia Hall
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895B.44 Review to Mr. Cott

Dear Miss Hall:

This letter is to bring you up-to-date on the Korean exhibition.

Mr. Stern (H.P.) will leave Washington on March 27, and arrive at San Francisco that night. He will stay in San Francisco until April 15, when he will leave for Tokyo. He will leave Tokyo on April 22, arriving at Seoul at 11:10 a.m. on the 22nd (Northwest flight 871). His room reservation at the Bando Hotel has been confirmed. Mr. Stern plans to leave Seoul on June 1, at 3 p.m. (Civil Air Transport flight 101). Minister Han has provided Mr. Stern with letters of introduction to Consul-General Choo, San Francisco, and to Director Kim, National Museum, Seoul.

This morning Mr. Walker received a letter from Mr. Paine, a copy of which is enclosed. Since Mr. Walker wishes to write to Director Kim, he would be grateful if you could let us know of your arrangements with the United States Navy to transport the shipment from Korea to the United States. You will recall that my memorandum of January 11, to Mr. Walker incorporating the matters discussed in our meeting here on January 10, a copy of which was sent to you, stated that "Miss Hall is in touch with the United States Navy regarding the shipment from Korea to the United States. It was agreed that the shipment should arrive in Washington by mid-October." Has the Navy given you a date of departure from Korea and probable date of arrival in the United States?

In the same memorandum it is stated that "Miss Hall said she would arrange for packing materials to be furnished to the Koreans when and if requested." Have the Koreans requested such materials?

Yours sincerely,

Perry B. Cott
Chief Curator

Miss Ardelia Hall
Arts and Monuments Advisor
Room 2024, SA 16, T 5
Department of State, Washington, D. C.

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P.S. Since writing the above, Mr. Walker tells me that you have talked with him on the telephone regarding the Navy transport of the shipment from Korea to the United States. On reading the contract, I find that Article VI, Section 3, contains a release of the United States Government and the Participating Museums "from any and all liability for any loss, damage or deterioration which may occur on such (Navy) vessel or in the course of transportation by the United States Government."

So far as I know, in the case of the other exhibitions held at the National Gallery of Art from foreign countries, the participating museums have paid a sum of money to the foreign Government for insurance, as is provided in the Korean contract. I do not know whether the foreign Governments have used that money to place commercial insurance or have kept it in a self-insuring fund. As you know, under the contract, the Participating Museums are obligated to pay the Korean Museums $16,000 for insurance to be used at their discretion.

Perry B. Cott
Chief Curator

cc to Messrs. Paine, Priest, and Stern

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Dear Mr. Cott:

Thank you for your letter of March 8, 1957 with information about the Korean exhibition. I have since received the itinerary of Mr. Stern's trip to the Far East.

I am enclosing a copy of the letter which was sent from the Department of State to the Secretary of the Navy asking for assistance in the sea transport of the loan collection of Korean art.

With regard to the packing of the works of art, I have heard nothing from Korea recently. It was in 1954 that the Korean Committee specifically requested assistance in packing for an ocean shipment, as was discussed at the meetings on June 8, 1956 and on January 11, 1957. Mr. P. W. Han has said that the Korean Government would welcome such technical assistance.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosure:

To the Secretary of the Navy,
March 27, 1957.

Mr. Perry B. Cott, Chief Curator,
National Gallery of Art,
Washington 25, D. C.

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My dear Mr. Secretary: 895b.44/3-2757
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In your letter of 27 March 1957 you requested the Navy to arrange sea transportation in a United States Naval vessel for certain Korean national art treasures. The request stated that the treasures should be brought to the United States on or before November 1, 1957 and returned in 1959.

The Navy welcomes this opportunity to assist the Department of State, National Gallery of Art, and Korean National Museums by providing this transportation from Korea to the United States and return.

An appropriate Navy ship will be available to load the art treasures in Yokosuka, Japan on either 8 August or 5 September. The Navy will provide transportation for the art treasures from Korea to Japan to meet either of the above dates which may be convenient to the Korean Government. Appropriate space is available for one curator to accompany the art treasures from Korea to the United States. The port of delivery in the United States will be San Francisco, California.

It is understood that detailed arrangements for the transportation should be made by contacting Mr. Marcus W. Scherbaucher, Cultural Affairs Officer, American Embassy, Seoul, Korea.

Sincerely,

F. A. BANTZ
Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Material)

Honorable John Foster Dulles
Secretary of State
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am writing to ask if it might be possible for you to arrange for the sea transportation in a United States naval vessel of an international loan from the Korean Government of Korean national treasures to be brought to the United States on or before November 1, 1957 and to be returned in 1959. The exhibition tour is to open at the National Gallery of Art, Washington, on December 14, 1957.

The initial proposal for an exhibition of Korean art in the United States was received by the Department of State from President Syngman Rhee following a vote of approval by the Korean National Assembly. The exhibit is being arranged by the Korean National Museums and participating American museums under the chairmanship of the director of the National Gallery of Art with the cooperation of the Rockefeller Foundation and the Department of State. Miss Archibald R. Hall, the Arts and Monuments Adviser in the Department (telephone extension 2566) is informed about the schedule, the contract, and other details of the tour.

I hope that the United States Navy may be willing to join in making the exhibition possible by providing safe sea transportation.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:

Walter S. Robertson
Assistant Secretary

The Honorable
Charles Sparks Thomas,
Secretary of the Navy.

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Dear Mr. Han:

I enclose a copy of the letter which was received from the Department of the Navy agreeing to provide sea transportation for the Korean national art treasures from a port in Korea sometime prior to either August 8, 1957 or September 5, 1957, when the Navy ship will leave the port of Yokosuka, Japan. I also enclose a copy of the letter I have sent to Mr. John Walker, Chairman of the Korean Art Exhibition, for its additional information.

Sincerely yours,

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Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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2. To Mr. Walker, of even date.

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The Honorable

Pyo Wook Han,

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Dear Mr. Walker:

The enclosed copy of a letter has been received from the Department of the Navy agreeing to provide transportation for the works of art in the Korean art exhibition from Korea to San Francisco, California. The Navy will also arrange for one Korean curator to travel with the shipment.

Transportation was especially requested to a port near Washington D. C., as Norfolk or Baltimore. But I was told that as vessels from the Pacific Fleet seldom move to the Atlantic Fleet, it would only be possible for the Navy to make arrangements to bring the shipment into San Diego or San Francisco. I believe San Francisco, where there is a museum participating in the exhibition, is the preferred port of delivery on the west coast.

Sincerely yours,

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Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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From Mr. Hunts,
Assistant Secretary
of the Navy (Material),
April 18, 1957.

cc: The American Embassy,
Seoul, Korea.
The Honorable
Pyo Wook Kee,
Embassy of the
Republic of Korea,
2322 Massachusetts Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

Mr. John Walker, Director,
National Gallery of Art,
Washington 25, D. C.

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May 17 1957

Dear Colonel King:

As you know, the arrangements for the tour of Korean national art in the United States have presented serious difficulties due to the lack of experience on the part of Korean museum personnel and shortage of material ordinarily obtainable in the Far East.

Would it be possible for the Department of the Army to aid in the transport overland in Korea of a few large pieces of sculpture and to provide the necessary packing materials and the services of an expert packer on a reimbursable basis by the Korean Government?

The seriousness of the packing problem is described by Mr. John Walker, Director of the National Gallery of Art, in his enclosed letter. A communication has been received from the American Embassy in Seoul stating that the Korean Government has agreed to reimburse the Army for materials and services. The enclosed copy of a letter from the Navy relates to plans for sea transport under articles 5 and 6 of the enclosed agreement. It may be noted that under paragraph 3 of article 6, the United States Government, its personnel, and employees are saved harmless from any responsibility for loss, damage, or deterioration of the exhibition material, but we also agreed that the Government would do its best to prevent any such damage.

It is

Colonel Norman D. King, GA/MS,
Department of the Army,
Room 2E-311,
Pentagon,
Washington, D. C.

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It is only with the assistance of the Department of the Army that the exhibition appears possible and your continued cooperation would, therefore, be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

David C. Nes
Officer in Charge, Korean Affairs
Office of Northeast Asian Affairs

Enclosures:

1. From Mr. Stern, May 3, 1957.
2. From Mr. Walker, May 7, 1957.
3. From Assistant Secretary of the Navy, April 18, 1957.
4. Agreement on Korean Art Exhibition.

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Dear Mr. Cott:

In my letter to Mr. Walker of January 30, 1957, I recommended twelve representative examples of early Buddhist art for inclusion in the Korean art exhibition and enclosed six photographs of (1) relief sculpture from Andong brick pagoda; (2) incense burner from Silsangsa; (3) travelling altar; (4) Sutra markers, (5) abbot portraits from Songkwangsa; and (6) an altar painting from Munisa.

As you have told me that Mr. Walker does not wish to consider including these objects of Buddhist art in the Korean art exhibition, I would greatly appreciate having the photographs returned.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Mr. Perry Cott, Chief Curator,
National Gallery of Art,
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If ROK Government will reimburse Army, see Contract, Article 5, paragraph 5, Department will also request Army, Pentagon, arrange with FEC to provide all needed packing materials and assistance expert Army packers. Army will need copy of letter from Korean Government agreeing to make reimbursement.

Reply soonest.

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Dear Colonel King:

Two authenticated copies of the letter from the Minister of Education of the Government of the Republic of Korea agreeing to reimburse the Army for its assistance in packing the Korean national treasures are enclosed. One copy each has been transmitted to the National Gallery of Art, the Korean Embassy, Washington, and retained by the Department. According to the Seoul Embassy despatch No. 475 of May 16, 1957, a copy of this letter was also forwarded to the Commanding General, Headquarters, AFFE/8th Army.

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Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosures:

From His Excellency
Kyu Hah Choi to
Mr. Rheinhardt,
8 May 1957. (2 copies).

Colonel Herman D. King, OA/HQ,
Department of the Army,
Room 2E-311,
Pentagon,
Washington, D. C.

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Preliminary arrangements have been made with the Transportation Section, Headquarters, AFFE/8th Army for the shipment of the art objects in the Korean Loan Exhibition to be transported by the Navy. Final arrangements will depend, to a great extent, on whether or not the objects will be ready for shipment by July 20, 1957 to meet the first shipping date of August 8, 1957, set by the Navy.

We have established the first date set by the Navy as our shipment date, though we are not too optimistic that it will be met. However, we shall have an extra month following that to meet the final date.

Headquarters, Far East Command, has arranged for Dimitri Boria to photograph the objects for the catalogue. Because of previous commitments in Japan, he has not been able to start the photographing yet, but is expected to arrive this week.

The Korean Government has agreed to reimburse the Army for packing materials and expert packers. Five certified true copies of the letter of agreement from the Ministry of Education are enclosed for your records. A copy of the letter also was forwarded to the Commanding General, Headquarters, AFFE/8th Army, explaining that the assistance of the Army was being requested through the Department of State, and inquiring whether or not AFFE/8th Army would be able to provide the Engineer and Quartermaster support needed.

Conversations with General McAnsh, Deputy Chief of Staff for Administration, have been fruitful, and he indicated that AFFE/8th Army would take immediate steps to determine what support the Army can give, assuming Department of the Army will approve granting logistical support.

We have requested the Army Engineers to examine the two cast bronze statues at Pulkuk-sa, Kyongju, to determine whether or not the statues can be moved from the site without damaging either the statues or the temple, and whether or not they can be packed and crated for shipment by rail, ship, or van in accordance with the terms of article 5, paragraph 5, of the agreement.

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the agreement. We have taken into consideration that inland transportation in the United States might necessitate the use of a closed van. In such a case, it might be impossible to transport the statues by closed van because of their size and weight when crated.

The Army also has been requested to make an estimate as soon as possible of packing and crating materials needed, sources of supply for such materials, costs, and the time which will be required to complete the packing. Since the objects should be ready for shipment by July 20, 1957, it will be most important to determine this as soon as possible. Furthermore, the Army has been requested to make as accurate an estimate of the weight and cubic footage of the objects when packed and crated for shipping purposes.

The Army has asked for our concurrence on a request for the immediate release of the Boria photographs of various Korean national treasures, temples, and landscapes which were taken earlier. The Japan Central Exchange wishes to reproduce them as picture postcards for sale to military personnel through post exchanges. The Embassy sees no reason why the pictures should not be released to the Japan Central Exchange since there is so little on Korean arts available to military personnel stationed in Korea. Furthermore, we are of the opinion that publishing the photographs now would not compete with or detract from the planned exhibition of Korean art objects. Finally, release now of the photographs to the Army would strengthen our relations with the Commanding General, AFFE/8th Army, who has taken a personal interest in them. The Embassy has concurred with the Army on its request for immediate release of the photographs, with the reservation that the negatives be made available to the Department at such a future date when they might be published or made public under Department of State auspices.

The Korean National Museum opened its local exhibit of the art objects in the loan exhibition on May 10, 1957. Attendance at the opening was good and the exhibit made a good impression. President Rhee made an unannounced visit yesterday, and was escorted through the exhibit by Mr. Stern, who was at the Gallery at the time. Clippings from local newspapers and two copies of the catalogue are enclosed for your information.

ACTION REQUESTED: That the Boria photographs be released immediately to the Army for reproduction by the Japan Central Exchange and that the Embassy be notified when the Department of the Army

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of the Army grants its approval for logistical support to the Korean Government.

For the Ambassador:

Arthur R. Gunderson

Arthur R. Gunderson
Deputy Public Affairs Officer

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Reference Department telegram 818, May 17, 1957.

ROK authorities request expert familiar with US museum packing, willing to pay transportation and per diem. Suggest expert from West Coast to cut costs. Advise if fee required also. Army examined Kyongju statues. Estimate weight 9,000 pounds each, cost removal, packing, crating $25,000 to $45,000. Buddhist priests reluctant permit removal religious objects. Matter under consideration ROK authorities. Doubtful objects will be included.

Army proceeding estimates on packing other objects. Boria photographing objects.

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TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL - Attention of Mr. R. W. Scharbenbrg

Mr. John Walker, Director of the National Gallery of Art and Chairman of the Korean Art Exhibition has asked if the photographic negatives of the works of art made for the exhibition catalogue by Mr. D. Roth and any other photographer, as approved by Mr. Sharp, might be forwarded by the Embassy to the Department via air pouch. The Gallery needs the photographic material as soon as possible and would like to receive it by July 15, 1957.

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June 22 1957

Dear Colonel King:

I am forwarding a copy of an Operations Memorandum from the American Embassy, Seoul, dated June 12, 1957, with copies of the enclosed "Cost estimate-art object packing and crating" and an unidentified letter from the Vice Minister of the Republic of Korea dated 22 May 1957, agreeing that American personnel will be saved harmless from any loss or damage during packing and crating.

An expert museum packer is being sent to Seoul from the Honolulu Academy of Arts.

Sincerely yours,

Archibald R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosures:

1. From American Embassy, Seoul, June 12, 1957 (1 copy).
2. Cost Estimate Art Object Packing and Crating (6 copies).
3. Unidentified letter from Song Yun Kuk, Vice Minister ROK to Mr. Warren V. Schoenhaar, May 22, 1957. (2)

Colonel Norman D. King, CA/MC,
Department of the Army,
Room 2-E 721,
Pentagon,
Washington, D.C.

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In reply refer to
AM

June 22 1957

Dear Mr. Walker:

I enclose copies of an Operations Memorandum from the American Embassy Seoul, dated June 12, 1957, relating to the payment of expenses incurred for the photography, and the enclosures.

The officer was, apparently, not informed that the expenses for photography were to be paid from exhibition funds and not from government funds. I have requested the detailed report of these costs and will inquire of the fiscal officers how the amount may be transmitted to the Embassy.

I also enclose the request for the photographic negatives sent to the Embassy in Seoul.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosures:

1. From American Embassy, Seoul, June 12, 1957.
2. Cost Estimate-Art Object Packing and Crating.
3. From Mr. Hong Nam Kun, Vice Minister of Education, ROK, 22 May 1957 (Authenticated Letter).
4. To American Embassy Seoul, A-185, June 14, 1957.

Mr. John Walker, Director,
National Gallery of Art,
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NO.: Mim A-9 July 10, 1957

SUBJECT: Part Payment for Duris Photography

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TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL.

Reference is made to Official-Informal letters from Mr. A. Stanley Hietala, Assistant Cultural Affairs Officer, to Ardelia R. Hall, Arts and Monuments Advisor, dated June 25, 1957 and July 1, 1957 concerning the photographing of the works of art in the Korean Loan Exhibition by Mr. Duris, Signal Corps, Tokyo.

The black and white negatives were received and delivered to the National Gallery of Art on July 1, 1957.

A check from the National Gallery of Art on the National Metropolitan Bank of Washington, check No. 13,018, July 9, 1957, for $165.30, is enclosed in payment for the expenditures which Mr. Hietala has made in connection with the photographing of the objects, as itemized in his letter of July 1, 1957.

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National Gallery of Art Check for $165.30.

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FROM: SEOUL

TO: Secretary of State

NO: 71, JULY 23

FOR ARDELIA HALL A & M.

KOREAN MUSEUM DIRECTOR KIM CHEWON AND ASSISTANT CHOI HISOON SELECTED BY ROK TO ACCOMPANY MUSEUM EXHIBIT TO US. REQUEST INFORMATION WHETHER STATE DEPARTMENT OR PRIVATE GRANT HAS BEEN ARRANGED. SPECIAL PASSPORTS ISSUED AND VISA APPLICATIONS IN PROCESS.

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TO : NA - Mr. Parsons

DATE: July 31, 1957

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FROM : NA - Mr. Nes

SUBJECT: Permission for Gregory Henderson to Serve as Member of the Catalogue Committee for the Visiting Korean Exhibition.

(1)

Mr. John Walker, Director of the National Gallery, and Mr. Robert Treat Paine of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts have asked Gregory Henderson to assist Dr. Chewon Kim, Director of the Korean National Museum, in writing an historical introduction for the catalogue which the participating American museums will publish for the coming exhibition "Masterpieces of Korean Art" and to serve as a member of the Catalogue Committee. Mr. Henderson's name will appear accordingly.

The museum authorities believe that Dr. Kim will need such help if he is to complete in time for publication an historical introduction fitted for the needs of American museums and the American public. Dr. Kim and Mr. Henderson are friends of many years standing.

The draft of Mr. Henderson's historical sketch will be written on his own time and will be cleared with the Historical Division before publication as have his other publications.

<u>Recommendation</u>:

That you indicate approval for Mr. Henderson to serve as a member of the Catalogue Committee and to assist in drafting the historical introduction for the Korean exhibition catalogue.

Approved HKP

Disapproved _____

<u>Clearance</u>:

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NO.: A-45 August 26, ,957

SUBJECT: The Korean Exhibition.

TO: The American Embassy, Seoul

Enclosed is a copy of the draft of the opening pages of the catalogue which will be prepared by the participating American museums for the Korean Government Exhibition. The draft closely corresponds in all respects with the opening pages of catalogues for other similar exhibitions, and has been cleared by Protocol and discussed with the National Gallery. The list, however, will not be finally approved by the museums until after an answer from the Embassy has been received. It should not be regarded as final and commitments to the Koreans that they will appear should not be made.

The Department requests the views of the Embassy on the enclosed draft, most especially on those parts relating to the Korean Government or Koreans participating in the Exhibition. The Department notes that the following names, in the following order and spelling, appeared as signers of the agreement on the Exhibition and proposes that they be included in the catalogue among the members of the "Advisory Committee for the Republic of Korea":

Ko Heitong
Chong-in Hong
Shon jai Hyung
Hyungpil Chun
Pai Ryum
Chewon Kim

Noting the confusion in spelling, placement of last and first names and division of given names, the Department requests final confirmation from the Embassy as to whether this is the exact form and order in which the Koreans desire their names to appear in the printed catalogue. If the Embassy feels that these persons should be followed by titles it should indicate the titles to follow each name. (The Catalogue for the Japanese Exhibition did not indicate titles for comparable persons.) The Embassy should likewise review the form and presentation of the names of Korean Ministers on the list.

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If the Embassy and the Korean authorities feel strongly that any added names are essential, the exact spelling form and title of any such names is solicited. Since a balance should be maintained between Korean and American names, it is suggested that additions should be suggested sparingly.

It is likewise noted that, in the official Selected List for the Exhibition, signed by Mr. Priest and Mr. Paine in Korea, the signed version of the collectors names differs markedly from the names printed over the list of objects they have lent. Both versions differ from the McCune-Reischauer version which will be officially used throughout the catalogue. The museums will be glad to list the names under the Advisory Committee rubric as the collectors wish them to appear. Presumably the same version should appear in the Lenders section of the catalogue in which each collection will be noted with all the objects it has lent. In view of consistency with the McCune-Reischauer system, however, and for the convenience of scholars who may wish to use the catalogue for future reference purposes, it is suggested that when the names of collectors are printed over their collections, the McCune-Reischauer version appear in parentheses beside the personally preferred version. The permission of those concerned for this suggestion and the Embassy's advice is solicited.

Also, should the Yi Household Museum be referred to as such or as "Former Royal Yi Household Gallery of Art" (as it appears in one official exhibition document) or as "Duksoo Palace Museum of Fine Arts" (as it now appears in the catalogue draft)? If the long title is the correct one, would any abbreviation be permitted in the catalogue? Finally, is it desired that the name of the Director of the Christian Museum which has lent item 187 appear?

The National Gallery likewise requests confirmation that Dr. Kim, if his health permits him to come, will be willing to deliver lectures on Korean art free of charge at the Galleries visited by the Exhibition.

The Museums hope to complete preparations for the catalogue by mid-September so that it can be published in time for the Exhibition opening in December.

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Exhibited with the Cooperation

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The Department of the Navy
The Rockefeller Foundation
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National Gallery of Art, Washington

The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York

Museum of Fine Arts, Boston

The Minneapolis Institute of Arts, Minneapolis

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His Excellency Syngman Rhee, President of the Republic of Korea, and Madame Rhee

HONORARY OFFICERS

His Excellency You Chan Yang, Ambassador of Korea to the United States of America
The Honorable Walter C. Dowling, Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of Korea

PATRONS

For the Republic of Korea

His Excellency Chung Whan Cho, Minister of Foreign Affairs
His Excellency Kyu Nam Choi, Minister of Education
His Excellency Hyun Chul Kim, Minister of Finance
His Excellency Chae Kyung Oh, Director of the Office of Public Information

For the United States of America

The Honorable John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State
The Honorable Wilber M. Brucker, Secretary of the Army
The Honorable Thomas S. Gates, Jr., Secretary of the Navy
The Honorable Walter S. Robertson, Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs

COMMITTEE OF AMERICAN MUSEUM DIRECTORS

Richard S. Davis, Director, Minneapolis Institute of Arts
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Robert P. Griffing, Jr., Director, Honolulu Academy of Arts
Thomas C. Howe, Jr., Director, California Palace of the Legion of Honor Museum, San Francisco
Perry T. Rathbone, Director, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston
James J. Rorimer, Director, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York
John Walker, Director, National Gallery of Art, Washington

ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

(Approximately eight names to be selected by the American Embassy, Seoul, in consultation with the Korean authorities). Should be headed by Chewon Kim, Director, National Museum, and The Honorable Pyo Wook Han, Minister of the Republic of Korea to the United States of America.

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Alan Priest, Curator, Far Eastern Art, Metropolitan Museum of Art
Robert Treat Paine, Jr., Assistant Curator, Department of Asiatic Art, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston
Harold Philip Stern, Assistant, Freer Gallery of Art, Washington
Marcus W. Scherbacher, Cultural Attache, American Embassy, Seoul
Colonel Norman D. King, CA/MG, USA
Lt. Colonel Harvey Patterson, Signal Corps, USA
Christopher A. Norred, Jr., Second Secretary, American Embassy, Seoul
Ardelia R. Hall, Arts and Monuments Adviser, Department of State

CATALOGUE COMMITTEE

Chairman: Robert Treat Paine, Jr.
Chewon Kim
Harold Philip Stern
Robert P. Griffing, Jr.
Marcus W. Scherbacher
Alan Priest
Gregory Henderson

LENDERS

(As the Koreans wish these names to appear . Give only institutions and personal names in correct form and order. The Museums will provide the lists of objects.)

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Dear Miss Acton:

Thank you for the return of the twenty-six Korean photographs which I had loaned to Mrs. Pope.

Perhaps you would like to have my present address:

Arts and Monuments Adviser (AM),
Department of State,
Room 2024, State Annex 16,
Constitution Avenue and 16th Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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Miss Gladys Acton,
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September 5, 1957

Miss Ardelia Hall
Division of Libraries and Institutes
Department of State
1778 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Hall:

Mrs. Pope has asked me to return the enclosed Korean photographs to you which you so kindly sent to us some time ago. Thank you very much for letting us see these very interesting prints.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Gladys Acton

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FOR ARDELIA HALL

Korean loan exhibition and Choi Hi-soon departed Korea August 30 aboard USNS REGULUS. Expected arrival San Francisco September 22. OM follows.

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Dear Mr. Kelly:

The Korean Government is sending a loan collection of approximately 197 works of art to the United States for exhibition in the following eight American museums: National Gallery of Art, Washington, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, Boston Museum of Fine Arts, Minneapolis Institute of Art, Seattle Museum of Art, San Francisco Palace of the Legion of Honor, Los Angeles County Museum, Honolulu Academy of Art.

The exhibition tour during 1957-1959 is being arranged under a contract between the Korean National Museum and the eight American museums. All objects are to be returned to Korea at the end of the tour. The collection is to arrive in San Francisco on the naval vessel USNS KENDRICK, September 22, 1957.

Mr. Thomas Carr Howe, Jr., the Director of the California Palace of the Legion of Honor, is fully informed about the shipment and is arranging for transportation by railway express to Washington. The responsible Korean Government representatives include Mr. CHOI Hi-guem, a curator in the Korean National Museum, who accompanied the shipment on the KENDRICK, and KIM Chu-non, the Director of the Korean National Museum, who is expected to arrive in San Francisco before September 22nd.

It is felt that it would be helpful if the Collector of Customs in San Francisco might be notified of the coming arrival of the art shipment and any courtesy that he may be able to show the American and Korean museum officials would be most appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Archibald R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Advisor

Mr. Ralph Kelly,
Commissioner of Customs,
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AM

September 12 1957

Dear Mr. Cott:

I enclose a proposed list of patrons and committees for the Exhibition of Masterpieces of Korean Art which I have prepared and sent to the American Embassy, Seoul for its review. My concern in making up a proposed list of patrons was to supplement the excellent Foreword which Mr. Walker had prepared and acknowledge the help the exhibition has received. I have consulted with Mr. Han, Mr. Fahs, the officers in the Army and Navy whom I have dealt with, the Freer Gallery, the Protocol Division, and Mr. Robertson, the Assistant Secretary for the Far East.

With the list, I am returning the Foreword, with my thanks for the kind acknowledgement Mr. Walker has made of what I have been able to contribute to the exhibition. The draft letter to the proposed patrons, which you requested, and a draft letter to Mr. Han are also enclosed.

However, the list was shortened and revised by Mr. Gregory Henderson and also sent to Seoul with the enclosed Department instruction No. A-45, August 26, 1957. Should you wish to use the shortened list the Foreword would probably need to be revised.

Sincerely yours,

Archibald R. Hall
Arts and Humanities Adviser

Enclosures:

1. Proposed list of Patrons and Committees.
2. Foreword by Mr. Walker.
3. Draft Letter to Patrons.
4. " " " Mr. Han.
5. To the American Embassy, Seoul, August 26, 1957.

Mr. Perry Cott, Chief Curator,
National Gallery of Art,
Washington, D. C.

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Christian Museum, Seoul.

(From Selected List and catalogue, Special Exhibition
(Seoul) Korean National Treasures...May 10-31, 1957)

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Footnotes:

Page 1 - Names of Korean and American museums given as they appear in contract.

"The" is a part of the title of the Rockefeller Foundation; use of name is approved by Mr. Fahs and Foundation. Mr. Fahs suggested no person be named.

Page 2 - The names of the Korean officials were suggested by Mr. Han. A draft letter requesting his approval is attached.

The names of the Army officers were listed by Colonel King. Many officers like General Taylor and General Lemnitzer have a great interest in Korea and have done a great deal for the country. Others have signed the orders.

The names of the US Navy officers were given to me by Commander Treyler.

The names of the assistant secretaries are those who have signed, cleared or supported the communications I have prepared at the request of Mr. Walker.

The order and titles were approved by Protocol: U/PR - Mrs. Donaldson on August 6, 1957. (Should be checked for any changes).

As for the Korean names, I am preparing a list of the preferred personal spelling and variations from signatures and publications, with characters and McCune-Reischauer transliteration of each one. Whether the Korean surname is given first or last is a matter of editing so catalogue will be consistent.

Page 3 - Under the Executive Committee: Mr. Han perhaps should be designated as the official representative of the Government of the Republic of Korea.

The Selection Committee includes the signers of the Selected List. Mr. Kim Chu-wan recommended that this Committee and the members listed be included.

In the Catalogue Committee Mr. Stern's name "Phillip" is spelled with two "l's". The Press Gallery informed me that he is an "Assistant Curator."

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I would urge that Mr. Key P. Yang be included on the catalogue committee for the important assistance he has given to the preparation of the catalogue.

Page 4 - The Korean and American Advisory Committees include those who have assisted in the plans for the exhibition since 1954.

The Korean Advisory Committee was appointed in 1954. Committee members listed were invited to a reception in their honor on December 18, 1954.

Professor Pyong-do Yi is coming to the US. He is one of the leading historians in Korea and heads a large project subsidized by the Rockefeller Foundation.

The American Advisory Committee should be headed by Mr. Schaerbeeker, the American Cultural Attache in Seoul, in recognition of his distinguished service.

Page 5 - The Leaders are included among the Patrons. The listing here is for the index.

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FOREWORD

It is a rare opportunity nowadays to be able to introduce to the American public a field of art with which they have been too little familiar. The art of Korea, although that of one of the oldest and finest cultures of the world, has rarely been seen in the west. So extensive has been the destruction of art in Korea's past that if it were not for excavations in the 20th century, very little would be known of her great artistic history and no such exhibition as the present one would be possible.

Much of the national treasure of Korea and many prized possessions of museums and private collections of that country are being exhibited for the first time through the generosity of the Government of the Republic of Korea.

The exhibition has been brought to the United States under the sponsorship of the eight museums where the collection will be shown. The selection of bojects was made in Korea by the joint American and Korean committees: Alan Priest and Robert T. Paine, Jr. representing the American museums; Hi-tong Koh (KO), Chong-in Hong (HONG), Jai-hyung Shon (SOHN), Hyung-pil Chun (CHUN), Ryum Pai (PAI), and Chewon Kim (KIM) representing the Korean museums. Miss Ardelia R. Hall, Arts and Monuments Adviser, Department of State, has been of invaluable assistance since the inception of the exhibition. Mr. Gregory Henderson of the Korean Desk, Department of State, and Mr. Marcus W. Scherbacher of the American Embassy, Seoul, have given the benefit of their counsel in many matters. Mr. Harold P. Stern of the Freer Gallery of Art went to Korea to write the catalogue notes and arrange for photography of the objects by G. Dimitri Boris

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of the U. S. Army Signal Corps. Mr. Paine has ably edited and prepared the catalogue for publication. The ~~magnificent~~ exhibition has been transported to this country through the courtesy of the United States Navy.

Through this important exhibition the American public will be able to discover the diversity and originality that must once have marked all the arts of Korea. It is by such an international artistic undertaking as this that the mutual understanding of the peoples of our two republics will be significantly furthered.

To the United States Army and Navy, to the Rockefeller Foundation, Minister Pyo Wook Han and his colleagues in the Korean Embassy and to the many persons in the Korean and American museums, whose assistance has made it possible, who have worked indefatigably to make the exhibition possible, I express most grateful thanks on behalf of the participating museums.

John Walker
Director, National Gallery of Art

Washington, December 1957

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DRAFT

Dear Mr. Dulles:

A collection of Korean works of art is now on its way to the United States. It will be the first loan exhibition of Korean art ever to be shown in the West. The exhibition will open at the National Gallery of Art on December 14, 1957 and will be sent to seven other American museums in New York, Boston, Minneapolis, Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Honolulu.

The Department of State and the American Embassy in Seoul have lent sympathetic interest to the earnest desire of the Korean Government to send the exhibition to the United States as a gesture of friendship. The Korean museums and collectors have lent their finest objects. The exhibition, it is believed, will help make the unique cultural achievements of the Korean people better known.

The Department of the Army has given important aid in surmounting unforeseen difficulties; the Department of the Navy has provided sea transportation; the Rockefeller Foundation has contributed a grant; the American-Korean Foundation has rendered other assistance. Without the help of these governmental and private agencies, the exhibition would not have been possible. The American museums are most grateful for the generous assistance they have received. In acknowledgement of this cooperation, the Executive Committee would like to include the representatives on the enclosed list among the Honorary Officers and Patrons of the exhibition.

It would, therefore, be appropriate and would give us great pleasure, if you would consent to serve as a Patron of the exhibition.

Sincerely yours,

John Walker
Director, National Gallery of Art

Enclosure:
List of Honorary Officers and Patrons.

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John Foster Dulles,
Secretary of State.

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Dear Mr. Han:

I enclose for your approval a proposed list with the Korean patrons and committee members for inclusion in the catalogue of the Korean exhibition. Any further suggestions you may wish to make will be most welcome.

It would be appreciated if approval could be sent promptly, as the catalogue will go to press the first of October.

Sincerely yours,

John Walker
Director, National Gallery of Art

Enclosure:

Title page and list
of patrons and committees.

The Honorable
Pyo Wook Han,
Minister of Korea,
Universal Postal Union Conference,
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Re: Department Instruction A-45, August 26.

Regret delay our comments Korean Exhibition Catalog Committee listings. Inquiry informally discussed with Education Minister who still studying list. Agree McCune-Reischauer version preferable names collectors over objects. Duksoo Palace Museum of Fine Arts is accepted designation of former Yi Museum. Dr. Kim willing deliver lecture.

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To: The Secretary
Through: S/S
From: FE - Mr. Robertson NSR

Date: SEP 27 1957

Subject: Your Consent to Serve as Patron of the Exhibition of Masterpieces of Korean Art.

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Mr. John Walker, Director of the National Gallery of Art, has written you (Tab B) asking that you consent to be a Patron of the Exhibition of Masterpieces of Korean Art.

The National Gallery and seven other major American museums are bringing to the United States an exhibition of nearly two hundred masterpieces of Korean art lent by the national museums of Korea and major Korean private collections. The exhibition is held under the auspices of the Republic of Korea and represents the first occasion on which an independent Korea has lent major objects of art for display abroad. The exhibition opens at the National Gallery on December 14, 1957.

The Departments of State, Army, and Navy have favored this exhibition from its inception and have given it all possible aid and support. It has the enthusiastic backing of the Korean Government. It will contribute materially to the respect and cultural understanding of the American people for Korea and her arts.

Recommendation:

That you sign the attached letter (Tab A) to Mr. Walker, Director of the National Gallery of Art, consenting to serve as Patron of the exhibition.

Attachments:

Tab A. Letter for signature.

Tab B. From Mr. Walker, September 20, 1957.

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TO : FE - Mr. Robertson

FROM : NA - Mr. Ockey WCO.

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SUBJECT: Supporting Cultural Events for the Korean Art Exhibition.

The Exhibition of Masterpieces of Korean Art lent by the Korean Government will be held at the National Gallery from December 14, 1957 until January 14, 1958. It is the first occasion on which important objects of Korean art have been exhibited outside Korea and Japan. In view of the importance of this event and of the lack of knowledge in this country of Korean art generally, Mr. Henderson, NA, has been consulting with the Korean Embassy, with Miss Hall, and with private interested individuals in Washington to arrange events featuring the music, dance, books, literature and motion pictures, as well as the visual art of Korea.

Among the events suggested was an exhibition of selections from the Library of Congress' fine collection of old Korean books. A letter to Mr. Mumford, Librarian of Congress, requesting the arrangement of such an exhibition, is attached.

Recommendation:

That you sign the attached letter. — done 10/15

Attachment:

Letter for signature.

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Dear Mr. Mumford:

From December 14, 1957, until January 14, 1958, an Exhibition of Masterpieces of Korean Art, lent by the Government of the Republic of Korea and presented by seven major museums of the United States, will be shown at the National Gallery in Washington.

The appearance of this great exhibition here will mark the first occasion on which major objects of Korean art have been exhibited anywhere outside Korea and Japan.

In order to give suitable cultural support to an event of such importance in the nation's capital, programs of Korean music, dancing, literature and moving pictures are being arranged in Washington and elsewhere where the exhibition will visit.

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We know that the Library of Congress contains one of the finest collections of Korean books outside the Far East; but unfortunately, the collection is little known to the general public. Books and their printing assume unusual importance in the history of Korean civilization. Consequently, an exhibition of Korean books in the Library of Congress during all or part of the period from December 14 to January 14 would serve to further the objectives of the Korean Art Exhibition. It also would give the public an opportunity to appreciate and learn more about the Library's collection.

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In view of these circumstances, I hope very much that it will be possible for the Library of Congress to arrange such a book exhibition. We would be glad to be of any assistance which you might consider helpful.

Sincerely yours,

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Walter S. Robertson
Assistant Secretary

The Honorable
L. Quincy Mumford,
Librarian of Congress.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

October 25, 1957

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY
Department of State

Dear Walter,

You probably know that our Korean art goods are here in Washington, and they are being installed for the official showing in Washington beginning december 16. I am glad to say that every item is in proper shape, and I am sure that our American friends will be delighted to see our ancient art work.

The Catalog Committee of the participating museums for the Korean Art Exhibition is in the process of preparing an elaborately illustrated catalog, and in the catalog we will have a list of prominent Americans and Koreans who are to act as Honorary Patrons. President and Mrs. Rhee will act as Honorary Patrons, and it is the wish of our President that both President and Mrs. Eisenhower will find it possible to serve with President and Mrs. Rhee as Honorary Patrons for the Korean Art Exhibition. I seek your assistance in this matter.

It is my understanding that Mr. Walker, the Director of the National Art Gallery in Washington, will write to President Eisenhower directly, inviting the President and Mrs. Eisenhower, but it seems that he needs encouragement from the Department of State.

Sincerely yours,

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You Chan Yang
Korean Ambassador

The Honorable
Walter S. Robertson
Assistant Secretary of State
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FE - Mr. Robertson

Subject: Request that the President and Mrs. Eisenhower serve as Honorary Patrons for a Korean Art Exhibition

Since it is not customary for the President to comply with requests to serve as patron for such things as foreign art exhibits, I don't feel that we should have the Secretary ask him to do so.

As far as I know, President Eisenhower has never granted such a request and I don't feel that we are justified in asking that he make an exception in this instance. If he should do so, it would set a precedent, and the publicity on the Korean exhibition would probably inspire numerous other requests, which it would be very awkward to refuse.

I recommend that you inform the Korean Ambassador of your regret that it is contrary to the President's practice to comply with requests of this nature, and express the hope that he will understand that making an exception in this case would be unfair to the others whose similar requests he has felt obliged to decline.

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Wiley T. Buchanan, Jr.
Chief of Protocol

Attachment:
Memoranda for the Secretary and the President.

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At time Wilcox wrote this memo he did not know of President's sponsorship of Scandinavian Exhibit. He suggested to me over the telephone that I talk to you, which I did — WBR

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October 31, 1957

TO: The Secretary
THROUGH: S/S
FROM: FE - Walter S. Robertson WSR

SUBJECT: Request of President and Mrs. Rhee that President and Mrs. Eisenhower act as Honorary Patrons for the Korean Art Exhibition

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The Korean Ambassador has written conveying a request from President Rhee that the President and Mrs. Eisenhower serve as Honorary Patrons for the Exhibition of Masterpieces of Korean Art and that their names so appear in the official catalog of the exhibition.

The Korean Exhibition opens at the National Gallery of Art on December 14, 1957 and will tour seven other prominent American museums including the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston and the California Palace of the Legion of Honor Museum in San Francisco. The proceeds from the exhibition tour will be donated for the restoration of Korean historic monuments and national treasures. The President and Madame Rhee will appear in the catalog as Honorary Patrons.

I concur in President Rhee's request and believe that the honorary patronage of the President and Mrs. Eisenhower would be an appropriate gesture of goodwill honoring the Korean people. In response to a request from the Swedish Ambassador, President Eisenhower served as Honorary Patron for the "Design in Scandinavia" exhibition which toured American museums in 1954. Obviously it would be difficult to explain his refusal to so honor the Korean Government exhibition.

Recommendation:

That you sign the attached memorandum to the President. (Tab A)

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Memorandum to the President. (Tab A)
Memorandum from Mr. Buchanan (Tab B)

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National Gallery - Mr. Walker (by phone)

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Telephone
Memorandum of Conversation

DATE: November 20, 1957

SUBJECT: Information for USIA, People to People Program

PARTICIPANTS: Dr. Dorothy Frost -(AKF) American Korean Foundation
Mrs. L. Freeman - AM

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phoned and
Dr. Dorothy Frost/requested that Miss Hall send to a Mr. Richard Brookbank, Staff Administrator, Music Committee, USIA, People to People Program, Box 383, Charleston, West Virginia, a list of the people Miss Hall wrote to about the photographic exhibition and check off the names who accepted. Also list of museums accepting the Korean Exhibition. Also to give a little bit of information regarding date of photographic exhibition, when it will get started. She spoke of a musical conductor, a Maestro Eaktay Ahn. Two Charleston calls from People to People program have been made regarding obtaining his services. He is appearing in Charleston. She wanted to know what Miss Hall had done or found out about the music for National Gallery of Art. She thinks maybe they can get him to play at these different places.

She said to get the letter out to him as soon as possible.

Dr. Frost requested that Miss Hall call her in the morning.



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In reply refer to
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Dear Mr. Brookbank:

Dr. Dorothy Frost of the American Korean Foundation asked me to send you the information about the Loan Exhibition of Masterpieces of Korean Art and a proposed exhibition of photographs of Korean monuments of architecture and sculpture.

The exhibition of Korean Art opens on December 14, 1957 at the National Gallery of Art under the honorary patronage of President Eisenhower and President Rhee. This exhibition of Korea's national art treasures will be shown at eight leading museums in the United States, returning to Seoul from Honolulu in 1959. The museums and opening dates are given in the enclosed leaflet.

Three duplicated exhibits of Korean architectural photographs are being prepared for circulation in the United States during 1958 and 1959. However, the photographic exhibits are not yet scheduled and we do not know definitely the places where they will be shown.

In planning for these Korean exhibitions, there was a good response from museums and a limited response from the colleges and universities largely because exhibition space was not available. I do not believe that for your planning in connection with music, the list I have for art and architecture would be particularly useful.

In general, I have found that American institutions are greatly interested in Korean culture and artistic achievements and will accept whatever may be offered to them if they have the facilities to do so.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

(mailed from AM) cc: Dr. Frost.

Enclosure:

✓Leaflet, "Loan Exhibition of Masterpieces of Korean Art."

Mr. Richard Brookbank,
Staff Administrator, Music Committee,
USIA, People to People Program,
Box 303,
Charleston, West Virginia.

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Dear General O'Connell:

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The National Gallery of Art has asked me to send you a copy of the exhibition catalogue of Korean art in acknowledgment of the important assistance received from the Department of the Army.

A schedule of the nation-wide tour and some of the news reports are also enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Humanities Adviser

Enclosures:

1. Catalogue of [redacted] of Korean Art.
2. Leaflet with opening dates of tour.
3. Clippings on exhibition.

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Major General J. D. O'Connell,
Department of the Army,
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Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosures:

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General George H. Decker,
Department of the Army,
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear General Lemnitzer:

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A schedule of the nation-wide tour and some of the news reports are also enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Advisor

Enclosures:

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General Lyman L. Lemnitzer,
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Sincerely yours,

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Arts and Monuments Adviser

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The Honorable
George H. Roderick,
Assistant Secretary of the Army,
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear General Colley:

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Sincerely yours,

Archibald R. Hall
Arts and Humanities Advisor

Enclosures:

1. Catalogue of Exhibition of Korean Art.
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Major General Charles E. Colley,
Department of the Army,
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Bantz:

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Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
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F. A. Bantz,
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Sincerely yours,

Amelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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Admiral Felix B. Stump,
Department of the Navy,
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear Admiral McKinney:

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Department of the Navy,
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear General White:

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A schedule of the nation-wide tour and some of the news reports are also enclosed.

I am most grateful to the Army in Washington and Korea for its help and support. The long-planned exhibition tour of the beautiful Signal Corps color photographs of Korean monuments taken by Mr. Davis will open in Washington in the spring.

Sincerely yours,

Archelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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Washington 25, D. C.

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SUBJECT: EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE: Dr. KIM Won-yong, Deputy Director, National Museum: Replacement for Dr. Chewon KIM under the Foreign Specialists Program.

The Embassy transmits biographical information on Dr. KIM Won-yong, Deputy Director, National Museum of Korea, in connection with his accompanying the Korean National Treasures Exhibit as replacement for Dr. KIM Chewon. Dr. KIM Won-yong has informed the Embassy that he will be able to arrive in Seattle on or about July 13, 1958, the date suggested by the Department.

The Embassy considers him an excellent replacement for Dr. KIM Chewon. Dr. KIM Won-yong enjoys an excellent reputation among his associates, has written a number of books and articles in his specialty and has supervised several major excavations of Koryo and Silla Dynasty tombs. In addition to his position at the National Museum, Dr. Kim teaches courses in archaeology and history of Chinese and Korean art at Seoul National and Ewha Women's universities. He has taken an active role in a number of associations promoting the study of Korean history and its dissemination in western literature and is a member of the Committee for Preservation of National Treasures, of the Ministry of Education.

Upon graduation from Keijo Imperial University, Seoul, where he received a B. A. in oriental history in 1945, he joined the faculty of Korea University as a lecturer in Chinese history. In February 1947, he joined the staff of the National Museum of Korea with which organization he has since been associated, with the exception of four years' leave of absence for study in the United States and Canada. From April 1948 to April 1949, he studied archaeological techniques and observed museum administration at the Royal Ontario Museum of Archaeology in Toronto, Canada, and at the Buffalo Museum of Science under a Rockefeller Foundation grant. He returned to the United States in the autumn of 1954 to pursue a course of study leading to a Ph. D. in art history at the Institute of Fine Arts, New York University. His dissertation entitled "Studies in Silla Pottery" was approved in March 1958, with the provision that he make extensive revisions as to style. This he expects to complete sometime prior to the termination of his grant.

As noted previously, Dr. Kim has successfully passed his physical examination and has received his visa clearance.

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For the Ambassador:

Henry F. Arnold
Public Affairs Officer

Enclosure:

Biodata on Dr. KIM Won-yong.

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Publications: Tools of Prehistorical Sites and Dongsam, Seoul, 1953; Early Movable Type in Korea (with English summary,) Seoul, 1954; and Excavations of Three Silla Tombs (in collaboration with Dr. Chewon KIM.) Seoul, 1956.

Travel abroad: Visited the United States and Canada, April 1946-April 1949, and the United States again from August 1954-January 1957, for purposes of study.

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BIOGRAPHIC DATA

Name: KIM Won-yong

Address: 10-17 Haehwa-dong, Chongno-ku, Seoul, Korea.

Place and date of birth: 214 Songgui-dong, Sosong-myon, Taechon County, North Pyongan Province, Korea; August 24, 1922.

Citizenship: Korean.

Academic training: Received B. A. in Oriental History from the Keijo Imperial University, Seoul, in 1945; studied archaeology and museum administration at the Royal Ontario Museum of Archaeology, Toronto, Canada, and at the Buffalo Museum of Science under a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation; Ph. D. degree candidate at the Institute of Fine Arts, New York University, 1954-1957, majoring in art history; dissertation approved in March 1958.

Present position: Curator, Research Department, National Museum of Korea; Lecturer at Seoul National University and Ewha Women's University in archaeology and history of Chinese and Korean art.

Positions held: Research Staff, National Museum of Korea, 1947-1952; Associate Professor, Tonguk College, April 1957-March 1958; and Acting Director, National Museum of Korea, September 1957-July 1958.

Membership in professional organizations: Member, the Chindan Society, (a leading Korean scholarly society to promote the study of Korea); and member, the Art Society of Korea; and member, The Korean Historical Association.

Publications: Table of Prehistorical Sites and Remains, Seoul, 1953; Early Movable Type in Korea (with English summary,) Seoul, 1954; and Excavations of Three Silla Tombs (in collaboration with Dr. Chewon KIM,) Seoul, 1955.

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August 4, 1958

Dear Miss Hall:

Airmail 7/AM: Hall 8/27/58

Mr. Dooley asked me to send you the enclosed clippings of articles which appeared in the papers during the Boston showing of the exhibition "Masterpieces of Primitive Art" last May and June.

With best regards,

Cody Z. Mighill

Mrs. Bradford Mighill
Publicity

Miss Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser
Department of State
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Dear Mrs. Highill:

The clippings on the Korean Art Exhibition at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts were received. Please thank Mr. Dooley for sending them to me.

The Korean Embassy is distributing copies of the American publicity on the Korean loan exhibition. A motion picture of the exhibit is also being circulated abroad.

Sincerely yours,

Arielia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Mrs. Bradford Highill, Publicity,
Division of Education,
Museum of Fine Arts,
Boston 15, Massachusetts.

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TO: Amembassy, SEOUL.

Inasmuch as Mr. Choi came to the United States in September 1957 on the USIS Exchange ab an expense to the Department and will return home direct from Minneapolis, Minnesota where the Korean art treasures are currently on exhibit, his grant has been amended accordingly.

The Department has provided Mr. Choi with an international ticket issued by Pan American World Airways and requested a reservation from Western Airlines for his departure from Minneapolis for San Francisco on September 19. Since Mr. Choi desires to spend a day or two at the museum in San Francisco, his ticket has been left open for the remainder of the trip. The Reception Center will assist him in making further reservations.

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Dear Mr. Delacour:

The Department of the Navy is arranging for the sea transportation of the loan collection of Korean works of art to Honolulu at the close of the exhibition in the Los Angeles County Museum on March 1st, 1959. The Navy in Washington has not yet been informed as to whether the shipment will be made from Los Angeles or San Francisco.

The collection was shipped to the United States in "Conex cases" or "transporters" which are steel lift-vans loaned by the Department of the Army. On the arrival of the collection in Washington, the Conex cases were returned to the Army by Mr. John Walker, the Chairman of the Exhibition. The understanding was that the Conex cases and new packing necessary would be procured for the return sea shipment at the end of the tour in the United States.

The Conex cases weigh fifteen hundred pounds empty and I was told by the Registrar of the National Gallery that there were eight Conex cases used in bringing the collection to the United States.

The Department of the Army has informed me that it will require a request in writing for the loan of the Conex cases, at least fifteen days before the date of delivery. It is, of course, necessary to wait for word from the Navy, as to the port from which the shipment is to leave. I will telegraph you as soon as this information is received in Washington.

If the naval vessel is to load the collection at Los Angeles, the packing in the Conex cases will be done at the Los Angeles Museum. If, however, the vessel loads at San Francisco, I thought you might wish to consult with Mr. Thomas Carr Howe, Jr. of the San Francisco California Palace of the Legion of Honor about the advisability of having the Conex cases delivered there. I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Howe, to Dr. Kim, and to the Korean Embassy in Washington.

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Mr. Jean Delacour, Director,
Los Angeles County Museum,
Exposition Park,
Los Angeles 7, California.

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The outside dimensions of the Conex cases are 8' 6" long, 6' 3" wide, and overall height 6' 10½"; the inside dimensions are 8' 1 5/8" long, 5' 11 3/4" wide and 6' 3/8" high. The request for the Conex cases should give the date when delivery is required and if the cases can be accepted in advance of that date. The requesting museum should arrange and pay for the drayage of the empty cases to the museum. The Army cannot pay for the delivery of the Conex cases.

You will be informed by the Army when your request is received as to the installation which will provide the cases; in Los Angeles, the Maywood Air Force Depot may be the nearest one or in San Francisco, the Oakland Army Terminal.

The request should be sent to -

Joint Conex Control Agency,
Department of the Army,
Bldg. T-7, Room 2911,
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention of Mr. Ray L. Vekroff.

The United States Army and Navy will be very glad to cooperate with the museums in making the safe return of the Korean collection possible.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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January 20, 1959

Dear Mr. Han:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter I am sending to the Director of the Los Angeles County Museum about procuring Army Conex cases for the sea transport of the Korean loan exhibition.

I shall keep you informed about the arrangements that the United States Navy is making for the shipment to Honolulu, so that the Korean representatives on the West coast and the Korean museum curators may be fully satisfied that every precaution for the safety of the Korean collection is being taken.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosure:

To Mr. Delacour,
of even date.

The Honorable
Pyo Wook Han,
Korean Embassy,
2322 Massachusetts Ave., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

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SENT TO: Jean Delacour, Director,
Los Angeles County Museum,
Los Angeles, California.

Navy has arranged for transportation of Korean art from Long Beach, California to Honolulu on APA-220 Okanogan, sailing March four (4), 1959. Museum's request for conex cases should be forwarded immediately to Joint Conex Control Agency address given in my letter of January 20.

Will send name of officer for your liaison with Navy at Long Beach next week.

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January 28, 1959

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Dear Commander Wyse:

Enclosed is a copy of a telegram sent to Mr. Delacour on January 23, 1959 and a copy of a letter, which I have sent to the Korean Minister in Washington, Mr. Pyo Wook Han, telling him of the arrangements which the United States Navy has made for the sea-transport of the national collection of works of art lent by the Korean Government for the exhibition tour in the United States. Mr. Han is the official representative of the Korean Government on the Exhibition Committee.

We are all most appreciative of the generous assistance which the Department of the Navy is giving in the transport of these priceless national treasures. The excellent schedule that has been planned will allow for the maximum amount of time for the installation of the final and important showing in Honolulu.

Sincerely yours,

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Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosures:

1. To Mr. Delacour, January 23, 1959.
2. To Mr. Han, of even date.

Commander F. C. Wyse,
Department of the Navy,
Room 4 D 569,
Pentagon,
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Han:

The Department of the Navy has notified the Department of State that the following arrangements have been made for the sea transportation of the Korean exhibition, "Masterpieces of Korean Art," which closes at the Los Angeles County Museum on March 1, 1959.

The shipment of works of art will be loaded at Long Beach, California, the port of Los Angeles, on March 4, 1959 for transfer to Honolulu, aboard the U. S. Naval Vessel, APA-220 Okanogan arriving at Pearl Harbor before the end of March.

The shipment is to be packed for sea transport in Conex cases, again provided by the Joint Conex Control Agency of the Department of the Army. The Conex cases should be stored at the Honolulu Academy for re-use.

At the close of the exhibition in Honolulu on June 1, 1959, the shipment will depart from Pearl Harbor for Pusan, Korea, on July 2, 1959 on board the U. S. Naval Vessel, AK-5 Rainier.

Mr. Hong-sup Chin, the Curator of the Kyongju Museum, will accompany the shipment on the Naval Vessels. Mr. Won-yoong Kim had previously informed me that Mr. Chin was to travel with the shipment.

Mr. Jean Delacour, Director, and Mr. Richard F. Brown, Chief Curator of the Los Angeles County Museum are the responsible museum officials in Los Angeles. Mr. Robert F. Griffing, Jr., Director of the Honolulu Academy of Arts is the responsible museum official in Honolulu.

The Navy will have liaison with Ambassador Walter C. Dowling in Korea and Dr. Che-won Kim, Director of the National Museum, Seoul.

As soon as

The Honorable
Pyo Wook Han,
Korean Embassy,
2322 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

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As soon as I am informed of the approximate date of the arrival of the shipment in Pusan, I shall let you know.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Jean Delaneur and Mr. Robert P. Griffing, Jr.

Sincerely yours,

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January 29, 1959

Dear Mr. Delacour:

I am writing to you again to explain that the Museum is expected to arrange and to pay for the drayage of the empty Conex cases from the Army or Air Force installation, which will lend them to the Museum, and for the movement of the cases to Long Beach for loading.

Mr. Ray L. Vekroff told me that the Army can lend the cases but has no money to pay for their delivery to the Museum. Your museum official in charge of the shipping room can obtain any information, he may need immediately about the Conex cases, by calling the Maywood Air Force Depot.

It will also be necessary for the Museum to buy and to provide, the necessary packing in the Conex cases. The packing used for the shipment from Seoul to Washington was discarded by the National Gallery of Art.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
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Mr. Jean Delacour, Director,
Los Angeles County Museum,
Los Angeles, California.

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Dear Miss Hall:

Enclosed are copies of four messages which may be useful in completing your files. They represent a chronology of events to date concerning the return shipment of Korean art treasures.

Commander in Chief U.S. Pacific Fleet has designated Commander Amphibious Force the Navy authority responsible for initial transportation between Long Beach and Pearl Harbor. COMPHIBPAC's representative should contact Mr. Brown in Los Angeles in the very near future. Commander Service Force (with Headquarters in Pearl Harbor) has been assigned responsibility for final transportation to Korea. He will contact Mr. Griffing in Honolulu.

In his most recent message (022329Z), CINCPACFLT indicates that the art items should arrive at their Korean destination about 16 July. The Naval Attache, Seoul, has been requested to contact Mr. Che-won Kim in order to determine the preferred delivery point in Korea.

Respective commanders designated will take the initiative in establishing direct liaison with the officials indicated in our message 262218Z January. For your information, however, addresses are provided below:

Commander Amphibious Force
U.S. Pacific Fleet
San Diego 32, Calif.

Commander Service Force
U.S. Pacific Fleet
% Fleet Post Office
San Francisco, Calif.

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It has been a pleasure for the Navy to provide this service.

Sincerely yours,

F.C. Wyse, Jr.
Commander, U.S. Navy
(Fleet Operations Division)

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NO. A-248, February 9, 1959.

SUBJECT: Return Shipment of Korean Art Treasures from California to Honolulu to Korea.

TO: The American Embassy, Seoul

The Korean collection of Masterpieces of Korean Art will be on exhibition at the Los Angeles County Museum from January 15, 1959 to March 1, 1959. It will be transported by the United States Navy from California to Honolulu, on the U. S. naval vessel, APA-220, the Shumagin, departing from Long Beach, California on March 4, 1959 and arriving at Pearl Harbor before the end of March.

The shipment is to be packed for sea transport in the same type of Conex crates, in which it was brought to the United States. They were split being provided by the Department of the Army. The necessary packing for the Conex crates is to be procured by the Los Angeles County Museum. The director of the Honolulu Academy of Arts has been notified that the Conex crates are to be stored in Honolulu for re-use in the sea transport to Korea.

Mr. Hong-sup Chin, the Korean curator, is authorized by the U. S. Navy to accompany the shipment.

Following the showing at the Honolulu Academy of Arts from April 15, 1959 to June 1, 1959, the shipment will leave from Pearl Harbor, July 2, 1959, on board the U. S. naval vessel, AE-5, the Rainier arriving at the Korean destination about July 16, 1959.

The Naval Attache in Seoul has been requested by the U. S. Navy to contact Dr. Chu-sun Kim, in order to determine the preferred delivery point in Korea. The shipment to the United States was made from Pusan to San Francisco. It is believed safer to have the shipment returned to Pusan, for unloading at a dockside, rather than by lighterage at Inchon.

The Department of State suggested that U. S. Navy liaison in Seoul should be with Ambassador Walter C. Dowling. Liaison between the U. S. Navy will be with the following responsible museum officials: Mr. Richard F. Gruen, Chief Curator, Los Angeles County Museum, Los Angeles, California; Mr. Robert P. Griffing, Jr., Director, Honolulu Academy of Arts and Mr. Kim Chu-sun, Director Korean National Museum, Seoul, Korea.

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The Commander in Chief U. S. Pacific Fleet has designated

Commander Amphibious Force,
U. S. Pacific Fleet,
San Diego 32, California

as the Navy authority responsible for the initial transportation between Los Angeles and Pearl Harbor. (He will contact Mr. Brown at the Los Angeles County Museum).

Commander Service Force,
U. S. Pacific Fleet,
% Fleet Post Office,
San Francisco, California

with headquarters at Pearl Harbor, has been assigned responsibility for final transportation to Korea. (He will be in contact with Mr. Griffing in Honolulu.)

The Korean Embassy in Washington, Los Angeles County Museum, and the Honolulu Academy have been notified of these arrangements. Please inform Dr. Kim Chu-won and the appropriate officers of the Korean Government.

It is recommended that the collection be placed on exhibition in Seoul after its arrival, in order that full publicity may be given to the return of the loan exhibition to Korea.

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Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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Mr. A. Kaiming Chiu, Librarian,
Harvard-Yenching Library,
Harvard University,
Cambridge 38, Massachusetts.

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Miss Helen Fernald, Curator,
Royal Ontario Museum,
Toronto 5, Canada.

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Sincerely yours,

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Mr. John Walker, Director,
National Gallery of Art,
Washington, D. C.

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Colonel Norman D. King, CA/MC,
Department of the Army,
Room 2B 311,
Pentagon,
Washington 25, D. C.

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Mr. Robert Treat Paine, Jr.,
Associate Curator,
Department of Asiatic Art,
Museum of Fine Arts,
Boston, Massachusetts.

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Sincerely yours,

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Mr. Richard S. Davis, Director,
The Minneapolis Institute of Arts,
201 East Twenty-fourth St.,
Minneapolis 4, Minnesota.

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Mr. Perry T. Rathbone, Director,
Museum of Fine Arts,
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Mr. Alan Priest, Curator,
Department of Far Eastern Art,
Metropolitan Museum of Art,
New York 28, New York.

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Dr. Dorothy M. Frost,
Executive Director,
The American-Korean Foundation,
345 East 46th Street,
New York 17, New York.

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Dear Mr. Priest:

I have received your letter of February 13, 1959, inquiring about how the Korean exhibition has fared in its recent showings.

I was at the opening in Minneapolis which was crowded to the doors and I have heard that the exhibit was warmly received elsewhere. The Korean Ambassador and the museums have had many festivities at all the openings. In Los Angeles, there was a large reception at the Biltmore. Even more gala occasions are being planned in Honolulu. Mr. Griffing has already begun a series of pre-exhibition lectures and Dr. Kim Che-won is to return to Honolulu to participate in a full museum program that is being scheduled for the period of the exhibition.

While I have not received any museum attendance figures, I am sure that the exhibition has awakened an interest and a new appreciation of Korean art, not only in the United States but also in Europe.

With my kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

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Arts and Monuments Adviser

Mr. Alan Priest, Curator,
Department of Far Eastern Art,
The Metropolitan Museum of Art,
New York 28, New York.

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Miss Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Mounuments Adviser
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Letter to Miss Priest

Dear Miss Hall:

Mr. Cott refers me to you for progress reports on the Korean Exhibition.

I am very interested in knowing how it has done in various cities where it has been shown. Do you have any reports on attendance and on its reception?

I know it was very successful in Washington, here and in Boston. I hope it has been elsewhere and that our Korean friends are not disappointed.

Yours sincerely,

Alan Priest

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Dear Tom:

A pamphlet containing publicity on the exhibition tour of Korean art in the United States is enclosed. A few copies of these press notices have been assembled for the sponsoring museums.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosure:

"Masterpieces of Korean Art,"
Publicity: December 1957-July 1958.

Mr. Thomas Carr Howe, Jr., Director,
California Palace of the
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Dear Mr. Fuller:

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Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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Mr. Richard E. Fuller, President,
Seattle Art Museum,
Volunteer Park,
Seattle, Washington.

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Dear Mr. Delacour:

A pamphlet containing publicity on the exhibition tour of Korean art in the United States is enclosed. A few copies of these press notices have been assembled for the sponsoring museums.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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✓ "Masterpieces of Korean Art,"
Publicity: December 1957-July 1958.

Mr. Jean Delacour, Director,
Los Angeles County Museum,
Exposition Park,
Los Angeles 7, California.

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Dear Mr. Rorimer:

A pamphlet containing publicity on the exhibition tour of Korean art in the United States is enclosed. A few copies of these press notices have been assembled for the sponsoring museums.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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Publicity: December 1957-July 1958.

Mr. James J. Rorimer, Director,
Metropolitan Museum of Art,
New York 28, New York.

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Dear Mr. Griffing:

A pamphlet containing publicity on the exhibition tour of Korean art in the United States is enclosed. A few copies of these press notices have been assembled for the sponsoring museums.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Enclosure:

"Masterpieces of Korean Art,"
Publicity: December 1957-July 1958.

Mr. Robert P. Griffing, Jr., Director,
Honolulu Academy of Arts,
Honolulu, Hawaii.

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February 16, 1959

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Dear Mr. Han:

Enclosed are copies of the press notices on the exhibition tour of the Korean art treasures in the United States. Included in the booklet are the more important articles, which I have received.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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Enclosure:

"Masterpieces of Korean Art,"
Publicity: December 1957-July 1958.
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The Honorable
Pyo Wook Han,
Korean Embassy,
2322 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.,
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Dear Mr. Eliot:

After talking on the telephone with you, I talked with Commander Wyse again and learned that he had been able to confirm his opinion that it would not be possible to delay the sailing of the ship from Long Beach in order to load the shipment of Korean art a day later, because it would mean a large additional cost to the Navy.

However, he said, that they would be able to hold the Captain to the schedule that has been arranged for the ship to sail on March 4, 1959. He would have a message sent to the Captain, that the art shipment was to be loaded sometime before noon on March 4, to accommodate the Los Angeles County Museum. I explained to the Commander that, I believed, it was important as a safety measure for the cases to be loaded by daylight.

Commander Wyse also explained that no other ship would be able to transport the collection because space for the shipment had been reserved on the Okanogan, and space would not be available, at this date, on any other vessel.

I hope that you may be able to make whatever adjustment in planning for the packing of the collection that you consider necessary.

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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Mr. Eliot, Curator,
Los Angeles County Museum,
Exposition Park,
Los Angeles 7, California.

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Department has heard rumors that England, Germany and possibly other countries may be interested in displaying Korean Art Exhibit. However, Department understands that arrangements made for US Naval transportation Exhibit to Korea from Honolulu when Exhibit closes there June 1. Assume no change in Korean plans return Exhibit to Korea following termination Exhibit US ~~Please~~ Confirm.

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REFERENCE DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM 541, MAY 13

NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN ROK AND ENGLAND, FRANCE, GERMANY AND SWEDEN IN PROGRESS FOR SEVERAL MONTHS RE POSSIBILITY DISPLAYING KOREAN EXHIBITION FOLLOWING CLOSING HONOLULU. THESE NEGOTIATIONS NOT YET DEFINITELY CONCLUDED AND PRESENT PLANS TRANSPORTATION ACCORDINGLY STILL STAND.

FORMIN WELL AWARE CHANGE, IF MADE, MUST BE COMMUNICATED PROMPTLY AND OFFICIALS EXPRESS PERSONAL VIEW NEGOTIATIONS UNLIKELY YIELD DEFINITE RESULTS IN TIME CHANGE PRESENT PLANS. FORMIN PROMISES INFORM US DEFINITELY AS SOON POSSIBLE AND PROBABLY IN FEW DAYS. FYI: UNDERSTAND ENGLAND HAS OFFERED NAVAL TRANSPORT EXHIBITION HONG KONG TO LONDON IN AUGUST.

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FORMIN INFORMS EUROPEAN TOUR KOREAN ART EXHIBITION DEFINITELY POSTPONED UNTIL 1961. HONOLULU TO PUSAN TRANSPORTATION ARRANGEMENTS UNALTERED.

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June 15, 1959

Dear Mr. Griffing:

In reply to your telegram of June 9, 1959 regarding Customs' clearance for the exportation of the Korean national collection, the following telegram was sent to you, which said substantially:

"A Bureau of Customs' letter, dated September 16, 1957, was sent to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco authorizing the free entry at San Francisco of the Korean national loan exhibition as an act of international courtesy.

"No further Customs' formality is necessary. Advise clearance of return shipment with Collector of Customs in Honolulu as a matter of courtesy."

The Customs' letter to the Collector in San Francisco listed the museums where the loan collection would be exhibited and stated the collection would be returned to Korea at the close of the tour in June 1959.

Yours sincerely,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Mr. Robert P. Griffing, Jr., Director,
Honolulu Academy of Arts,
Honolulu, Hawaii.

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NO.: A-472. June 18, 1959

SUBJECT: Return of "Masterpieces of Korean Art"

TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL.

The loan exhibition of "Masterpieces of Korean Art" closed at the Honolulu Academy of Art on June 1, 1959. It will be shipped direct to Korea on board the U. S. naval vessel, the Saipan, leaving Honolulu on July 2, 1959 and arriving in Korea about July 16, 1959. The Naval Attaché, Seoul, was requested by CINCPACFLT to contact Mr. Kim Che-won to determine the preferred delivery point in Korea.

On its return to Korea an exhibition of the loan collection should be planned and publicized. In the case of international loans such a showing is customarily arranged. The enclosed news release reports the "special 'homecoming' presentation" of the "Dutch Master Drawings" on their return to Amsterdam.

It has also been proposed by one of the American museums participating in the exhibition, that a set of recent photographs be made of each object in the exhibition. It would be a useful record for the protection against any possible future criticism of the Korean museum personnel, who accompanied the exhibit and bore the heavy responsibility for its care, and also for American institutions which have shown the exhibit. Because both the Korean and American museums would benefit from such recent photographs, it is suggested that the American Embassy might be willing to cooperate with the Korean Government in photographing the objects.

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In order counter Communist charges art exhibit will not be returned to ROK, recommend on arrival Pusan July 16 ~~recommend~~ USIS radio and mopix coverage and such other activities as you consider appropriate. If Embassy concurs, reply priority so Navy can notify Captain Bottomley.

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State advises Amembassy Seoul concurs in playing up safe arrival 16 July Korean art treasures which have been on tour last two years. Material is on board USS RAINIER. USIS will handle. Request assistance as practicable.

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M-902 Memorandum of Conversation 795b.5

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DATE: October 21, 1959

SUBJECT: 1) Korean Color Print Exhibition
2) Status of Forces Agreement

PARTICIPANTS: Mr. Sangjin Chyun, First Secretary, Embassy of Korea
Mr. Samuel O. Lane, Officer in Charge, Korean Affairs
Mr. James A. Klemstine, International Relations Officer, Korean Affairs

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Mr. Chyun, the ranking member of the Korean Embassy in the absence at the UNGA of the Ambassador, the Minister, and First Secretary Lho, came in at his own request.

1) Korean Color Print Exhibition

Mr. Chyun requested Mr. Lane to explore the possibilities of having the photographic exhibit of Korean art masterpieces presently displayed in the Department of State published in folio edition by UNESCO. Mr. Lane promised Mr. Chyun that he would make the appropriate inquiries and inform him as soon as possible.

2) Status of Forces Agreement

Mr. Chyun stated that, on instructions from his Government, he would appreciate information as to the status of the ROK note of June 10 requesting the negotiation of an agreement covering the use of facilities and areas in Korea. Mr. Lane explained that this subject was directly involved with that of an over-all Status of Forces Agreement (but excluding criminal jurisdiction) and that this matter is presently under active consideration by the interested agencies of the United States Government. He added that difficulties have arisen in reconciling the positions of these agencies because of the conflicting views held in various quarters. Consequently, a reply to the proposal to negotiate an agreement covering facilities and areas

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areas must be delayed until an over-all position on the negotiation of all matters related to a Status of Forces Agreement, excluding, however criminal jurisdiction, is agreed upon within the U.S. Government. Mr. Lane added his personal view that Korean pressure at this time for an agreement on criminal jurisdiction would reduce the possibilities of moving ahead on the other items since he saw no possibility for the time being of changing the Taejon Agreement of July 12, 1950, granting the United States exclusive jurisdiction over the members of the United States military establishment in Korea.

Mr. Chyun inquired as to the status of the present negotiations for a Status of Forces Agreement with the Philippines. Mr. Lane explained that he had only a limited knowledge of this subject and promised to make an appointment for Mr. Chyun to meet with the Filipino desk officer. [The appointment was subsequently made.]

In conclusion, Mr. Lane stated that he regretted he was unable to give Mr. Chyun a more definite and favorable reply but that, as soon as an agreed position concerning the various elements of a Status of Forces Agreement other than criminal jurisdiction, had been reached, the Korean Government would be immediately notified.

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Dear Mr. Yoon:

It is a long time since I have written to you and I hope that this letter may find you in good health and as active as in the past.

I am trying to raise a fund to purchase additional equipment and materials for a research museum laboratory in Seoul.

It would be desirable, I believe, to have such a laboratory serve the Li Household Museum and Palaces, as well as the National and Provincial Museums.

I would appreciate receiving a list of the kinds of objects in the museum and palaces that need special care and attention. It would then be possible to provide the various materials needed for their preservation.

I look back with great pleasure to my stay in Korea and my visits to the beautiful palaces in your charge.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

Mr. Moo Kyung Yoon, Custodian,
Imperial Household,
Chang Dok Palace,
Seoul, Korea.

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ITEMS/REMARKS

The attached letter to Dr. Kim Che-won, Director of the National Museum, Seoul, and a copy to Dr. Kim Won-yong, Curator of the National Museum, are being forwarded for transmittal at the discretion of the Officer in Charge.

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Dear Dr. Kim:

As you may have heard from Mr. Gregory Henderson, I am trying to raise a fund to purchase the equipment and materials for a research museum laboratory to add to the facilities that you may already have in your museum.

I would appreciate your sending me two lists. The first list would include materials that are needed and that you would like to buy or request for the laboratory. A second list would include the objects or the type of objects that need preservative measures. Please mention the items that need immediate care.

These lists will help to explain and justify the need for modern scientific museum equipment in Korea and will aid in obtaining the funds.

It would be desirable, I believe, for the research laboratory to serve both the National Museum and the Li Household Museum. I am sending a similar request to Mr. Moe Kyung Keun. I am also sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Kim Won-yong, in case you are still in Europe, because he might be able to send me preliminary lists that you could augment on your return.

I trust the Korean collection arrived safely in Pusan, on July 16, 1959.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Dr. Kim:

I hope you had a pleasant flight to Korea from Honolulu and that the exhibition and Mr. Chin are now safely home also.

I am enclosing a copy of a letter which I am sending to Dr. Kim Che-won. I heard that he was in Germany and I do not know when he will be returning to Seoul. You might wish to forward the letter to him to obtain his instructions.

With my best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Ardelia R. Hall
Arts and Monuments Adviser

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ERIC JOHNSTON
PRESIDENT

June 14, 1956

Mr. J. M. Colton Hand
Department of State
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hand:

We note with interest the Department's evaluation of the motion picture situation in Korea, as covered in yours of June 12th.

Since originally broaching the subject some of our member companies have surveyed the Korean market and the conclusions which you conveyed check quite closely with information we have obtained through other sources. Obviously, the outlook for normal operation of our companies in this important territory remains unpromising.

Potentially Korea is one of the more important motion picture markets of Asia. We naturally look to the time when conditions will be propitious for reentry into this market on the basis of direct distribution as obtains in all other countries of Asia.

At present the conditions which you outline have resulted in practically complete stoppage of outright sale of our product to Korean distributors. This, of course, directly affects the interest of our member companies but perhaps even more important, the disappearance of new American motion picture product on Korean screens affects the National interest in this key country of Asia. We trust, therefore, that the Department will remain sensitive to this situation and will continue its efforts to bring about improvements which will result in increasing the flow of American motion pictures to Korea.

We appreciate your interest in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Irving Maas
Vice President

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In reply refer to
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Dear Mr. Maas:

I refer to your letter of June 14 regarding the distribution of American motion pictures in Korea.

The Department will continue its efforts to bring about improvements in Korea's basic economic position and in the conditions affecting American companies desiring to do business in that country.

Sincerely yours,

J. M. Colton Hand
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Mr. Irving Maas,
Vice President,
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SUBJECT: Return of Motion Picture Prints

The Embassy received reference, with letters attached from Mr. J. J. Glynn, Vice President of the Warner Brothers Pictures International Corporation, 321 West 44th Street, New York 36, NY, requesting assistance in reclaiming four films from the Kukje Motion Picture Co., Ltd., Seoul, Korea. The lease by the Kukje Motion Picture Co., Ltd. for the use of the four films, had expired.

After several attempts, the Embassy contacted persons formerly employed by the now defunct Kukje Motion Picture firm and was able to obtain and destroy the film titled "Devotion". Destruction was accomplished by the Embassy Motion Picture Officer on 7 February 1957, (A certificate of destruction is attached).

The three remaining films have been in the possession of Mr. KIM Pyong-yong, who may be reached through the Pan Korea Motion Picture Co., (Pumhan Yunghwa Sa) at 38 Cho-dong, Choong-ku, Seoul. The president of this firm is reported to be Mr. LEE Il-po, and his Acting Representative is Mr. LEE Ki-suk. It should be noted that Mr. KIM is not employed by the Pan Korean Motion Picture Co., but has arranged a "liaison" relationship with this company where he may receive mail, and sometimes be contacted personally. In the latter part of January 1957, the Embassy was able to contact Mr. KIM Pyong-yong, who promised to appear at the Embassy on the following day with the three remaining films. However, despite subsequent interviews and further requests, Mr. KIM failed to produce the three motion picture prints.

On 20 February 1957, the Embassy contacted the Bureau of Culture, Ministry of Education, ROK, requesting the assistance of this Bureau in reclaiming the three remaining film prints. On 1 April 1957, the Bureau succeeded in obtaining two of the three films and on 3 April the prints titled "Dark Victory" and "Young Man With a Horn" were destroyed. A certificate of destruction for these two pictures is attached.

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The fourth film print, titled "Maltese Falcon", is not now in the possession of Mr. KIM Pyong-yong, according to officials of the Bureau of Culture. Representatives of the Bureau are continuing efforts to locate this print. The Embassy will report to the Department as soon as this film has been obtained and destroyed.

For the Ambassador:

Edwin M. Cronk

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First Secretary of Embassy

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SUBJECT: Public Performance Fees for Music -- Request of the Motion Picture Export Association of America

The information in the enclosure to this despatch has been prepared by the Embassy in response to a request from Mr. Irving A, Maas, Vice President, Motion Picture Export Association of America, Inc., 26 West 44th Street, New York 36, New York in his letter of April 24, 1959. Mr. Maas' letter was acknowledged by the Embassy on May 13, 1959. The Department of Commerce is requested to forward a copy of the enclosure to Mr. Maas.

For the Ambassador:

Joseph A. Camelio
Joseph A. Camelio
Commercial Attache'

Enclosure:

Public Performance Fees for Music
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PUBLIC PERFORMANCE FEES FOR MUSIC IN THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

Although the Republic of Korea has a Copyright Law (Law No. 432 of January 28, 1957) which contains some provisions for consent and compensation in the performance of copyrighted material, these provisions are rather loose and have not as yet been implemented by the Korean Government. A Presidential Decree (No. 1482) for the enforcement of the Copyright Law was only recently promulgated, on April 22, 1959, some two years after the enactment of the law. An ordinance is now required to implement both the law and the decree but there is no indication as to when such an ordinance will be issued. In all probability, some time will have to be spent in determining what the provisions of an implementing ordinance should be. A copy of the Korean Copyright Law is available in the Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C.. An English language copy of the Presidential Decree will be available in the Department of Commerce as soon as a translation can be made.

In the meantime, the practice in Korea on performance fees is one which seems to have developed in part out of the provisions in the Copyright Law and in part out of a general recognition that permission should be obtained from the owner of the copyrighted material as a matter of courtesy. According to information obtained from various sources, including the Korean Ministry of Education, the Korean Broadcasting Station, the Korean Motion Picture Association, the Federation of Muscians, Composers, and Artists' Guilds, and the Central Federation of Cultural Associations, the following practices appear to be in current usage:

1. Recordings, such as phonograph records or tapes, may be freely used in motion pictures or in broadcasts without any necessary compensation to the copyright owner. Usually, however, permission is sought from the composer as a matter of courtesy to the composer and a gratuity is generally paid to him.

2. There seems to be no limitation on area, time, or frequency of performance once permission to use the material is obtained from the composer. In other words, the motion picture which uses the copyrighted composition with the permission of the composer may be played anywhere in Korea, at anytime, and as long as the user wishes without any further obligations on the part of the user.

3. In Korea musical scores for a motion picture are generally contracted out to artists who specialize in this type of work. The score may contain music composed by other artists and it is the responsibility of the contractor providing the overall score to make the necessary arrangements for the use of the compositions of the original composers or artists involved. The fees paid to contractors who provide music for a feature film depend upon the score and the contractor. Generally, the better known contractors charge a fee of 1,500,000 hwan to 500,000 hwan per feature film depending upon the amount of music to be supplied.

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4. Music already purchased for one feature film becomes the property of the motion picture producer and may be used again, in whole or in part, by the same producer for another motion picture film. Generally, in these cases, a courtesy acknowledgement only is made to the contractor who supplied the music and to other outstanding artists who may have contributed to the original score.

5. Music in one producer's feature film may be used by another producer with the permission of the original film producer. In these cases, there appears to be no standard practice for acknowledging the composers themselves.

6. Foreign compositions are freely used in Korea without permission or compensation. Korea is not a member of any international copyright agreement in this field.

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Vilter Manufacturing Company, International Division, 2217 South First Street, Milwaukee 7, Wisconsin. Seoul Representative, Dalham Gaebal Commercial Company, International, P.O. Box 1041, Attention: Mr. T. W. Hough.

Worthington Corporation, Harrison, New Jersey. Seoul Representative, Chunusa Company, Ltd., Kwanghwamoon P.O. 312.

York Corporation, Borg Warner International, 400 Park Avenue, New York, New York, Attention: Mr. John Carr.

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Five copies of the report of the Third Annual Conference of KAVA, held in Seoul May 22-23, 1957, are forwarded for the information of the Department. The report, which has only recently been made available to the Embassy, provides useful information on not only the activities of the voluntary relief agencies in Korea but also general social conditions and problems.

The list of organizations and representatives, on pp. iii-v, may be useful for reference and gives a clear indication of the great scope of the private relief efforts which are still continuing in Korea. The conference was attended also by representatives of the Korean Government, the American Embassy, the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency, and the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea. The United Nations Command Economic Coordinator, William E. Warne, gave the theme address (pp. 1-5), reviewing the role played by the voluntary agencies, together with American governmental agencies, in the development of Korea. Representatives of the Office of the Economic Coordinator and the American Embassy participated in certain of the discussion groups, and Mr. Tom Garner of USIS addressed the conference on possible development of pictorial story presentations on the work of the voluntary agencies.

Nine discussion groups were held:

1. Stimulating Community Development in Korea
2. The Voluntary Agency -- What is it?
3. Youth in Korea -- Whither, Whence?
4. Technical and Vocational Training -- Needs and Possibilities?
5. A Workshop on "Establishing a Community Development Project"
6. Orphanage Graduates -- A Growing Problem
7. Cooperatives and the Rural Problem
8. Tuberculosis and its Control
9. Official Aid Agencies Versus or in Cooperation with Voluntary Agencies

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The records of these discussion groups are all of interest and value, and the discussions on youth and technical and vocational training are of particular value for sociological information.

For the Ambassador:

Donald S. Macdonald
First Secretary of Embassy

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Kenric R. Marshall
Former Executive Secretary of KAVA

(From his interim report "March - Oct. 1955")

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MAY 22 - 23, 1957

Y.W.C.A.
SEOUL, KOREA

INTRODUCTION

The first two KAVA Conferences discussed basic problems of health and welfare, but in the meantime many new ones had arisen. During the two days the Conference was in session, no solutions were achieved, in fact no recommendations were even passed. On the other hand, many leads were given, which if followed up, should prove exceedingly valuable in helping to achieve objectives of great import to many KAVA agencies. Most of these have already been passed on to the KAVA Executive Committee.

As has been true in the past, whatever measure of success the Conference achieved was the result of the cooperation of many individuals and agencies. Especial thanks are due to the Chairmen of the four committees - Mr. Willis V. Elliott, Program; Miss Mary Nesbitt, Arrangements; Mrs. Erwin W. Raetz, Registration; Mr. Richard Underwood, Exhibits. Thanks are also due to the Committee members, speaker, leaders, discussants, and Panel members. Nor would the conference itself, or the printing of this report, have been possible except for the help of Seoul Y.W. C.A., the American Korean Foundation (AKF), the Office of the Economic Coordinator (OEC), the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency (UNKRA), AFFE-8th Army, United States Information Service (USIS) and many others.

A great contribution was made by our many Korean friends who served as resource persons and panelists.

As has always been the case, the Conference owed much to our former Executive Secretary, Mr. Kenric R. Marshall, who helped lay the ground work before his departure from Seoul. Whatever discrepancies occured were largely due to his absence. Nevertheless, he was not missed as much as one would expect because our Acting Executive Secretary, Mr. Yun Hum handled all details with great efficiency.

Last year great difficulty was encountered in receiving material from which to compile the Conference Report. This time all recorders were required to deposit the record of their groups with the Secretary before they left the room after the final meeting of the Conference. These have been edited to produce some uniformity, but the method of compilation explains in large measure the lack of uniformity in the Conference Report. As the Conference was not a legislative body, but rather a vehicle of adult education, it is felt that a summary of what happened, a guide for possible future action and a help to next year's Conference planners is all that is necessary.

Many suggestions have been made for next year. If after reading this report you have ideas for next year, please send them to the KAVA Chairman who at the proper time will pass them on to those responsible for the 1958 Conference.

July 5, 1957

Lonnig Sweet
Conference Chairman

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Invocation	Bishop Arthur E. Chadwell
Introduction	Col. C.W. Widdowson
Conf. Briefing	Dr. Lennig Sweet
	Mr. Willis Elliott

9:45 - 10:00 coffee break

10:00 - 12:00 DISCUSSION GROUPS

1. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
2. THE VOLUNTARY AGENCY
3. YOUTH IN KOREA
4. TECH. & VOC. TRAINING

12:00 - 1:45 INFORMAL LUNCHEON

EXHIBITS

2:00 - 4:30 DISCUSSION GROUPS

5. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP
6. ORPHANAGE GRADUATES
7. RURAL PROBLEMS
8. TUBERCULOSIS
9. OFFICIAL AGENCIES vis-a-vis VOL. AGENCIES?

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EVENING PROGRAM

7:30 - 9:00 AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS IN YOUR WORK

Demonstration & Discussion

9:00 p.m. REFRESHMENTS AND GET-TOGETHER

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THURSDAY MAY 23rd

9:30 - 12:00 GENERAL ASSEMBLY - Chairman, Dr. Lennig Sweet

(1) Presentation of group discussion reports
(2) Resolution and discussion

12:30 LUNCHEON PROGRAM

CHAIRMAN - Dr. John A. Abernathy
PRAYER - Rev. James H. Moore

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GUEST SPEAKER

MR. WILLIAM E. WARNE
Economic Coordinator - OEC

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS - Dr. Mary C. Walker

2:00 p.m. CONFERENCE CLOSING
Colonel C.W. Widdowson

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APPENDIX B

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ADDRESS BY MR. WILLIAM E. WARNE, UNC/Economic Coordinator for Korea, at the Closing Luncheon of the 3rd Annual KAVA Conference May 23, 1957.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have been looking forward to this moment ever since I received from Lennig Sweet, chairman of this conference of the Korea Association of Voluntary Agencies, the invitation to address this closing luncheon. I am pleased to be offered this opportunity because it would appear, at times, that the major areas of operations sometimes blind us to the smaller but basically important operations of less dramatic impact. In my mind, however, the feeding of one child, or the feeding of one family, is part and parcel with the feeding of an entire nation.

Dr. Sweet, in asking me to speak on "The Place and Function of the Voluntary Agency in Korea," could not have given me a subject more to my liking. I have been given the opportunity today to express what has often been in my mind to say but, unfortuntely, lacking the appropriate place and the proper time, it has of course, gone unsaid.

In his letter inviting me to speak to KAVA, Dr. Sweet said: "Some of us are a bit afraid, from instances which we have observed, that with the best of intentions American governmental activity because of its resources may retard, rather than advance, the growth of 'voluntaryism'. If this should happen it would mean a great loss in the development of abilities which can be obtained in no other way than when citizens work with their peers on matters of great common concern." He closed his letter, saying, "we hope you will discuss this whole matter with the utmost frankness."

And, that is what I will do.

I know that I have spoken to some of you, unfortunately not to all of you, of my high regard for KAVA and its importance in bringing about coordination of efforts of voluntary agencies in Korea; of its cooperation with the Korean government and private agencies; and, its consistent and ever-ready cooperation with the Office of the Economic Coordinator.

In our organization we have long looked to KAVA leadership in assisting agencies to adapt their programs to changing conditions and needs. I hope we shall be able to continue to do so.

Dr. Sweet was very direct in pointing to the fears that some of you apparently have -- "that with the best of intentions American governmental activity, because of its resources may retard, rather than advance, the growth of voluntaryism."

That would indeed be disasterous.

First, however, I would like to bring your minds back to the view of ICA -- the International Cooperation Administration -- on the role of the voluntary agencies. It is basic to our very concept that in carrying out the U.S. foreign aid program, the assistance of universities and colleges, foundations, voluntary agencies, as well as private enterprise, should be enlisted to the greatest extent possible. Furthermore, voluntary agencies are peculiarly well-equipped to assist a host country to develop community organizations and institutions needed to enable the private citizen to have his share in helping the country meet its problems and responsibilities.

ICA has, with intent and forethought, left large fields of assistance almost wholly to voluntary agencies and their activities. Particu-

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larly there is the whole field of welfare including the organization and improvement of welfare institutions, direct relief — that is, the distribution of food, clothing, medical supplies to meet emergency situations and needs the host country is unable to assume. We depend upon voluntary agencies for the encouragement and extend some program on a wider basis.

The importance which ICA/Washington and the Office of the Economic Coordinator attach to the contributions and activities of voluntary agencies may be judged by the extent of support given in Korea where they and their activities are the largest. Since the beginning of the Korean War the United States has been paying the cost of ocean freight on relief supplies donated to the Korean aid program by American voluntary relief agencies. These agencies are all registered with the Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid now attached to ICA in Washington. Until 1952 the agencies had no part in distributing their supplies. This was because of the war emergency condition and also because most of the voluntary agencies were evacuated from Korea when the war started. In 1952, however, many agencies had returned and were eager to re-establish their missions or to engage in welfare programs, thus the present program permitting duty-free entry to relief and rehabilitation supplies registered with KCAC, a predecessor agency, was established.

This year OEC will contribute $800,000 for the payment of ocean freight on supplies imported by U.S. voluntary agencies and $3 million for internal distribution costs in Korea, which figure includes, $2,820,000 for surplus commodities and $180,000 for non-surplus materials.

I do not want to emphasize, but I must mention the fact that it is this contribution of the United States Government to the payment of ocean freight and internal distribution costs which has enabled the the voluntary agency program to multiply and expand as they have. I should also point out that this rapid expansion has its own dangers, as I am sure many of you realize, and may be creating a degree of dependence which may make your positions difficult if in the future it is withdrawn or channelled to other activities.

A few figures on the side of the contributions made by the 67 voluntary agencies now registered with OEC under this program of duty-free import of relief supplies, should be of interest: The grand total of supplies authorized for duty-free support since the beginning of the program, to date, is more than 115,261 long tons at an estimated value in excess of $57 million.

The breakdown of this total shows:

Food.....95,383 long tons, the estimated value of which was $22,068,680
Clothing.....12,648 long tons, worth $27,465,894.
Medical supplies.....995 long tons, worth $1,914,716.
Miscellaneous.....6,234 long tons, worth $5,598,105.

In addition to the very large quantities of supplies and service projects, there are very substantial cash contributions directly to welfare institutions and to children in need. These cash contributions to relief and welfare programs are estimated at approximately a million dollars a year.

These figures do not include the salaries of voluntary agency staff, or the operating expenses of many of their permanent educational, medical and welfare institutions.

Figures which I have cited show you that the OEC is conscious of the size of the voluntary agency program and the contribution it is making in the rebuilding of Korea.

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Some of the most important contributions, as we see them include:

Continuation of relief supplies in areas of need which the Korean government with its present resources is unable to meet. This has been illustrated during the present emergency food situation by the extent to which the larger relief organizations such as Catholic Welfare, Church World Service and CARE have sent supplies to especially needy areas, and by the number of feeding stations they are maintaining.

Contributions to the development of a constructive Korean welfare program; support to orphanages; to the disabled and handicapped; assistance in family councilling; home improvement and training personnel in these fields.

Assistance in development of Korean Community institutions and organizations and the training of leaders and staff for these organizations. Possibly I should have placed this first, as the field in which voluntary agencies can make their unique contribution. These may be on a national scale such as the Boy and Girl Scouts, the YW and YMCA, but reaching into communities through the local scout troop or local branch of Y organization, or purely local groups organized around a center or church. The opportunity they give for group participation, the development of group leadership, and the training in meeting local problems with local resources is vital to the success of the whole United States program in Korea, and to Korea's continuation as a free and independent nation.

At this point I would like to speak for a moment upon the relationship of the OEC to these voluntary agency activities. To the extent that U.S. funds are used to bring in supplies and distribute them, OEC has the responsibility to see that they are used in conformity with the regulations governing the use of relief supplies. That these supplies shall be distributed on the basis of need without regard to race or religion; that they shall not be sold; that it shall be with the concurrence of the Korean government. On these points the OEC is required to report to ICA/W.

If it appears that certain categories of supplies are not needed or are being misused ICA/W and the agencies importing them will be so advised. OEC may indicate to the voluntary agencies, as it has and is doing at the present time, that it believes emphasis should be in certain specific fields; it may ask for assistance as it is doing at present for help in promoting rehabilitation activities in resettlement and assimilation centers, in craft training, in training social workers.

As many of you are aware, OEC through the chief of our Community Development Division, is closely geared with and constantly aware of the developments in the work of your voluntary agencies. I feel that it would be virtually impossible, at least extremely difficult, for the voluntary agencies to find a more understanding and competently helpful associate than the chief of our Community Development Division. Our contacts extend beyond this point to other divisions, as well, such as Agriculture, Education, Health and Sanitation, including the field of nursing. Beyond this, at the very top level between the United States government and OEC and the Korean government, our joint relationships continue through the Combined Economic Board in the allocation and distribution of relief supplies.

The fear that United States governmental activities in Korea carried out through Korean government agencies will tend to discourage or retard voluntary activities seems to me to be entirely unfounded. Our whole program is based on the principle of helping the Koreans to help themselves. This should be equally the aim of the voluntary agencies. The OEC is necessarily a government to government program. The voluntary agencies program should be a people to people program. They are complementary, not competetive. The programs are parallel in many ways.

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In fact, the OEC program and the voluntary agency programs have parallel problems and parallel dangers, as well.

Among common concerns, three come to my mind:

First -- the hurry to get results which leads to doing too many things ourselves instead of training Koreans and equipping Korean agencies to do them. Koreans themselves are often the ones who put the greatest pressure on us to expand faster than their resources or personnel warrant. OEC suffers more from this pressure because of the size of its program.

Second -- the temptation to continue relief services rather than to guide United States giving and Korean receiving into rehabilitation channels. It is easier and more appealing to raise money and give it out in this way. I am glad to be informed by my staff the extent to which voluntary agency programs are changing in this respect. Greater emphasis and more thought might well be given to this.

The third concern is making itself felt over a wide area of the world. It is the apparent rebelling against organized western influence, whether governmental, institutional, or religious. Voluntary agency programs, whether carried out through religious groups or non-sectarian welfare organizations should pay heed to what has happened and is happening throughout the Middle East, Asia and parts of Africa. Nations and peoples are demanding and insisting on native institutions and native leadership -- which are natural rights of any nation or any people. It seems to me that the only way in which activities, voluntary agencies are promoting and organizing, can expect to survive as constructive parts of national societies, is by training native leaders and giving them the leadership. We must keep this in mind and I urge all of you who are engaged in helping Korea, as I repeatedly urge my own staff, we must emphasize the value of training -- organized, systematic and continuous -- if we are going to help build a stable, enduring society geared to demands of the modern world.

Before closing, I would like to mention another responsibility which you voluntary agencies share with those of us who represent the Government of the United States. As you have a serious responsibility to those whose contributions make possible the work you are doing; so we, too, are responsible to the millions of American taxpayers who are paying for this foreign aid program.

The overall cost of aiding Korea since the beginning of this program have been tremenduous. It is estimated that the total costs aggregate approximately <u>two and one-half billion dollars.</u>

Major contributions in millions of dollars are as follows:

U.S. Military government	37.7
ECA	200
KCAC	427
U.S. dollars to UNKRA	93
ICA	1.090
PL 480 Title I	63
Voluntary agencies	69

We cannot accept our responsibilities lightly or frivolously. <u>Two and one-half billion dollars</u> is a sum that is difficult to draw into sharp focus. The amount of money that pours into your voluntary work alone is as great as the total amount of technical assistance funds that go into all of the countries of Latin America.

Now please don't think for a moment that I am offering advice to the voluntary agencies that I do not apply to our own organization. We are attempting in OEC to make every single project, of which there are

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about 300, meet all of the criteria we have established for measuring worthwhile projects. We pursue a continuous process of evaluation and re-evaluation. Where projects have been delayed lack of supplies, materials or personnel, we attempt to deobligate those funds and reobligate them where they are more greatly needed.

Our program in Korea is the largest foreign aid program in the world and I am committed completely and fully to represent our government through our program as effectively and efficiently as I possibly can. That our government is profoundly concerned in establishing Korea to the position it deserves among nations, I feel is well underlined by the vast funds that have been and are being spent here.

Now, I would like to take this opportunity to commend Dr. Sweet and the other leaders of this conference for their fine work. From what I have heard and what I know of this conference I'm sure that you have strengthened the individual programs of the voluntary agencies. I know that you have promoted mutual understanding between the Korean agencies, the voluntary agencies and the Office of the Economic Coordinator.

I would like to repeat that I hold your efforts and accomplishments in high regard. Again, the feeding of a single child, or a single family by voluntary agencies is part and parcel of the general task of assistance that the United States is extending to Korea for security, development and the welfare of all Korea. It hardly seems necessary for me to say that you can count on the continued interest and support of OEC for KAVA and its members.

Thank you.

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KAVA CONFERENCE
DISCUSSION GROUP #1

10:00 A.M.
May 22 1957

STIMULATING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN KOREA

LEADER: MRS. LUCY W. ADAMS

RECORDER: MISS TOVE HELMS

PANEL: DR. HOWARD HAYDEN
COL. CHARLES A. ANDERSON
MR. LELAND MITCHELL
MR. ROBERT GRAY
MRS. LUCY W. ADAMS

RESOURCE: FATHER L.E. YOUN
MR. SOHN JUNG SEUN

ATTENDANCE: SEE APPENDIX A

"SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION"

Mrs. Adams opened the conference with definitions of community development which fundamentally means "helping people to help themselves."

Dr. Hayden agreed with Mrs. Adams' definition. He said that the interesting thing about community development is that over the last 60 or 70 years it has been tried by many groups and voluntary agencies and the success that has been demonstrated was one of the factors which made the Indian goverment adopt the five-year plan and to extend it for another five years. Countries in the Middle East, Africa, Pakistan, Philippines, Vietnam, Puerto Rico and Mexico had also had successful programs, as had the U.S.A. It has become a successful tool of rural development for use by government.

Mrs. Adams: Korea needs a program of community development on a national scale as one element of its national development program. In Korea there already are supporting services, experience and the beginning of training. The time to begin community development in Korea is now.

On the supposition that Dr. Hayden is to start community development immediately, what steps would you take?

Dr. Hayden: I would begin on the assumption that one multi-purpose worker is available. The alternative would be to have a team available. The multi-purpose worker should be an unobtrusive organizer -- not a leader. The work must be done by national leaders. The multi-purpose worker must make a survey to ascertain the felt needs and real needs -- which are by no means always the same; the next step would be to decide the priorities, and whether it is possible to compromise between felt needs and real needs in terms of practicability in carrying out the project. The project must be costed -- whether expenditure is current or recurring, the cost of labor and materials must be decided, etc., whether other agencies must be relied on and to what extent. It would be advisable to suggest three or four projects which could be pushed at the same time. The next step would be to get out and do the job.

Mr. Mitchell: The Seventh Day Adventists started with a trained worker or a group with which they could work, whereas Dr. Hayden must start at the beginning. The Seventh Day Adventists had a training school where students were given vocational training of some type so that they could be of value in their own communities.

Mr. Gray: Friends Service Unit came to Korea as a relief team in 1952 and also had assisted and advised the provincial hospital, and had a welfare worker. They did not get involved in the business side of the hospital but carried on training with four nurses. After some criticism by an international agency, the Friends Service Unit brought in equpment for the hospital but was not sure whether it had been wise and whether

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the Koreans would be able to carry on after they leave. A housing project was started and they have tried to keep it on a scale which could be handled locally (160 houses have been erected). They worked through City Hall. City Hall provided land, the people themselves provided the labor, and the Unit provided the material. Small loans were made to farmers and widows to enable them to make a living. Educational classes were set up for children unable to attend school. A livestock project had been started.

Mr. Gray emphasized that one must be prepared for failures.

Mr. Mitchell: Everyone learned by experience -- everyone made mistakes in the beginning.

Col. Anderson speaking for the 4-H Clubs: When he was Military Governor for Kyonggi-do it was his job to impart some conception of democratic principles to the people. He agreed with Dr. Hayden that the people themselves must do the work of community development. He had tried to choose projects with which the people were familiar. They were given ideas and techniques and then left to do the job themselves. Intellect, character, skills and health are developed in 4-H. There are about 7,000 clubs in Korea, with a membership of over 350,000. The only way to have a community development program is through the youth -- Korea is ripe now for community development.

Dr. Hayden: In country devastated as was Korea there must be two types of programs -- short term and long term; first relief and then as the second, community development.

Mr. Komorsky: KCAC was developing new communities, which was slightly different than what has been discussed. At the time the purpose was to place displaced persons and refugees, to keep them from wandering, and then to make them self-supporting.

Col. Anderson: There is a good potentiality for community development in Korea. And there is a need to improve methods.

Mrs. Adams: How is it intended to get trained workers as organizers?

Mr. Mitchell: I am still looking for them.

Col. Widdowson: Is it not true that once a worker is trained he seldom goes back to work in his own community?

Mr. Mitchell: This is true if he is given a college diploma.

Mrs. Weems: (Methodist Mission): We haven't been able to find leadership either.

Mrs. Adams: Will it be more effective if a multi-purpose worker lives in the village?

Mr. Mitchell: Not necessarily.

Mr. Komorsky: A multi-purpose worker can be of great assistance. People generally know what they want but don't know how to go about it.

Mrs. Adams: Do you think that community development is possible in Korea with a multi-purpose worker?

Col. Widdowson: Yes, improved method of heating by nine-hole briquettes rather than the usual fuel is one example. The multi-purpose worker can explain new techniques.

Mr. Fraser: There seems to me to be good potentiality in the villages but results seem to be achieved mostly when people are told to do certain things

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-- perhaps a multi-purpose worker would have to use a certain amount of authority.

Mrs. Adams: From my experience and observation, community development can only take place in an atmosphere of confidence in the government, and the project must be something people want and something which will reward them for their efforts.

Mr. Hayden: In my opinion any authoritative approach will be fatal. Reliance will have to be placed in the confidence people have in the multi-purpose worker. People must be shown things, but a rural community is more often moved by its emotions than by reason, and the most logical approach is not always the most successful one. Techniques are important. It is much better to demonstrate on someone else's property -- never on your own. There will always be many failures in community development.

Mrs. Adams: I observed that the Korean people are accustomed to working together, but in groups that are too small. They think in terms of family but not larger unit. The cultural atmosphere for community development is more favorable in Korea than in many other countries.

Col. Anderson: Community development should not be commercialized, and money is not always needed.

Mr. Selby: (Catholic Relief Services): What should be the approach to get the idea of community development accepted?

Col. Anderson: The community or individual must be stressed, and Korea will not be able to exist unless some of the sciences we know are applied.

Mr. Gray: This brings the discussion back to Dr. Hayden's "felt need."

Mrs. Adams: Community development cannot come into being until there is a climate of confidence among the people. This does not exist in Korea at the present time. The multi-purpose worker must work with the local government.

Mr. Mitchell: At the Seventh Day Adventists School progress has been marked during the past year since teachers are working with each student. A better attitude by the teacher toward the student also has been observed.

Mr. Komorsky: We talked about introducing community development at the village level. To what extent is the government enthusiastic about the idea of community development?

Mrs. Adams: There is no understanding of the process of community development, but I feel there is an interest in it and a "felt need" on the part of politicians that somehow the government is not reaching the needs of the rural people, and they are becoming dissatisfied.

Dr. Hayden: Politicians and officials have had very little opportunity to see what community development is. The government can hardly be expected to take an interest until they learn what can be done -- they now are concentrating on defense and industry.

Mrs. Adams reiterated her remark that the time to begin community development in Korea is now. Dr. Hayden agreed.

Fr. Youn: (League of Social Workers): What is meant by the statement that money is not always needed to carry out community development?

Col. Anderson: I meant that a lot of money is not always needed, that the basic requirement is initiative.

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Mrs. Adams: I agree that much can be done without a great deal of money but the process of community development and training of people and organizers is something which costs a great deal of money, but the returns of community development more than pay for it.

Dr. Hayden: Yes. Training and administration are expensive but the major point is that the returns are out of all proportion to the investment.

Col. Anderson: On the other hand, a lot of money can be spent without much return.

Mrs. Berrean: (Save the Children Federation): Does Korea present more problems than do the other countries in which Mrs. Adams had worked?

Mrs. Adams: There are many elements more favorable in Korea than, for instance, in Iran. However, I do not think the government is ready as yet to go into community development on a national scale.

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KAVA CONFERENCE
DISCUSSION GROUP #2

10:00 A.M.
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THE VOLUNTARY AGENCY - WHAT IS IT?

LEADER: DR. LENNIG SWEET

DISCUSSANT: MRS. LUCILE CHAMBERLINE

RECORDER: MISS VIOLA WILLIAMS

PANEL MEMBERS: DR. LENNIG SWEET
MRS. L. CHAMBERLINE
MISS MARY WALKER
MR. WILLIS ELLIOTT

RESOURCE: MRS. SYN DUK LEE
MISS SHINSIL KIM
MR. KIM CHUN BAE

The purpose of the group was three-fold: (1) to indicate the nature and functions of the voluntary agencies and to contrast these with these of the Government agencies (2) to examine those aspects of Korean life and culture which are presently influencing the organization and programs of Korean voluntary agencies and (3) to consider how a democratic social agency is organized and administered. In view of the facts brought out during the discussion there would logically have been a fourth field of inquiry, namely "how should the typical structure and method of the Western voluntary agency be modified to meet the viewpoints and requirements of Korean life. The group became so absorbed in the first two points that there was insufficient time to consider either the third or fourth. Those present, however strongly recommended that these subjects be discussed as major items at future KAVA meetings. Mrs. Lucile Chamberline of CEC opened the session by presenting a paper dealing with voluntary agencies and their activities and contrasting these with those of Governmental agencies.

Mrs. Chamberline's Statement Presented to the Discussion Group:

This is our third KAVA conference - each one has found us discussing and analyzing needs and problems in Korea in order to take stock and evaluate our efforts, our progress, our programs, our projects and our administration of the services we are here to provide. We have accomplished much in many areas of great need but our goals still lie far ahead and we wish we might move more rapidly toward them.

Miss Mayerson in her paper given at our first conference in June 1955, urged that we should coordinate our efforts to helping Koreans, and said that sharing of ideas and experiences should have far-reaching effects for the benefit of Koreans. She enumerated a number of principles by which the voluntary agency makes its contributions which are far-reaching and which we believe are essential in a democratic society.

She said, "I believe it is only in a democratic society that the voluntary principle can operate effectively. It may be helpful to our understanding to recall that democracy is the political expression of a concept embodied in our great religious and ethical teachings - the concept of the importance and dignity of the individual. A democratic society provides that form of government which best affords the individual the maximum opportunity for growth as a person and as a useful member of society."

Voluntary agencies of any kind at any time are directly related to and conditioned by the predominant culture, the historical sequence and the current stage of development of the social, political, religious and economic philosophy and the institutions of the society in which such undertakings are conducted. For this reason we find that different nations develop different conceptions of the respective responsibilities and relationships between

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private or voluntary organizations and governmental ones. We in Korea must understand and take all of this into account. There is great diversity due to a multiplicity of reasons that include among others, the historical, and political structures between the countries from which we Westerners come and this country in which we are living and working.

Diversity and flexibility rather than rigid stereotyped regulations we believe are true sources of strength and vitality of our people and they are basic to our democratic society. We believe that this diversity and flexibility enable us to get the job done in the way that works best and will best advance our underlying purposes and principles.

We must recognize that in our Western democracies some hundreds of years of development by individuals and organized voluntary groups have persistently fired our social conscience, have spearheaded the development of our social philosophy and have served as society's watchdog, as it were, to make certain that governmental service fulfilled their responsibilities. Throughout our history the development of all types of welfare services has moved step by step from person-to-person service to voluntary groups in the community and finally to the establishment of public responsibility under the government. This movement has generally been correlated with increased volume of need and wider recognition of need.

The more understanding we can gain of how the above factors affect our work in Korea, the more successful we shall be because we will take into account the completely different conditioning which Koreans have had in cultural and historical background for this current stage of social, political, religious and economic development.

Let us consider now some differences between public and voluntary organizations. There are five major differences listed by Dr. Arlien Johnson, dean of the Graduate School of Social Work at the University of Southern California. Briefly they are:

(1) basic motivation or underlying philosophy.

(2) legal bases under which each operates.

(3) volume and distribution of services.

(4) methods of administration.

(5) sources of funds.

There are some basic differences between voluntary agencies which related to their origin and source of support, nature and scope of purpose as related to program which includes the motivation or philosophy of the donors, the philosophical and sectarian differences.

A belief which is shared by many is that voluntary efforts in any area of work are a measure of democracy. On the basis of this belief any service of program under voluntary auspices has three major chracteristics which provide them with important opportunities. These are:

(1) Freedom to initiate any undertaking they wish or believe has value at any time they wish.

(2) Freedom to experiment under almost unrestricted conditions because they can select the form of activity or service and they can limit its scope. This freedom permits them to make observations and demonstrate their findings. This offers the greatest opportunity for inventiveness in devising new types of services and new methods of care, education and guidance and for giving support to the extension of such service and methods where indicated so that they may be taken over by the government and made available to all individuals.

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(3) Vitally important is their freedom to change any and all aspects of their undertakings as they see fit or progress indicates and to maintain a high degree of flexibility in adapting their programs or services to individual, exceptional or new situations, demands or needs.

It takes vision and courage, imagination, sensitivity and ability to relate all efforts to help Korean people help themselves; to teach them to take responsibilities for leadership and administration of services and to let them have the credit for these achievements. Thus the voluntary agency leaves itself free to initiate other equally important undertakings. It is my conviction that as foreign voluntary agencies in Korea are able to use their special strengths in this way that they can establish and maintain a vital relationship with the community and government. Isn't failure to do this a betrayal of stewardship? Important point for discussion!

Although voluntary agencies have greater freedom to undertake experimentation and demonstration it would be inflexible and unsound to contend that because of this they should not work with governmental organizations in overlapping fields providing joint planning is carried out. As excellent example of this is program on Voluntary Foreign Aid in effect since August 1, 1952. Twelve American voluntary agencies are registered with the Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid in Washington D.C. for the purpose of carrying on relief activities in Korea. To date these agencies have imported approximately 110,000 tons of relief goods of food, clothing, medical supplies, etc. valued at 50 million dollars. To make this possible the U.S. government has paid over nine million dollars for ocean freight and the ROK government has paid 872 million hwan ($7 3/4 million) and has allowed the supplies to be imported duty-free. Thus two governments and a number of voluntary agencies have cooperated to make possible program through which untold millions of needy Korean men, women and children were kept alive and aided.

Also the voluntary agency has the important responsibility of initiating and maintaining good standards of service and continuously to give leadership and stimulation in improvement of quality of work and thus to teach by precept good methods and standards.

In our discussion I hope we will consider how communities and neighborhoods can be stimulated and helped to plan and participate in organizing themselves to establish needed new services or adopt existing service to better meet human needs. The response of communities we hope would include:

A concern of citizens for their neighbors

A desire to do something for them

A readiness of citizens to organize themselves, either through voluntary or government auspices, or both, to produce needed services; this often with the enthusiastic cooperation of labor and management.

A readiness to try new ideas for developing new programs, and new methods for implementing them as well as for improving on-going programs.

The use of social research as a tool of social planning.

The development and use of joint fund raising as a tool for community financing.

The development and use of community or neighborhood councils as a tool for community organization, social planning, and coordination, involving both private and public agencies.

At least five major efforts are important in community planning to accomplish objectives;

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1. Preparation and presentation of information;

2. Coordination of individual agency efforts in the interests of efficiency and effectiveness for breader good;

3. Setting standards and getting agreements in writing on program goals and performance, agency pattern and personnel matters;

4. Raising and budgeting funds and influencing the use of community funds to priorities of services;

5. Responsiblity for accountability of funds - careful analysis and justification of financial operations and budgetary needs.

To put these methods to work and accomplish their objectives, planning groups make use of fact finding, extensive committee activity, forms and conferences, publication of materials, individual conferences and other techniques. Let us remember that operations such as above don't occur overnight and people don't learn to work together on such bases except with many difficulties and over a long period of time. This really means that voluntary agencies must be prepared to make an important investment of staff time in activities which may accomplish some of the above-described community objectives. We need more skillful programs of public relations and community education.

A very wise and seasoned old Board member - a veritable "elder statesman" of several voluntary agencies wrote to me one time two things that I have never forgotten. I am going to share them with you. "Both volunteer and professional leadership for welfare and spiritual services develops over a period of years a certain narrowness of vision. Solutions and plans tend to be viewed primarily in the light of past agency experience and a self-interested point of view, both of which impose limitations. One of the besetting sins of most organizations is isolationism. I am sure that a major contribution to good community planning and at the same time to the best interests of one's own agency can be made through demonstration by our own professional and lay leadership of a conviction about the priority of community progress over narrow agency self-interest. I am sure he meant that while our immediate concern is with our own agency, our ultimate interest must far transcend it. One of our greatest obligations is to open the minds and hearts of our followers to this much deeper awareness.

Cooperative planning takes us back to the ABC's of democracy. As we participate with our Korean neighbors, friends and colleagues we may well find that we sharpen our own concepts and convictions. As we pioneer or help create community or neighborhood planning machinery we cannot just climb aboard and expect it to take us where we want to go. We must help service the machine, steer it and sometimes give it a hard push. If the right people don't undertake these chores, wrong ones probably will. Situations may at times seem overwhelming and it is small wonder that sometimes we seem baffled by them but let us not be paralyzed by them. People with crusading zeal for many causes, zeal that through the years has been tempered and disciplined by the growing conviction that the way of cooperation, whether practised in the home country or the world community, may well be the way of life itself.

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"SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION"

The principal points emphasized during the subsequent discussion were:

a) The voluntary principle can only operate in a democratic society, where there is freedom for thought and action and where the dignity of the individual is recognized.

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b) Agencies are conditioned both by the historical culture out of which present culture has grown as well as by the needs, resources, etc. of the environment.

c) Voluntary agencies are formed by persons to fulfill purposes which are important to them; thus there will be great diversity in the purpose of various voluntary agencies and as purposes and needs change there should be flexibility to meet them.

Some principal differences between voluntary and governmental agencies seemed to be:

a) Basic motivation. Voluntary agencies are founded, and should continue to function, to achieve the purposes of their boards of directors or members; Government agencies, however often have a political purpose, or one related to national policy, in addition to any help which may be given to those in need.

b) Legal bases. The voluntary agency, even though incooporated, may have the broadest of purposes: the Governmental agency is created to administer the law or provision of government.

c) Methods of administration. Voluntary agencies are usually either membership agencies where members elect Boards of Directors from their members or Boards are self-perpetuating and elect their own successors. In either case the Directors determine policy and, except in the very smallest agencies, hire a paid staff to carry out these determination. In a Government Agency, on the other hand, administrators are responsible to the chief executive of the Government, perhaps directly or through a Minister of State.

d) Sources of Funds. A major source of income for the typical voluntary agency is voluntary gifts of members or persons interested in the purposes and program of the agency. The principal source of funds for Government Agencies is taxes.

e) Accountability for funds. The voluntary agency is directly accountable to donors and if they are not satisfied contributions will dry up. Although it is true that if taxpayers feel funds are not being correctly used they may turn a political party out of office, financial accountability to "donors" is much more indirect than that of a Government agency, which is accountable to a General Accounting Office and to the legislature.

f) Major characteristics of voluntary agency are:

Freedom to initiate
Freedom to experiment
Freedom to change

CONTRIBUTION OF RESOURCE PERSONS

Whatever measure of success the Voluntary Agency Group attained was largely due to its Korean resource persons. Mrs. Maria Park Lee, Chairman of the National Council of YWCA had intended to be present but was prevented because of illness. Her help was sorely missed.

Miss Shinsil Kim, Secretary General of the Red Cross and Mr. Chun Bae Kim formerly Student Secretary of the National Council of YMCAs presented material which pointed out the nature of the early Korean "social work" and how this has been and is till being influenced by cultural impact.

The principal points of Miss Kim's remarks, which were illuminated by interesting illustrations follow:

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There is a long standing pattern going back some 600 years.

All organized activity was governmental, consisted of relief only, and was put into operation only to meet emergencies and disasters.

The motive was not so much aid of the purpose of helping those in distress as it was to keep the people happy so that the Government might remain secure.

The principal activities were tax remission and the distribution of seeds or grain. There would be subsequent collections of grain from those aided and this would be redistributed.

The relief program was highly centralized.

There were, however the beginnings of voluntary assistance . This appreared in the saying "my neighbor is my cousin" and in the five family mutual aid groups. The purpose was to give mutual assistance in time of need.

Aid was given by individual to travellers.

These beginings were stopped by the Japanese occupation.

Mr. Chun Bai Kim pointed out that the nature of Korean social agencies has been greatly influenced by Buddhism, Confucianism and by the West.

To Buddhism may be attributed the over emphasis on relief: give immediate help; spend all your funds.

There has never been any thought of long term planning.

There have never been paid leaders or executives; trained leadership was unknown.

Character building through organized effort was unheard of.

Confucianism may be thought of as responsible for the emphasis on centralized control and the hierarchy of staff relationships. The senior or "elder" is responsible for everything - there is no delegation of responsibility.

Everyone is someone else's "man" and carried out the orders of the one above.

Group administration or Committee action was unknown.

Western democracy has arrived too fast and confused the issues. Foreigners are trying to rush things too quickly, for Koreans are very individualistic. In addition there is lack of mutual trust, and mutual trust must be present if there is to be successful democratic administration in a voluntary social agency.

Korea is becoming Western. In many respects it is becoming Americanized in a bad sense, — anything labled "American" is apt to be unthinkingly accepted.

There is a bitter struggle between the older and younger generations. The older people with their ideas influenced by Buddhism and Confucianism are in power, while the younger generation, with its ideas influenced by the West, is struggling for a place in the sun. Those "in between" have a difficult time both emotionally and professionally.

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The group then went on to raise some questions which it did not have time to answer, but which it hopes may be fully considered sometimes, for they are very important. Among those questions were the following:

1. Is the Korean personality, as it has developed, such as to make it very difficult to put the democratic voluntary principle into practice?

2. How far is there a reluctance among Koreans to accept responsibility?

3. Why do Koreans seem to be reluctant to ask people to give services or contribute fund? Would it help to show that contributions mean helping a cause, not an organization or paid staff?

4. How can good systems of financial and other forms of accountability be achieved?

5. Is it true that Westerners are going, or trying to go too fast in too many directions. What can be done about this?

Proposals

1. That a practical demonstration of sound voluntary agency practice be put on at a KAVA meeting.

2. That a committee be formed from KAVA, the ROK Government and OEC to study the field of social service in Korea, find gaps in services an d try to bring correlation between agencies.

3. That Korean social agency executives be encouraged to get together to sort out principles of voluntary agencies and voluntaryism as they affect Korea.

4. That there be a get together of Korean and Western people to discuss principles of voluntary agency administration such as relations between Board and executives, structure and function, accountability, etc.

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KAVA CONFERENCE
DISCUSSION GROUP # 3

10:00 A.M.
May 22, 1957

YOUTH IN KOREA - WHITHER, WHENCE?

LEADER: DR. WILLARD GOSLIN

RECORDER: MR. ROBERT SAGE

PANEL: CAPT. GEOFFREY PERRY
MRS. HYUN JA KIM , OH
DR. WILLARD GOSLIN

RESOURCE: MR. WILLIAM J. RHEE
MR. LEE JOO INN

ATTENDANCE: SEE APPENDIX A

Dr. Goslin's Statement Presented to the Discussion Group:

After brief opening remarks, Dr. Goslin indicated that anyone must live a lifetime in a certain culture to understand it fully. However, he had listened to Korean nationals in various fields of endeavor, and it seemed to him that the problems of youth in Korea can be identified according to three principal areas:

(1) The philosophical orientation of youth. Civilizations that move without change have few problems regarding youth. When great changes are taking place, youth is trying to assess the situation and to find a way to fit into it. The changes in recent Korean history are particularly discernible in urban areas. A multitude of changes has taken place in Korean life from the time of Japanese occupation of Korea, through the period in which the country became an autonomous state, the Korean war and the post-war period. A culture that fundamentally and historically has looked to the past for maintaining its patterns now is looking into the future. Any culture that has gone through this experience has suffered the same anxieties. A rice economy is attempting to develop into an industrial economy. A nation that tended to be isolated now reaches out for a place in the world. One is apt to evaluate the problems and behavior of Korean youth superficially, if they are not regarded in this whole context.

(2) The problem of employment of youth. At present we have a situation where more hands and minds need to be engaged than the Korean economy can employ. Many young men have been inducted into the military service in recent years. When they are discharged and return to civilian life, they find a shortage of jobs, and considerable unemployment prevails.

(3) The problem of education of youth. There is a great search for education. Perhaps as many as four million young people are enrolled in various schools throughout the country at present. The question poses itself: Are many of the students in the right kind of schools? Are they properly prepared in the schools for what they will have to face after leaving school? How does Korean youth face up to religious and philosophical orientation? Having been brought up according to traditional, authoritarian principles arising from Confucian and Buddhist beliefs, what effect has Christianity and attitudes of Western democracy on students?

"SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION"

The discussion opened with a reference to the basic concept of freedom. What does it mean to the individual youth? It means, for one thing, freedom for education. A passion for education is noted among the young in Korea, to be explained mainly by two factors: (1)The 35-year Japanese occupation of Korea which generally tended to keep Korea at a low educational level; (2) the realization or belief of youngsters and their guardians that only a person who has learned something will eventually have a chance to advance to higher economic and social levels and live in dignity, leaving the economic misery of his ancestors behind.

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Freedom for education came very suddenly after the liberation from Japanese occupation. The question was raised (and left open): Is education itself helping Korea at all? Highly trained people who cannot find a proper place in life and in the economy may dislike their country, which problem may not have arisen had they remained uneducated.

The question was brought up: Why do so many girls go to college? The answer was given that marriage now generally takes place when men and women are older than in former times. Most men are not economically ready and mentally willing to marry until they reach about 30 years of age. Therefore, girls must solve their professional problem and seek to solve the question of their livelihood by going to college.

It was pointed out that counselling and guidance are very necessary to have young men and women choose professions that are suitable for them and a sensible solution of their economic problems and the problems of the country as a whole. More technical and trade schools are needed in Korea, and the ones that exist need better equipment. Moreover, the equipment itself is of little use if there are not enough trained teachers who can use the equipment and demonstrate its use to the students.

In addition to counselling and guidance, better planning by the Korean governmental authorities is essential in terms of the whole social and economic situation. The question was posed (and left open): Is it desirable to reduce the number of students in accordance with what a society and economy can absorb? The opinion was given that it is necessary to change the thinking on the part of wide circles of the population insofar as the people must recognize again the dignity of labor. The community and the people must be shown that aimless study, for the sake of study itself, has little value. A sound relationship must exist between the possibilities of the economy and the schools; too many university students are enrolled in liberal arts courses and entertain such unrealistic hopes as becoming scholars or politicians or entering the diplomatic service, instead of preparing themselves for "bread and butter" (or, more appropriately, "rice and kimchi") jobs.

It was stated that from the point of view of the Korean university student, youth in Korea faces a period of crisis. There is a "flaming desire" for education, but Korean youth lack peace of mind. This is due to various factors. Korean youth often finds the training and performance of faculty members questionable. Education is still tied too closely to tradition. Youth are concerned principally with (1) occupation; (2) intellectual purpose; (3) marriage. Society and its present patterns in Korea on one hand, and schooling on the other hand, are at odds. Juvenile crime incidence is considerable. Military service, although often beneficial to uneducated youth, has frequently the opposite influence on intelligent youth. Army dischargees must live, but there are few opportunities for young men to obtain steady jobs and choose a career. The result of economic insecurity on young women is that an estimated forty thousand prostitutes are living in South Korea. Youth is for the most part demoralized and inclined to imitate, instead of creating.

The opinion was given that in rural areas the drive for aimless education is not so strong as in urban areas. The question of free education was recognized, however, that a commitment in this direction definitely exists, and that Korea is closer now to at least free primary education than it was a few years ago.

The functioning of the P.T.A.'s was briefly touched upon, and it was pointed out that the latter serve at present mainly the purpose of raising money for such necessities as building class rooms and subsidizing the teachers' salaries.

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The question of guidance of young people was once more explored. Local employment bureaus must be more effective in counselling. Such guidance must be given to youth at high school or even lower levels. Institutes must provide training for those who would be qualified to give guidance for education. The content and method of the primary school requires reform. Korean culture has a fine heritage in arts and crafts, but the school system does little about this. Such subjects as gardening, crafts and science should be more emphasized at lower levels of schooling.

In discussing the question of widely prevailing unemployment, it was brought out that many young people must be encouraged to use more initiative to find work. The unemployment situation would doubtless be alleviated to a large degree if the farm boys who are discharged from the service would return to the farms of their fathers. Many, however, have lost their inclination in the Army to do farming and are now citified and aggravate the problem of unemployment.

The question of religion was briefly touched. It was found that traditional Confucian and Buddhist concepts appear to have little power or impact on the life of young people at this time. Therefore, there is no real value system in existence to give Korean youth a push forward. The opinion was given that Christianity could mean a great deal to the young in Korea if they accept more widely such ethical values as "Love thy neighbor", and Christian or Western concepts of the relationships between master and employee, men and women, etc. Moral re-armament was found desirable. Future parents have a great responsibility towards society. A more solid sense of responsibility must be developed among the young with regard to moral standards, religion, basic philosophy of life.

Dr. Goslin concluded the discussion by summarizing the various factors influencing the life of the young in Korea today, including such problems as unemployment, education, delayed marriages, the emergence of women in society, and religious and philosophical trends.

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KAVA CONFERENCE
DISCUSSION GROUP # 4

10:00 A.M.
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TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING - NEEDS & POSSIBILITIES ?

LEADER: MISS ROSE ALVERNAZ

DISCUSSANT: DR. CHESTER WOOD

RECORDER: MRS. BERTHA CLAYPOOL

RESOURCE: MISS KISOON HYUN
MRS. SOON TAM LEE
MR. C.K. BERNHEISEL

ATTENDANCE: SEE APPENDIX A

"Summary of Statements Made by the Discussant and Resource Persons"

In Korea where there is lack of respect for those who work with their hands, where there is a reverence for classical intellectualism, it is extremely difficult to impress upon the populace the importance of particular skills. The sociological and cultural pattern works against technical and vocational training. This problem was pointed out by Dr. Chester W. Wood, Chief of Education Division, OEC.

The group learned that the technical and vocational schools of Korea are supervised by the Technical Bureau, Ministry of Education, and that they function on a secondary level. At present, there are two hundred and ninety-five technical and vocational schools in Korea. One hundred and thirty-six of these are Agricultural high schools, seventy-four are Commercial, forty-four are Engineering, twenty-six are short-term trade schools and fifteen are Fisheries high schools.

Dr. Wood stated that the vocational education in these schools is curtailed by many problems. There is inadequate equipment and lack of understanding of careful and proper maintenance of existing equipment. There is a need for skilled teachers. The teachers now on the job have received a training that is too academic with little accent on manual skill.

"These teachers must know the processes before they can demonstrate skills" said the discussant. "There is a great need for apprentice and on-the-job training. This cannot be accomplished through a philosophical, theoretical, humanities-centered approach", he added.

Dr. Wood told of the need for industrial orientation between trade schools and industry. Training should tie in with industrial needs so that students can be trained for necessary jobs. The existing curriculum is lopsided, he said, with over-emphasis upon irrelevent subjects: "There is too much emphasis on routine scholastic training and too many of the schools are vocational in name only", said the speaker. He stated that the majority of students in trade schools are there as a second choice, not having been able to gain admittance into other educational institutions.

"Almost all have a college education as their ultimate goal", it was said. An example of this situation was revealed by a member of the discussion group who reported that of three hundred students interviewed at an agricultural school, all answered "Teaching", when asked their job preference upon completion of training.

The present system of entrance examinations was questioned. The recent entrance requirements for technical schools are based upon academic knowledge rather than on technical and vocational aptitude. Another problem discussed was that of the relationship of vocational schools with industry. The need

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for rehabilitation and development of industry was stressed. The possibility of setting up an employment bureau system between schools and industry was mentioned.

Dr. Wood's speech was followed by a brief talk by C.K. Berhheisel, chief of the Technical Training Branch, Program Documentation Division of OEC. He told of the void of teachers and competent administrative staff in Korea, the result of the Japanese occupation. Since 1948 OEC has been trying to help Korea overcome this shortage. OEC's technical training branch now has 800 trainees in the United States and other countries. Mr. Bernheisel mentioned the difficulty in selection of qualified candidates having at least two years experience in their field, and the difficulty in providing the type of training experience that can be adapted most effectively upon the trainees' return to Korea.

He emphasized the inability of visiting Korean students to assimilate the advanced technical information viewed in the states. "Trainees travel from one large highly mechanized plant to another", he stated. "They do not stay in one place and learn to work. They often become frustrated and discouraged realizing they cannot use the newly acquired knowledge in Korea", he added. Mr. Bernheisel cited an example of the problem his division faces because of Korea's negative attitude toward manual labor: "If a shop foreman goes to the U.S. he will often expect to have a desk job when he returns."

Mr. Bernheisel pointed up cultural barriers that face trainees upon their return to Korea. The country's cultural pattern is responsible for the reluctance of management to accept new ideas from those "beneath" them. Often jealousies arise between trainee and employer because of the trainee's foreign experience. This increases the already difficult task of the trainee as he attempts to adapt newly-acquired knowledge to the realities of Korea. "In addition to the many sociological problems that meet trainees upon their return to Korea, the economic problem is an overwhelming one" said Mr. Bernheisel. "The low-wage problem is ever present."

Mr. Bernheisel was one of three "resource" people scheduled to give a short resume of their area of service in Korea. The other two were Miss Kisoon Hyun, consultant nutritionist and home economist, AKF, and Mrs. Soon Tam Lee, director of Girl Scouts of Korea.

"There is a gradual breakdown of the large family system to the small", reported Miss Hyun, "and for the first time in Korea's history, many girls feel they have a choice between career or marriage. Many prefer a career to marriage because they see all about them the poverty and hopelessness that Korea's economy imposes upon the housewife today." Miss Hyun related her experience in teaching home economics after studying in the United States. She is successful in her efforts to relate academic studies to practice. At present she is involved in a special project for older girls in orphanages, having set up a course in "Household Help, Western and Korean" for them. She teaches reading and writing of Chinese characters to orphans, and, upon completion of the course, her students teach children in orphanages. All Korean newspapers are printed in Chinese, she reported.

When Miss Hyun returned from her studies in the states she designed measuring cups and spoons and a small, simple oven adapted to Korean facilities. Neither of these items was in existence here before. She reported that 3,000 sets of measuring cups and spoons were manufactured. She also mentioned the problems of working students employed as household help. Most of them want to continue high school but are unable to because of long working hours. The schedule of high schools for women begins at 6 P.M., the dinner hour when the girls must be on the job in the homes that employ them.

In her report, Mrs. Soon Tam Lee re-emphasized the problem of reluctance of students studying abroad to return to Korea tto work. "Korea's low-wage scale drains them of any enthusiasm they might feel toward promoting their program and using knowledge gained abroad," it was said. In her Girl Scout program, girls are trained for citizenship in Korea. As Mrs. Lee stated, her program is also hindered by Korea's sociological and cultural pattern where trades people

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are looked down upon by the upper classes. She stated that, true to form, agricultural students come from the villages to study in Seoul and invariably choose liberal arts as their major. Mrs. Lee stressed the importance of the impact of UN personnel in attempting to bring this change about.

"SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION"

The discussion period which closed the two-hour session on Technical and Vocational Training involved problems already mentioned with special emphasis upon the importance of change in the attitude of Korean people toward these occupations; the importance of proper personnel and methods in advising and training in technical fields; the difficulty in getting qualified people (particularly in medicine) to leave their jobs and come to Korea; the lack of jobs and money.

"When a person realizes that there are 4,000,000 students in Korea (3,000 also studying abroad), the magnitude of these problems is a bit overwhelming," one of the group commented. "What are these people going to do when they finish school? What good is U.S. training for these 3,000 students abroad if they cannot be absorbed into industry and other fields here?"

"I don't think anyone in OEC can answer your question" said Mr. Bernheisel. It was decided the problem was a long-term one with no immediate answer.

"I feel as though I am on a treadmill," commented the missionary who had raised the question. "Couldn't something be done about getting a program started in upland farming, for instance? This would up the agricultural produce 20% and give employment to agricultural students." It was then pointed out that the high price of fertilizer would nullify any increase in agricultural yield and its resultant monetary gain through upland farming.

Another problem confronting the four million students of Korea is the long hours spent in school, leaving no time for outside work. When it was suggested that Korean students must be encouraged to work part-time for their schooling, it was reported that students are in school from six to eight hours daily, plus many hours of homework needed to complete assignments excessively long when compared to Western standards. It was pointed out that there is no present provision for "spreading out" school work over several years in order that students may have time for outside work.

The stigma attached to working students in Korea was then pointed up when one of the young missionaries engaged in language study reported that the literal translation of the word for working student is "suffering student". It was also told here that Pai Wha High School has succeeded in organizing its students in a work program at the school. All students here cooperate in cleaning the building each day. There is no remuneration for this, but it does save the school in labor cost. It was also stated that some students at Seoul National University find time for outside work.

At this point, an interesting comment was made by one of the discussion participants. He had heard from his son studying in the states, that a Korean student attending his university was very depressed because he was given a job "waiting tables" at a cafeteria. Because he felt this job beneath his dignity, he bolstered his depressed spirits by sending home to Korea for money to buy a new car. He bought the car, and in this manner has "saved face" and rid himself of the complex of "Suffering student".

The economic problem of subsidizing training was stated by Miss Ruth Borden of the Seoul YWCA where many of the night-school training programs are held. She said that the fee requested from students is higher than the minimum cost that can be requested from students. "Also," said Miss Borden, "in our efforts to get across the idea of 'adapting and not adopting' Western skills, it is interesting to note that all students prefer English to Korean typewriters. We have great difficulty in persuading vocational students to learn to use Korean typewriters," she added.

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When the question of sending training experts to Korea was advanced during the discussion period, Dr. Wood told of the program of the Minnesota group in sending teachers and technical experts to Korea. He explained that ICA operates in more than sixty countries. He stated that universities are becoming hesitant to accept foreign assignments, that officials have been trying to get a contract in business administration. Several universities in ICA Washington have turned them down. It was reported that Stanford University became discouraged and has finally pulled out of the Philippines.

The problem of physically handicapped children; the problem of over-aged children in primary schools; the problems of finding suitable vocations for TB patients were mentioned during the discussion period. Dr. Herbert Coddington stated that funds have been allocated for the latter program, but it is extremely difficult to find a paying light-type of industry for the victims of Korea's No. 1 health problem. Also mentioned was the volunteer vocational training of street boys by agencies in Korea.

In this period of crisis for Korean youth training to operate effectively in a land of over-population and difficulties in government practice, it was encouraging for discussion members to hear of effort toward improvement of some of the problems. Dr. Wood reported that over a two and one-half year period, UNKRA allocated one and one half million dollars for six training centers at Pusan, Taejon, Mokpo, Yosu, Kwangju and Seoul. The program is being continued by OEC and $1,700,000 has been allocated for 1956-57. Fifty-five selected agricultural, technical and fisheries schools receive, or will receive, technical and material aid. Accomplishments include plans for vocational teacher training at Seoul Technical High School and the recruitment by OEC of eleven U.S. technicians to work with Koreans in trades and technical fields. Four Americans are already on the job with two additional experts arriving soon. There will be an OEC advisor to promote relations with industry, using the coordinating committee plan.

The problems of equipment and maintenance and of adequate teachers and effective teaching methods are on the way to solution, according to Dr. Wood. He reported that the combination of academic and practical training is being planned at Pyung-Taek.

In stating the progress made, Dr. Wood stressed the need for a comprehensive rather than a fragmentary approach to the problems of technical and vocational training in Korea. "This is a long term program", he said. "The ability of the 3,000 Koreans now studying in the United States to adapt their observations and training to the realities of Korea today is of great importance in any possible fulfillment of these economic and sociological needs. The problems and improvements in Korea depend upon the economic and social development of the country," he added.

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KAVA CONFERENCE
DISCUSSION GROUP #5

2:00 P.M.
22 May 1957

A WORKSHOP ON "ESTABLISHING A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT"

LEADER: MR. ROBERT GRAY

PANEL: DR. HOWARD HAYDEN
COL. CHARLES A. ANDERSON
MR. LELAND MITCHELL
MRS. LUCY W. ADAMS
MR. ROBERT GRAY

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"SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION"

Mr. Gray commenced the session by recapitulating the points decided at the morning session on "Stimulating Community Development in Korea" :

1. Korea needs a community development program.

2. There is a body of experience in Korea.

3. Now is the time to begin.

Dr. Hayden had mentioned there were two approaches -- one the multi-purpose worker and the other the team approach. The discussion had shown the need for multi-purpose workers as well as for the team approach. Now we come to the role of the voluntary agency in community development. He read out twelve points on community development made by Dr. Raper in 1951.

Col. Widdowson: I believe that all of the twelve points have been followed in Korea by all groups doing community development, and for an example I can refer to a united project by various missions near Taejon -- this project is administered by a board of directors.

Mr. Gray: This is a demonstration of what stimulation of interest in the needs of the community can do.

Col. Widdowson: They have various projects such as orphanages, tubercular children, amputees, etc. There are working groups which go out into the country and demonstrate.

Mr. Gray: This becomes an important part of community development in training.

Mr. Sidwell (Methodist Mission): In our center at Taejon, during a nine-month period students live on the project and receive guidance in various phases of farm work.

Dr. Abernathy (Baptist Mission): Our mission has a project in Pusan which is community development in an indirect way -- doing medical work in hospitals, in baby clinics, and in the field of public health.

Mr. Gray: The Friends Service Unit also has clinics and, to the degree they can be carried on after the Unit leaves, it is a community development.

Mr. Pai (C.C.D.P.): The community development project in Supkyo which CWS is operating in aiding health and rural endeavors is successful. There

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is a loan system whereby loans were made to farmers. A nurse was employed to care for children; a home economics course also was conducted. A foreign group lives with the Koreans.

Col. Widdowson: The Taejon Rural Health Center, near Kunsan, is run by the Koreans (Dr. Lee -- he also has a hospital), subsidized partly until now by the Ministry of Agriculture. Some of the leading doctors at Severance Hospital are on the Executive Board. UNKRA had sent a health team -- which now has been withdrawn.

Mr. Gray: The aforementioned projects are ones which the voluntary agencies should encourage. The Sun Chil community center is run by the Koreans.

Col. Widdowson: There are the soup kitchens and feeding stations, subsidized by foreign aid but operated by the Koreans. These are also a form of community development and help the Koreans become social minded.

Mrs. Adams: Do you think that a clearing house or an information center is necessary?

Col. Widdowson: I believe it is.

Mr. Gray: Is there a need for coordination among the voluntary agencies?

Col. Widdowson: One of the outcomes of the last conference was the conclusion that there should be more coordination and no overlapping of relief supplies and assistance. A registry was set up of all the projects run by voluntary agencies in KAVA.

Mrs. Adams: From the OEC point of view, we are interested in what has been done and what is being done so that there will not be any duplication. One of the programs of ICA is Community Development, and it is changing emphasis in Korea from relief to community development. The first project, Cheju Do, has been signed and the first unit will be construction of a training center. Health Education, Cottage Industry, Agricultural Extension, 4-H Clubs and women's work will provide a planned program of community development and also encourage development of the community's use of their own resources. That is the first step. We now are talking about starting in 1958 community development in three areas -- Pusan, Taejon and Seoul.

Mr. Sidwell: The Methodist Committee of Overseas Relief has planned a resettlement area in Changwon Gun to work in three villages, and OEC and the government are cooperating.

Mrs. Adams: 6,000 were resettled last year and 7,000 will be settled this year in new communities.

Mr. Gray: What was thought to be the most important contribution voluntary agencies can make to this large community effort being planned?

Mrs. Adams: They should carry on exactly as they are doing-i.e., to analyze the results obtained, not with the idea of imposing themselves on the community but as a testing ground for community development. It would be useful if they were to use community development methods in their approach instead of a blueprint of what exactly is to be done.

Col. Widdowson: Is there any way in which voluntary agencies can help the shack dwellers?

Mrs. Adams: One approach is through housing projects. OEC has an aided self-help housing program -- a six-year long-range project. The poorest group is being assisted through resettlement programs.

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Mr. Gray: Have any of the agencies had experience in trying to meet the housing needs for those unable to find money?

Mr. Mitchell: As long as too many people live in a city it will be difficult. Land and materials in the city are expensive.

Mrs. K.J. Forman or Mrs. Wenrich: (Presbyterian Church U.S.A.): There are too many people in Seoul, one reason being the urge for education. One way to get people away from Seoul would be to provide adequate educational facilities in the country.

Col. Widdowson: Yes, I think that the hallmark of education is Seoul. Some good country schools have vacancies.

Mr. Gray: One big problem is to get capable workers in the villages.

Mrs. Foreman or Mrs. Wenrich: What was meant by progress - health, agriculture had been mentioned - what of the character of the people? I believe that the churches play a big part in helping there. What are the plans?

Mrs. Adams: The very name "community development" means development of the community as a whole. Dr. Hayden had said that you can't fragment community development - you have to work on the projects as a whole.

Mr. Gray: Development of the community does include development of the people.

Mr. Sidwell: I think that a significant contribution can be made by the churches in a training program for the pastors.

Mr. Gray: Dr. Hayden raised the question whether there was the personnel in the communities to help. Mr. Sidwell said the pastors should be leaders. Are there not others who could also be leaders?

Mrs. Adams: The teachers should be leaders also.

Col. Anderson: Physicians, too.

Mr. Mitchell: The voluntary agencies, as foreigners, are unable to convince the Koreans that they need to improve their village conditions; about all that can be done is to train the children.

Col. Widdowson: I would like to point out that we are discussing the villages which need assistance, not the ones where things are going well.

Mrs. Adams: Everyone of the OEC Korean staff who have been out in the villages say that the people know what they want but there is no motivation to make them do it.

Col. Anderson: There is a lot of dissatisfaction with their way of life and conditions, and the people may follow some undesirable ideology.

Miss Alvernaz: There is often no stimulus in the village.

Mr. Mitchell: Why are there so many Koreans completely dissatisfied with their own country?

Col. Anderson: Because whatever they have, they don't have an opportunity even if they have ambition.

Mrs. Adams: Community development is impossible in a socially disorganized community. Community development can only start in a village with potentialities.

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Mr. Gray: What can voluntary agencies do so that community development can go ahead?

Col. Widdowson: I would like to suggest that the voluntary agencies continue their efforts which have been making a definite contribution. Now they know what OEC plans. All can cooperate together. There is much to discourage but much to encourage also.

Mrs. Adams: There are some moves by the Korean Government. The Agricultural Extension Law has not yet been passed, and the Credit Law not yet started, but the Government is adding some of the things which are essential.

Col. Anderson: The Government is running into the same difficulties as we are.

Mr. Gray: The role of the voluntary agencies has been to develop an atmosphere in which community development could grow: - helping to train workers, use of the pastors, and providing outlets for people in their own communities.

Miss Alvernaz: KAVA may be able to stimulate the type of materials needed and be helpful in the process of community development. It is important that all profit by each other's experience.

Col. Widdowson: KAVA has a list of all the Agencies.

Mrs. Adams: It is hoped to have a conference on community development in the Spring.

Col. Widdowson: I think that the voluntary agencies should continue as they are and cooperate with OEC.

Miss Alvernaz: I should like to suggest that further study be given to the possibility of training personnel, jointly by the voluntary agencies, the Korean Government and OEC.

Mr. Gray: I think that's a good idea.

Mrs. Adams: To what extent was it felt that the village school teacher could be used as a multi-purpose worker?

Col. Anderson, Col. Widdowson and Mr. Mitchell and felt that the teacher would be a wise choice for multi-purpose workers.

Mr. Gray: What experiences have there been in combining short term relief and long term community development? In Kunsan the Friends Service Unit felt they couldn't continue relief and do community development work at the same time.

In some ways they found it difficult to get the people in the community to do things themselves when they know they could have things given them.

Mr. Mitchell: That all depends on the type of organization.

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KAVA CONFERENCE
DISCUSSION GROUP #6

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ORPHANAGE GRADUATES - A GROWING PROBLEM

LEADER: MR. ERNEST T. NASH

RESOURCE: MR. KIM WON KYU
MR. YUN YOUNG SAN

PANEL: MR. ERWIN W. RAETZ
FATHER L.E. YOUN
CAPT. GEOFFREY PERRY
MR. ERNEST T. NASH

ATTENDANCE: SEE APPENDIX A

"SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION"

"Graduation means unemployment" is a phrase which, in the majority of cases of graduate orphans, epitomizes a fact. That employment for orphan graduates is difficult to find is supported by the fact that many such graduates, even of High School age, remain still dependent upon the orphanage for shelter and a living, because society outside the institution doors fails to afford them a livelihood. If the sympathetic orphanage superintendent has not the heart to thrust them outside his doors, they remain to impose an increasing drain upon the institution's resources and to embarrass the care of the younger and needier children. It is estimated that perhaps ten thousand institutionalized children are now or soon will be graduated from Middle and High Schools or are 16 years of age and over. The employment problem is imminent for this great number.

The job potentialities for orphan graduates are low, given the present straitened state of Korea 's economy. Moreover, the orphan suffers disabilities the non-orphan job applicant does not. He has no relatives to afford the security guarantees which the employer customarily requires. He is outside the "family system", which favors blood relations in awarding job preference. Girl orphans may lack the graces of Korean traditional family life such as would attract a husband, although there has been some success in arranged marriages. The total load of the problem could be reduced if there was encouragement of relatives reclaiming children from the orphanages. It was felt that an employment bureau or other job-finding agency would have a chance of success only if it was related to a direct local community concerned with the employment problem of its own neighboring orphanage. It was not felt that Korean opinion would favor schemes offering "mass solution" by large group orphan migration to other countries.

Practical or vocational training for jobs should be preceded by guidance in first determining the very limited job opportunities. The nature and the extent of vocational training within the orphanages, to date, has far from served to assist job employment to any material extent. Some boys actually having such training available to them are constrained by the traditional pattern to show the academicians' contempt for soiled hands!

While vocational training seems desirable of encouragement, there is not enough evidence to prove that it is materially contributing to mitigation of the unemployment problem. Education to High School graduation standards for the orphan child may be said to instance the asserted error of affording academic education beyond the nation's economic competence. Accordingly, suggestion has been made that practical or vocational training should immediately follow graduation at only Middle School level, and that further academic education should be replaced by vocational training. A difficulty in the technical training of the orphan is the high costs of equipment and training staff. Trade school training appeared more feasible and tapped more job potentialities - particularly if orphanages embarked only upon training for the less ambitious

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occupations. Hostels contribute only in an incidental way to a solution, since they are but auxiliary to the prior existence of the training schools. Like the training schools themselves, their establishment is costly. If trade training schools are to be established, they should be limited to a few geographical locations, thereby to centralize and co-ordinate the needs of the widespread 450 orphan institutions.

Since agriculture is basic in the economy, emphasis upon vocational training in agricultural pursuits would appear justified. The contribution of the 4-H Clubs is welcomed, several being associated with orphanages. The need for subsidized farmlands employing orphan communities, to be self-sustaining after a reasonalble period of years, is strongly emphasized. It is noted that Government and the OEC contemplate such a project.

Some of the consensus viewpoints reached by the discussion group follow:

1. All orphan employment projects inevitably necessitate a conjunction of official and voluntary agency support.

2. The problem involves a solution of the conflict between academic and practical training.

3. Determination should be made of the basic question as to whether orphanage academic education should advance beyond the middle school level.

4. Manual training within the institution, after schooling, meets a considerable obstacle if there is lacking a financial incentive for the trainees.

5. Group-training in a few centralized Vocational and Trade Schools is to be preferred above attempts at such training on the part of the many individual orphanages.

6. It is noted that Government favors, and has already promised to assist, the establishment of a group of Hostels.

7. It is noted that Government favors embarking, at first in a limited way, upon farm projects absorbing considerable groups of formerly institutionalized children, and that official aid agencies are also interested. The nature of possible KAVA interest and tangible support should be investigated.

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DISCUSSION GROUP #7

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COOPERATIVES AND RURAL PROBLEMS

LEADER: MR. BURLIN HAMER

DISCUSSANTS: MR. KENNETH KOPF
MR. JOSEPH BOYD
MR. EDWIN LOFTHOUSE

RESOURCE: DR. HUGH CYNN

ATTENDANCE: SEE APPENDIX A

"Mr. Hamer's Report to the General Assembly on Korean Agricultural Development and Attendant Problems."

NOTE: The following report as summarized by B. B. Hamer, Chief Agriculture Division, OEC, was made to the KAVA General Assembly on 23 May 1957 and is a general summary of the presentation and discussions of Group #7 which transpired on 22 May 1957.

It is a pleasure for me today to participate with you in this Assembly meeting designed to summarize the discussion and exchange of information which has taken place on the wide range of subject matter problems which have been considered by the Conference. As has been indicated by your chairman, the group who met yesterday in the interests of agriculture development were very good listeners in as much as a predominant amount of our discussion time was consumed with a summary of developments in the agricultural field, which method of presentation was chosen rather than the method employed by most other groups where, as I understand, a greater opportunity had been afforded for advance planning by the group leader for a discussion.

In the original presentation in yesterday's conference it was pointed out that agricultural developments in Korea, as they are supported by the United States Foreign Aid Program, are built around a recognition of four basic problems:

1. The present necessity to augment the supply of food and other agricultural commodities produced indigenously by imports in order to hold the line until indigenous production can supply those requirements from Korean resources.

2. The necessity to work toward the goal of increasing the technological proficiency of those technicians now available, having been denied the opportunity during the Japanese period of domination, to acquire the skills and techniques which a mid-20th Century democracy requires.

3. The absence of essential agriculture institutions to serve the needs of rural people and the maximization of agrarian development.

4. The necessity to increase as rapidly as possible the harvest of marine resources to augment the diet of the Korean populace and to enhance the supply of available foreign exchange.

The organization of the Agriculture Division of OEC has been designed to assist in the solution of these problems and in a parallel fashion to these problems contains three branches of Agriculture Technology, Agriculture Institutions and Fisheries with the fourth branch of Agriculture Commodities being under active consideration.

During the course of the discussion yesterday it was pointed out

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that the objectives of the agriculture program for Korea are:

1. To produce enough food and fiber to cause the country to become self-supporting with regard to food and insofar as possible, fiber requirements. The level of nutrition aimed for is about 2,200 calories per capita per day balanced in terms of proteins, minerals, and vitamins.

2. Develop a production base in Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishing which will maximize present production and utilization and provide for continued production for the future.

3. Develop a Food and Agricultural Economy in which the maximum number of farmers, foresters and fishermen share on an expanding scale the gross national product arising from this area. This is to be accomplished through improved efficiency in production, harvesting, marketing and utilization of individual enterprises.

The attainment of these objectives is a long time job. It is relatively easy through a program of intensive training and demonstration for an agricultural technician to acquire the skills of modern technology, but it is much more difficult to provide a climate within which he works in the form of institutional development which is so necessary for the increased effectiveness of his newly acquired skills. Institution building anywhere in the world is a difficult job. The Agriculture Extension Service in the United States was authorized more than forty years ago. It took the greater portion of the first fifteen to twenty years to gain farmer acceptance of the far-seeing views of its originators. Quite understandably, an organization which is to serve rural people should be founded in law; it should be funded from indigenous revenue; it should have a clear line of administration; and it should be staffed with the most competent people available. The understanding and exchange of ideas necessary for the passage of legislation to bring into being this kind of organization is a long hard pull. Even following the completion of legislation, the activation of the organization so created and its efficient functioning is an even longer job. However, it will never be earlier than now.

The Korean Government has every right to be very proud of the recent enactment of three very important pieces of legislation. In January of this year the National Assembly passed an Agricultural Bank Act, an Agriculture Cooperative Act, and an Agriculture Extension and Research Act. Only by the earnest, sincere, and devoted efforts of the legislative and executive branches of the Korean Government could this come to pass. The recognition of the necessity for the Korean Government to provide these institutions to serve rural people presupposes its further interest in assuring the effective activation and operation of these institutions which it has created.

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The Fisheries Branch of OEC is concerned with all aspects of fisheries including the catch, as well as the processing, storing and marketing of this catch and institutions to service these operations. Much is yet to be done with respect to legislation which would provide a reasonable source of credit and supply the basic permissive legislation under which credit would be available and additional incentives provided. The Agriculture Commodities Branch, which was referred to earlier as being under consideration, has responsibilities for assisting in meeting emergency requirements for agricultural commodities not available from indigenous supply such as cotton, wheat, barley and others, as well as supplying sorely needed requisites of agriculture production such as fertilizer.

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Several questions were presented by those in attendance, one of the most important of which concerns the extent to which there was a possibility of increased foreign exchange earnings derivable from the export of agriculture products. Discussion at this point included the contribution now being made by the export of raw silk. It further included the possibility of exporting mushrooms and other products. It was obvious, however, from the presentations made that a great disparity existed between the availability of earned foreign exchange, as derived from agriculture, and the quantity of foreign exchange required to support a maximized agriculture production. The extent of this disparity naturally led the discussion in terms of a consideration of other appropriate sources of foreign exchange earnings derivable from other areas of the economy. On this point there was an easily reached conclusion of the group that the most optimistic expectation foreign exchange earning capacity derived from all sources of the economy was nearly negligible when compared to the need which existed for the support of agricultural production alone.

In reply to questions there was an explanation that the U.S. aid program as well as the contribution of voluntary agencies was meeting this need which, when compared to the gross national product of Korea, was in the relationship of 30 to 40% of the total G.N.P.

A very important element of the questions and discussion concerned the position of the fisheries industry to make its maximum contribution to the overall economy. It was obvious from the discussion presented and acknowledged by the work groups members that certainly much was to be done before the capacity of this segment of the industry to contribute could be realized. The work group noted with interest the increased production of marine products, but also was seriously concerned with those impediments to increased production which exist in the form of high taxes, levies, and other imposts on supplies they require as well as on the product of the catch.

Although, as it was earlier stated, the activities of the agricultural group, due to the shortness of our notification, took the predominant form of reporting rather than a discussion which could lead to a conclusion, it was generally felt that the pace of agro-economic development should to a great extent determine the pace of national economic development.

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KAVA CONFERENCE
DISCUSSION GROUP #8

2:00 P.M.
22 May 1957

TUBERCULOSIS AND ITS CONTROL

PANEL: DR. H. CODDINGTON
DR. EUN SOO HAN
SISTER GILMARY, M.D.
DR. JOHN BURGESS

RECORDER: MISS RAMONA UNDERWOOD

RESOURCE: DR. PHILIP HONG
DR. H.Q. HANS LEE

ATTENDANCE: SEE APPENDIX A

Dr. Eun Soo Han's Statement Presented to the Discussion Group

Magnitude of the problem of TB in Korea is very great. Best estimate is 2½% of the population (or approximately 500,000 people) have active TB. Tub. testing was started by Dr. Truelson in Korea in 1951 in a BCG program. Up to primary school entrance, 40% of children have become positive reactors; by the age of 20, 90% of Koreans have positive reaction. There were 500,000 mass X-ray surveys in 1955 and 1200,000 in 1956. During 1956 15,000 active cases were found as is indicated that the rates of T.B. infections to the population are as follows:

prisoners	4%
college students	3.5%
govt. workers	3%
school children	1.35%
orphanage	1.96%
kindergartens	2.9%

But most surprising was the rate of 27% in families of TB patients. There are not enough beds for TB patients to be accommodated and 27% of total TB patients have one child living with them at home, 23% have 2 children & 17% 3 children. 56% of TB patients in Korea are living with other people in the same room. Estimated annual death rate 40,000 - 50,000 or approximately 300/100,000 population.

What is being done to control TB? The Ministry of Health & Social Affairs has TB work under The Chronic Communicable Disease Control Section. Consulting with it are the National TB Center & Korea National TB Association. There was no budget for TB Control in 1953, but 2.1 million hwan was appropriated in 1954, which has been increased as follows: 4.2 million hwan in 1955, 38 million in 1956 and 56 million in 1957. The 5 year plan for control of TB was inaugurated in 1954. All primary schools will have tuberculin testing completed in 1958 & by 1959 it should be possible to have all newborns get BCG vaccination. In 1957, 800,000 school children will get BCG (or about 50% of the total to be tuberculin tested: altogether 1.6 million). Training of personnel has been emphasized. 1,400 technicians (doctors, nurses & ass't. doctors) have been trained in TB work. However, about one third of these people have left this work due to inadequate salaries.

The Korean government has as TB sanitarium for civilians at Masan with capacity of 280 beds (100 orphans and the rest for adults), and for veterans at Shinsang Veterans Center in Pusan, which had 500 patients in 1954, at present 120. At present there are 4,400 TB patients in hospitals in Korea, with about 17,000 getting treatment as outpatients & inpatients.

Due to the cooperation of ICA and CEC (formerly KCAC), TB drugs have been made available to 107 institutions treating TB. $680,000 was expended by these agencies in 1957 for drugs primarily (for the treatment of

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20,000 patients for one year), but also for mass chest X-ray survey machines and BCG vaccine ($36,000 in 1956).

It has been necessary in Korea to treat most patients in the clinic. Approximately 3 years of observation indicates that the results of TB out-patient treatments can be compared favourably with those for inpatients. It has also been noted that the greatest improvement comes within the first year of chemotherapy and after that time there is not much change. But it has been necessary to prolong drug therapy because of the lack of chest surgery to remove static lesions.

"SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION"

Dr. Burgess: Compare the death rate of 400/100,000 in Korea with the best figures in the world (Ont. Canada) of 4/100,000.

Sister Gilmary: Is there a budget for TB education?

Dr. Han: In the 5 year plan the first item was health education, but public health is a function of the general economic condition. First emphasis on training personnel and next in education (especially in schools).

Dr. Burgess: Are there simple leaflets available?

Dr. Han: The National TB Association has prepared 10 pamphlets with help of CWS, AKF & ROK gov't. They also arrange for TB education at teachers' annual refresher courses in Seoul.

TB TREATMENT:

Dr. Coddington: The treatment as practiced in Kwangju is mostly outpatient. Patients are admitted for complications such as too much family crowding, deterioration, need for surgery or pneumoperitoneum. New cases are nearly all far advanced. More minifilm equipment is needed to detect earlier cases. There is Korean isoniazid available which is good("Asiazid", analyzed at 102% pure in the US) and cheap. There is also compound tablets of INH & PAS made here.

Dr. Han: We are trying to discourage the making of these compounds as drug therapy cannot be tailored to fit the patients. The tablets are made here from imported drug powder, and are periodically checked by the National Lab. of the Ministry. Price for INH of Korean origin around 500 hwan per bottle of 100 - 100 mgm. tablets.

Sr. Gilmary: We have problem in treating patients who have been treating themselves. Drug resistance is especially serious in TB meningitis. It is no longer responding as well to streptomycin.

Dr. Burgess: Reports from Taegu indicate 30% of new cases having resistant strains to streptomycin.

Dr. Han: The problem is of primary infection from resistant organisms and irregular chemotherapy in adults producing more resistant strains. In Seoul, resistance 20 - 25% to streptomycin.

Dr. Coddinton: This problem was discussed in India in January at the International TB Conference: are these strains really pathogenic? It was agreed that they are at least attenuated, and conclusion was to treat with INH even though resistant strains appeared because many infections are mixed.

Dr. Burgess: Recommend indefinite treatment of chronic TB with isoniazid. Regarding regime in moderately advanced cases, recommend INH & PAS because it is cheap and avoids injections.

Dr. Coddington: In minimal cases, just use INH. Save PAS for open cavities.

Sister Gilmary: We use INH & PAS exclusively in adults, but meningitis requires

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streptomycin. No intrathecal streptomycin is used. We also use INH from 10 up to 40 mgm/kg body weight as in Europe they have had success using these large doses.

Dr. Burgess: I would like to inquire into the government policy of issuing drugs.

Dr. Han: In 1955 the treatment schedule was arranged as 80% of patients getting Strep & PAS, this year INH & PAS 60%. As procurement schedules are made up 6 months in advance, the proportions of drugs available have not met the changing "fashion" in drug therapy.

(Several in the group indicated they favored continuance of the government policy in issuing more streptomycin, because they could always buy INH cheaply, but not streptomycin.)

Dr. Burgess: Treatment should be reviewed every 3 months and changes made if the clinic condition is worse (by sputum, fever, wt. loss, etc.) and X-ray worse or unimproved. Rest is chiefly an economic problem here. It is ideal for all moderate and minimal cases, but next to ideal for the latter is modified bed rest (rest for all hours not spent at work).

Dr. Coddington: Tissue destruction and cavities prohibit activity. We have observed pneumoperitoneum decrease signs and symptoms.

Dr. Burgess: I don't like term "ambulatory" treatment; prefer "outpatient". Use of pneumoperitoneum without indication for it should be discouraged. Improved diagnosis needs emphasis. Many cases of cancer, bronchiectasis, Paragonimus, etc. are being wrongly treated as TB.

SURGERY:

Dr. Hong: In the U.S. about one third of patients come to surgery (either resection, collapse or plombage). The proportion may be higher in Korea as there are more advanced cases. There is need for surgery to hasten recovery, help in eradicating TB by closing open cases, and prevention of relapses. Surgery should be considered before the end of the first year of chemotherapy and before drugs are changed. It is preferable to treat patients with INH & PAS and thus reserve streptomycin for cover during surgery if needed. Many cases however, have already been so treated and have streptomycin resistant strains. There are many complications to chest surgery in Korea: lack of trained personnel (medical, nursing and anesthesia), cost of surgery being high, cost of blood, and poor coordination of treatment between surgical and medical men.

Plombage with plastic is very promising as it is simple, cheap and requires less blood.

The indications for surgery

1. Open cavities after about 1 year of treatment (despite sputum status)
2. Destroyed lung
3. Bronchiectatis due to TB
4. TB empyema
5. Bronchial stenosis due to TB
6. Tuberculoma

TB ASSOCIATION:

Dr. J.Q. Lee: The TB association publishes 2 magazines, one for patients and one for doctors. The sale of TB Christmas seals has steadily increased since 1953. In 1956 73% of expenditures went to diagnosis and treatment. There are local societies and health education programs.

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DISCUSSION ON ECONOMIC PROBLEMS OF TB PATIENTS:

Dr. J.Q. Lee: I suggest TB patient subsidy.

Dr. Coddington: It was the experience in India that it was more economical to help the family of a TB patient in home care than to hospitalize the patient.

Sister Gilmary: About 50% of the TB patients we see require economic help. With this they could cooperate with the regime better and get the rest they need.

Dr. Han: The problem is too great for our government. At present 400,000 of the population are entirely on relief.

"PROBLEMS OF TB CONTROL IN KOREA:"

1. The problem of TB control is great: 2.5% of the population (500,000 persons) are estimated to have active TB. Only about 20,000 are under treatment. Of their family contacts, 27% have active TB.

2. Lack of trained personnel (poor salaries, many doctors in Army, etc.)

3. Not enough sanitoria beds.

4. Cases are not seen early; far advanced cases predominate in new cases.

5. More chest clinics are needed.

6. Economic problems of the patient in getting treatment, ability to rest, providing for family, etc.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. The combination of Isoniazid and PAS is ideal for the treatment of TB.

2. The access of patients to drugs should be restricted to prescription from responsible doctors. Self treatment of TB is harmful to TB control and frequently to the patient.

3. BCG and tuberculin testing should be more widely available, especially for preschool children, in order to control TB.

4. Chest surgery should be considered in patients after 6 months therapy without improvement. A pilot project in chest surgery to be a demonstration and training center is recommended.

5. Health education needs emphasis and support:

   a. Teaching (teacher, students, medical personnel, TB patients)
   b. Printed matter
   c. Posters
   d. Public communications (newspapers, radio, moving pictures)
   e. Word-of-mouth

6. Assistance to families of TB patients, in the form of subsidy or grain, milk powder issues, etc.

7. More funds for TB clinics and personnel.

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KAVA CONFERENCE
DISCUSSION GROUP #9

2:00 P.M.
22 May 1957

OFFICIAL AID AGENCIES VIS-A-VIS OR IN COOPERATION WITH VOLUNTARY AGENCIES

LEADER: REV. J. P. CLAYPOOL

RECORDER: MR. JOHN SELBY

PANEL: REV. J. ELMER KILBOURNE
MISS SHINSIL KIM
MR. MARK SCHERBACKER
DR. EDWARD ADAMS

RESOURCE: FATHER THEODORE GEPPERT
MRS. OK NAH KIM, LAH

ATTENDANCE: SEE APPENDIX A

"SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION"

The chairman opened the discussion with a short survey of some of the areas which might well be covered in connection with the relationships of official and voluntary agencies. It was agreed that a voluntary agency arises because of a desire to meet needs in the lives of people not at the present time being met. Individuals form groups in order to take action in solving the problems, voluntarily banding together to take the initiative. Where financial support is needed voluntary giving of funds takes place. Altruism generally characterizes such groups.

Official government agencies are established by law and must operate within a definite mandate, with areas of operation rigidly limited. Support comes from public funds. Such agencies also operate under agreements with host governments, and this fact affects their methods of operation and program. Official agencies are short-term in duration, while many of the voluntary agencies are of long-term duration. There are political objectives inherent in official aid programs, which is not true of voluntary groups.

In discussing the relationships of the two groups it was noted that voluntary agencies find it necessary to work with official groups. The entire surplus commodity program grows out of gifts from the U. S. government, huge sums of money spent by ICA for ocean freight, and inland transportation costs reimbursed by the ROK government. Consultation with UNKRA and, more particularly now, with OEC in the fields of health, education, and welfare, has been of benefit to the voluntary agency programs. It was noted that grant-in-aid from UNKRA funds enabled a rapid development of institutions and services in these fields, by people on the field in the voluntary groups, who are close to the needs and are apt to be familiar with local problems and conditions.

Government agencies have learned new approaches to problems and their solutions from voluntary agencies. The latter have more flexibility and often can experiment where the former are not likely to do so. A case in point is the program of home rest and periodic visits to a clinic, together with home visitation for medication and health education by nurses in the treatment of TB patients. This program, instituted in 1953 by Dr. Struthers of Korea Church World Service, has now been taken up by the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs. It appears that this method will be used in the treatment of leprosy also. Data compiled by voluntary agencies has proved useful to governmental agencies. It was noted also that the public in the U. S. and other countries is influenced by voluntary agency activities.

The voluntary agencies were encouraged to make use of education and information aids of USIS and other official groups. The opinion was advanced that the Korean public should be informed about what voluntary agencies are doing in this country, rather than to show them activities in other countries. Mr. Scherbacker requested that the voluntary groups supply information about activities, projects, and other possible items worthy of publication through USIS channels.

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Difficulties sometimes arise in the relationships mentioned above because of different points of view and attitudes in official agency personnel and voluntary agency personnel. The aggressiveness of some of the latter proves irritating. Social, political and religious differences sometimes enter the picture. KAVA was cited as having tended to reduce such friction and misunderstanding.

In the field of education it was noted that Koreans continue to place great emphasis on the liberal arts and to under-evaluate technical training. At the same time a problem is created by the failure of the economy to absorb those who are trained in technical fields. Furthermore, it was stated that all too often the Koreans do not see the value of thorough training but are satisfied with incomplete skills. The economy of Korea cannot support free education. Voluntary groups, particularly the churches, have initiated programs of free education for those who cannot afford to attend school. The dilemma of the Ministry of Education in the situation is seen in the impossibility of fulfilling the order to discontinue collecting school fees when at the same time there is no possibility of finding operating funds elsewhere. There is a great need for vocational guidance on the junior high school level. It was suggested that people somewhat lower in the government structure, those who actually do the work in the bureaus, etc., should be sent abroad for training rather than those in high position who do not do the work of building and implementing programs.

Voluntary groups have a long history in Korea. Examples are the health, education and welfare work done by the missions and churches, the YMCA, YWCA, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Red Cross. Korean orphanages and other welfare institutions also have arisen in a voluntary way. Social welfare groups have been formed on provincial levels.

Voluntary action in Korea is hindered by the ancient tendencies toward centralized and controlled action. Development of leadership for voluntary action has been slow, but it was observed that improvement has been made in this area. Also, it was stated that money is not a requisite for voluntary action. The idea which prompts people to become concerned and then to be led to action is of far more importance.

Although there has been considerable cooperation and liaison between voluntary agencies and official agencies, both Korean and U. S., in the field of material relief distribution, it was agreed that there is need for even greater cooperation and coordination. A request was made that information regarding Army surplus sales be made available to the voluntary agencies.

It is common knowledge to all of us that KAVA has been of great value to the voluntary agencies in increasing understanding and cooperation between the two groups about which we have been talking. KAVA is able to gain admission and to command attention where a single agency could not do so.

"RECOMMENDATION"

It is recommended that KAVA establish Committees in the fields of "Health," "Social Affairs" and "Education" in order to afford closer and more direct liaison with the ROK Ministries.

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KAVA CONFERENCE
- EVENING PROGRAM -

7:30 - 9:00 p.m.
22 May 1957

AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS IN YOUR WORK

Demonstrations and Statements made by:

MR. TOM GARNER, USIS
MR. R. CONANT, KORFEC
MR. DON PAYNE, HLKY
MR. WELLS HUBBARD, O.E.C.

LEADER: REV. JAMES MOORE

ATTENDANCE: @ 40

Following introductions of the specialists, an explanation was made about methods of audio-visual education which members of KAVA agencies and others might apply in their own work.

Posters, flannelgraph, filmstrips and slides were demonstrated as "basic aids for spreading information and teachings".

Mr. Wells Hubbard, Agricultural Division of O.E.C. described the problems in this field, told how they are being met and demonstrated the material prepared for farmers.

Mr. Tom Garner, who is in charge of exhibits for USIS, described the wide spread of USIS activities, especially through the cultural centers in the smaller communities. He said that if KAVA agencies would develop pictorial "stories" of their work, especially if they pointed out what American-sponsored agencies are doing, he would be happy to work these up into exhibits which could be shown in USIS Cultural Centers throughout Korea.

Mr. Don Payne of HLKY told of the work of that organization and of how radio is aiding and can aid KAVA members. Rev. James Moore threw on the screen a motion picture of the life of John Wesley into which the Korean language had been so cleverly dubbed that the eighteenth century English characters spoke perfect Korean, thus greatly enhancing the teaching of the picture.

Mr. R. Conant of the UNESCO Fundamental Education Center near Suwon showed colored slides of the Center and described its work in training rural workers in Community Development. He also showed techniques by which almost anyone can draw simple animated educational cartoons. Mr. Conant stated that under certain conditions the Fundamental Education Center could accept KAVA agency sponsored trainees for short term training which would make them more effective workers in rural areas.

Following the above meeting a short reception was held and refreshments served.

@The leaders of this program who were present only for this program were indicated in the APPENDIX A.

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THE 3rd KAVA CONFERENCE
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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

23 May 1957
9:30 - 12:00 Noon

(1) Presentation of Group Discussion Reports
(2) Resolution and Discussion

LEADER: DR. LENNIG SWEET
RECORDER: MISS HELEN BREWER

The reports were presented by the leader or the recorder of each discussion group. Each reporter was given 7 minutes for the presentation and following which discussions and comments were made. As full details of the group discussions have been set down previously in this report the summaries are not given here. Discussion and comments, see follow:

GROUP #1: STIMULATING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN KOREA
GROUP #5: A WORKSHOP ON "ESTABLISHING A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT"

1. What is the best way to make use of local nuclei - small social groups, religious groups, etc. - for process of Community Development? To this problem, a comment was made: "Respect officials and official programmes and at the same time secure liaisons for community development. Coordinate at lowest possible level - Myun and Gun."

2. How develop liaison? Comment: If pastors and missionaries lived in less of vacuum their eyes would serve as good liaisons.

3. To a suggestion that governmental agencies require their staff to be active Christians, a comment was made that government workers should be sympathetic to Christianity. In fact, they should be open minded to all ideas. Ours are governments and societies which recognize the separation of Church and State.

4. Comment - We are hitting the Korean people too hard and too fast from too many angles - they're getting indigestion in attempt to absorb. We must slowdown and listen a little - the better to gain the respect and confidence of Korean people.

GROUP #2: THE VOLUNTARY AGENCY - WHAT IS IT?

See May 22 report of this group. (p. 10)

GROUP #3: YOUTH IN KOREA - WHITHER, WHENCE?

1. Why is school day so long? Answer: Ministry of Education sets up minimum requirements and the long day is necessary in order to cover with these requirements.

2. A question was posed: Should the Education Ministry be encouraged by American official and unofficial agencies to adopt a somewhat authoritarian method to implant a new and more traditional concept among youth which would relate education not to class prestige or status but to economic function?

GROUP #4: TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING - NEEDS AND POSSIBILITIES

A suggestion was made that a western vocational guidance expert

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brought to Korea to train Korean vocational guidance experts.

GROUP #6: ORPHANAGE GRADUATES - A GROWING PROBLEM

GROUP #7: COOPERATIVES AND RURAL PROBLEMS

See Discussion Summaries of the these groups.

GROUP #8: TUBERCULOSIS AND ITS CONTROL

To a question "what is the role of voluntary agencies in relation to the T.B. program?", an anwer: "Have basic information and spread it as far as possible".

National T.B. Association (located across from the Bando Hotel) has 10 pamphlets in Korean language.

USIS has pamphlets and films.

O.E.C. Housing Program makes loans available to T.B. patients for building separate rooms for isolation from rest of the family.

Chest Clinics in Seoul area: Red Cross Hospital, City Hospital, SDA Hospital, Severance Hospital.

Orphanages should isolate patients if possible. Also, there are T.B. hospitals for orphans in Masan and Inchon.

Relief food are available through some voluntary agencies - e.g. KCWS, NCWC, etc.

RECOMMENDATIONS - See "Discussion Summary" of this Group.

GROUP #9: OFFICIAL AID AGENCIES vis-a-vis or in COOPERATION WITH VOLUNTARY AGENCIES

Recommend that KAVA establish Committee in the fields of "Health", "Social Affairs" and "Education" in order to afford closer and more direct liaison with the ROK Ministries.

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THE 3rd KAVA CONFERENCE
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Conference Summary Delivered by Col. C.W. Widdowson, Chairman of KAVA at the Conclusion of the Official Luncheon May 23, 1957.

Our Third Annual Conference is now in its concluding stage, and it but remains for me as Chairman to draw this very happy and profitable series of sessions to a close and announce the end of this year's conference.

Our registration has been the best on record and the mechanics of the conference in the very competent hands of the Conference Chairman, Dr. Sweet, has moved along with a smoothness that speaks for itself. The success of the various new introductions into our programme this year has amply justified the experiment. I refer to the Audio-Visual session.

I think a most satisfactory and very necessary aspect of our conference has also been the invitation and acceptance of National representatives who by their presence and participation in our discussions have added considerably to the effective success of the conference. I would submit that this aspect could be broadened in any forth-coming conference.

The assurance from the Economic Coordinator who has graced this conference with his presence, that much is expected from our organization in the future is also a cause for gratification, and, I believe this will without doubt be our contribution as it has been throughout the very difficult years since KAVA's inception.

We will endeavour to get copies of the Conference Report into your hands at an early date.

Thank you again ladies and gentlemen, and I now declare the Third KAVA Conference closed.

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The Embassy transmits for the information of the Department five copies of the KAVA Personnel Directory, published in January 1958.

The Directory lists the names of all member agencies of the Korea Association of Voluntary Agencies, and contains an alphabetical list of the individuals affiliated with these agencies, showing their locations and telephone numbers. There is also a geographical listing of voluntary agencies.

For the Ambassador:

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to serving the people of Korea in the
RELIEF, HEALTH, WELFARE, and EDUCATION fields.

No less than 10 nations are represented in KAVA.

THROUGH KAVA ideas & problems are shared, and
plans are coordinated not only as between
member agencies but with the large
official agencies, and with
Government. Through
joint committees

KAVA members work closely with Korean agencies.

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2-3538
2-1928

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Daytime.....2-7445
Night.....2-0911

POLICE DEPARTMENT.....112

UNC Economic Coordinator	50-189	Higher Edu. & Class-room construction	50-423
Executive Officer	50-591	Secondary Edu. & Voc.E.	50-501
Assistant Economic Coordinator for Technical Coopr.	50-145	Pusan Area Office	488
Audio Visual & Pro. Div.	50-482	Health & Sanitation Div.	50-516
Agricultural Division	50-526	Medical Affairs Br.	50-511
Agr. Tech. Branch	50-178	Nursing Branch	"
Agr. Inst. Branch	50-521	Sanitation Branch	50-523
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Commodities	50-519	Program & Requirements	50-509
Community Development Div.	50-408	Industry Division	50-085
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	50-414	Program Planning Div.	50-387
	50-179	Public Adm. Div.	50-260
Education Division	50-280	Transportation Div.	50-348
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Housing Manager	50-463
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Executive Officer	105	Operations	143
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Bando Off.	2-0922 Ext.	128
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BANKS:

Agricult. Bank	3-1271(9)
Bank of Korea	2-1176(7)
	2-2176(7)
Choheung Bank	2-5141(4)
Commercial Bank	2-4161(5)
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CHAPELS (SAC):

Catholic Chapel	Y-2420
Protestant "	Y-2245
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CLUBS:

Embassy Club	Embassy Ext. 355
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OEC Club (Officers)	50-653
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COLLEGES:

Seoul University	5-1101 5-1137
Korea University	5-1161,2,3
Ewha Women's U.	3-2226 thru 8
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COMMERCIAL FIRMS: See p-5

COMMUNICATIONS & POSTAL SERVICE:

Int-Nat'l Post Office	3-2354
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Chief	3-2424
Telegram Service	3-3063
Telephone Service	3-2396

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Morrison Knudsen Engnr.	5-1764
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University of Minn.	50-363
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Seoul electric Co.	2-5101(6)
South Korea Electric	2-2130

GARAGES:

OEC Garage	50-302
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Seoul Motors	2-2862
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Seoul Sanitarium hosp.	5-2404
Severence hospital	2-1928
121 Evac. Hosp. Ascom -	818
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Seoul Red Cross Hosp.	3-2671

HOTELS:

Bando Hotel		2-4793
Chosun Hotel	50-212	50-503
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RADIO:

Korean Broadcasting System (HLKA)	2-8041	2-5171
Korean Christian Broadcasting System (HLKY)		3-2761
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ATO Freight Office	50-194
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American Red Cross	Y-3012
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Korean Red Cross Hqs.	2-0798
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COMMERCIAL FIRMS

American Chamber of Commerce	Bando Ext.	636
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NO.: CA - 5259, December 17, 1958

SUBJECT: Korean Organizations in Japan.

TO: The American Embassy, TOKYO

RPT INFO: The American Embassy, SEOUL.

The Australian Embassy has given the Department the enclosed copy of a communication from the Australian Embassy in Tokyo dealing with two Korean organizations operating in Japan, "The Preparatory Association for Establishing a Temporary United Government of North and South Korea" and "The Association for Protecting the Interests of North and South Koreans in Japan."

It would appear from the description of the document transmitted to the Australian Embassy that these organizations are possibly "neutralist or third force" ~~group~~ which are opposed to both the Republic of Korea Government and the north Korean regime. The Department is inclined to believe that these are essentially paper organizations, made up of no more than a handful of Koreans living in Japan and with little support either in Korea or among the Korean community in Japan. However, concrete information on their strength and activities is lacking.

The Embassy is requested to furnish the Department with whatever information it may have on the two Korean organizations mentioned in the Australian communication. The Embassy, at its discretion, may also wish to pass whatever information it may have or develop on these organizations to the Australian Embassy in Tokyo.

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AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY,
TOKYO.

12th November, 1958.

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The Department may be interested to know that we have received some roneod documents purporting to come from organizations calling themselves "The Preparatory Association for Establishing a Temporary United Government of North and South Korea" and "The Association for Protecting the Interests of North and South Koreans in Japan."

2. On the subject of Korean unification, the document sets out what it considers to be the necessary steps. These are, first, that the Secretary-General of the United Nations should decide the date and the method for the holding of free general elections throughout Korea under the supervision of completely neutral nations. Secondly, the Secretary-General should set up a neutral supervisory mission and the organisation suggests that it might be composed of India, Sweden, Switzerland, Burma, Ceylon, Yugoslavia, Greece and Australia. Thirdly the Secretary-General should cause all foreign forces to be withdrawn from North and South Korea and, fourthly, the organisations advise the Secretary-General of the United Nations that the United Korean nation should be a democratic people's federation and that it must be an internationally guaranteed nation for all time.

3. We have been unable to find out whether the Associations which produced the documents are of much significance. However, they bear the imprint of comparatively careful preparation and reproduction in English.

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Korean anti-Communist Youth Corps, formed January 22 by Convention of Youth Construction Corps of National Society as basis for merger all important pro-administration youth groups, now organizing. Former Ambassador to UK Kim Yongavu is Chairman. Pro-government SEGYE ILBO estimated merger various organizations will be achieved mid-February.

Pro-government newsman well-informed on youth merger development as struggle against National Society and LP hard faction attempt dominate new organization, and that in addition six youth groups announced as involved in merger Yu Chong-Jae's organization of 800 hoodlums in Seoul will have prominent role.

President Rhee strongly endorsed merger in message to January 22 convention read by Foreign Minister and in reception representatives of organization January 23. Little doubt merger will be carried out. Independent HANGUK ILBO January 26 strongly censured idea of developing youth groups referring to unpleasant Facist, Nazi, and Korean experiences in past. Embassy believes revival of unified youth corps activity, which was disbanded in Korea September 17, 1953, is another forewarning administration planning to use heavy-handed tactic in 1960 election preliminaries.

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NO.: A-169 February 27, 1956

SUBJECT: EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE: American Advisor to Korean Boy Scouts Association.

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TO: The American Embassy SEOUL.

The National Council of the Boy Scouts of America (B.S.A.) has informed the Department that Mr. Earl L. Hinken has been selected to spend two and one half to three years in Korea as advisor to the Korean Boy Scouts Association. This assignment is the result of a request made to the B.S.A. by the Korean Boy Scouts Association through Dr. George Paik, President of the Christian Chosen University in Seoul. An important factor leading to the request was the fact that the B.S.A. was previously host to a Korean Scout leader who participated a training course of forty-five days in New Jersey. Mr. Hinken's stay in Korea is being financed by the B.S.A. with the aid of a contribution from the American-Korean Foundation.

Mr. Hinken is a trained Scout Executive who is in the active reserve of the United States Army. He was a Colonel in the Army and served about six months in Korea. It appears he is to go to Korea early in March for a preliminary visit. He will come back to the United States after a few weeks and return to Korea later in the spring with his wife. Mr. and Mrs. Hinken will then remain in Korea for about two and one half years. It is understood that housing for the Hinkens will be provided by Christian Chosen University.

It is requested that the Embassy, in the discretion, extend appropriate courtesies to Mr. and Mrs. Hinken.

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MEMO OF CONVERSATION BETWEEN Mr. Elmer H. Bakken, National Director of Rural Scouting and Associate Director of Social Relations of the Boy Scouts of America and M. Hirschtritt of IES.

Mr. Bakken said about a year ago they were requested by the Boy Scouts Association of Korea to send a Scout Executive to Korea for a three-year period. There were a number of things which lead up to this request. We had been host to a Korean Scout leader over here and gave him training course of forty-five days in New Jersey and he went back and had many conferences. The man from Boy Scouts in Korea who made request was Dr. George Naik, President of the Christian Chosen University, Seoul. The Scout groups here thought the idea was a good one so the National Board approved money for the project and the Korean-American Foundation ~~XXXXXX~~ threw in a little money so they have the budget for three years to do this service. The Scouts have also selected a man to go over . He is Mr. Earl Hinden of Oakland, California. He is a very well trained Scout Executive who is in the active reserve of the Army. He was Colonel in Army and served about six months in Korea. He has not actually been hired or signed a contract as yet but said he would be willing to go if everything could be worked out here. They would like him to leave about March 1.

Mr. Bakken thinks that we need to do a few things:

1. We ought to give him all possible legistic support from State Department and military here.

2. We ought to get some sort of approval from the Korean Government for that type of service, maybe through the Korean Embassy here, such as clearing, visa, etc.

3. Mr. B. thinks he make direct personal contact with Pentagon in connection with some initial contact with Army.

Mr. B. said everything is firmed up except for Mr. Hinden signing contract.

M. Hirschtritt told Mr. B. that we would get a communication off to Embassy in Seoul when everything was ready letting them know that Mr. Hinden was coming.

Two other gentlemen interested in getting Mr. Hinden over there are: Mr. Arthur A. Schuck, Chief Executive of Scout Troops and Mr. Joe Brunkan, Director of Division of Relationships and International relations. They would like this to move fast.

Mr. B. said Christian Chosen in Seoul will offer housing in Korea for Mr. Hinden, but Mr. B. wanted to know if we had any suggestions as to where they could get a jeep, etc. which would be very important. Mr. Hirschtritt said we had no contacts along this line. Mr. Hirschtritt ~~XXXX~~ gave Mr. B. the name of our contact man in the Pentagon, Col. Joe Harbison to get in touch with to see if he could offer

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any suggestions on this point.

Mr. B. will be at Statler today, 1/12/56 in Room 931-W if we want to get in touch with him. He will also be back in town next week and in touch with Mr. Hirschtritt. The address of the Scout Headquarters is in New Brunswick, New Jersey, telephone Charter 9-6000.

Mr. Hinden is married, has no children, will take his wife with him. The Scouts want to get Mr. Hinden to Korea and let him make his own arrangements for his wife joining him.

Mr. Hirschtritt gave Mr. B. the names and phone number of the Military Attache and the First Secretary at the Korean Embassy in Washington. Mr. B. said he would give them a ring to see how they felt about this project.

Mr. B. will call Mr. Hirschtritt immediately when they think it is expedient th get word to the Embassy at Seoul.

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Dear Mr. Talbot:

This is in reply to your request of August 3, 1956 for the Department's assistance in obtaining limited logistical support for Mr. Willis Talbot, who will be the Adviser to the Boy Scouts of Korea, through the American Embassy in Seoul. Although the Department would like to be in a position to assist you in this matter, I regret that it is not possible for the Embassy to grant any logistical support to United States citizens in Korea who are not members of the Embassy or the United States Information Service.

Post exchange and APO privileges and other types of logistical support are furnished to United States Government agencies in Korea by the United States military forces. Logistical support to other organizations and individuals is furnished or granted by the military in accordance with the basic command policy sanctioned by General Parks in his letter of June 12, 1956. Since our Embassy has been granted these privileges by the military authorities, the Embassy does not have the authority to extend these privileges to non-members of its staff or of the United States Information Service which is attached to the Embassy. In fact, I understand that the Embassy has not always been in the position in the past to even grant these privileges to individuals temporarily in Korea under Department of State or United States Information Agency programs.

I recognize

Mr. Elmer H. Talbot,
National Director,
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National Council, Boy Scouts of America,
New Brunswick, New Jersey.

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I recognize the importance of the work Mr. Elliott will be performing in assisting the boy scout movement in Korea. This work is worth while and will contribute to the development of a healthy youth movement which will help build the future leadership of the Republic of Korea. Unfortunately, for the reasons I have given, the Department of State and the Embassy are unable to assist Mr. Elliott in terms of logistical support. I am sure, however, that Embassy officers will be pleased to meet Mr. Elliott and to assist him in whatever other way is appropriate and feasible.

I am sending a copy of this letter to our Embassy in Seoul. Mr. Elliott may wish to call there when he arrives to discuss his program with Mr. Horace Schaefferer, the Cultural Attache.

Sincerely yours,

William J. Sebald
Acting Assistant Secretary
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Mr. William J. Sebald
Deputy Assistant, Secretary of State
Department of State
3604 Massachusetts Avenue - Room 3153
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Sebald:

As pointed out in our recent phone conversation, the Boy Scouts of America is employing Mr. Willis Elliott, currently Scout Executive at Springfield, Arkansas to serve as American advisor to the Boy Scouts of Korea for a period of three years. He will leave for Korea about September 1. We are doing this at the urgent request of the Korean Boy Scout Association to help them set up Scouting along American lines.

In order that Mr. Elliott may have the best possible chance for success in his mission, it seems that we will need the help of the State Department to get him the limited logistic support he requires. Please note attached copy of letter from Gen. Harlan C. Parks of the Far East Command, which explains the matter. Mr. Elliott is a single man, and hence at least one basic problem mentioned in Gen. Parks' letter does not now exist.

It seems Mr. Elliott must be recognized by our Embassy in Korea as part of the official family to get his I.D. card, post exchange privileges, A.P.O., and similar essentials for useful service.

We will appreciate State Department help in this matter so Mr. Elliott can give the service we know he can render in the best interests of Korea and the United States . And to you, personally, our heartfelt thanks.

Very sincerely yours,
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Elmer H. Bakken
National Director
Rural Scouting

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June 12,1956

Mr. J. A. Brunton, Jr.
Director
National Council, Boy Scouts of America
New Brunswick, New Jersey:

Dear Mr. Brunton:

This is in response to a personal letter written by Mr. Sievers on May 17, 1955, discussing the further development of the proposed project of assigning an American Scout Executive as National Staff Advisor to the Korean Boy Scouts Association. This project is considered a very worthwhile one and would do much to develop world-wide scouting.

You are familiar, I am sure, with the letter from Headquarters, Far East Command to Mr. Earl L. Hinden, 4 April 1956, which informed him that the military forces could not provide him logistic support in Korea in the capacity of advisor to the Korean Scout Association. The circumstances which dictated that unfavorable decision still exists. The command basic policy is that logistic support will be provided only to those civilian agencies that are in direct support of the command mission. This policy is adhered to so rigidly that our own military personnel are not permitted to take their dependents to Korea.

Should the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, desire to pursue the matter further, I believe it would be more appropriate for you to request the State Department to grant administrative and logistic support to the Staff Advisor through the American Embassy in Seoul. In making such request I would suggest that you stipulate that in recognition of the limited resources in Korea the Staff Advisor would be a bachelor. Should this office be established, its relationship to the Far East Council would be an internal matter which could be readily resolved if and when necesary.

I regret that I cannot give you more encouragement in this matter, but I cannot recommend the commitment of the Armed Forces to the logistic support of civilians associated with the indigenous population when we are unable to permit our own families to live together in Korea.

Sincerely,

HARLAN C. PARKS
Major General, USAF
Assistant Chief of Staff, J1

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TO : FE - Mr. Sebald

DATE: AUG 7 1956

FROM : MA - Mr. Hemmendinger

SUBJECT: Limited Logistical Support for Adviser to the Boy Scouts of Korea.

The National Council of the Boy Scouts of America requested, (Tab B) Department of State assistance in obtaining limited logistical support for the adviser it is sending to Korea. This request was first made to the Far East Command which replied (letter from General Parks, attached to Tab B) that the request could not be approved since Command basic policy is that logistical support will be provided only to those civilian agencies that are in direct support of the Command mission. It was suggested that should the Council wish to pursue the matter further, it request the Department of State to grant limited logistical support through the Embassy in Seoul.

The Embassy depends on the military for the privileges normally included in limited logistical support (APO and PX privileges). These privileges are granted to the Embassy for its own American employees only. To request that the Embassy grant such privileges to American civilians not connected with the U.S. Government would set an undesirable precedent, since there are numerous American civilians in Korea who would then seek the same privileges. Furthermore, extending these privileges to such civilians could jeopardize the granting of these privileges by the military to Embassy personnel.

Recommendation

That you approve the attached letter for your signature, (Tab A).

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Attachments:

1. Letter for your signature. (Tab A)
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SUBJECT: EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE: American adviser to Korean Boy Scout Association

TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL

Reference is made to Department instruction, A-169, February 27, 1956, concerning the sending of an adviser to the Korean Boy Scout Association.

The National Boy Scouts Association of America (N.B.S.A.) has informed the Department that Mr. Willis Elliott, currently a Scout Executive at Springfield, Arizona, has been selected to spend three years in Korea as adviser to the Korean Boy Scout Association. Mr. Elliott is to replace Mr. Karl L. Hinton who was forced to withdraw from consideration of the job for personal reasons. Mr. Elliott is a bachelor, and will be leaving for Korea about September 1.

It will be appreciated if the Embassy, in its discretion, will extend appropriate courtesies to Mr. Elliott.

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Request following message be transmitted to President Rhee from President Eisenhower on August 15.

QUOTE On this anniversary of the Proclamation of the Republic of Korea, it gives me pleasure to convey to Your Excellency and to the people of Korea the congratulations and best wishes of the people of the United States. UNQUOTE

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NA may wish to revise the attached draft telegram.

If this telegram should be sent prior to date marked, please make appropriate changes. USIA RELEASE DATE MUST BE THE ACTUAL DATE OF THE HOLIDAY WHICH IS AUGUST 15, 1956.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MRS. ANN WHITMAN

THE WHITE HOUSE

Through: Colonel A. J. Goodpaster

Attached are copies of messages for your files.

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Telegrams from President Eisenhower to be transmitted to President Rhee and to Mr. Alejandro Reuben Cantera, Sixth Inter-American Congress of Municipalities, Panama. 398.51-PA/8-1156

(President Rhee re anniversary of Proclamation of the Republic of Korea; Mr. Cantera re Sixth Inter-American Congress of Municipalities)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Through: Colonel A. J. Goodpaster

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Telegrams from President Eisenhower to the Presidents of Korea and the Dominican Republic.
(Korea re anniversary of the Proclamation of the Republic of Korea; Dominican Republic re recent meeting in Panama)
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MEMORANDUM FOR BRIG. GEN. A. J. GOODPASTER
THE WHITE HOUSE

There is enclosed a copy of the message to Korea on the anniversary of the Proclamation of the Republic of Korea.

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FOR FOREIGN MINISTER CHO.

QUOTE My personal congratulations and warm best wishes to you and the Korean people on this anniversary of your Indppendence Day. John Foster Dulles. UNQUOTE

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TO Mr. Fisher Howe

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Telegram to President from Syngman Rhee acknowledging President's message of congratulations and good wishes on accasion of anniversary of proclamation of Republic of Korea.

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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

I AM DEEPLY GRATEFUL TO YOU FOR THE KIND MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD WISHES WHICH YOU SENT ON THE OCCASION OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE PROCLAMATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA PD I KNOW I SPEAK FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF THIS REPUBLIC IN EXPRESSING DEEP APPRECIATION FOR THE PART YOUR GREAT COUNTRY HAS PLAYED IN SECURING THE FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE OF OUR NATION

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Attached for your information and files is a copy of a telegram to the President from President Rhee, expressing appreciation for the congratulatory message sent on the occasion of the anniversary of Korean independence.

Robert E. Gorman
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Extension 4106

Att: As stated.

cc: U/FE - Mr. Purse

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KOREAN EMBASSY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

August 20, 1957

Your Excellency,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the following cable message addressed to you from the Foreign Minister of the Republic of Korea:

"PLEASE ACCEPT MY SINCERE APPRECIATION FOR YOUR KIND MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS RECEIVED THROUGH YOUR EMBASSY HERE ON THE OCCASION OF THE NINTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PROCLAMATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA.
WITH WARMEST PERSONAL REGARDS,

CHUNG W. CHO
FOREIGN MINISTER"

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

You Chan Yang
Korean Ambassador

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His Excellency
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Deliver following message President Rhee August 15.

QUOTE My warm congratulations and all good wishes to you and to the people of Korea on this tenth anniversary of the Republic of Korea.

Your stalwart labors and accomplishments in the service of your country should give you abiding satisfaction. Walter S. Robertson UNQUOTE.

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Deliver following message President Rhee August 15.

QUOTE. My ~~personal~~ Warm congratulations and ~~best~~ all good wishes to ~~your~~ ~~Excellency~~ and to the people of Korea on the auspicious occasion of the tenth anniversary of the Republic of Korea. Walter S. Robertson.

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TO: The Secretary
THROUGH: S/S
FROM: FE - Mr. Robertson

SUBJECT: Message from the President to President Rhee on the Occasion of Korean Independence Day.

August 15 is the tenth anniversary of the establishment of the Republic of Korea. We understand that the Republic of Korea Government is planning special commemorative ceremonies on this occasion. However, because of the age and health of President Rhee, Ambassador Dowling has recommended against our seeking to obtain an invitation to send a special United States delegation to represent the President at these ceremonies and has suggested that personal messages from the President and you be sent instead. The Department, with White House clearance, has informed the Ambassador that we concur in his position.

Dept tel # 54 to Seoul 895A.474 11/8-1258

Attached is a memorandum to the President, together with a suggested message to President Rhee in which the President congratulates President Rhee and the Korean people on this anniversary and expresses continued United States support in the pursuit of the peaceful unification of Korea.

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Recommendation

That you sign the attached memorandum to the President.

S/JOHN FOSTER DULLES
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Memorandum for the President.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Message to President Rhee on the Tenth Anniversary of the Proclamation of the Republic of Korea

August 15, 1958 is the tenth anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic of Korea. I believe it would be appropriate and desirable for you to send President Rhee and the Korean people a personal congratulatory message, particularly since, in accordance with Ambassador Dowling's recommendations, we have not sought an invitation to send a special representative to represent you at the commemorative ceremonies in Korea.

A suggested message is enclosed for your consideration. Subject to your approval, the message will be transmitted to Ambassador Dowling for delivery to President Rhee and will be used publicly, as appropriate.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Message to President Rhee on the Tenth Anniversary of the Proclamation of the Republic of Korea.

August 15, 1958 is the tenth anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic of Korea. I believe it would be appropriate and desirable for you to send President Rhee and the Korean people a special congratulatory message, especially since, in accordance with Ambassador Dowling's recommendations, we have not sought an invitation to send a special representative to represent you at the commemorative ceremonies in Korea.

A suggested message is enclosed for your consideration. Subject to your approval, the message will be transmitted to Ambassador Dowling for delivery to President Rhee and will be used publicly, as appropriate.

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SUGGESTED MESSAGE

On this tenth anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic of Korea, it gives me great pleasure to convey to Your Excellency and to the people of Korea the warm and friendly congratulations of the United States. The people of Korea should be proud of their achievements over the past ten years. I wish to assure them that the United States will continue, in cooperation with the United Nations, to make every effort to bring about the realization of the heartfelt hope and desire of the people of Korea, the peaceful unification of their country.

His Excellency
Syngman Rhee,
President of the
Republic of Korea.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Message to President Rhee on the Tenth Anniversary of the Proclamation of the Republic of Korea.

August 15, 1958 is the tenth anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic of Korea. I believe it is appropriate and desirable that you transmit to President Rhee and the Korean people a special congratulatory message, especially since, in accordance with Ambassador Dowling's recommendations, we have not sought to be invited to send a special representative or delegation to represent you at the commemorative ceremonies in Korea.

In the attached suggested message, you congratulate President Rhee and the people of Korea on this anniversary and express the continued support of the United States in the pursuit of the peaceful unification of Korea. It is recommended that you approve the transmission of this message by the Department for delivery by Ambassador Dowling and its public use, as appropriate.

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Suggested Message to President Rhee.

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TO: The Secretary

THROUGH: S/S

FROM: FE - Mr. Robertson WSR

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SUBJECT: Congratulatory Messages to the Republic of Korea on its Tenth Anniversary.

August 15 is the tenth anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic of Korea. We understand that the Republic of Korea is planning special commemorative ceremonies on this occasion. Because of President Rhee's age and health, Ambassador Dowling has recommended that we not seek to be invited to send a special delegation to represent the President at these ceremonies but instead that the President and you send personal congratulatory messages to President Rhee. The Department, with White House clearance, has concurred in the Ambassador's position. In addition, I believe it would be appropriate for you to send a message of congratulations to the Korean Foreign Minister.

Attached are two suggested telegrams embodying messages from you to President Rhee and the Korean Foreign Minister, respectively, in which you extend your personal congratulations on this tenth anniversary of the Republic of Korea. (Tabs A and B)

Recommendation

That you approve the attached two telegrams;

To President Rhee (Tab A)
To Foreign Minister Cho (Tab B)

Attachments

Tab A - Suggested telegram with message to President Rhee.
Tab B - Suggested telegram with message to the Korean Foreign Minister.

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Deliver following message President Rhee August 15.

QUOTE On this tenth anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic of Korea, it gives me great pleasure to convey to Your Excellency and to the people of Korea the warm and friendly congratulations of the United States. You and they should be proud of the achievements of the past ten years. I wish to assure you and the people of Korea that the United States will continue, in cooperation with the United Nations, to make every effort to bring about the peaceful reunification of your country. Dwight D. Eisenhower UNQUOTE.

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SECRETARY OF STATE HONORABLE JOHN FOSTER DULLES

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR CORDIAL MESSAGE ON THE OCCASION OF THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PROCLAMATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA. YOUR GOOD WISHES ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED BY OUR PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT COMING AS THEY DO FROM ONE WHO IS KNOWN THROUGHOUT THIS NATION AS A STAUNCH DEFENDER OF OUR COMMON AND VITAL CAUSE.

SYNGMAN RHEE

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SUBJECT: President RHEE's Letter of Appreciation for Congratulatory Messages from U.S. Officials on the Occasion of the Tenth Anniversary of the Republic of Korea

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from President Syngman RHEE to Ambassador DOWLING expressing appreciation for the messages of congratulation on the tenth anniversary of the Republic of Korea sent by the President of the United States, the Secretary of State, and Assistant Secretary of State Walter S. ROBERTSON, as well as by Ambassador DOWLING. The original is being held in the files of the Embassy.

It is not clear whether President Rhee has sent separate acknowledgements to President EISENHOWER, Secretary DULLES, and Assistant Secretary Robertson through the Korean Embassy in Washington.

ACTION REQUESTED: That, unless the Department has knowledge that acknowledgements have been sent through other channels, copies of this despatch and its enclosure be routed to the offices of the President, the Secretary of State, and Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs, to serve an an acknowledgement of their congratulatory letters delivered by this Embassy to President Rhee.

For the Ambassador:

William F. Rowland

William F. Rowland
First Secretary of Embassy

Enclosure:

Letter from President Rhee to Ambassador Dowling,
August 20, 1958.

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KYUNG MU DAI

SEOUL

August 20, 1958

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

Thank you for your courtesy in transmitting messages from the President of the United States, the Secretary of State, and the Assistant Secretary of State on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic of Korea.

I know I speak for all the people of this Nation in expressing my deep appreciation for these messages, and in thanking you for your own good wishes on this occasion.

Sincerely yours,

s/ Syngman Rhee

His Excellency
Walter Dowling
The American Ambassador
Seoul, Korea

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SUBJECT: Foreign Minister's Appreciation of Secretary Dulles' Congratulatory Message on the Tenth Anniversary of the Republic of Korea

to DC/R

The Embassy has previously transmitted (in the reference despatch) a copy of a letter from President RHEE to Ambassador DOWLING expressing appreciation for the congratulatory messages sent him by President EISENHOWER, Secretary DULLES, and Assistant Secretary ROBERTSON on the tenth anniversary of the Republic of Korea, August 15, 1958.

Foreign Minister CHO Chong-hwan has now thanked Ambassador DOWLING by letter for transmitting a similar congratulatory message to him from the U. S. Secretary of State, and has asked that the following message be transmitted to the Secretary of State:

> "Please accept my sincere thanks for the warm and sincere congratulations which you were so thoughtful as to personally extend to me on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the founding of the Republic of Korea. I appreciate it very much and heartily reciprocate your good wishes."

Action Requested: That Foreign Minister CHO's expression of appreciation for the Secretary of State's congratulatory letter be called to the attention of the Office of the Secretary of State.

For the Ambassador:

William G. Jones

William G. Jones
First Secretary of Embassy

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SYNGMAN RHEE,

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA,

SEOUL.

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Info:

On this occasion of your eighty-fourth birthday, I extend to you my warm congratulations and wish you many years of health and happiness in a world of peace and freedom for all mankind.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

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PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA,

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DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

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TO : The Acting Secretary
THROUGH: S/S
FROM : FE - Mr. Parsons JGP(mg)

SUBJECT: Congratulatory Messages to the Republic of Korea on its Eleventh Anniversary.

August 15 is the eleventh anniversary of the Republic of Korea. In previous years it has been the custom that the President and the Secretary sent personal congratulatory messages to President Rhee and the Korean people. In addition, I believe it would be appropriate for you to send a message of congratulations to the Korean Foreign Minister. A message from President Eisenhower to President Rhee has been drafted by the Office of Protocol.

Attached are two suggested telegrams embodying messages from you to President Rhee and the Korean Foreign Minister, respectively, in which you extend your personal congratulations on this eleventh anniversary of the Republic of Korea.

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Recommendation:

That you approve the attached two telegrams.

/S/ DOUGLAS DILLON
AUG 14 1959

To Dept. 9 PM

Done 8/14/59 BJP

Attachments:

Tab A: Suggested Telegram with Message to President Rhee.

Tab B: Suggested Telegram with Message to Korean Foreign Minister.

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Request following message be transmitted to President Rhee from President Eisenhower on August 15, 1959.

QUOTE On this anniversary of the Proclamation of the Republic of Korea, the people of the United States join me in extending felicitations and best wishes to Your Excellency

Dwight D. Eisenhower

and to the people of Korea./ UNQUOTE

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Acting Chief of Protocol

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FE may wish to revise the attached draft telegram.

If this telegram should be sent prior to date marked, please make appropriate changes. USIA RELEASE DATE MUST BE THE ACTUAL DATE OF THE HOLIDAY WHICH IS August 15, 1959.

It should be noted that national holiday telegrams prepared for the President's signature must be initialed by the Bureau as well as the Office.

LOIS ALLEE WILLIAMS
CEREMONIAL OFFICER

STATE-FD, Wash., D.C.

TO - DC/T ACCEPTANCE DESK

FROM - U/PR

Please remove one tissue copy immediately upon receipt and send it at once to P-Mr. Kilduff in the attached addressed envelope.

Lois Allee Williams

Sent Mr. Kilduff
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Deliver following message President Rhee August 15:

QUOTE It is with great pleasure that I extend my personal felicitations and best wishes to you and the Korean people for a prosperous future on this eleventh anniversary of Korean independence.

Douglas Dillon
Acting Secretary of State
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Deliver following message President Rhee August 15.

QUOTE It is with great pleasure that I extend my personal felicitations and best wishes to you and the Korean people for a prosperous future on this memorable day in the long annals of Korean history.

This distinguished occasion is a fitting moment to express the sincere admiration my countrymen feel for your brave people in their great sacrifices for our common good in repelling the Communist menace and building a free and proud nation. ~~C. Douglas~~ Dillon ~~Herter~~ UNQUOTE

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Deliver following message Foreign Minister Cho August 15:

QUOTE On the occasion of the commemoration of the proclamation of the Republic of Korea eleven years ago today, I am pleased to convey my sincerest congratulations to you and the people of Korea.

Douglas Dillon
Acting Secretary of State
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Deliver following message Foreign Minister Cho August 15.

QUOTE On the occasion of the commemoration of the proclamation of the Republic of Korea eleven years ago today, I am pleased to convey my sincerest congratulations to you and the people of Korea. ~~Christian~~ C. Douglas Dillon ~~Herter~~ UNQUOTE

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SUBJECT: Acknowledgement of Secretary Dillon's Congratulatory Message

Direction to DC/R

The following letter has been received from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea:

August 19, 1959

Dear Mr. Gilstrap,

This is to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of August 17, 1959 transmitting a message from the Honorable Douglas Dillon, Acting Secretary of State.

May I ask you to convey my heartfelt thanks to the Secretary for his thoughtfulness in sending his sincere congratulatory message, on the occasion of the commemoration of the proclamation of the Republic of Korea.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

Chung W. Cho
Minister

Mr. Sam P. Gilstrap
Counselor
American Embassy
Seoul

The Foreign Minister's letter is in response to Secretary Dillon's contratulatory message on the 11th anniversary of the establishment of the Republic of Korea.

For the Ambassador,

Donald L. Ranard
First Secretary of Embassy

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Reference: Department's 2378 April 27 received 29th, Korean visa for Dr. Sherwood C. Lynn.

Embassy has contacted Korean Mission Tokyo 3 times and has been informed by Embassy Seoul that decision will be reached by Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs afternoon of May 1 and that decision should be received Tokyo May 2. Embassy Seoul anticipates favorable decision. Lynn informed here.

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This message read to Mr Jordan in Sen Russell's office 10:30 am May 1, 1956. by CGM.
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Ref Embtel 685 and previous. Following for your guidance in further negotiations:

I. No objection arrangement whereby ROK fully informed of aid goods to be imported. Believe this best accomplished by (a) excluding obviously unacceptable items in text agreement as now provided in model, with additions if desired; (b) by simple procedure similar that contained in KCAC Memorandum No. 2 whereby import license obtained by voluntary agency representative prior to shipments. Important avoid deferring decision on acceptability of items until arrival of shipments. Experience has shown this produces unfortunate repercussions all parties concerned.

II. Consultation voluntary agencies here indicates allocation and distribution aid goods by ROK completely unacceptable. Moreover such formula inconsistent basic concept program and not provided in similar agreements with other countries. Believe it runs counter to and represents less favorable treatment than that already accorded approved voluntary agencies in Korea without benefit of formal agreement. Implementation of such agreement always assumes (a) acceptance by host government of voluntary agencies and their activities and (b) acceptance of resident representatives such agencies to work with indigenous groups in —

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planning program to meet needs and supervising end distribution. Turn over of relief goods to ROK would destroy basic concept of program. Would not permit voluntary agency retain responsibility to see that the goods reach persons for whom intended with report back to their US constituencies confirming such distribution. ∅ Likely also identity as to US origin of gifts would be lost as well as relationship between donor and recipient. III. Consider ROK suggestion re: creation Joint Committee (Embdes 117) would result unnecessary and cumbersome procedure. Suggest rather allocations coordinating committee be established perhaps within framework of KAVA with official ROK - US elements participation to extent desired.

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She forwarding Embassy letters of thanks for transmission each individually.

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Great damage to Korean national treasures through Pusan fire of December 26 was reported in press January 6.

Actually, burned warehouse contained royal household furnishings and paraphernalia, most important objects burned being portraits twelve Lee Kings and royal ceremonial tablets. No objects of national or Lee household museum lost. National Museum objects now being moved Kyongjy.

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SUBJECT: Agreement of May 5, 1949 concerning charges on relief supplies and packages to Korea

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TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL

Reference is made to the joint State-FOA message CA-642 of July 27, 1954, relating to the conclusion of a new agreement with Korea on voluntary relief activities. In CA-642 mention is made of the agreement of May 5, 1949, and a text of a letter purporting to contain the text of that agreement was transmitted to the Embassy as an enclosure thereto. The Department's files fail to show any documentation for such an agreement other than a copy of this letter which is from the Minister of Finance and the Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea (and countersigned by President Rhee May 5, 1949) to the Special Representative of the President of the United States, Mr. John J. Muccio, and the Chief, Economic Cooperation Administration Mission to Korea, Mr. Arthur C. Bunce.

Of course, the copy of the letter in the Department's possession does not constitute an international agreement. Accordingly, the Embassy is requested to endeavor to determine whether this letter was accepted in writing, possibly by ECA representatives, or what, if any, acceptance was made on the part of the United States. At the Embassy's discretion in the light of current negotiations, the matter may be discussed informally with the proper Korean officials if need be.

The Embassy is requested, in accordance with 4 FSM 226, to transmit the original Korean letter of May 5, 1949, as well as a certified copy of any acceptance by the United States which the Embassy may locate.

Reply should be marked for the attention of Treaty Affairs, Office of the Legal Adviser.

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TO : Mr. Drew State/NA DATE: 2/7/55

FROM : Joan Kain FOA DDREF/VFA

SUBJECT: Correspondence from Christian Children's Fund, Inc. re: Children of Mixed Parentage - Korea.

I am enclosing copies of letters received from Dr. J. Calvitt Clarke, International Director of Christian Children's Fund, Inc., Richmond, Virginia, which were discussed on the telephone on February 2. As you will note, the CCF representative, Mr. Noel Braga, has had a number of conversations with the Counselor of the American Embassy in Korea, Mr. Carl W. Strom.

The following points came to my mind, as I read this exchange of correspondence:

1. There was only one voluntary agency contacted by the Counselor, but there are a number of agencies with services in Korea for children in need. Some agencies are providing care to needy children through orphanages, and special types of programs to children living with their own families or in small groups outside of institutions through Foster Parents' Plan for War Children and Save the Children Federation.

2. The association to which the vol. agencies belong in Korea, the Korean Association of Voluntary agencies, KAVA, has a special sub-committee concerned with the care of children. The American Korean Foundation and the International Social Service has sent a number of very-well-equipped American child welfare workers to Korea. These workers have had experience outside of the United States and would be in an excellent position to recommend plans for the care of needy children in or outside of Korea, as well as children of mixed parentage.

3. The suggestion of removing children of mixed parentage from Korea to Hawaii would appear to be rather drastic. A great deal of care and consideration would have to be given to each child.

4. The various vol. agencies with representatives in Korea, through the Committee on Refugees of the American Council of Vol. Agencies for Foreign Service, have also expressed interest in this problem of the care of Korean children of mixed heritage.

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5. Also, there exists a sub-committee of the Inter-departmental Committee on Children and Youth (Health, Education, Welfare) which is interested in the problems concerning children in Korea and elsewhere.

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Mr. Grant

I would appreciate your reading the attached correspondence and sending any comments which you may have, as well as any comments from the office of the Refugee Relief Act.

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CHRISTIAN CHILDREN'S FUND, INC.

RICHMOND 4, VIRGINIA

January 14, 1955

Dr. J. Calvitt Clarke
International Director
Christian Children's Fund, Inc.
Richmond 4, Virginia, U.S.A.

Dear Dr. Clarke,

S. K. Children in Korea

During a visit to the U. S. Embassy last week, I was approached, first by Mrs. Briggs and then by Mr. Stren, Counselor of the Embassy, on the subject of G. I. Children in Korea. Since then, I have been invited to meet other officials of the Embassy on the same matter.

Mr. Stren said he was glad to receive a letter from you a couple of months ago offering CCF's cooperation in connection with trust funds left by U. S. Servicemen for Korean children. He hoped he might now enlist your interest and help in the matter of the placement of G. I. children.

Estimates of the number of these children vary, but there are probably at least 800 to 1000 of them in Korea, and they are growing up in a country where racial discrimination is said to be more pronounced than almost anywhere else in the world, for the simple reason that in Korea children of mixed parentage are not regarded as members of the community.

As an illustration of this, Mr. Stren instanced a picnic recently arranged by the Embassy for the Korean servant staff in one of the residence compounds, and children. The Korean staff declined to go until it had been agreed that a G. I. child, who was to have gone, stayed behind.

The future of G. I. children in this country presents a problem which has been exercising the minds of Embassy officials, who are anxious to see what can be done to take the children out of Korea while they are still young.

An opportunity to send some of them to the United States is offered by the Refugee Act. The Act, however, limits both the number of refugees and the period of admission, and already many others have entered the States under the Act and many more are about to do so.

The Embassy therefore wish to lose no time in this matter, and they have arranged for a Korean social worker (who is now being recruited by the Department of State) to join the staff of the Embassy here for the special purpose of assisting in efforts to move the children over. She will collaborate with agencies in Korea who are already at work collecting data regarding the children, arranging legal documentation, passages, etc.; but what the Embassy is particularly concerned about is the difficulty of finding prospective "parents" for the children. This is where they are wondering if CCF, with its numerous contacts with individuals in America, might be able to help.

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If CCF are willing to endeavour to locate prospective "parents", the Embassy will arrange to supply case histories, photographs, etc., of the children. The "parent" could then be put in touch with the Embassy, who would do the rest - arrange legal documentation in Korea, passages, affidavits, etc. - and deliver the child to the "parent" at his or her home in America.

This would apply equally to G. I. children in CCF's own Homes in Korea. If CCF could find any eligible person in the United States desirous of legally adopting an eligible G. I. child from any CCF Home in Korea, the Embassy would, through local organizations in Korea and the State Department in Washington, make all the necessary arrangements to have the child delivered to such a person in the United States.

The term "eligible" is applied to both child and "parent" in view of various legal requirements involved in both cases.

Mr. Strom remarked on the antipathy of Koreans particularly towards coloured G. I. children. In this connection, he assured me of the Embassy's appreciation of anything CCF might be willing to do with a view to enlisting the sympathy of some prominent coloured couple in America who might be prepared to adopt one of these children. This, he hoped, might lead to other coloured people following their example.

Mr. Briggs mentioned the large mixed population in the Hawaii Islands, and thought there was no better place in which to bring up G. I. children. She wondered if CCF knew of anything that might be done to start a Home for such children there.

I have made it clear that CCF from this end are unable to assist except as regards children in CCF Homes, and that I do not know what machinery, if any, exists in your office that might be effective in contacting prospective "parents" such as are needed for the children. I should therefore have to write to you and put the situation before you - hence this letter.

It may be that you will prefer to write direct to Mr. Strom about the matter, in which case you will need his name and address.

Mr. Carl W. Strom,
Counselor of Embassy
American Embassy, Seoul, Korea
APO 301
San Francisco, Cal.

If you do so, would you kindly oblige me with a carbon copy of your letter.

Mr. Strom has written to the office of the Director of the Refugee Relief Programme in the Department of State suggesting that the social worker who is undergoing training in Washington prior to coming to Korea should establish contact with several social service organizations, including CCF, so that, if they act on Mr. Strom's suggestion, you will be hearing from her.

Mr. Strom has made that suggestion both in an official communication and in a longer, rather chatty letter to the Director, who is a close personal friend of his.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Basil Briggs) Director for Korea

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FROM
CHRISTIAN CHILDREN'S FUND, INC.
RICHMOND 4, VIRGINIA

January 24, 1958

Mr. Emil Brugo
Christian Children's Fund
APO 301, c/o PM
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. Brugo:

Re: G. I. Children in Korea

Thank you for your letter of January 16, 1958. I am always interested in the problem of G. I. children and realize that it would be best for these children, after they reach ten years of age, not to remain in Korea for a longer period of time than is necessary.

As far as CCF's relationship to this problem in Korea is concerned, there is one definite step that can be taken for children up to seventeen years of age. If there are any such G. I. children not already in orphanages or properly provided for in other ways, CCF should immediately take them under its care and place them in Korean CCF orphanages. This requires no further authorization.

Regarding bringing G. I. children to America, there is an important time and economy problem involved. If it were possible to secure government transportation I would be in favor of trying to ship all of the children up to eighteen years of age to Seoul and for CCF to get local cooperation there and to place the children in temporary local buildings or temporary rented buildings, or even possibly in buildings we would erect. There would be no racial problem in Seoul. For that matter, there could be none in Puerto Rico either, but Puerto Rico is already over-populated. If CCF did undertake to care for the children after arriving in Seoul we would have to post someone there to get up a local campaign to finance the project. Care would have to be taken not to guarantee that the children were G. I. children, because certain people might disapprove and make capital of the situation. I do believe that a great deal of cooperation could be received from government and private interests in Seoul. As G. I. children were legally adopted by people in Seoul and disbursed from the CCF home, most probably would be found, even in prosperous Seoul, to continue on a permanent home for orphan children and children of broken families in Seoul.

I know that the Korean office will cooperate with government officials and release any G. I. children in CCF orphanages when proper persons are willing legally to adopt them.

This office receives every day a few requests for legal adoptions. If we were to inaugurate an advertisement in a number of newspapers stating that we have a few Korean children who would be available for legal adoption, I imagine we

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would receive an avalanche of inquiries.

Unfortunately, funds contributed to OCF are for the care of children in orphanages and not for the expenses in connection with setting up the rather large clerical staff necessary to classify, screen and carry on the detailed correspondence between the persons who wished to adopt the children and the authorities here and in Korea. About the only thing that OCF could do, would be - if the American Embassy in Seoul were willing, as applications for legal adoptions came in, to simply mail the letters to the American Embassy and let the Embassy's special staff take care of the detailed correspondence.

Yes - Could turn over to Social Welfare Service

We believe from 90 to 95% of those applying for legal adoptions are from applicants who would not be a good risk for a child. The problem is especially difficult in the case of inquiries from colored people. Rather strangely, there seems to be a larger percentage of colored who write in and desire children than white applicants. The difficulty is, however, that many of these colored people have little educational background and could not offer much opportunity to the children. In fact, there is, I am sorry to write, a class of irresponsible people who will make application legally to adopt a child with as much thought given to the matter them if they were selecting a dog as a household pet. Very frequently people write to us and say that they cannot afford to "adopt" a child under our "adoption" plan at $10.00 a month complete cost, but they would be glad to take a child into their home.

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If the American Embassy would care to have us send all letters from folks desiring legally to adopt children to the Embassy we would be glad to do so.

Sincerely yours,

J. Calvitt Clarke

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. Carl W. Strom
Counselor of Embassy
American Embassy, Seoul, Korea
APO 301, c/o PM
San Francisco, California

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Would appreciate Department's further instructions by telegram in order permit early local consultation with representatives voluntary agencies.

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Ref Deptel 425. FYI there is quoted below a policy statement prepared by the Committee on Korea of the American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign Service relating to the payment of inland transportation and the relationship between American voluntary agencies and the host government:

"The universal quality which distinguishes the work of all American voluntary agencies is their direct people-to-people relationship. The individual American contributor, desiring to fulfill his responsibility for other human beings in need, has a deep urge to take action in a personal way. The work of each voluntary agency provides a channel for such action and is living evidence of a contributor's sympathy and faith.

"The voluntary agencies therefore have always guarded zealously their independence from government control. They must be free to carry out their programs along the lines essential to their character.

"The American voluntary agencies seek to work as closely as possible with governments, both their own and those of the recipient countries, in the interest of most effectively meeting human needs. Governments around the world have given testimony to the value of the work of the agencies. One expression of this recognition has taken the form of grants for inland freight expense of voluntary agency shipments. Where the government of the receiving country has thus demonstrated its interest, the United States Government has often paid the ocean freight. This two-fold governmental action has in every case stimulated the humanitarian work of the voluntary agencies so that aid has multiplied many times.

"The voluntary people-to-people approach is basic to all the agencies comprising the American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign Service. The continuation of the programs of these agencies in Korea - on their present basis or even an expanded one - depends on their being free to choose the channels of distribution which best provide this approach." HOOVER (ACTING)

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SUBJECT: Voluntary Relief Activities Agreement.

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Transmitted herewith are copies of the joint US-ROK Working Group's Draft of the Note on Voluntary Relief Activities Agreement (Enclosure No. 2), the Working Group's Draft of Memorandum of Interpretation (Enclosure No. 3), letters exchanged between the Embassy and the ROK Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Enclosures No. 1 and No. 4) and of a Memorandum covering the discussions of the Working Group (Enclosure No. 5).

The two drafts represent the results of discussions held over a period of about one month between representatives of the Embassy, the Office of the Economic Coordinator and the Social Affairs Branch of KCAC, and representatives of the ROK Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Social Affairs and the Customs Bureau of the Ministry of Finance. As stated in the Embassy's telegram under reference these drafts were accepted by the members of the joint Working Group for submission to their respective Governments for preliminary approval. It is understood by all members of the Working Group that after such preliminary approval, local representatives of the voluntary agencies concerned are to be consulted and their views regarding the draft agreement and interpretive memorandum given appropriate consideration. It is also the Working Group's understanding that as soon as possible thereafter the final approval of each Government will be obtained and the formal exchange of Notes between the two Governments will take place. The Embassy's comments on each proposed alteration of the US standard draft agreement (CA-642) are attached hereto as Enclosure No. 5.

Following the conclusion of the discussions on the drafts by the Working Group, the Embassy prepared them in final draft form and under cover of a letter (Enclosure No. 1) transmitted copies to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs which acknowledged the correctness of the drafts and the understandings reached (Enclosure No. 4).

The terms of this Agreement, when in force, will not apply to all voluntary relief agencies operating in Korea at present. It is the Embassy's understanding that only those agencies listed in CA-642, and the American Red Cross (Department's Telegram 210, September 20, 1954), are to be covered. Other agencies will

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presumably continue to operate under the provisions of KCAC Memorandum No. 2. Should operations under the Agreement prove to be smooth, KCAC would be prepared to recommend that the Ministry of Social Affairs (now Ministry of Health and Social Affairs) handle imports by other voluntary agencies not covered by this Agreement under procedures similar to those outlined in Item 4 of the Memorandum of Interpretation.

For the Charge d'Affaires ad interim:

Horace H. Smith

Horace H. Smith
Counselor of Embassy for Economic Affairs

Enclosures:

1. Ltr to Director of Political Affairs dtd Feb 16, 1955
2. Draft of Note on Voluntary Relief Activities
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4. Ltr from Ministry of Foreign Affairs dtd Feb 18, 1955
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From Seoul

American Embassy, Seoul
February 16, 1955

Dear Mr. Kim:

Attached herewith are five copies each of the Working Group's drafts of the Note on "Voluntary Relief Activities Agreement" and the "Memorandum of Interpretation." You will note that in the last paragraph of the draft Note "a copy of which is attached" has been inserted after "superseding the agreement of May 5, 1949 on this subject." I felt that this editorial addition would be useful to prevent any possible misunderstanding as to what agreement was meant and hope that you will have no objection to its insertion in the text of the Note.

These drafts represent the texts of these documents as agreed to in a preliminary way by our joint working group after a month of study and discussion. They are of course, as we agreed today, subject to the approval of our respective governments before being formally accepted for exchange between the Korean and United States Governments. As our joint working group also agreed today, after these drafts have been approved informally in principle by our two governments, the voluntary agencies will be consulted regarding them and their views given full consideration if they feel any further alterations in the two texts are desirable.

You will recall that, with the understanding that it would be covered in a separate exchange of letters, we deleted today the penultimate paragraph in our last draft which was to provide for the use of OEC program funds for the payment of ocean freight and include agreement to grant high priority on the use of counterpart funds to pay internal freight and distribution costs under this agreement.

Permit me to reiterate my expression of appreciation for the manner in which you and your Korean colleagues in the working group cooperated with me and my colleagues in the preparation of these drafts. I feel that we have all served helpfully both of our governments and that our efforts will enhance the friendly relationship between our two peoples as epitomized in the relief activities of the voluntary agencies.

Sincerely yours,

Horace H. Smith
Counselor of Embassy for Economic Affairs

Mr. Kim Dong Jo, Director
Bureau of Political Affairs
ROK Ministry of Foreign Affairs
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WORKING GROUP'S DRAFT OF NOTE ON VOLUNTARY RELIEF ACTIVITIES

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to recent conversations between representatives of our Governments concerning voluntary relief activities and to confirm the understandings reached as a result of those conversations:

1. The Government of the Republic of Korea shall accord duty-free entry into Korea, as well as exemption from internal taxation, of supplies of goods approved by the Government of the United States, donated to or purchased by United States voluntary nonprofit relief and rehabilitation agencies qualified under United States Government Regulations, and consigned to such organizations, including branches of these agencies in Korea which have been or hereafter shall be approved by the Government of the Republic of Korea as bona fide voluntary nonprofit relief and rehabilitation organizations.

2. Such supplies may include goods of types qualified for ocean freight subsidy under applicable United States Government Regulations, such as basic necessities of food, clothing and medicines, and other relief supplies and equipment in support of projects of health, sanitation, education and recreation, agriculture and promotion of small selfhelp industries, but shall not include tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, alcoholic beverages, or items for the personal use of agencies' field representatives, as well as other items importation of which into Korea is prohibited by the Government of the Republic of Korea.

3. Duty-free treatment on importation and exportation, as well as exemption from internal taxation, shall also be accorded to supplies and equipment imported by the above mentioned organizations for the purpose of carrying out operations under this Agreement, provided that advance approval shall be obtained for items the importation of which is prohibited by the Government of the Republic of Korea and the amounts of other items imported under this Article.

4. The cost of transporting such supplies and equipment (including port, handling, storage, and similar charges, as well as transportation) within Korea to the ultimate beneficiary will be borne by the Government of the Republic of Korea, provided that the Korean Government has participated in the allocation and distribution of the said supplies and equipment.

5. The supplies furnished by the voluntary agencies shall be considered supplementary to rations to which individual would otherwise have been entitled.

6. Individual organizations carrying out operations under this Agreement may enter into additional arrangements with the Government of the Republic of Korea, and this Agreement shall not be construed to derogate from any benefits secured by any such organizations in existing agreements with the Government of the Republic of Korea.

7. A Joint Committee shall be established in Seoul as the means for consul-

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tation and decision between Korea and the United States on all matters relating to the interpretation and implementation of this Agreement. The Joint Committee shall be composed of a representative of the Government of the Republic of Korea and of the Government of the United States, each of whom shall have one or more deputies. The Joint Committee shall determine its own procedures, and arrange for such administrative service as may be required. The Joint Committee shall be so organized that it may meet immediately at any time at the request of the representative of either party.

I have the honor to propose that, if these understandings meet with the approval of your Government, this note and your Excellency's note in reply constitute an agreement between our two Governments, superseding the agreement of May 5, 1949 on this subject, a copy of which is attached, and that the present agreement enter into force on the date of your Excellency's reply, to remain in force until three months after the receipt by either Government of written notice of the intention of the other to terminate it.

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WORKING GROUP'S DRAFT OF MEMORANDUM OF INTERPRETATION

With respect to the present Agreement on Voluntary Relief Activities the following understandings are made between the two parties:

1. For the purposes of Articles 2 and 3, lists of such prohibited items of special concern to the Korean Government will be supplied from time to time for the information of the voluntary agencies by the Ministry of Social Affairs of the Korean Government based on the regulations established by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

New prohibitions or restrictions, however, shall not go into effect with respect to supplies and equipment under this Agreement before the expiration of three months or shall not apply to such supplies and equipment already procured for shipment to Korea at the time of publication.

2. It is understood that exceptions to the general rule above may be made, if specific authorizations have been obtained from the Korean Government for particular cases.

3. The Joint Committee will establish procedures for efficient and expeditious operation under this Agreement. In case the Joint Committee fails to reach agreement within ten days on any matter, it may be referred to the respective Governments for settlement through appropriate channels on the initiative of either side of the Committee.

4. Concerning the statement in the Agreement that the Korean Government has participated in the "allocation and distribution of the said supplies and equipment," the following procedure will be adopted and is considered as satisfying this provision of the Agreement:

Each shipment will be cleared by the Ministry of Social Affairs and the Bureau of Customs for expeditious clearance through customs.

For any items included on the current list of the Ministry of Social Affairs, the agencies will submit requests for importation prior to the shipment of the items to Korea, also, for any items to be used for the administration of the agency, requests for importation will be submitted prior to the shipment of the items to Korea.

Copies of clearance forms for each shipment will provide a record of items actually imported by the agencies.

Through periodic reports to the Ministry of Social Affairs the agencies will give information on their activities which will include their general methods of allocation and distribution of supplies and the selection of beneficiaries of the agencies' programs. The reports will also include lists of institutions and projects receiving continuing basic support from the agencies. The reports will include any major changes in the program of the agencies. Apart from periodic reports the

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Ministry of Social Affairs may ask the agencies to submit reports or answer questions on any specific matter. The Ministry of Social Affairs in its concern for the development and coordination of overall welfare programs in Korea may make recommendations and comments to the agencies concerning their programs.

In case of natural disasters or other dire emergencies the Ministry of Social Affairs may seek the assistance of the agencies in meeting the need. For the information and encouragement of the voluntary agencies the Ministry of Social Affairs may supply from time to time lists of items the importation of which under this Agreement is deemed especially desirable.

Each voluntary agency operating under this Agreement will register annually with the Ministry of Social Affairs.

5. It is a firm policy of the Korean Government to encourage the relief activities of the voluntary agencies and to facilitate their operations under this Agreement. It is desirable that insofar as it is in accord with the major objectives of the individual voluntary agencies these operations shall be conducted in a manner most likely to effect the maximum contribution to the welfare of the Korean People.

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REPUBLIC OF KOREA

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

February 18, 1955

Dear Mr. Smith:

I have received your letter of February 16, 1955, and copies of the Working Group's Drafts of Note and Memorandum on Voluntary Relief Activities.

Regarding your suggestion to insert a clause reading "a copy of which is attached," after "superseding the agreement of May 5, 1949 on this subject," in the last paragraph of the draft Note, I am happy to say we have no objection.

I wish to confirm that it is our understanding that OEC program funds will be used for the payment of ocean freight and that counterpart funds will be used for internal freight and distribution costs with such high priority as will be agreed on by both sides.

I, too, would like to express my sincere appreciation for the manner in which you and your American colleagues in the working group cooperated with me and my colleagues in the preparation of those drafts.

Sincerely yours,

Dong Jo Kim
Director of the Political Bureau
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Mr. Horace H. Smith
Counselor for Economic Affairs,
American Embassy,
Seoul, Korea

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February 17, 1955

To : Mr. Horace H. Smith, Counselor of Embassy for Economic Affairs.

From : George M. Barbis, Third Secretary of Embassy.

Subject : Comments on Working Group's Drafts of Voluntary Relief Activities Agreement and Memorandum of Interpretation.

Reference: Department's Instruction CA-642, July 27, 1954; Embassy's Despatch 117, November 24, 1954; and subsequent telegrams on this subject.

It may be useful to summarize for the record, now that the discussions by the Working Group have been completed, the negotiations which produced these drafts.

In view of the ROK position that certain changes were necessary in the US draft agreement (CA-642), the US members of the joint Working Group agreed to discuss these proposed changes with the understanding, however, that a Memorandum of Interpretation would be agreed to by the Working Group to be attached to the Agreement. It was apparent that the ROK sought a greater voice and control over the activities of foreign voluntary relief agencies than it has had until now. Our purpose in suggesting an interpretive memorandum was to ensure the spelling out of the manner in which certain provisions, insisted upon by the ROK, would be implemented. Without such an understanding, some of the minimum demands of the ROK would have been unacceptable to us.

Comments on the changes in the draft Agreement finally accepted and agreed to by the Working Group, in relation to the pertinent understandings in the Memorandum of Interpretation, follow, on the basis of the numbered articles of the US draft (CA-642):

1. The amended change proposed by the ROK to this article seemed acceptable to the US members of the Working Group.

2. The ROK members of the working group agreed to change their original proposal regarding this article (referenced despatch). The question was raised by the US members of the group, however, as to what the items "importation of which into Korea is prohibited" are. At first the ROK members suggested that "prohibited items" be regarded as those not listed as importable in the Trade Plan of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, since there is no import prohibited list as such. This would undoubtedly have led to confusion and uncertainty and the US representatives insisted that definite lists of prohibited items be given to the voluntary agencies (items 1 and 2 of the Memorandum of Interpretation).

3. The US members were willing to suggest to their principals the acceptance of the provision for the establishment of a Joint Committee under the Agreement with the understanding that such a committee would not need to meet

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regularly nor be involved directly in the operations of the voluntary relief program. The original ROK wording of this article was therefore amended to meet the minimum requirements of the ROK members regarding the importation of "administrative supplies." Item 1 of the Memorandum of Interpretation is also applicable to this article. Item 2 of the Memorandum provides for exceptions to the provision regarding prohibited items.

4. The ROK insisted on "participation" in the allocation and distribution of relief goods. The US members of the Working Group felt that the ROK change to this article of the Agreement would be acceptable only if the Memorandum spelled out ROK participation in such a way as to make it possible for the voluntary agencies to accept it. The US members of the Working Group felt that item 4 of the Memorandum, outlining this participation, would probably be acceptable in view of the ROK position. (A representative of one of the major voluntary relief agencies has commented to us informally that in view of the ROK position the procedure outlined in item 4 of the Memorandum would be acceptable to his agency at least.)

(5 and 6. No change.)

7. It is not expected that the Joint Committee, established by this article of the Agreement, will result in a cumbersome procedure. In view of the problems and differences that are likely to arise under this program, it was felt by both sides that such a committee, which would need to meet only occasionally, could serve a useful purpose as a place where questions could be appealed and resolved expeditiously.

8. The Embassy has been unable to locate in its files any reference to the May 5, 1949 Agreement on this subject other than a copy of Embassy, Seoul, Despatch 127 dated March 8, 1949. The Embassy is unable, therefore, to comply with the Department's request (reference A-137 of this despatch) to determine the manner in which this Agreement was accepted. Nor can the Embassy transmit the original Korean letter of May 5, 1949 which, it is assumed here, was either transmitted to the Department (in view of Embassy Despatch 127 above) or lost as a result of fire or the war. (The Embassy has not consulted the Korean Government on this matter since the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, some time ago, asked for a copy of the 1949 agreement indicating they had no record of it.)

In view of the above the Embassy has suggested to the ROK that a copy of the May 5, 1949 agreement be attached to the Agreement under negotiation and this has been provided for in the draft Agreement. It is hoped that this will meet the requirements of the Office of the Legal Adviser, Treaty Affairs.

9. One question of concern to the US members of the Working Group was the manner in which the ROK intended to finance inland transportation and other costs for which it is responsible under the Agreement. There seemed some question in the minds of the Korean members of the Working Group as to whether the use of FOA "program funds" for ocean freight would be approved by the ROK Government and some doubt as to whether the ROK Government would be willing to assign a high priority in the use of counterpart funds to provide the hwan expenses of internal transportation and distribution in Korea. The ROK

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representatives have given assurances that the ROK Office of Planning is preparing the proper provisions for this procedure which will be the subject of an exchange of separate letters.

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RE EMBTEL 938, RPTD TOKYO 640 EMBDESP 192, ENCLS 1 AND 4.

REGARDING ROK FINANCING OF INTERNAL TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER COSTS, OFFICIAL OF ROK BUDGET BUREAU HAS INFORMED TREASURY REPRESENTATIVE, OEC, THAT ALTHOUGH NO DIFFICULTY WITH ISSUING STATEMENT COMMITTING ROK ASSIGN HIGH PRIORITY USE COUNTERPART FOR ABOVE PURPOSE, OFFICE SUPPLY COULD NOT LEGALLY INCLUDE SUCH ALLOCATION IN ITS BUDGET, UNLESS: (1) OFFICE SUPPLY DESIGNATED AS CONSIGNEE AND MAKES DISTRIBUTION, OR (2) AGREEMENT RATIFIED BY NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. FORMER OBVIOUSLY UNACCEPTABLE AND LATTER HAD NOT BEEN ANTICIPATED AS NECESSARY AND WOULD PROBABLY INVOLVE INTERMINABLE DELAY.

EMB RAISED QUESTION OF ROK FINANCING AND SOUGHT EXPLANATION OF PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED BY ROK IN IMPLEMENTING THIS COMMITMENT UNDER AGREEMENT BECAUSE OF PAST EXPERIENCES WHERE ROK CONCLUDED AGREEMENTS BUT FAILED IMPLEMENT (SUCH AS SURPLUS PROPERTY SETTLEMEN BECAUSE NO PROVISIONS MADE IN BUDGET FOR PAYMENT. ROK MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS REPRESENTATIVES MAINTAINED AT END OF DISCUSSIONS ON AGREEMENT THAT THEY HAD ACCEPTED THIS COMMITMENT AND WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING NECESSARY FUNDS AVAILABLE. IN VIEW OF BUDGET BUREAU'S VYDCUN* HOWEVER, THIS APPEARS POSE SERIOUS PROBLEM LIKELY NEGATE AGREEMENT'S PROVISION FOR FINANCING INTERNAL TRANSPORTATION.

TREASURY REPRESENTATIVE OEC CONFIRMS TO EMB THAT UNLESS VERY EXCEPTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE ANY COUNTERPART OR OTHER FUNDS USED FOR HWAN PAYMENTS UNDER THIS AGREEMENT MUST BE PROVIDED UNDER ROK OFFICE OF SUPPLY BUDGET.

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Your Ref Embtel 985 and previous. Draft agreement with revision below and memorandum of interpretation despatch Embdesp 192 acceptable here. Emb authorized discuss with voluntary agency representatives to obtain their reaction.

Re problem financing internal cost raised reftel. While every effort should be made encourage solution, believe this principal concern ROK. Draft agreement fully covers point. Should ROK fail implement likely result would be termination ocean freight subsidy with attendant reduction volume relief donations Korea through voluntary agency channels. As Emb aware, agreement does not commit U.S. pay ocean freight but provides basis for doing so, subject showing that other side prepared meet its commitments under agreement.

In absence documentation and in view indication agreement signed on US side on agency level, Department cannot consider 1949 agreement international. Suggest removal all references in present draft that Present agreement would supersede 1949 agreement, in fact and law, without specific reference.

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Honorable Thruston Morton
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Dear Mr. Morton:

The enclosed letter has just come from a constituent of mine, Mrs. Joseph C. Potts of Rahway, New Jersey, and I believe you will find it self-explanatory.

I will appreciate greatly any information you may be able to give me which will be helpful in answering her inquiry, and wonder if you would be good enough to return Mrs. Potts' letter, together with your reply.

Sincerely yours,

Clifford P. Case

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Dear Senator Case:

I have received your letter of March 7, 1955, transmitting a letter from Mrs. Joseph C. Robb of Rumson, New Jersey, urging that United States Army publish service to the Polish Nation, Catholic Mission Orphanage in Rome in being discontinued on the 1st of this month and asking that other suitable channel can might be found to transmit relief packages to the orphans.

It is suggested that Mrs. Robb be informed that because of the numerous administrative problems involved it is not possible for United States Government agencies operating in Europe to undertake the delivery of individual private relief packages to specific foreign organizations, but that it is believed that the might be able to work out satisfactory arrangements for delivery of packages by writing direct her problem to Monsignor Edward E. Swanstrom, Executive Director, War Relief Services, 350 Fifth Avenue, New York 1, New York.

I am returning Mrs. Robb's letter, as you requested.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:

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✓Letter from Mrs. Robb.

The Honorable
Clifford P. Case,
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FOR AMBASSADOR LUCE.

Embassy informed that final approval given by Cabinet for Italian contribution US Korean relief. Since Martino primarily responsible for pushing this through Cabinet, you may wish to thank him personally for his efforts during course of visit, but possibly urge that administrative steps needed to commit funds be quickly concluded. If commitment funds can be made in time, Scelba might wish to make announcement in Washington.

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RE DEPTEL 595, RPTD TOKYO 1897.

DRAFT AGREEMENT AND MEMORANDUM INTERPRETATION DISCUSSED WITH VOLUNTARY AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES. BOTH ACCEPTABLE GENERALLY ALTHOUGH REPRESENTATIVES RAISED QUESTIONS REGARDING EXPEDITIOUS CLEARANCE GOODS THROUGH CUSTOMS (ESPECIALLY THOSE UNDER ARTICLE 3 OF AGREEMENT), DEFINITION GOODS FOR WHICH ADVANCE PERMISSION REQUIRED ETC. IN CONNECTION ROK PAYMENT INLAND TRANSPORTATION IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT PERHAPS PAYMENT BY AGENCIES AND MONTHLY REIMBURSEMENT TO THEM BY ROK WOULD BE BEST PROCEDURE. ALSO, ROK REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT STATED SUCH PAYMENNTS BY ROK OF TRANSPORTATION COSTS, ETC. WITHIN KOREAWOULD BE TO ULTIMATE DISTRIBUTION CENTER RATHER THAN BENEFICIARY (ART. 4). REPRESENTATIVES APPEARED WILLING TO ACCEPT THIS AS ELIMINATING INVOLVED CALCULATIONS OF COSTS AND BICKERING FOR REIMBURSEMENT.

GENERAL CONSENSUS THAT ATTITUDE ROK OFFICIALS IN IMPLEMENTATION WILL LARGELY DETERMINE WHETHER AGREEMENT SATISFACTORY IN PRACTICE. REPRESENTATIVES ARE TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS TO EMBASSY BY APRIL 11, PRIOR FINAL CONSULTATION BETWEEN EMBASSY-ROK MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

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PROGRAM BELIEVED EFFICIENTLY CARRIED OUT BY PARTICIPATING VOLUNTARY AGENCIES AND EFFECTIVELY REACHED LARGE NUMBER PEOPLE NEEDING ASSISTANCE, ALTHOUGH SOME UNFORESEEN INLAND TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS AROSE. SOME VOLUNTARY AGENCIES COULD HAVE HANDLED MORE PACKAGES; OTHERS APPEARED OVERBURDENED. CERTAIN PACKAGE COMPONENTS NOT SUITED KOREAN FOOD HABITS.

USIA MISSION ACTIVELY PUBLICIZED ARRIVAL AND DISTRIBUTION PACKAGES. KOREAN PRESS GAVE GOOD NEWS COVERAGE, INCLUDING PICTURES. NO EDITORIAL COMMENT NOTED.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. PROGRAM SHOULD BE REPEATED 1955 WITH DISTRIBUTION THROUGH VOLUNTARY AGENCIES TIMED FOR DISTRIBUTION CHRISTMAS-NEW YEAR WITH WHICH MOST KOREANS FAMILIAR.

2. PACKAGES SHOULD BE IDENTIFIED FOA MARKINGS.

3. REASSESSMENT SHOULD BE MADE OF NUMBER PACKAGES EACH VOLUNTARY AGENCY CAN DISTRIBUTE EFFICIENTLY.

4. REASSESSMENT NEEDED COMPOSITION KOREAN FOOD PACKAGES. COOKING OIL, MEAT (EXCEPT PORK PRODUCTS AND MEAT WITH GRAVY), RICE, SHORTENING MOST USEFUL. BUTTER, CHEESE, BEANS NOT LIKED AND APPEARED IN MARKET AT LOW PRICES.

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AS RESULT MEETING WITH VOLUNTARY AGENCIES (REFTEL), AND AT THEIR SUGGESTION, WORKING GROUP ON APRIL 11 AGREED ON FOLLOWING ADDITION TO MEMORANDUM INTERPRETATION:

"WITH REFERENCE ARTICLE 4 OF AGREEMENT (I.E., PAYMENT OF COST INLAND TRANSPORTATION INCLUDING PORT, HANDLING, STORAGE AND SIMILAR CHARGES AS WELL AS TRANSPORTATION, OF SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT IMPORTED UNDER AGREEMENT), ROK GOVT EXPECTS PAY COSTS REFERRED TO ABOVE ON SUCH SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT FROM HOLDS OF VESSELS IN KOREAN PORTS THROUGH ALL INTERMEDIATE STAGES DOWN TO AND INCLUDING THOSE AT TERMINAL DISTRIBUTION CENTERS MAINTAINED BY VOLUNTARY AGENCIES. THESE TERMINAL DISTRIBUTION CENTERS WILL BE DETERMINED AND LISTED BY JOINT COMMITTEE, PROVIDED FOR IN ARTICLE 7 OF AGREEMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH VOLUNTARY AGENCIES.

"PAYMENT OF THESE COSTS, REFERRED TO ABOVE, WILL BE MADE BY OFFICE OF SUPPLY, MINISTRY REHABILITATION. HOWEVER, GOVT OF REPUBLIC KOREA WILL PERMIT VOLUNTARY AGENCIES THEMSELVES, IF THEY SO DESIRE, TO MAKE NECESSARY PAYMENTS FOR TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER COSTS UNDER PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 4 AND GOVT OF REPUBLIC KOREA WILL REIMBURSE THEM FOR SUCH PAYMENTS. SUCH REIMBURSEMENTS SHALL BE MADE MONTHLY AND AS EXPEDITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE."

DEPT'S APPROVAL REQUESTED. IF THIS ADDITION APPROVED BY TWO GOVTS, REQUEST PERMISSION SIGN AGREEMENT.

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United States Senate

Washington, D. C., April 25, *19*55

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Washington 25, D. C.

Ellen V. Carlson
Fritz A. Carlson

For your assistance. Thank you.

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(April 20, 1955

Senator Humphrey
Washington, DC

Dear Senator Humphrey:

Last summer a young Korean student roomed at the same place as we did and we came to think a great deal of him and the feeling seemed to be reciprocated for we have heard from him quite often since he left here.

While at the University here he sent a package of mylon yard goods to his wife in Korea. But it never reached her for it was declared contraband and returned to this country. After he returned to Korea he wrote and asked us to reclaim it and we did so at the Minneapolis postoffice. It puzzles us and those whom we have consulted why goods like that should be called contraband when we are supposed to be helping Korea dand sending her aid of all kinds. Do you know of situations like that?

About a month ago I wrote to the Korean Embassy in Washington asking for advice as to how I could return this package to their friends. I enclosed a stamped self-addressed envelope and the custom declaration but have received no reply. I wonder if you could help me get in touch with the Embassy officials as I do not know their name or if you could get the information for me through them and forward it to me. The sender was Hee Young Lee, 402 Oak St., SE, Minneapolis. It was sent to his wife in Pusan, Korea I do not have that address as it was on the Custom Declaration and I did not copy it, expecting to hear from them by return mail.

As our nation and our state and especially our University is doing all we can do help in rehabilitation of Korea I think it would be wonderful if you could help us do our little bit in encouraging these freinds I would also like to know if money can be sent in payment for these goods if we cannot legally return them.

Thank you in advance for your kindness and help in solving this problem.

Sincerely

(Miss) Ellen V. Carlson
Mr. Fritz A. Carlson
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Dear Senator Humphrey:

This is in reply to your letter of April 25, 1955, acknowledged by telephone April 26, 1955, in which you requested information on which to base a reply to Miss Helen V. Carlson and Mr. Frits A. Carlson concerning sending a package to Korea.

This package of nylon yard goods, according to the Korean Embassy, was returned to the sender by the Korean Post Office presumably because it was considered a luxury item in excess of the quantity needed for a household. The Government of the Republic of Korea attempts to restrict the importation of luxury goods so that available funds will be spent, insofar as possible, on necessities. The Korean Embassy states that it has received the letter written by Miss Carlson and will reply to it in the near future.

Should Miss Carlson and Mr. Carlson wish to send dollars to a Korean residing in Korea, a certified check may be sent through the mail to the Koreans, who will then cash it in Won at the Bank of Korea. A second method is to send the check from an American bank to the Bank of Korea, with the receiver's name and address indicated.

The letter from Miss Carlson and Mr. Carlson is returned herewith.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosures

1. From Miss Carlson and Mr. Carlson of April 20.

Thruston B. Morton
Assistant Secretary

The Honorable
Hubert H. Humphrey,
United States Senate.

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Re DEPTEL 658, repeated Tokyo 2165.

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SUBJECT: US-ROK Agreement on Voluntary Relief Activities.

The texts of notes, exchanged between the Embassy and the ROK Ministry of Foreign Affairs, which constitute an agreement between the two governments on voluntary relief activities are transmitted herewith as Enclosure No. 1. Two certified copies of the Embassy's Note No. 136, April 22, 1955 and the original Note 88P 894 A15, May 2, 1955, of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, with one certified copy, are transmitted as Enclosure No. 2 (FSM 226 has not been transmitted to this Embassy and is not available here).

Attention is invited to the fact that the ROK Note on this subject does not repeat the text of the Agreement proposed by the Embassy in its Note of April 22, 1955, but merely confirms ROK acceptance of the Agreement as outlined in the Embassy's Note. In opening the negotiations, and at subsequent meetings, the Embassy had suggested that the Agreement be concluded on the basis of an exchange of notes, repeating the full text of the Agreement in each note. The ROK negotiators had accepted this procedure and it was the Embassy's impression that both notes would include the full text of the Agreement. Nevertheless, when it was found that the ROK Note officially confirming the Agreement did not repeat its text, the Embassy decided not to press this point in view of the protracted ROK delays over small details which had already postponed for many months the beginning of ROK responsibility for financing costs of inland transportation and distribution.

For the Charge d'Affaires ad interim:

Horace H. Smith

Horace H. Smith
Counselor of Embassy for Economic Affairs

Enclosures: Att
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American Embassy,

Seoul, April 22, 1955.

No. 136

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to recent conversations between representatives of our Governments concerning voluntary relief activities and to confirm the understandings reached as a result of those conversations:

1. The Government of the Republic of Korea shall accord duty-free entry into Korea, as well as exemption from internal taxation, of supplies of goods approved by the Government of the United States, donated to or purchased by United States voluntary nonprofit relief and rehabilitation agencies qualified under United States Government Regulations, and consigned to such organizations, including branches of these agencies in Korea which have been or hereafter shall be approved by the Government of the Republic of Korea as bona fide voluntary nonprofit relief and rehabilitation organizations.

2. Such supplies may include goods of types qualified for ocean freight subsidy under applicable United States Government Regulations, such as basic necessities of food, clothing and medicines, and other relief supplies and equipment in support of projects of health, sanitation, education and recreation, agriculture and promotion of small selfhelp industries, but shall not include

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tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, alcoholic beverages, or items for the personal use of agencies' field representatives, as well as other items importation of which into Korea is prohibited by the Government of the Republic of Korea.

3. Duty-free treatment on importation and exportation, as well as exemption from internal taxation, shall also be accorded to supplies and equipment imported by the above mentioned organizations for the purpose of carrying out operations under this Agreement, provided that advance approval shall be obtained for items the importation of which is prohibited by the Government of the Republic of Korea and the amounts of other items imported under this Article.

4. The cost of transporting such supplies and equipment (including port, handling, storage, and similar charges, as well as transportation) within Korea to the ultimate beneficiary will be borne by the Government of the Republic of Korea, provided that the Korean Government has participated in the allocation and distribution of the said supplies and equipment.

5. The supplies furnished by the voluntary agencies shall be considered supplementary to rations to which individual would otherwise have been entitled.

6. Individual organizations carrying out operations under this Agreement may enter into additional arrangements with the Government of the Republic of Korea, and this Agreement shall not be construed to derogate from any benefits secured by any

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7. A Joint Committee shall be established in Seoul as the means for consultation and decision between Korea and the United States on all matters relating to the interpretation and implementation of this Agreement. The Joint Committee shall be composed of a representative of the Government of the Republic of Korea and of the Government of the United States, each of whom shall have one or more deputies. The Joint Committee shall determine its own procedures, and arrange for such administrative service as may be required. The Joint Committee shall be so organized that it may meet immediately at any time at the request of the representative of either party.

I have the honor to propose that, if these understandings meet with the approval of your Government, this note with its attached Memorandum of Interpretation and your Excellency's note in reply constitute an agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on the date of your Excellency's reply, to remain in force until three months after the receipt by either Government of written notice of the intention of the other to terminate it.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my most distinguished consideration.

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/s/ Carl W. Strom

Enclosure: Memorandum of Interpretation

His Excellency

Pyun Yung-tai,

Foreign Minister of the

Republic of Korea.

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MEMORANDUM OF INTERPRETATION

With respect to the present Agreement on Voluntary Relief Activities the following understandings are made between the two parties:

1. For the purposes of Articles 2 and 3, lists of such prohibited items of special concern to the Korean Government will be supplied from time to time for the information of the voluntary agencies by the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs of the Korean Government based on the regulations established by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

New prohibitions or restrictions, however, shall not go into effect with respect to supplies and equipment under this Agreement before the expiration of three months or shall not apply to such supplies and equipment already procured for shipment to Korea at the time of publication.

2. It is understood that exceptions to the general rule above may be made, if specific authorizations have been obtained from the Korean Government for particular cases.

3. The Joint Committee will establish procedures for efficient and expeditious operation under this Agreement. In case the Joint Committee fails to reach agreement within ten days on any matter, it may be referred to the respective Governments for settlement through appropriate channels on the initiative of either side of the Committee.

4. Concerning the statement in the Agreement that the Korean Government has participated in the "allocation and distribution of the said supplies and equipment," the following procedure will be adopted and is considered as satisfying this provision of the Agreement:

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Each shipment will be cleared by the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs and the Bureau of Customs for expeditious clearance through customs.

For any items included on the current list of the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, the agencies will submit requests for importation prior to the shipment of the items to Korea, also, for any items to be used for the administration of the agency, requests for importation will be submitted prior to the shipment of the items to Korea.

Copies of clearance forms for each shipment will provide a record of items actually imported by the agencies.

Through periodic reports to the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs the agencies will give information on their activities which will include their general methods of allocation and distribution of supplies and the selection of beneficiaries of the agencies' programs. The reports will also include lists of institutions and project receiving continuing basic support from the agencies. The reports will include any major changes in the program of the agencies. Apart from periodic reports the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs may ask the agencies to submit reports or answer questions on any specific matter. The Ministry of Health and Social Affairs in its concern for the development and coordination of overall welfare programs in Korea may make recommendations and comments to the agencies concerning their programs.

In case of natural disasters or other dire emergencies the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs may seek the assistance of the agencies in meeting the need. For the information and encouragement of the voluntary agencies the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs may supply from time

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to time lists of items the importation of which under this Agreement is deemed especially desirable.

Each voluntary agency operating under this Agreement will register annually with the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs.

5. With reference to Article 4 of the Agreement (i.e., payment of the cost of inland transportation including port, handling, storage and similar charges as well as transportation, of supplies and equipment imported under the Agreement), the Office of Supply of the ROK Government expects to pay the costs referred to above on such supplies and equipment from the holds of vessels in Korean ports through all intermediate stages down to and including those at the terminal distribution centers maintained by the voluntary agencies. These terminal distribution centers will be determined and listed by the Joint Committee, provided for in Article 7 of the Agreement, in consultation with the voluntary agencies.

Payment of these costs, referred to above, will be made in accordance with the procedures to be agreed upon between the Office of Supply and the voluntary agencies.

6. It is a firm policy of the Korean Government to encourage the relief activities of the voluntary agencies and to facilitate their operations under this Agreement. It is desirable that insofar as it is in accord with the major objectives of the individual voluntary agencies these operations shall be conducted in a manner most likely to effect the maximum contribution to the welfare of the Korean people.

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REPUBLIC OF KOREA

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

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Seoul, May 2, 1955

Sir:

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your note No. 136 dated April 22, 1955, with an attached Memorandum of Interpretation, setting forth the terms for the voluntary relief activities. This Government accepts, with pleasure, the terms from 1 to 7 as specified in your note, and confirms the contents of the Memorandum of Interpretation attached thereto, with the understanding that the exchange of your note and this is to effect the intended agreement. The agreement thus effected comes into force on the date of this note and will remain in force until three months after the receipt by either Government of a written notice of the intention of the other to terminate it.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.

/s/ Y. T. Pyun

Y. T. Pyun
Minister of Foreign Affairs

The Honorable Carl W. Strom
Charge d'Affaires,
Embassy of the United States of America,
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Republic of Korea)
Special City of Seoul) ss.
EMBASSY OF THE)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

I, Ann Pomroy, Vice Consul of the United States of America at Seoul, Korea, duly commissioned and qualified, do hereby certify that the annexed copy of Note No. 136 of the American Embassy at Seoul, Korea, dated April 22, 1955 is a true and faithful copy of the copy of the original Note presented to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of The Republic of Korea which is retained in the files of this Embassy, the same having been carefully examined by me and compared with the said original and found to agree therewith word for word and figure for figure.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Embassy of the United States of America at Seoul, Korea this 9th day of May, 1955.

Ann Pomroy

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of a representative of the Government of the Republic of Korea and of the Government of the United States, each of whom shall have one or more deputies. The Joint Committee shall determine its own procedures, and arrange for such administrative service as may be required. The Joint Committee shall be so organized that it may meet immediately at any time at the request of the representative of either party.

I have the honor to propose that, if these understandings meet with the approval of your Government, this note with its attached Memorandum of Interpretation and your Excellency's note in reply constitute an agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on the date of your Excellency's reply, to remain in force until three months after the receipt by either Government of written notice of the intention of the other to terminate it.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my most distinguished consideration.

Enclosure: Memorandum of Interpretation

His Excellency

Pyun Yung-tai,

Foreign Minister of the

Republic of Korea.

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MEMORANDUM OF INTERPRETATION

With respect to the present Agreement on Voluntary Relief Activities the following understandings are made between the two parties:

1. For the purposes of Articles 2 and 3, lists of such prohibited items of special concern to the Korean Government will be supplied from time to time for the information of the voluntary agencies by the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs of the Korean Government based on the regulations established by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

New prohibitions or restrictions, however, shall not go into effect with respect to supplies and equipment under this Agreement before the expiration of three months or shall not apply to such supplies and equipment already procured for shipment to Korea at the time of publication.

2. It is understood that exceptions to the general rule above may be made, if specific authorizations have been obtained from the Korean Government for particular cases.

3. The Joint Committee will establish procedures for efficient and expeditious operation under this Agreement. In case the Joint Committee fails to reach agreement within ten days on any matter, it may be referred to the respective Governments for settlement through appropriate channels on the initiative of either side of the Committee.

4. Concerning the statement in the Agreement that the Korean Government has participated in the "allocation and distribution of the said supplies and equipment," the following procedure will be adopted and is considered as satisfying this provision of the Agreement:

Each shipment will be cleared by the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs and the Bureau of Customs for expeditious clearance through customs.

For any items included on the current list of the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, the agencies will submit requests for importation prior to the shipment of the items to Korea, also, for any items to be

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used for the administration of the agency, requests for importation will be submitted prior to the shipment of the items to Korea.

Copies of clearance forms for each shipment will provide a record of items actually imported by the agencies.

Through periodic reports to the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs the agencies will give information on their activities which will include their general methods of allocation and distribution of supplies and the selection of beneficiaries of the agencies' programs. The reports will also include lists of institutions and projects receiving continuing basic support from the agencies. The reports will include any major changes in the program of the agencies. Apart from periodic reports the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs may ask the agencies to submit reports or answer questions on any specific matter. The Ministry of Health and Social Affairs in its concern for the development and coordination of overall welfare programs in Korea may make recommendations and comments to the agencies concerning their programs.

In case of natural disasters or other dire emergencies the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs may seek the assistance of the agencies in meeting the need. For the information and encouragement of the voluntary agencies the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs may supply from time to time lists of items the importation of which under this Agreement is deemed especially desirable.

Each voluntary agency operating under this Agreement will register annually with the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs.

5. With reference to Article 4 of the Agreement (i.e., payment of the cost of inland transportation including port, handling, storage and similar charges as well as transportation, of supplies and equipment imported under the Agreement), the Office of Supply of the ROK Government expects to pay the costs referred to above on such supplies and

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equipment from the holds of vessels in Korean ports through all intermediate stages down to and including those at the terminal distribution centers maintained by the voluntary agencies. These terminal distribution centers will be determined and listed by the Joint Committee, provided for in Article 7 of the Agreement, in consultation with the voluntary agencies.

Payment of these costs, referred to above, will be made in accordance with the procedures to be agreed upon between the Office of Supply and the voluntary agencies.

6. It is a firm policy of the Korean Government to encourage the relief activities of the voluntary agencies and to facilitate their operations under this Agreement. It is desirable that insofar as it is in accord with the major objectives of the individual voluntary agencies these operations shall be conducted in a manner most likely to effect the maximum contribution to the welfare of the Korean people.

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Ann Pomroy, Vice Consul of the United States of America,
, Korea, duly commissioned and qualified, do hereby
that the annexed copy of Note 88P 894 A15, dated May 2, 1955
T. Pyun, Minister of Foreign Affairs of The Republic of
Seoul, Korea, is a true and faithful copy of the original
same having been carefully examined by me and compared with
original and found to agree therewith word for word and
figure.

IN TNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the
Embassy of the United States of America at Seoul, Korea,
9th of May, 1955.

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REPUBLIC OF KOREA

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

88P 894 A15

Seoul, May 2, 1955

Sir:

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your note No. 136 dated April 22, 1955, with an attached Memorandum of Interpretation, setting forth the terms for the voluntary relief activities. This Government accepts, with pleasure, the terms from 1 to 7 as specified in your note, and confirms the contents of the Memorandum of Interpretation attached thereto, with the understanding that the exchange of your note and this is to effect the intended agreement. The agreement thus effected comes into force on the date of this note and will remain in force until three months after the receipt by either Government of a written notice of the intention of the other to terminate it.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.

Y. T. Pyun

Y. T. Pyun
Minister of Foreign Affairs

The Honorable Carl W. Strom
Charge d'Affaires,
Embassy of the United States of America.
Seoul, Korea.

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JOINT STATE/FOA MESSAGE

NO.: A-250, June 23, 1955

SUBJECT: CONCLUSION U.S. AND R.O.K.'s VOLUNTARY AID AGREEMENT

REF: EMBASSY DESP. 274 — 895B.49/5-1055

TO: AMEMBASSY SEOUL

The following voluntary agencies registered with FOA's Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid have been notified that the voluntary aid agreement between U.S. and R.O.K. was concluded on May 2, 1955:

American Friends Service Committee
American Korean Foundation
Assemblies of God--Foreign Service Committee
Church World Service, Inc.
CARE, Inc.
Foster Parents' Plan for War Children
Lutheran World Relief
Mennonite Central Committee
Pestalozzi Foundation of America, Inc.
Salvation Army, National Headquarters
Save the Children Federation
Unitarian Service Committee
War Relief Services - NCWC
World University Service
Y.W.C.A. World Emergency Fund

These agencies were sent copies of the Note Number 136 and of the Memorandum of Interpretation.

It would be appreciated if the Embassy would notify the appropriate Korean officials which U.S. voluntary agencies are eligible to participate in the Voluntary Aid Agreement.

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United States Senate
WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 4, 1955

Hon. Thruston B. Morton
Assistant Secretary of State
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Thruston:

I would appreciate having the benefit of the Department's comments on the matter discussed in the attached copy of letter from Doctor Charles W. Edmunds of Detroit, Michigan.

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Young-Choon Lee
re. rehabilitation
of Korea

Sincerely yours,

Charles E. Potter, USS

Encl: as stated

P.S. - Kindly return the enclosure with your reply.

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Dear Senator Potter:

This is in reply to your letter of June 4, 1955, acknowledged by telephone on June 8, 1955, in which you requested the comments of the State Department on an enclosed letter from Dr. Charles W. Edmunds concerning aid to Korea.

Dr. Edmunds has shown keen understanding of the health problems of Korea. Dr. Lee's Institute for Rural Health in Kaejong, Korea is, from the description of its activities contained in the enclosures to Dr. Edmunds' letter, carrying on highly important health activities in rural Korea.

Dr. Edmunds apparently is seeking United States Government aid for the institute in the form of funds for the Korean budget for use for public health, and in the form of goats, wheat and a small flour mill that grinds whole wheat flour.

The Department agrees that each of these objectives is meritorious. In fact, the United States is providing large sums of aid partly for the purpose of supporting the Korean budget, and has included large amounts of public health and welfare items in the aid program. It is, of course, the Korean Government that decides how its budgetary revenues will be spent, and the very real needs of Dr. Lee's Institute will have to compete for funds with many other urgent needs. In respect to aid imports, the United States acts upon the requests of the Korean Government and would consider the Korean Government's request for the specific items that Dr. Edmunds mentions.

It is suggested that the support of a specific rural health institute may be more feasible from private rather than public sources. Dr. Edmunds may wish in this connection, to describe the work and needs of the Institute for Rural Health to a private charitable

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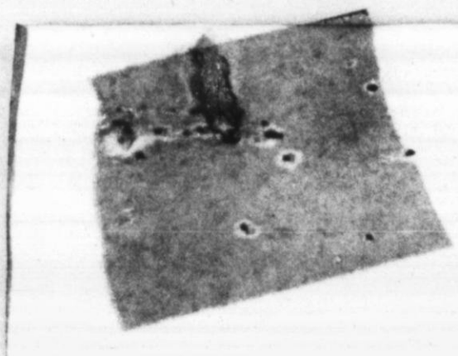

charitable organization, such as the American-Korean Foundation, 345 East 46 Street, New York 17, New York.

Dr. Edmunds' interest in Korean health matters is appreciated.

The letter from Dr. Edmunds is returned herewith.

Sincerely yours,

Thruston B. Morton
Assistant Secretary

Enclosure:

From Dr. Edmunds,
May 10, 1955, with enclosures.

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Mr. Herbert Hoover, Jr.
Executive Offices of U. S. A.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have taken the opportunity of writing your father and also writing the Honorable Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr. relative to the terrible conditions in Korea, and we are enclosing copies.

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Since Mr. Lodge represents us at the U.N. and you are in touch with so many representatives from Korea and Asia generally, we feel that by working together we may establish a desirable change in our foreign policy toward Korea and those Asian countries. May we solicit your good offices so that we might act now to keep the Communists from starving the Asian peoples and also for building up the Korean people to a powerful nation for action in their own behalf.

Thanking you in advance for a fine cooperation,

Sincerely yours,

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GRAIN FOOD 'ARISAH'

Anti-Red Weapon Revealed in Bible

BY OLIVER LA FARGE

A nutritionist studying foods of the Bible has put into our hands a new, potentially powerful weapon against Communism. To grasp its significance, we must look at the food situation in the Far East.



La Farge

The Asian countries from Japan to Pakistan, including Indonesia, depend on rice exports from two countries, Thailand and Burma, both highly vulnerable to Communist aggression. There exports are insufficient, and chronic hunger, ever helpful to Communism, exists among the Asian masses. If these two little nations were knocked over, famine would ensue. The others would be forced into the Communist orbit, if only to keep on eating.

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WE CAN MEET this situation and make a profit through the food called in the Bible arisah, "the first of the grains," now known as bulgour. This is parboiled, dried, cracked wheat, very simple to prepare, and a foodstuff older than bread. Bulgour is now a staple in Asia Minor and is served in this country in Syrian and Armenian restaurants. It is used as an alternative to rice, cooks like rice, and is palatable in all rice dishes.

By mass production, bulgour could be produced and delivered in Asia at a price no higher than the local rice. It would enable us to dispose of millions of tons of surplus wheat at a reasonable profit. It is far more nourishing than hulled rice or flour.

Tests in India and Japan show that it is readily acceptable by rice-conditioned people who reject other grains.

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BULGOUR would not compete with any established market for our other wheat products, being in effect a different food. It would not affect our rice export to the Far East, as our rice sells at a premium to the wealthy who have no need to switch to a substitute.

The Department of Agriculture, the Wheat Millers' Association, and the State of Oregon are now experimenting with small-scale mass production, but they are moving slowly, far more slowly than Russian and Chinese aggression. We need to get up steam, until we achieve quantity export.

Marketing a new food is unspectacular compared to military and diplomatic actions, but is can be just as important. We have here an important, positive weapon against Communism, a profitable means of balancing the food supply of the whole Far East. In a crisis, through it we could save nation after nation from giving itself up to the Communists from sheer hunger.

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The Honorable Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.
Waldorf-Astoria
New York City

Honorable Sir:

The enclosures herewith may suggest to you some reasons why I have studied Korea and her needs for many years. My sister, Margaret Jane Edmunds, R.N., organized and completed a school for training of Korean nurses in Severance Hospital, Seoul, Korea, about 40 years ago. After six years of arduous work the first Korean class was graduated, and about that time she married the Reverend William Harrison when they moved to Kunsan where they spent about 20 more years teaching and establishing Sunday Schools and churches throughout Korea for the Presbyterians.

Dr. Young-Choon Lee, Director of the Institute for Rural Health at Kunsan, and who also has under his care a million and a half Koreans, thereabouts, came to the United States about six months ago. While he was in Tennessee I wrote to him to come to Detroit for consultation, and after he arrived we had five days together in which we outlined a Korean policy for the benefit of that people. It consisted in placing 1,000 goats on the hills of Korea to furnish the best food for the starving babies and children. We also planned to furnish two portable mills which would grind western American wheat on the ground in Korea, and this absolutely whole-wheat flour would be fed to the Korean people, and especially to the Korean Army.

The enclosed LaFarge article will further demonstrate the necessity for an immediate action in supplying basic foods as illustrated by the use of Bulgour. The United States Agricultural Department is now working on that food and also the University of Oregon is trying to do the same.

Beside these sources of food, we have put into one package all the necessary trace minerals and vitamines which are necessary for human consumption, and can be delivered over all of Korea quickly with comparatively little expense.

This program will do the work if implemented. Dr. Lee returned home via the Phillipines, Formosa, and some other Asian countries, and he wrote me personally saying that our outline for Korea is superior to what the United States is now doing for those countries he visited. If our Republican Party does not deal with the dreadful conditions in Korea quickly and in a basic manner to definitely cure the ills, we will be derelict in our duty to that struggling people.

We wish to thank you very much for your fine work as Senator, and also for your splendid direction within the U.N.

Sincerely yours,

Charles Wesley Edmunds, M.D.

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Dr. David Elton Trueblood
Chief of Religious Policy for the
United States Information Agency
Washington, D.C.

Dear friend:

All armies and all nations travel on their stomachs. Hunger breeds the prejudices of the world and if properly assuaged will cure the crooked kinks of humanity.

Last Saturday's Detroit Free Press carried a powerful illustration of these facts, wherein Mr. LaFarge said that the Communists have practically an open door into Thailand and Burma where they could stop the rice which now feeds that part of Asia. The food value of the rice as grown in Kunsan during the Japanese occupancy of that country was greatly reduced in quality and the Koreans were returned some poorer food. This condition, plus the degenerations of war, puts poor old Korea and the United States government in a lamentable condition.

The religious policy towards Korea must begin as a basis in the provision of proper food, which alone can augment whatever spiritual teaching we may have to offer. Our present administration is embarrassed in Michigan because we have not secured for ourselves a basic principle of fighting for the people, and thus we were reproved by our last election.

I am giving my life energy to this alleviation of conditions in Korea, being pledged to Dr. Lee and that people for its consummation, and I believe that I am in a most unique position to fulfill that obligation under God.

As you have gathered from the enclosed copies of letters, I am in cooperation with the heads of the Republican Party in this State and also some of the heads in Washington, so that we have formed a fighting corps within the Party to change the foreign policy to that basic extent in Korea and we hope also throughout Asia in its after effects.

We pray for your cooperation and help in every way possible, and I hope to be in Washington before long at which time I ask for an interview with you.

Thanking you for all your wonderful work for the world,

Yours sincerely,

Charles Wesley Edmunds, M.D.

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Copy of letter from the Director of

THE INSTITUTE FOR RURAL HEALTH
KAEJONG, KUNSAN,
CHOLLA-PUKDO, KOREA

May 10, 1955

Dr. Charles W. Edmunds
2103 David Stott Bldg.
Detroit 26, Michigan

Dear Dr. Edmunds

Perhaps you would be very tired for waiting of my reply that has been so long in coming. I came back to the Institute on the first of April from my six months trip through the United States, Philippines, Formosa, Thailand and Japan. I received six very kind and promising letters dated Jan. 21, 26, 29, Feb. 5, 16, March 3 from you at home respectively. It is very difficult to decide where to start to answer all of your letters.

First of all I thanks to God for His bless of my health in the accomplishment of my trip and His introduction to an envoy like you to us to show His good will.

My observation trip has brought many changes to my field of vision, for I have seen the United States health system and its contributions that might be called the most advanced in the world. Also in other countries their great effort toward modern system and progress. They all impressed me very much and have shown me the way, what and how to do at our institute and also in our country.

I came back to my father country, the war-torn land, the war scars I left I still found and hardly see their rehabilitation. You may guess my struggle, it is difficult to do things in these complex circumstances. It is almost impossible to do things with ordinary budget, because of inflation. Too many plans, surveys, suggestions and noises in every field having small fruit instead of their loud voice.

Our institute experienced very hard time in operating during my absence and also at this time due to inflation, in addition to the poor crops last fall in this area. We have had temporarily to close up two and may be one more out of 9 health centers owing to the physicians moving to Seoul to get more income. Medical income has gradually declined actually due to disability of patients to pay even a small charge, like 70-100 Hwan (US¢12-16) for hospital admission for a day excluding medication and food. Last World Health Organization Week, we held free services to all out-patients at our institute and experienced twice or three times as many patients than on other days; in other words, there are many patients who are unable to pay in rural areas. This spring we also held free mobile clinics to the doctorless areas covering 5 provinces for 16 days and found 6,700 patients for an average of 370 patients per day. In the institute we serve an average of 150,000 patients per year including in and out patients, the costs of medicines and materials are about $15,000-20,000, that is ¢10,13.3 per patient per day. You would be surprised to hear about our salaries; e.g., HW10,000-30,000 ($16-50) for an average of HW15,000 ($25) for doctors and HW4, 500-10,000 ($7.5-16) for an average of HW6,000 ($10) for nurses per month for all full time service.

We have special compound word "Choon-Goong" or "Spring-Poverty" and "Maik-Nyung" or "Wheat-Hill" existing since 2,000 years of our history. It means the lack of food among the farmers and they have a hard time to pass over the spring season until the end of May or the first of June when new wheat crops are ready. More than 50% of our rural school children do not take any kind of lunch even in summer days in spite of having been given encouragement to have it by the teacher, because they are very much ashamed to have it looked at by others.

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This situation of "Choon-Goong" has become worse during the 500 years of Hermit Kingdom and 36 years of Japanese occupation. Farmers have to do petty farming on an average land possession of 2.5 acres per family. Our liberation and land reform system today still does not give us the solution to have independent livings by the farmers themselves.

Truly, our farmers are pant under a heavy load, not for their lives but for keeping their daily existence.

Thus, the situation is so serious and almost impossible to carry our health work without having solution of these basic problems.

All that I have mentioned above, I feel is very important and my duty to let you know the real situation, because we are planning permanent basis contributions for the better health of our nation and have to succeed in any way to give stimulation and demonstration to the people and to the leaders of this country.

Indeed, I was surprised and impressed on your bombard campaign started so soon for the plan we have discussed. You questioned some points of our original plan, but I firmly believe that our plan is radically right.

As soon as I arrived, I spent a few days in Seoul for my returning address and a short report and had not enough time to make contact and fully discuss with our Minister of Health and other related persons. I will go to Seoul this week and will have enough time to get in touch with them and I will write you as soon as possible. Since I came back to the institute I have been so busy learning many things and in making final report to the United Nations.

In these few days, I discussed with some leaders and experts in this area about our plan, and I have got the idea of possibilities of succeeding, however, the plan should be along the lines of governmental regulations and we must get the agreement from the government.

I received 50 copies of "Milk Goat" from you and some of them I have shared with other persons who are interested in goats and will deliver to Severance and to our Minister of Health and Agriculture as you hoped to share it with them. We will try to provide with Korean translation.

It was very good news to us that you have Miss Margaret Edmunds' memorial picture in Severance taken together with Korean nurse who taught from her, in your hands. I will try to find out about reports on Miss Edmunds in journal which you have seen at Dr. Found's home in Toronto. Dr. Found was my teacher and I worked with him as assistant for one year in 1933-34 and he corrected my English thesis for the requirement of degree of Doctor of Medical Science from Kyoto Imperial University in Japan. I will be very happy to have two copies of it, one for the Severance and one for our nursing school.

I will write some of the persons connected with Rev. and Mrs. Harrison when they lived in Kunsan. Mr. Pak Chin-San was an employe for long years in Rev. Harrison's home, but, unfortunately, he died about 5 years ago and his only son who was ROK soldier was killed in the Communist War. Mr. Kim Chong-Min, 52 years old, now in Kunsan dairy master (few milk cows) told me about his impression of Rev. and Mrs. Harrison and some interesting episodes. He was about twenty years old when Rev. and Mrs. Harrison were in Kunsan. His mother in law Mrs. Kim Naomi, 68 years old, now living in his home was house cook at one of the missionary's home for long years. She knows very well all about Rev. and Mrs. Harrison and children, Miss Green, Miss Duphy and Rev. and Mrs. Bull, they all lived in Koo-Am Dong, a missionary compound in Kunsan at that time. I knew Rev. Bull myself, because he was in Kunsan when I came down to Kunsan in 1935, and he departed here for home land I remember in 1937 or 1938 because of the China-Japan War.

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Now I am faced with a very hard job for about two months to campaign to get governmental subsidy for the coming fiscal year in 1955. We have made budget counting HW66,000,000 ($110,000) for coming a year. I am expecting to get about 50% of our budget from the government for salaries and some mobile service expenses. This budget will be discussed very soon at the national congress. I am very much worried about how to get it, because I experienced for the first time last year at the congress that they sharply cut 60% of the required budget. Most of the congressmen have no interest on health, especially on rural health, while they have very much interest to the problems of increase of grain production.

If we failed to get governmental subsidy, our work will be absolutely paralyzed and will meet hard time never be experienced through 20 years of my rural service.

At the end, I am honestly desire in the following points:

1. I hope our plan would be started on a voluntary basis to give stimulation and demonstration to the people and also to the government.

2. Let me know more detailed figures, sizes and funds available in our three main projects in order to explain to the government and to make plan for materialization.

3. Would you consent to maintaining our institute included in our plan as the core of the function? Because we have no endowment at all in our institute (Rural Health Foundation) to maintain ourselves as you imagine.

4. What name do you want or are you using in campaigning the plan? If not, what name do you prefer? Please let me know. We will hold our board meeting in June and we hope to elect you as President or Executive Director of our Korean Rural Health Foundation in U.S.A. for convenience to you, if you have no objection.

5. When you succeed in collection of funds in some degree, I would like to suggest to you to have trip to our Korea before actualization, so that you may get more self-confidence and close connection with us doing things.

6. I will be very glad to test on trace minerals and vitamins to our family or to staff with laboratory examinations.

It was deeply touched in my heart and was impressed very much also our staff on your word "May I be your servant?" in the letter dated March 3rd. We never heard such kind words in this country and I have been strengthened and encouraged so much doing things surrounding hard circumstances.

I realize that our plans are not so easy job to get final success, but we will try our best with every effort devoting ourselves and cooperating with others.

I pray to my God always be blessed you and Mrs. Edmunds, Mr. Harrison's home and also between us to show His glorious will.

Sincerely yours,

/sgd/ Y C Lee

Young-Choon Lee, M.D.
Director

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CHARLES W. EDMUNDS, M.D.
2103 David Stott Building
Detroit 26 Michigan
U.S.A.

May 19, 1955

Young-Choon Lee, M.D., Director
The Institute for Rural Health
Kaejong, Kunsan
Cholla-Pukdo, Korea

My dear friend:

Your splendid letter dated May 10, 1955 received, and I am pleased to know of the broad scope of your travels and the great benefit you received from observing the good work done in the East by the United States government for other peoples there, and I hope you may be able to apply that knowledge in Korea. One thing I know for sure is that we must adapt our American ways to the long-established ways of the Korean peoples and avoid all radical changes that would embarrass your splendid peoples.

On the other hand, as I see your situation it has come to a crisis of operation and a little surgery in procedures may greatly benefit your fine army which is the first most stressing necessity at this time and the one arm which the United States Congress will most willingly strengthen in Korea.

A wise old General once said, "An Army travels on its stomach." That is literally true, and we should provide a mobile remedy contained in capsules or in candy to supply this need. Perhaps the candy is the best way and more carbohydrate could be furnished in stress time of action. The necessary vitamines and trace minerals I am incorporating in this candy. This candy would contain the NECESSARY ELEMENTS from Brewer's Yeast, Sea Kelp, Bone Meal, Cod Liver Oil, Olive Oil, Soy Bean Oil, beside the differing Calciums, Phosphorus and Magnesiums, with other trace minerals.

All of these are treated in a specialized way to dynamize and make the remedy more powerful. By feeding this to the Army in times of stress, plus a pocketful of high-powered 100% whole wheat (organically grown) bread, will be very serviceable in giving the men more power until they return to base quarters. Coupling this with mobile suggestions given before, we will be able to create a fast-moving Korean Army with more power.

The content of the candy is ENTIRELY FROM NATURE'S OWN STOREHOUSE and is not white bleached poisoned sugar.

They should also have the best rice obtainable which has been GROWN ORGANICALLY containing all the natural trace minerals possible. The chemically stimulated rice may give you more rice this year, but less in value to the people, and eventually destroy your product.

The greatest lift to men in the Army would be from fresh whole-wheat flour, which would temporarily be sent from the United States or Canada as wheat. The wheat from Western Canada and the United States is VERY HARD and CONTAINS THE BETTER TRACE MINERALS AND VITAMINES. This wheat could be ground in your Institute for Rural Health at Kaejong, to an extremely fine powder if necessary or also into coarser flour by a metal mill made by the Lee Engineering Company of Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. A mill of sufficient capacity could be obtained which would supply your Institute Compound, or much more. This one mill would give us much more use if the product was distributed to other rural areas. The mill costs about $500.00.

The number of goats I suggested was 1,000, but that was a relative number according to how much money we have to use and the sheer necessity of feeding the babies and children on warm goat's milk to produce a stalwart Korean race for the future. The desolating fear experienced by Korean wartime mothers, plus the insufficient food,

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will be too tragic on the future health of the Korean children especially, and also on the health of the whole nation, if goats' milk cannot be obtained with some dispatch. May we buy all goats we can of highest quality which we are able to properly feed on the hills of Korea, plus some imported fodder?

To my mind the finest goat's milk is a very natural asset of highest value for Korea. Most of our goats in America and Canada are in the Western Hills nearest you and also in line with the wheat for shipment.

If you can make a good bargain with your National government for a lot of money (please make your budget twice as large as you expect to get) and then sell them on the idea of pressing on the United States government for twice more than you possibly expect to get, I will keep up quick work here by interesting the key members of our government and others.

Please give me full details of diseases in Korea at the present:

1) Number per thousand of patients with poliomyelitis last year and for 10 years past.

2) Number per thousand at present with tuberculosis.

3) Number per thousand at present with syphilis.

4) How much antibiotics has been used in general for all diseases?
   (a) in big cities?
   (b) in rural districts?

5) What has been the general treatment for colds?

It is my belief that when we get the Korean people regulated on proper food and also giving them all the known trace minerals and vitamines which originally made those bodies, we will have endowed the Koreans with God's greatest blessing which cannot be obtained in any other way, for their return to health.

By this method we will get rid of paying for most of that expensive medicine which has not the property of building into our budily cells those trace minerals which will let us live for God through natural physiological scientific living.

I am making about 40 copies of your letter and will send them to key people in government and to personal friends. If we hurry, we should have things going before snow flies.

As soon as your government puts in its request for funds to be appropriated in and for our cause, then I can go to everybody and press the battle to the full extent, but please get your national request to Washington and press the request for twice any reasonable amount expected. The suggestions made herein are my best thoughts for working out the problems, but I would not be dictatorial or obstructive toward anything you or your associates think is best.

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Points suggested by you:

1) Full demonstration to the people and government. Yes.

2) Funds promised by Bishop Boaz. $100.00 is all. I have been working on many other things not money. It is necessary for you to decide with your government what they will do. (a) How many children have you to feed now in your Compound and also in the Nation? (b) Could you use two units with two mills and flour to match?

3) Yes, I would attack the problem with you and the people using your Compound as the core if necessary.

4) We have adopted no name and I think you should fix that. I will work as you wish.

5) May we settle the Korean trip later? Your request for me to go to Korea could be arranged if your government and ours agree upon it.

6) Will send you samples before long:

(a) OPH-THAL-O - For the eyes, in Army and the people generally.

(b) PROTO-VITAL-LAC - Combined trace minerals and vitamines.

I shall be happy to send you SAMPLES of PROTO-VITAL-LAC for chemical examination. Are you equipped with a spectroscope for spectrophotometry which will give us the best answers?

May God bless you abundantly in health and also in FAITH, believing that He is able to give us more abundantly of His knowledge than we are able to ask or think.

Sincerely yours,

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Charles Wesley Edmunds, M.D.

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Dear Dr. Edmunds:

Mr. Hoover has called my attention to your letter to him of June 14, 1955, concerning food and health problems in Korea.

We are always glad to hear from persons so actively interested in the problems with which we are faced in the Far East. I want to thank you for your letter and its enclosures and to assure you that we will study them with interest.

Sincerely yours,

William J. Sebald
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Far Eastern Affairs

Dr. Charles W. Edmunds,
2103 David Stott Building,
Detroit 26, Michigan.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 21, 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Mr. W. K. Scott
Director
Executive Secretariat
Department of State

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Attached is a request for a Presidential message to the National Capital Committee of the American-Korean Foundation. If the Department recommends that the President support the Foundation's campaign this year, I should appreciate receiving a suggestion on how he can best do so without writing an individual message for each local committee's campaign. May I have a draft of a reply to Mrs. Bacon as soon as possible this week? (1) (2)

Robert Low Bacon

Kevin McCann
Special Assistant
to the President

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The attached White House memorandum transmits a letter to Governor Adams from Mrs. Robert Low Bacon, dated June 17, requesting a Presidential message in support of the American-Korean Foundation, and requests the Department to prepare a draft if deemed advisable.

In view of the urgency expressed in the memorandum, would you have someone in FE prepare the suggested message as appropriate to reach the S/S Message Center prior to the close of business Thursday, June 23. The suggested message should be covered by an appropriate memorandum of transmittal to Mr. McCann, through Colonel Goodpaster, for the signature of Mr. Scott.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. KEVIN MCCANN
THE WHITE HOUSE

Through: Colonel A. J. Goodpaster

Subject: Suggested Reply to Letter from Mrs. Robert Low Bacon

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In accordance with your request of June 21, 1955, I am enclosing a suggested reply to a request of June 17 by Mrs. Robert Low Bacon for a statement addressed to her endorsing this year's fund-raising campaign of the National Capital Committee of the American-Korean Foundation.

Since the campaign is being carried out this year by the local committee in each area instead of being carried on simultaneously across the nation, it is believed that in addition to the proposed statement by the President to Mrs. Bacon the only other written endorsement which might reasonably be asked of him by the Foundation would be a statement which could be used by all local committees.

Major General C. W. Christenberry, the President of the Foundation, is understood to appreciate the undesirability of having other local committees request endorsement of their campaigns by the President, and it is understood that he has not made any request this year for the President's support of the Foundation proper. If you wish to discuss the matter directly with General Christenberry he may be reached in New York City at Oxford 7-1960.

PHC f
W. B. Smith
Director
Executive Secretariat

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1. Suggested reply
2. Mrs. Bacon's letter dated June 21, 1955.

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Dear Mrs. Smith:

I am happy to learn that you have taken on the important job of heading this year's campaign of the National Capital Committee of the American-Korean Foundation.

The type of work which the American-Korean Foundation is carrying out in Korea is of the greatest importance. Its contributions significantly to the reconstruction of Korea as well as the alleviation of suffering and privation among the Korean people, is impressively reaffirms the warm friendship of the American people for the Korean people. And, most important of all, work such as the American-Korean Foundation is carrying on gives real encouragement to the Korean people in their resistance to a vast and formidable Communist threat in a way which governmental-to-government assistance can never achieve alone.

I wish every success to the campaign of the National Capital Committee of the American-Korean Foundation, and I am happy to pledge my support.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Robert Lee Bunn,
Chairman, National Capital Committee,
American-Korean Foundation,
1001 F Street, N. W.,
Washington 4, D. C.

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TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.

July 19, 1955
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REF : Department of Commerce BFC Letter of June 22, 1955-FC: 1040-SB

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SUBJECT: Sending Gift Packages to Korea

Pursuant to the request contained in the reference letter, the Embassy has checked the entire circular Sending Gift Packages to Korea except the first paragraph, with appropriate officials in the Customs Bureau and in the Postal Affairs Bureau. (The first paragraph is prsumably still correct and would in any case be revised by the Department of Commerce)

These officials state that the wording of second and third paragraphs of the circular does not require revision.

The fourth paragraph, having to do with "small packets" should be deleted from the revised circular, as this service was discontinued by Korea on November 12, 1954.

The fifth paragraph need not be changed.

The sixth paragraph requires deletion of the last sentence. The Customs authorities state that no clearance fee is charged on gift parcels. The Postal authorities may however, sometimes make a small charge if rewrapping or other extra service is given.

Although this is not a suggestion of the Korean authorities, the last sentence of the seventh (and next-to-last) paragraph might be more clear if it read: "Orders will be accepted by CARE for distribution of packages to designated recipients.

The last paragraph requires the addition of the following organizations to the list of those registered with the Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid: CARE, Inc; Lutheran World Relief; Pestalozzi Foundation of American, Inc.; and Salvation Army, National Headquarters (listed simply as "Salvation Army" in the 1954 circular).

It might also be of some value to include a new paragraph pointing out, without attempting to list them by name, that other organizations than those /registered

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registered with the ACVFA also accept contributions and arrange for the distribution of relief supplies within Korea.

For the Ambassador:

Horace H. Smith
Counselor of Embassy for Economic Affairs

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TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.

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SUBJECT: Voluntary Agencies Approved by the ROK Government

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has notified the Embassy that according to Notice No. 2 of the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, dated July 29, 1955, the voluntary agencies listed below have been approved by the ROK Government as "bona fide voluntary nonprofit relief and rehabilitation organizations" eligible to participate in the Voluntary Relief Activities Agreement concluded on May 2, 1955. The agencies approved by the ROK Government are the same as those registered with the FOA (ICA) Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid. The approved agencies are the following:

American Friends Service Committee
American Korean Foundation
Assemblies of God-Foreign Service Committee
Church World Service, Inc.
CARE, Inc.
Foster Parents' Plan for War Children
* Lutheran World Relief
Mennonite Central Committee
* Pestalozzi Foundation of America, Inc.
Salvation Army, National Headquarters
Save the Children Federation
* Unitarian Service Committee
War Relief Services -- NCWC
* World University Service
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For the Ambassador:

Willard O. Brown

Willard O. Brown
First Secretary of Embassy

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* These agencies are not represented in Korea at present.

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In reply refer to
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Dear Senator Sparkman:

This is in reply to your letter of September 30, 1955, enclosing a letter from Dr. Don P. Barker, which requested information about the Korean aid program.

Beginning in August 1953 the United States embarked upon a large program of economic assistance to Korea. This program has since become the largest single United States aid program. The following sums have been appropriated for economic aid to Korea since July 1953: July 1953 - June 1954, $320 million; July 1954 - June 1955, $200 million; July 1955 - June 1956, $277 million.

This large aid program has enabled Korea to repair much of the destruction of the war and to submit upon an economic development program. There are now adequate food and shelter for the civilian population, overall agricultural and industrial production exceeds the 1949 level. Although much has been accomplished, the completion of this task will be given high priority in the years ahead, and it is United States policy to continue to assist Korea to rehabilitate and develop its economy.

The enclosures forwarded with your letter are returned herewith.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:
Thruston Morton
Assistant Secretary

Enclosures:

From Dr. Don P. Barker, September 6, 1955, with enclosure.

The Honorable
John Sparkman,
United States Senate.

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Dear Senator Smathers:

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Sincerely yours,

Thruston Ballard
Acting Assistant Secretary

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Honorable Thruston B. Morton
Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations

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with thanks for such favorable consideration as the communication herewith submitted warrants, and for a report thereon, in duplicate to accompany return of inclosure.

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OCT 6 1955

Dear Walter:

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I am herewith sending you a report of this year's contributions for your information. As you will observe, the amount from the State Department is very small in comparison with its contribution last year of $2,761.

✓ Literature and other matter were delivered to your Department for distribution among your personnel. It occurs to me that since the response of your personnel is small as compared with last year, this worthy project might be brought to their attention for further consideration.

In view of your excellent help, I am taking the liberty to ask you for your personal assistance within your Department, instead of writing a letter to the Secretary of State.

I feel that you agree with me that our Korean allies who lost so much, in lives, health and worldly goods in the war against Communism in the Far East, need this vital assistance, I shall greatly appreciate your efforts in this fine cause.

Sincerely yours,

Carter L. Burgess
Chairman, Government Unit
American-Korean Foundation

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Advisory Committee on Weather Control	0	3.00	3.00
Agriculture, Department of	17.00	167.75	168.75
American Battle Monuments Commission	0	0	0
Architect of the Capitol	0	142.55	142.55
Atomic Energy Commission	5.00	92.90	92.90
Botanic Garden	(See Architect of the Capitol)		
Canal Zone Government	14.50	14.50	14.50
Civil Aeronautics Board	41.00	46.00	46.00
Civil Service Commission	0	0	0
Commerce, Department of	0	0	0
Courts			
Juvenile Court	0	9.00	9.00
Municipal Court for the District of Columbia	0	0	0
Municipal Court of Appeals for D. C.	0	0	0
Register of Wills	32.00	32.00	32.00
Supreme Court of U. S.	0	0	0
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Federal Coal Mine Safety Board of Review	0	9.00	9.00
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Federal Reserve System	55.00	55.00	55.00
Federal Trade Commission	152.75	152.75	152.75
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General Services Administration	0	213.12	213.12
General Services Administration, Region #3	181.02	205.92	213.42
Government Printing Office	32.00	32.16	32.16
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State, Department of	48.25	53.25	65.50 ←
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TO : FE - Mr. Robertson
Mr. Sebald — WRM

FROM : NA - Mr. McClurkin RJGM

Bureau of FAR EASTERN AFFAIRS OCT 11 1955 ASSISTANT SECRETARY Department of State

DATE: SEP 11 1955 Oct.

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SUBJECT: Information on American-Korean Foundation's Fund Raising Campaign in State.

There is no officer in the Department of State in charge of the American-Korean Foundation's fund raising campaign among State personnel. This is in accordance with Departmental administrative policy which limits full-fledged fund raising campaigns including personal solicitations and collections to three causes, the Community Chest, the American Red Cross, and United States Savings Bonds.

However, this year, as last year, the Department undertook to receive literature and other matter concerning the American-Korean Foundation's campaign and distribute it to State and Foreign Service personnel. It has been confirmed that the literature received this year was distributed thoroughly and in just the same way as the previous year. The officer in charge of this project is Mrs. Dorothy W. Campbell in Personnel Relations, PER/PO, extension 3166.

It is Mrs. Campbell's opinion that the relatively poor showing of the Department this year in contributing to the American-Korean Foundation is due to the timing of the American-Korean Foundation appeal, which nearly coincided with the American Red Cross drive. She doubts that another appeal at this time would be opportune insofar as the Community Chest is now engaged in its drive and Christmas, a poor time for obtaining contributions, is approaching. Last year the American-Korean Foundation campaign was conducted in the spring and did not compete with other major fund raising drives.

Mrs. Campbell, however, will be glad to distribute further materials or to arrange publicity among State personnel of the relatively poor showing so far this year. She will await our recommendations before considering further action. Given the situation described in the preceding paragraph I doubt that a renewed appeal at this time would be fruitful, although another effort might usefully be made next spring.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ASSISTANT SECRETARY

July 1, 1954.

TO ALL PERSONNEL:

Secretary Dulles has asked me to be Chairman for the State Department of the American-Korean Foundation Fund Raising Campaign. In this capacity, I should like to call upon each of you in the Department and the Foreign Service for your help in this worthy cause. Aside from the humanitarian aspect of aiding our friends in Korea, this campaign affords us the opportunity of striking a blow against the devastation and poverty which has overcome this brave nation, and which left unheeded, provides fertile ground for the seeds of communism.

The American-Korean Foundation is a non-profit, non-sectarian organization, through which Americans can provide aid to millions of Koreans who lost everything except the courage to fight communism. Your contribution is not only necessary to these people spiritually, but materially the need is urgent. Medical supplies, hospital equipment, food supplementation, training of doctors, nurses and teachers, only begin to tell the story of what your dollars can mean.

Envelopes for your contributions will be circulated with this announcement. They should be returned to your Administrative officer with your contributions, and he will see that they are forwarded to the appropriate campaign officials.

President Eisenhower and Secretary Dulles are vitally interested in the success of this worthy endeavor. I sincerely hope that I can depend on your sympathy and friendship in responding generously to this appeal to help Korea once again find its place among the prosperous and peaceful democratic nations of the world.

Walter S Robertson

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November 30, 1955

Dear Carter:

My face is very red as I dictate this letter. Your letter to me of October 6 with reference to the American-Korean Foundation campaign arrived in a period when I was constantly in and out of Washington on speaking trips and while here at home, working some 10, 12 or 14 hours a day. I put the letter aside to investigate the reasons for such a dismal showing and it became buried. It has just come up again for air. The fact that the Department contributed $2,761 last year and only some $65 at the time your letter was written, indicated that something not only was wrong but that no campaign worthy of the name had been carried on at all.

The situation is what I was afraid it might be. The literature was distributed throughout the Department in a routine way and there was no follow up. As a matter of fact, the Department administrative policy limits full-fledged fund raising campaigns to the Community Chest, the American Red Cross and United States Savings Bonds. However, last year when I was designated as chairman for State, I sent out a letter under my personal signature to the personnel of the Department in behalf of the campaign. While I did not assume such a role this year, I will now at this late date send out such a letter and hope that, aided and abetted by the spirit of Christmas, it may prove productive.

I was surprised to find that I had not sent in my own contribution. However, insofar as I was concerned, I saw none of the literature which was distributed nor had I heard anything about the campaign between the opening meeting which I attended and the day I received your letter. I take pleasure in enclosing a check for $100.00.

With warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

Walter S. Robertson

The Honorable
Carter L. Burgess,
Chairman, Government Unit
American-Korean Foundation.

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8779. For Nicholson. Have just received request from Dr. Sohn, President Korcross for funds to assist purchasing food and clothing for approximately 9,000 Koreans affected by recent severe snow slides and some floods. Korcross has given considerable assistance. Their volunteers produced 3,000 suits of clothing which have been distributed, also assisted emergency feeding. Their disaster funds now practically exhausted. I suggest disaster grant $10,000 to be used Korcross for local purchase food and materials. Korcross volunteers will sew garments for disaster victims and distribute same. Money can be transmitted through this office. Appreciate reply soonest.

Signed: Solverud, AMCROSS

cc The President
Mr. Nicholson
Mr. Elsey
International Assistants
Mr. Ramone Eaton
Mr. John C. Wilson
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March 23, 1956

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AMCROSS
TOKYO (JAPAN)

FOR SOLVEKUD PD REUR 8779 PD YOU AUTHORIZED PURCHASE
$10,000 CLOTH IN JAPAN FOR EARLIEST SHIPMENT KORCROSS PD SINCE
KAVA AGENCIES RECEIVING AMERICAN SURPLUS FOODS URGE KORCROSS CONTACT
KAVA FOR POSSIBLE REALLOCATION FOOD KORCROSS FEEDING PROGRAM PD
ADVISE WHETHER KORCROSS REQUESTING LICROSS ISSUE INTERNATIONAL APPEAL PD
ALSO ADVISE WHETHER KAVA AGENCIES PARTICIPATING EMERGENCY RELIEF
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NO.: A-195, March 29, 1956.

SUBJECT: Disaster relief.

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TO: American Embassy, Seoul

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The Embassy will be interested to know that the American Red Cross representative at Tokyo telegraphed National Headquarters on March 23, 1956, that he had received a request from the Korean Red Cross President for funds to assist in purchasing food and clothing for the approximately 9,000 Koreans affected by the recent floods and severe sea tides. The funds of the Korean Red Cross, which has given considerable assistance, are practically exhausted. Their volunteers have furnished 3,000 suits of clothing and have assisted in emergency feeding. Mr. Solverud suggested that $10,000 be granted to be used by the Korean Red Cross for the local purchase of food and materials and said that the Korean Red Cross volunteers would make and distribute the garments.

The American Red Cross on March 23, by telegraph authorized Mr. Solverud to purchase in Japan, $10,000 worth of cloth for the earliest possible shipment to Korea. It was suggested to Mr. Solverud, that since KAVA agencies are receiving American surplus foods, the Korean Red Cross be urged to get in touch with KAVA with regard to the possible reallocation of food to the Korean Red Cross feeding program. Mr. Solverud was also asked to report whether KAVA agencies were participating in the emergency relief program and whether the Korean Red Cross had requested the League to issue an international appeal.

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NO.: A-193 April 9, 1956

SUBJECT: Disaster Relief.

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TO: American Embassy, Seoul

With reference to the Department's instruction No. A-190, there is quoted below the text of Mr. Solverud's telegram of March 27 to the American Red Cross in response to the latter's telegram authorizing the purchase in Japan of $10,000 worth of cloth for shipment to Korea:

"DAVA agencies participating in relief program to victims of snow slides floods and tidal wave in Korea with DAVA coordination all activities. Korcross in touch with DAVA. Am advised presently there are no American surplus foods on hand and none enroute other than granted. Urgent need for staple, clothing, cooking utensils and basic household goods. In view of these needs Korcross suggests allocation of $10,000 as follows: $5,000 for staple foods, $3,000 for clothing, $2,000 cooking utensils and basic household goods. Will appreciate your authority to transmit $10,000 grant to them on this basis.

"Recommendation Mort Cooke and confirmation availability of appropriate materials in Korea appears sounder economically authorize Korcross purchase cloth in Korea rather than attempt to purchase and ship from Japan.

"Dr. Shon wrote Secretary General Licross (League of Red Cross Societies) on 20 March informing him of situation and expressing appreciation for any assistance that might be offered through League."

In response to this telegram, the American Red Cross immediately authorized Mr. Solverud to allocate the contribution as he had recommended.

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Appreciate early reply since authority reimburse ocean freight reference agency's relief shipments contingent receiving confirmation requested.

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August 3 1956

Dear Mrs. Keleher:

After consideration at the White House your letter of May 30 to the President, with enclosures, has been referred to the Department of State so that we might also see your comments. Your interest in writing and making your son's letter available is appreciated. Perhaps you will be interested in the enclosed material which discusses United States policies in the Far East and some of the ways in which we are giving assistance to the people of the Republic of Korea. As you requested, I am returning the photographs of your sons.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:

John P. Meagher
Chief
Public Services Division

Enclosures:

1. Photographs.
2. Selected material.

Mrs. Jean Ranford Keleher,
56 Eastern Avenue,
New Brunswick, New Jersey.

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JEAN BAMFORD KELEHER
~~SCHOOLHOUSE LANE~~
~~MARLBORO,~~ NEW JERSEY

State
56 Easton Avenue
New Brunswick

30 May

Photos sent

To the President of the United States
Dwight D. Eisenhower
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dearly Beloved "Ike"—

I wonder if the enclosed, my 19- year - old son, Geoffrey, will touch the cockles of your heart, as it did mine?

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Peter is class of '57, Rutgers—

Geoff is giving of himself in the Cause
I hoped his plea for the orphans will not go unanswered - I shall do my best, but I am a working widow now - cannot afford to give much -

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 6, 1956

Respectfully referred to the Department of State for appropriate handling.

Please note the writer's request for the return of the photographs.

Sherman Adams

SHERMAN ADAMS
The Assistant to the President

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Yours, with all my heart, for the next four years as President, and for many healthy, happy years to you and your most charming Mrs. Eisenhower,

Respectfully, lovingly,

Jean B. Kelcher

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THE FORGOTTEN LAND

EXCERPTS From A Letter from Korea
A3/C Geoffrey W. Kelsher
AF 12 479 975, Box 225, 58th Field Maintenance Squadron
APO 970, San Francisco, California 20 May 1956

Dear Mom,

Since I've received so many wonderful letters from you Pete, I think I should try to explain just what sort of place Korea is. You know what a dislike I have for writing long letters * * *

Korea is a very hilly land, with very few large trees. Places where it's not flat enough to grow rice, it's quite sandy with crab grass and small shrubbery. The roads are extremely straight, but unpaved, and wicked riding.

The average Korean owns a small patch of rice paddy about the size of a baseball diamond. Because of their population and shortage of planting space, the Korean lives in a village a few miles from his 'diggin's'. With all the families in a small town or village, they don't waste planting space. The popular Korean dish is called "kempshi", consisting of bits of pork, onions, shredded boiled egg, and greens somewhat like spinach. They sometimes add little pieces of chicken.

There are a few missionaries here and there, and a great many Koreans are Christian, especially in the orphanages, of which there are many. I've been visiting one about ten miles from here... a place half the size of our house ... with over 85 kids. They range in age from 2 to 18 years. They are solely supported by the servicemen and their own small farm. They are in desperate need of clothing, soap, and food. We can supply almost enough food, and some soap, along with a few other essentials. Clothing -- we have none. If you can get together small amounts of assorted clothes and send them to me, two or three pounds at a time, I know they would be grateful. Tell some of your friends and maybe a little charity brigade could be set up.

I'm giving English classes for the older children; they seem very eager to learn. They take English as a foreign subject in school. The thing that hurts the most is to see a little girl with all the "standard" American features, blonde hair and blue eyes, that once had a Korean mother who abandoned her and a G.I. father that never even knew her. There are a few kids at the orphanage that fit this description. Of course, there is one advantage for a little one like this, some G.I. may adopt her and bring home with him to the States.

*** (The Koreans) live simply from the land and ask nothing of anybody but themselves and God. It's a shame they had to be the subject of such a brutal thing as a war, one that they didn't even ask for.... I hope some of the things I've mentioned will give you a better idea of Korea, the land of the morning calm. It's a beautiful land with all its simpleness. The word Korean is not only the nationality, it's a way of life that I should think will never end. ***

All my love, Your Literary (?) Son,

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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July 11, 1956

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Mr. Fisher Howe
Director
Executive Secretariat
Department of State

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By Thursday, July twelfth, may I have an approved draft of a message to The American-Korean Foundation, if you recommend that a message be sent? The Foundation's suggested draft is enclosed.

W. B. Lewald for
Kevin McCann
Special Assistant
to the President

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. KEVIN McCANN
THE WHITE HOUSE

Through: Colonel A. J. Goodpaster

Subject: Presidential Message to the American-Korean Foundation

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The Department considers the success of the fund-raising appeal of the American-Korean Foundation highly important, and recommends that the President address a letter to the Appeal Committee of the Foundation along the lines of the enclosed suggested message.

Also enclosed is a suggested letter from Governor Adams to Dr. Howard Rusk, for possible use in transmitting the President's letter.

FISHER HOWE
DIRECTOR
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Enclosures:

Suggested message.
Suggested transmittal letter.
Letter from Mrs. Rhee, returned.

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I hope that many Americans will share in this worthwhile effort to the fullest extent possible so that your program may be carried on without interruption.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

The Special Appeal Committee,
The American-Korean Foundation,
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SUGGESTED TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Dr. Rusk:

Mrs. Robert Low Bacon has requested that I send direct to you the enclosed letter from the President to the Special Appeal Committee of the American-Korean Foundation.

Sincerely yours,

Sherman Adams

Dr. Howard A. Rusk,
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BRYCE HARLOW
THE WHITE HOUSE

Through: Colonel A. J. Goodpaster

Subject: Suggested Letter by the President Supporting the American-Korean Foundation's Fund-Raising Appeal.

The Department of State considers the success of this fund-raising appeal of the American-Korean Foundation highly important, and recommends that the President address a letter to the Appeal Committee of the Foundation along the lines of the enclosed draft.

I am also enclosing a draft letter from Secretary Dulles to Mr. Russell Davis for transmittal of the President's letter.

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Enclosures:

Draft Message. (Tab A)
Draft Transmittal Letter. (Tab B)
Letter from Sec. Dulles to Governor Adams. (Tab C)

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SUGGESTED TRANSMITTAL LETTER FROM GOVERNOR ADAMS TO DR. HOWARD RUSK

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Sherman Adams

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 11, 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Mr. Fisher Howe
Director
Executive Secretariat
Department of State

By Thursday, July twelfth, may I have an approved draft of a message to The American-Korean Foundation, if you recommend that a message be sent? The Foundation's suggested draft is enclosed.

Kevin McCann
Special Assistant
to the President

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THE AMERICAN-KOREAN FOUNDATION

345 East 46th St., New York 17, N.Y.

July 5, 1956

Gov. Sherman Adams
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sherman:

The American-Korean Foundation, in which I have long taken an active interest, is now preparing to undertake its final large-scale fund appeal to American industry. The drive is to reach its climax this fall and to end on November 30. The goal is $500,000 urgently needed to round out the Foundation's rehabilitation program in Korea by completing current projects in such a way as to ensure their lasting value.

Many of the nation's leading industrialists are on the Foundation's Board of Directors, and they agree that the pending final appeal to corporations can be successful—but only if endorsed by President Eisenhower. Asking your cooperation in securing this endorsement, I wish to assure you that this will be the last such request by the Foundation.

Enclosed is a draft of the type of statement that is desired. If this or something similar is made available, it will be a real contribution to the success of the appeal. I feel deeply that a satisfactory response from American industry at this time is of utmost importance to an early and satisfactory completion of the major phase of American-Korean Foundation activity in Korea.

Once this is achieved, the Foundation will undertake no further efforts to secure and allot large sums to new projects, but rather emphasize a program of building "bridges of understanding," as Dr. Milton Eisenhower so nicely put it, between the American and Korean peoples.

In writing to ask your help in this, I wish to express the appreciation of Dr. Howard A. Rusk and all of us who have worked through the American-Korean Foundation to help Korea for the past understanding and support from President Eisenhower and from you and the White House staff.

Upon completion of this statement, please mail direct to:
Dr. Howard A. Rusk, Asst. Editor, The New York Times, New York 36, N. Y.

With thanks and sincere regards,

Virginia Bacon

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MEMO FROM Mrs. Robert L. Bacon

TO Governor Adams

July 5, 1956

Dear Sherman:

I've included two forms (with the same content), one a letter to our special ANF Appeal Committee and the other a statement.

Either will be acceptable, with the letter favored.

Many thanks in advance.

Virginia

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Denver, Colorado
July 5, 1956

Gentlemen:

The Communist invasion of South Korea was halted four years ago by the intervention of United Nations Forces. Since 1952 this young republic has made great progress in reconstruction and rehabilitation and is gradually establishing a strong, vigorous democracy in the Far East.

The American-Korean Foundation, financed solely by voluntary contributions, has effectively participated in no small way toward this achievement. Its work has significantly reduced suffering and privation among the Korean people. It has persuasively reaffirmed the warm friendship of the American people for the Korean people at an individual instead of governmental level and given moral and practical encouragement to the Korean people.

This is the final national appeal of the American-Korean Foundation to obtain funds from corporate and similar sources for the completion of the Foundation's major projects in Korea. Your support now will be the climax in assuring the lasting success of the American-Korean Foundation's part in the recovery of this loyal ally of ours in the Far East.

I therefore commend the support of this appeal to all Americans.

Sincerely,

Dwight D. Eisenhower

The Special Appeal Committee
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TO: Secretary of State

NO: 45, JULY 11, 7 P.M.

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EMB, OEC AND SECRETARY KOREAN ASSOCIATION VOLUNTARY AGENCIES BELIEVE KOREAN RED CROSS HAS EXAGGERATED EXTENT OF NEED FOR RELIEF ASSISTANCE DUE TO DAMAGE CAUSED BY RECENT HEAVY RAINS. NO FOUNDATION KNOWN FOR CLAIM BY DIRECTOR KRC THAT "TOLL OF DEATH AND DISEASE GOING TO BE TREMENDOUS" PUBLISHED KOREAN REPUBLIC JULY 6. THIS ARTICLE WAS FIRST STORY CALLING FLOOD DAMAGE "DISASTER" ALTHOUGH HEAVY RAINS OCCURRED TWO WEEKS EARLIER.

OEC STATES THAT DISASTER COMMITTEE OF KAVA AND KRC NOT CALLED UPON BY KRC OR KOREAN GOVT AND THAT MIN HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE DOES NOT CONSIDER SITUATION CONSTITUTES DISASTER OR CALLS FOR RELIEF MEASURES BY NATIONAL GOVT. HOWARD GREGORY, AMERICAN RED CROSS DIRECTOR, BELIEVES THAT RESULTS RAINFALL IN TERMS HOMES DESTROYED AND NUMBER PEOPLE AFFECTED BY STANDARDS USED IN US BY ARC WOULD QUALIFY THIS AS DISASTER. GREGORY STATES ARC HAS SET ASIDE $5,000 FOR RELIEF MEASURES, WHICH HE INTENDS USE TO BEST ADVANTAGE AFTER SURVEY OF MATERIALS AVAILABLE FROM KAVA MEMBERS AND OEC.

WHILE CONSIDERABLE ADDITIONAL RELIEF ASSISTANCE COULD BE UTILIZED NOW AS AT ANY TIME IN POSTWAR PERIOD, DO NOT CONSIDER "SUBSTANTIAL" ASSISTANCE AS FLOOD RELIEF JUSTIFIED BY AVAILABLE EVIDENCE. SMALL AMOUNT OF AID BY ARC CAN, HOWEVER, BE JUSTIFIED AND WOULD BE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED.

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ALMOST CONTINUOUS RAINFALL DURING PAST WEEK HAS CAUSED ADDITIONAL FLOOD DAMAGE IN ALL BUT SOUTHERNMOST PROVINCES ROK.

DISASTER COMMITTEE OF KOREA ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTARY AGENCIES HAS MET WITH KOREAN RED CROSS TO DISCUSS SITUATION. KRC RPT KRC REPORTEDLY ADMITTED ITS RECENT APPEAL TO AMERICAN RED CROSS EXAGGERATED DAMAGE RECENT HEAVY RAINS BUT STRESSED NEED FOR REPLENISHMENT RELIEF SUPPLIES EXPENDED PREVIOUSLY.

EMB BELIEVES THAT CONZINUED UNUSUALLY HEAVY RAINS PROBABLY JUSTIFY SOMEWHAT MORE ARC RPT ARC ASSISTANCE THAN SUGGESTED REFTEL. ARC DIRECTOR GREGORY, WITH US RPT US EIGHTH ARMY, SEOUL, SHOULD BE ABL ADVISE AMOUNT AND TYPE AID NEEDED.

MEANWHILE KAVA RPT KAVA IS ASSISTING FLOOD SUFFERERS WITH BLANKETS AND OTHER SUPPLIES AVAILABLE LOCALLY.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : FE - Mr. Jones

DATE: DEC 31 1956

FROM : NA - Mr. Parsons

SUBJECT: Korea's Food Needs in the Coming Year.

We have had several urgent messages from the Embassy and ICA Mission in Seoul regarding Korea's need for rice on an emergency basis. While requesting emergency procurement of rice under the P.L. 480 program, our representatives in Seoul simultaneously have stressed the urgent need for food grains over and above those needed in the current crisis. The following has been stressed:

1. The urgent need for rice to arrive in Korea by February or early March 1957, at the latest, and public announcement at this time that such shipments will take place. The Koreans have requested a FY 1957 P.L. 480 program to include 250,000 tons of rice and our Embassy and OEC have recommended inclusion of 200,000 tons.

2. Normal grains (wheat and barley) are needed in Korea not so much during the current emergency but during the traditional grain-short spring months. To meet these needs the field recommendations are for a joint P. L. 480 - Section 402 program of 370,000 metric tons of wheat and 380,000 metric tons of barley. In Korea, where food grains, particularly rice, are the basic source of nourishment, the failure to meet both the current emergency and normal spring needs could have serious consequences far and above the alleviation of hunger, which itself is vital.

In order to meet the immediate as well as the longer-range problem, Embassy/OEC Seoul recommend and I concur in taking the following similar, although not necessarily identical actions, some of which are in process of completion:

1. The shifting of $7.37 million now included in the FY 1956 P.L. 480 program for cotton and $1.5 million for vegetable oils for the procurement of California rice for immediate shipment to Korea. Because of valuation differences between export market value and CCC costs, it is possible to procure $11.5 million of rice for the $8.87 million of CCC estimated cost of the cotton and vegetable oils. This will make available about 75,000 tons of rice which possibly could be transported to Korea by late February if immediate action on both the U. S. and Korean sides is taken. Steps for taking this action are in progress.

2. The conclusion of a P.L. 480 agreement with Korea for FY 1957 to include approximately 150,000 tons of rice (between $25 and $30 million) plus approximately $5 million for barley and $10 million for wheat. If such an agreement could be concluded immediately, food grains could begin to arrive in Korea by early March or late April of next year when they most urgently will be needed. A program of this magnitude may prove to be impossible.

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3. The maintenance of the composition of FY 1957 Section 402 program as now constituted. This totals $45 million, of which barley constitutes $12.5 million, wheat $19.5 million, and no rice. (Attachment 1)

The rice needs under either 1. or 2. could in part be shifted from P.L. 480 to Section 402 if there were some assurance that the resulting shortfall of barley and wheat would in turn be compensated for in P.L. 480. The total availability of funds under Section 402 already has been determined; that under P.L. 480 remains to be determined.

Several major problems have to be overcome in carrying out the foregoing program.

a) World-wide commitments under Title I of P.L. 480 are less than $50 million in CCC value short of the $3 billion authorized by the Congress; this precludes consummation of a program of the magnitude which the Embassy/OEC Seoul have recommended for FY 1957 ($86.5 million including ocean transportation - see Attachment 1.) Iceland, Greece, and Turkey may also seek programs under the remaining availabilities. We hope to have a program which at least meets Korea's food grain requirements through June 30, 1957. Congress may authorize additional funds at its next session to permit meeting subsequent needs.

b) The CCC at present has no unobligated stocks of rice, and actual surplus from the 1956 U.S. rice crop will not be available until mid-March or early April of 1957, too late to meet the existing Korean problem. However, as has been done once before (Pakistan), it is fully within the legal authority to commercially procure rice under Title I for shipment in meeting emergency situations. The Department of Agriculture informs that there are about 150,000 tons of rice in California in private commercial stocks. The cost of such commercial procurement would not necessarily be greater than procurement from CCC warehouses, and in fact might be less due to avoidance of CCC procurement costs.

Problem b. might also be met by shifting the cotton and vegetable oil under the FY 1956 P.L. 480 program to wheat and/or barley, of which the CCC does have stocks, and compensate by shifting an equivalent amount of wheat and/or barley from the FY 1957 Section 402 program to rice, where CCC stocks are not a problem.

A principal objective of our economic assistance program to Korea over the past several years has been to maintain a degree of financial stability in order that any funds we spend not be dissipated by runaway inflation. During the past year relative stability has been maintained; however, we are losing this achievement during the current emergency and in effect losing much of what we have achieved by the expenditure of more than a billion

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dollars during the past three fiscal years. Allied with this is the fact that hwan-dollar exchange rate is geared to the wholesale price index in Seoul, and failure to keep this index from increasing by 25 percent over its level in September 1955 will necessitate a further devaluation of the hwan. Indicative of the inflationary impact of the current emergency is the fact that as of November 2 this index was 3 percent higher than the September 1955 average and 19 percent higher as of December 7.

The hwan proceeds obtained from the sale of surplus agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 and partially under Section 402 are used in Korea for the support of the ROK military budget. If such counterpart funds prove insufficient, the military reserves first call on regular economic assistance (defense support) counterpart funds. Any serious inflation is, of course, reflected in what can be accomplished with a given quantity of hwan, and further deterioration of the existing situation will impede both the military and economic programs, accompanied by what could be rather serious political problems.

Attachment:

1. Embassy/OEC Seoul Recommendations Under P.L. 480 and Section 402

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Embassy/OEC Seoul Recommendations Under P.L. 480 and Section 402

Fiscal Year 1957
($ Millions)

Commodity	Section 402	P.L. 480	Total
Cotton	11.0 1/	11.5	22.5
Barley	12.5 1/	5.6	18.1
Wheat	19.5 1/	10.9	30.4
Rice		36.0	36.0
Corn		2.0	2.0
Tobacco		1.0	1.0
Canned Pork		9.0	9.0
Dairy Products		1.0	1.0
Hides & Skins	1.0		1.0
Tallow	1.0		1.0
Ocean Trans.		9.5	9.5
Total	45.0	86.5	131.5

Note: Wheat - 370,000 M.T.

Barley - 380,000 M.T.

Rice - 200,000 M. T.

1/ Purchase authorizations initiated to date (12/17/56) are $20.5 million, leaving balance $11.5 million.

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1. RELIEF CASES:

IN CURRENT BUDGET 1.8 BILLION HWAN APPROPRIATED FOR RELIEF. THI ADEQUATE COVER ONLY 120 THOUSAND OF 430 THOUSAND ESTIMATED AS ELIGIBLE FOR RELIEF BY MINISTRY HEALTH AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS. MINISTRY HAD REQUESTED 7.4 BILLION HWAN BUT MINISTRY FINANCE ARGUED APPROPRIATION THAT MAGNITUDE WOULD JEOPARDIZE STABILI-ZATION OBJECTIVES. FINANCE OFFICIALS HAVE REFERRED REPEATEDLY JULY-DEC. 1956 PERIOD WHEN FUNDS SUFFICIENT FOR ONLY 200 THOUSAND PERSONS MADE AVAILABLE AND "THEY GOT BY". THIS, OF COURSE, WAS DURING HARVEST SEASON WHEN OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUPPLEMENTING RELIEF GRAINS CONSIDERABLY BETTER THAN AT PRESENT.

MINISTER HEALTH STRONGLY OBJECTED AMOUNT APPROPRIATED AND HAS PERSISTENTLY SOUGHT INCREASED FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR RELIEF PROGRAM. ISSUE WAS BELIEVED TEMPORARILY RESOLVED MAR. 2 CEB RPT CEB MEETING WHEN FINANCE REPRESENTATIVE AGREED RELEASE ONE BILLION HWAN FOR PERIOD MARCH 1 TO MAY 15 OUT OF 1.8 BILLION APPROPRIATION. SINCE 400 MILLION SPENT JAN-FEB THIS WOULD LEAVE ONLY 400 MILLION FOR REMAINING SEVEN AND ONE HALF MONTHS OR ROUGHLY 4 BILLION LESS THAN REQUIRED ASSUMING RELIEF LOAD REMAINS CONSTANT. FINANCE REPRE-SENTATIVES ACKNOWLEDGED AT CEB MEETING THAT SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION "OR OTHER MEANS OF FINANCING" WOULD BE REQUIRED CARRY PROGRAM BALANCE OF YEAR.

DESPITE CEB ACTION AND RESOLUTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY NATIONAL ASSEMBLY MARCH 12 CALLING FOR "MEASURES TO EXTEND HELPING HAND T THOSE WHO NEED GOVERNMENT RELIEF REGARDLESS OF BUDGETARY PROVISIONS"

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FINANCE MINISTER HAS REFUSED TO RELEASE ADDITIONAL FUNDS. WE EXPECT PRESIDENTIAL DECISION THIS MATTER WITHIN FEW DAYS.

2. FARM RELIEF:

AS REPORTED EARLIER, 1956 RICE CROP 15 TO 20 PER CENT LESS THAN 1955; EARLY FROST, UNSEASONAL RAINS AND TYPHOON MAJOR CAUSES POOR CROP. FOUR SOUTHERN PROVINCES HARDEST HIT WITH LOSS SOME AREAS AS HIGH AS 50 PER CENT. WHILE KOREA TRADITIONALLY HAS FOOD SHORTAGES MARCH THROUGH MAY, GENERALLY AGREED THIS YEAR'S SHORTAGE SOMEWHAT MORE ACUTE AND CONCENTRATED THAN USUAL. WHILE ACTUAL STARVATION UNLIKELY, IT IS CLEAR SPECIAL MEASURES ARE REQUIRED TO AVOID SEVERE HARDSHIP IN MANY RURAL COMMUNITIES.

TO MEET PROBLEM, GOVERNMENT HAS ANNOUNCED INTENTION RELEASE ROUGHLY 65 THOUSAND TONS GRAIN AND FLOUR MARCH THROUGH JUNE. THIS PROGRAM NOW UNDERWAY. IN ADDITION GOVERNMENT PLANS ACCELERATE RELEASE FUNDS FOR RECLAMATION-IRRIGRATION PROJECTS IN ORDER PROVIDE TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT RURAL AREAS. THIS PHASE OF PROGRAM NOT YET BEING CARRIED OUT, BUT LIKELY IT WILL BE SOON.

AT THIS TIME THESE PROBLEMS ARE BASICALLY FINANCIAL. IF ABOVE STEPS EFFECTED CRISIS CAN BE AVERTED. EMBASSY/OEC REVIEWING FOOD SUPPLY DATA BALANCE FOOD YEAR AND WILL FORWARD RECOMMENDATIONS SOON. PRELIMINARY CONCLUSION IS THAT FOOD ADDITIONAL TO THAT ALREADY PROGRAMMED WILL BE NEEDED BEGINNING JUNE OR JULY.

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In reply refer to NA
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Dear Mrs. Somers:

In your letter of July 18 you inquire whether there is any way in which articles can be sent free of duty to an orphanage in Chunchon, Korea.

We understand that imports of relief goods to Korea in order to be admitted tax-free by the Korean customs authorities must be addressed to authorized government or private agencies. All private agencies affiliated with the Korea Association of Voluntary Agencies are accorded the privilege of tax-free entry; groups not affiliated with this association must be registered separately with the Korean Ministry of Public Health and Social Affairs in order to qualify. Packages addressed to individuals and to unauthorized agencies are treated as gift packages and are subject to the legal import duty applicable to the items contained therein. No commodity tax is imposed on either gift or relief packages.

As far as we are aware, no specific prohibition has been applied to the contents of relief or gift parcels, except the normal international prohibitions against military supplies, pernicious materials, etc. The guiding principle seems to be the judgment by customs officials as to the appropriateness of gift or relief materials for the intended recipient. A question may also be raised if the quantities involved are excessive. Doubtful cases are referred to a special committee in the Korean Ministry of Public Health and Social Affairs. If the committee rules that the goods are not suitable for the addressee, a decision is made as to appropriate disposition of the package. Approval by the Ministry of Public Health and Social Affairs has recently been required for certain medicines and drugs which might be included in relief shipments.

I do not know whether your church or the Seoul Orphanage is affiliated with one of the authorized voluntary agencies or whether the orphanage is registered separately with the Korean Ministry of Public Health and Social Affairs. If you do not have this information, it is suggested that you inquire of the orphanage

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direct. The Church Welfare Service, 215 Fourth Avenue, New York 3, N. Y. might also be able to help you.

Although the foregoing information on Korean regulations is believed to be reliable, it is based on foreign sources of information, and thus no assurance can be given as to its complete accuracy. Please feel free to consult us again if you require further information on this subject.

Sincerely yours,

Clifford C. Matlock
Officer in Charge, Nationals Affairs
Office of Northeast Asian Affairs

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The State Department
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Dear Sirs:

Our Church Circles are interested in sending needed articles to Ahn Soon Jul Orph anage, Chumchon, Korea.

We understand that duty to this country is very high. Is there any way we could send these articles duty free?

Thanking you
Sincerely
Adelfie Somers

Church-By-The-Sea
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Reference: (A) DA333175 DTG 261836Z July 1955. NOTAL

Reference: (B) Letter AGJ 014.1 EJ/D HQ unclassified DTD 19 July 1957.

Subject: "Instructions for CINCUNC Executive Agent for the Armed Forces Assistance Program to Korea (AFAK)." NOTAL.

In accordance with reference (A), General Decker as CG Eighth Army is designated "CINCUNC executive agent" for Armed Forces Assistance Program for Korea (AFAK) Vice General White. AFAK instructions for CINCUNC executive in reference B.

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NO.: A-19 July 25, 1957

SUBJECT: Korean Regulations Governing Gift Packages

Reference: Embassy Despatch 31, July 12, 1957

TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL

FROM COMMERCE:

Two copies of the Department of Commerce's release entitled "Sending Gift Packages to Korea," dated September 1955, are attached as requested in reference despatch. This release was issued after it had been reviewed by the Embassy in Seoul and certain officials in the Customs Bureau and the Postal Affairs Bureau in Korea and modified as indicated in Embassy despatch No. 30 of July 19, 1955.

It is noted the release indicates that, with certain exceptions, import duties and commodity taxes are not generally imposed on gift packages. The reference despatch states that gift packages addressed to individuals are subject to the legal import duty applicable to the items contained. A letter, dated July 1, 1957, from the Ministry of Communications to the United States Post Office Department seems to suggest that new customs regulations permit the entry of parcels (presumably duty free) the contents of which are not valued over $100. The previous value limitation was $50.

Commerce would appreciate the following:

1. A clarification of the attached Ministry of Communications letter with particular reference to duty treatment of parcels, both gift and others, according to value groups.

2. What was the effective date of the change from duty free treatment for gift parcels, as stated in the Commerce release, to dutiable treatment, as stated in the reference despatch?

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3. Does the omission of a specific commodity from the import lists in the private trade programs preclude its shipment to Korea in a gift parcel?

4. Does the requirement of approval from the Ministry of Public Health and Social Welfare for the import of certain medicines and drugs under the private trade program apply to gift packages as well? If so, is this approval

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this approval readily granted after the package arrives in Korea?

5. A review of the attached Commerce release for any other suggested changes would be appreciated.

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#2 Copy of letter to Postmaster General, D. C., from Ministry of Communications, Republic of Korea

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American Red Cross authorized Solverud spend $5,000 as needed after arrival.

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American Red Cross received telegram from Solverud its Director Operations Far East forwarding Korean Red Cross appeal victims flood. Solverud suggests allocation $10,000. Your comments requested. Suggest you coordinate with Solverud ETA Korea August 12.

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CLOUDBURSTS AND FLASH FLOODS AUGUST 3 FOLLOWING MONTH RAINY SEASON HAVE CREATED ONE OF MOST SERIOUS BELIEF PROBLEMS IN KOREA SINCE END HOSTILITIES. ALL FOUR SOUTHERN PROVINCES AFFECTED, BUT MOST SERIOUS ALONG NAKTONG RIVER IN SOUTH KYONGSANG. NEWS REPORTS INDICATE UP TO 150 DEAD AND 75,000 HOMELESS. PRESIDENT RHEE FLEW TO PUSAN TODAY TO SURVEY SITUATION.

VOLUNTARY AGENCIES AND ROK GOVERNMENT HAVE ALREADY BEGUN MAJOR RELIEF ACTIVITIES. STATE COUNCIL AUGUST 8 DECIDED RELEASE 112 MILLION HWAN FROM RESERVE FOR FLOOD REFIEF. PRESIDENT RHEE AND VICE PRESIDENT CHANG MADE PERSONAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHINESE RESIDENTS SEOUL CONTRIBUTED 2 MILLION HWAN. AMBASSADOR AND GENERAL DECKER SENT LETTERS SYMPATHY AND EMBASSY RAISING CONTRIBUTINGS. GOVERNMENT KOREAN REPUBLIC REPORTED CABLED OFFER ASSISTANCE LEARUE RED CROSS SOCIETIES RECEIVED AUGUST 9.

PRESS MADE ALARMIST REPORTS CROP DAMAGES MORE SERIOUS THAN 1956 BUT ACTUAL EXTENT DAMAGE REMAINS TO BE SEEN. DETAILS SO FAR AVAILABLE CITED EMBASSY DESPATCH 93, AUGUST 8, SECTION

EMBASSY BELIEVES SITUATION MERITS ASSISTANCE AMERICAN RED CROSS AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES. GOVERNMENT'S KOREAN REPUBLIC EDITORIAL AUGUST 8 SAID ROK GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT (REPEAT NOT) MAKE OFFICIAL REQUEST FOR AID BUT EXPRESSED HOPE FOREIGN AGENCIES WOULD ASSIST.

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SUBJECT: Flood in Southern Korea

(UNCLASSIFIED) Heavy rains and the overflow of the Naktong river have brought about a devastating flood which has raged since about August 4 in the four southern provinces of Kyongsang Namdo, Kyongsang Pukto, Cholla Namdo, and Cholla Pukto, (see Weekly Economic Reviews 32 and 33 and Embassy telegram No. 185). After a respite of several days, rains resumed on Saturday, August 10, and continued through Monday night, hampering relief activities and delaying a comprehensive survey of damages. Although conditions to date have not permitted a comprehensive survey, the human, crop, and property damages are certain to be severe. Information available through August 14 is presented below; it should be emphasized that in most cases the statistics are preliminary and unconfirmed.

Estimated number of persons dead -- 235

Estimated number of homes completely destroyed - 8,274.

Estimated number of persons who had to leave their homes -- 583,185.

Number of livestock lost -- 52 head of cattle and horses; 2,895 head of other livestock.

Number of bridges washed out -- 470.

Highways washed out in 1,545 places.

Inundated agricultural land, most of which is sown in rice, is estimated as high as 295,200 acres. Preliminary estimates of crop losses, issued several days ago by the Ministry of Agriculture were: rice, 105,000 suk (about 15,000 metric tons) and soybeans, 43,000 [redacted] 6,000 tons). The Ministry has not issued a revised estimate, but reports that the original is probably greatly understated. As soon as conditions permit, a comprehensive survey of crop damage will be made, in which OEC expects to participate. The Embassy's Agricultural Attache will [redacted] the immediate future to survey the damage independently.

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It should be noted that the rice at its present stage is resilient enough to withstand considerable punishment. It is presumed, however, that many paddies were ruined by mud and breakdown of irrigation dikes. Some of the rice may be salvaged for replanting; some cropland may be restored for sowing buckwheat and vegetables. (END UNCLASSIFIED)

(BEGIN OFFICIAL USE ONLY) It is expected that the ROK will come up with estimates of colossal crop failures, as a matter of enhancing its "bargaining" position in future programming. OEC and the Embassy, therefore, intend to participate in the crop survey work. On a field trip August 9-10 extending to areas (not affected by the flood) some 30 miles south of Taejon, rice and other crops observed by the reporting officer promise a rich harvest; this opinion was shared by an accompanying OEC agricultural expert. Unless near-total crop damage has occurred in the flood area, the excellent condition of fall crops elsewhere throughout the country should go a long way toward meeting the overall deficit. The Agricultural Attache will investigate this point in connection with his impending visit to the flood area. (END OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

(BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED) ROK estimates of overall damages, including crops and public and private facilities, range as high as 20 billion hwan ($40 million). President Rhee has called upon the government to extend relief and the Flood Relief Committee named by the National Assembly has asked for an appropriation of some 2 billion hwan. The Ministry of Agriculture has proposed that 500,000 suk (71,000 tons) of government reserve grains be made available for non-interest loans to the stricken farmers. Local governments of the affected provinces have been notified that free distribution is being readied of some 32,500 bushes of buckwheat and vegetables seeds, plus quantities of pesticides and straw bags for repair of paddy dikes. (END UNCLASSIFIED)

(BEGIN OFFICIAL USE ONLY) With respect to the financial problem, the ROK Government faces the dilemma of carrying out the President's wishes on the one hand for substantial flood relief and a large-scale flood prevention program, and on the other for continued hewing to the stabilization line. Action that will be taken is as yet unclear. (END OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

(BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED) Meanwhile the Voluntary Agencies have worked effectively, pooling their resources and cooperating with the ROK Red Cross. Voluntary contributions have been made by US and UN agencies. US trucks and helicopters have been the chief means of transporting tons of supplies; all available US Army tents have been loaned but shelter remains the most crucial need. No epidemics have occurred as yet, but plans are underway to provide typhoid innoculations from available ROK stocks, which are believed to be sufficient.

American Red Cross representative Mr. Truman Solverud, Director of Operations for the Far East Area (headquarters in Tokyo) has stated that

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his organization will present the ROK Red Cross with a $5,000 check. The Korea field office of ARC is assisting operations largely in an advisory capacity. American observers are pleased with ROK self-reliance and efficiency in the present emergency, and believe that the mopping-up and rehabilitation process will progress smoothly, provided the rains do not resume. More complete estimates of crop losses will be reported when available.

The possibility of a grain allocation on the basis of Title II of PL 480 (Famine Relief and Other Assistance) is under consideration by OEC/Embassy. Action will be withheld pending determination of the extent of crop losses. (END UNCLASSIFIED)

For the Ambassador:

Samuel O. Lane

Samuel O. Lane
First Secretary of Embassy

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Department has received following note from Korean Embassy requesting flood assistance:

QUOTE Excellency, On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Korea, I have the honor to present to Your Excellency my deepest appreciation for your constant support for the rehabilitation of Korea.

You are probably aware from the news reports of the devastating damage caused by the recent flood which was the most serious one we have had in the last twenty-three years. The heaviest destruction was along the Naktong River and its extent is still being surveyed by officials of my government. I have been informed that the American Red Cross has dispatched representatives to help the stricken areas.

According to the interim report received, 303 houses were washed away, 736 houses are submerged in water and beyond repair, 8,204 homes were partially damaged, and in one province alone, Kyongsang Namdo, 45,000 persons were victims of this flood. Also, more than 50,000 acres of farm land, rice paddies and upland lands were destroyed; in addition, untold numbers of persons were either drowned or died of other means caused by the flood.

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The Headquarters of the National Police reported on August 9, 1957, the total amount of losses and damage is estimated at 16,300,000,000 Hwan ($32,000,000).

Meanwhile, the state council decided on August 16, 1957 that the government will release 500,000,000 Hwan ($1,000,000) to be used in flood relief and rehabilitation projects.

In addition to the above, a nation-wide flood relief program is underway. Donations from all sources, both public and private, are being received by the flood relief committees. Answering President Rhee's call for aid, the Chinese residents of Seoul donated 2,000,000 Hwan ($4,000). The Chinese Embassy in Seoul reported that they have asked Chinese residents in other sectors of Korea to extend a helping hand also.

The people of Korea are very much aware of the generous support the Americans have given them in the past as well as at present, and are now reluctant to ask for their aid in this present plight. However, in view of Korea's current financial stringency, we must again ask your support for the urgently needed items such as food, clothing and material to reconstruct the homes of the flood victims to be financed under Title II of Public Law 480. END QUOTE.

Embassy-CEC comments requested.

FYI Title II PL 480 provides grants of food and other surplus agricultural commodities to meet urgent relief requirements. Under current policies Title II commodities available only for direct distribution to victims of disaster.

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SUBJECT: Korean Regulations Governing Gift Packages

FOR COMMERCE.

The ROK Bureau of Customs has requested two or three copies of the Department of Commerce publication "Sending Gifts to Foreign Countries -- Summary of US Export Regulations". It will be appreciated if these can be forwarded to Embassy Seoul for transmittal.

This publication is referred to in Enclosure No. 1 of the referenced Instruction, a release of the Department of Commerce entitled "Sending Gift Packages to Korea".

For the Ambassador:

Edwin M. Cronk

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First Secretary of Embassy

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Dear Mr. Sikes: 895B.49/9-957

Reference is made to your memorandum of September 9, 1957 referring to the Department for investigation a letter dated August 25 from Mrs. Mary Holden, 1102 West 15th Street, Panama City, Florida. Mrs. Holden expressed concern over the difficult food situation in South Korea, which is described in a letter she enclosed from the Christian Children's Fund.

The Department has reviewed the available information on South Korea's food situation. From the facts it appears that the food stringency normally prevailing in rural Korea during the spring and early summer, before the new crop is harvested, was unusually serious this year, and that, despite relief measures, there were numerous areas where shortage of food as a result of poor 1956 crops imposed severe hardship. Although it is unfortunately possible that deaths from malnutrition may have occurred, the case mentioned in the letter from the Christian Children's Fund is the first such instance that has come to the attention of the Department.

Korean Government officials, as well as the representatives of the International Cooperation Administration and other United States agencies, have been aware of the situation and have done their utmost, within the limit of available funds, to meet the emergency. Shipments of surplus foods from the United States to Korea during the six months ending June 30, 1957 were far larger than during the first half of 1956, and food prices in the major cities of Korea have been relatively low compared with prevailing prices a year ago. The United States public agencies, as well as private groups including the Christian Children's Fund, have worked closely with the Korean Government to improve distribution of relief food among the needy. More recently the Korean Government has submitted a request, which is now under consideration, for assistance under the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act to provide relief for victims of recent floods in the Naktong valley of Korea.

The Honorable
Robert L. F. Sikes,
House of Representatives.

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In the light of improved prospects for 1957 crops, the food situation in Korea should be somewhat better next spring. In the meantime United States agricultural experts under the technical cooperation program of the International Cooperation Administration are continuing their efforts to develop better farm practices in Korea and to assist in the improvement of food storage and distribution facilities. Eventually, it is hoped, spring famines can be eliminated.

The letters from Mrs. Holden and from the Christian Children's Fund are returned to you herewith.

Sincerely yours,
For the Secretary of State:

John S. Hoghland II
Acting Assistant Secretary
for Congressional Relations

Enclosures:

1. Letter from Mrs. Holden.
2. Letter from Christian Children's Fund, Inc.

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Sir:

The attached communication is sent for your consideration.

Please investigate the statements contained therein and forward me the necessary information for reply, returning the enclosed correspondence with your answer.

Yours truly,

Bob Sikes,
M. C.

Christian Childrens
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REF: A. DEPTEL 185 B. TOICA 581.

SUBJECT: FLOOD RELIEF ASSISTANCE.

1. CEB SEPTEMBER 11 APPROVED REPORT OF WORK GROUP (REF B) WHICH CONCLUDED THAT RELIEF ASSISTANCE REQUIRED AS RESULT RECENT FLOODS IS OF SUCH MAGNITUDE "AS COULD BE HANDLED MOST EXPEDITIOUSLY AND EFFECTIVELY BY EXPANSION EXISTING PROGRAMS, UNDER USUAL PROCEDURES, WITHOUT REQUIRING INITIATION NEW PROGRAMS UNDER EMERGENCY PROCEDURES". CEB ADOPTED RECOMMENDATION "THAT COMPETENT OEC/ROK TECHNICAL OFFICES PROCEED WITH DEVELOPMENT EXPANDED PROGRAM RELIEF ASSISTANCE ADMINISTERED BY VOL AGENCIES, UNDER DIRECTION OF CEB, AND FUNDED AS IN PAST FROM 480 TITLE III FOR COMMODITIES INVOLVED AND ICA DS FOR OCEAN FREIGHT AND INTERNAL HANDLING CHARGES".

2. BASIS THIS CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION OUTLINED REF B, PARA 3. ASSUME ROK EMBASSY INFORMED ROK'S DECISION.

3. OEC, ROK, AND VOL AGENCIES NOW REVIEWING 58 PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE RECOMMENDED PARA 1. PROPOSALS WILL BE FORWARDED AT LATER DATE.

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SUBJECT: Department of Commerce publication "Sending Gift Packages to Korea".

FOR COMMERCE

Interested Ministries of the ROK Government have reviewed the Department of Commerce release entitled "Sending Gift Packages to Korea". The enclosed statement, prepared by the Ministry of Finance, provides information which will permit revision of the release to reflect the currently applicable regulations.

Embassy Seoul despatches Nos. 31 and 123 provide further details on the procedures involved in the handling of both gift and relief packages.

For the Ambassador:

Edwin M. Cronk
First Secretary of Embassy

Enclosure:
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Dear Mr. Ray:

I refer to the letter dated January 25, 1958 from Mr. Joseph A. Conroy, 140 East 210th Street, Bronx 67, New York which you transmitted with your communication of January 28, 1958 addressed to Mr. Willis Nordick. Mr. Conroy's letter, which is enclosed, requests, among other things, information on the use of U.S. facilities for sending packages containing essentials to foreign missionary organizations in Korea.

In accordance with your request the Department has looked into the question posed by Mr. Conroy and has prepared the enclosed suggested reply to Mr. Conroy.

Sincerely yours,

William B. Macomber, Jr.
Assistant Secretary

Enclosures:

1. Draft reply to Mr. Conroy.
2. Letter from Mr. Conroy.

Mr. William A. Ray,
Administrative Assistant
to the Vice President,
United States Senate.

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Dear Mr. Savage:

I have received your letter of January 15, 1958 in which you speak warmly of Americans abroad who represent religious and philanthropic organizations. I am sure that your feelings are widely shared. You also express concern over restrictions on the availability of dollar grants and other facilities to members of private American voluntary agencies working in Korea.

Because of the relations in the mind of the United States would favor childhood in Korea and because of the immense administrative problems involved in the delivery of individual private relief packages, it was necessary several years ago for the Army to withdraw certain privileges from non-governmental child-welfare in Korea. However, it is the general practice of the governments of all nations, including the United States, to reserve for themselves the right to conduct public services for private individuals within their jurisdictions. Foreign countries also normally require that any such exchanges and other United States military facilities serve only military and civilian personnel employed by the United States Government.

Although any current such facilities are no longer available in Korea to private American citizens, the United States has entered into arrangements with the Government of the Republic of Korea to permit adoption Korean-born Korean of grade standard to our purchasers by

Mr. Joseph A. Savage,
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United States voluntary relief agencies qualified under United States Government regulations. Such arrangements have been made by facilities for the transmittal of parcels to religious and other voluntary groups in Rome.

Problems of transmitting packages to Catholic institutions in Rome may be referred to the Executive Director, Catholic Relief Service, 350 Fifth Avenue, New York 1, N. Y., who, it is understood, cooperates in working out shipping arrangements with individuals desiring in the United States.

I hope this information will prove of assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

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MEMORANDUM FOR

Mr. Weikko Forsten

We shall appreciate it if you will ask that a draft reply be prepared to each of the attached and returned to us with the original correspondence.

Thank you,

William G. Key
Administrative Assistant
to the Vice President

1 Enclosures: att ac Ltr
ltr from Dr. Martin T. Bergsjo (Harvard, Ill.)
ltr from Joseph J. Conroy (Bronx, N.Y.)
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Dear Senator Bennett:

I have received your letter of February 13, 1958 enclosing letters and other materials from Mrs. Virginia Garfield and Mrs. Donald Lee of Ogden, Utah in regard to the work which Mrs. Lee has been doing in collecting gifts for orphans in Korea. You ask for my views on the propriety [illegible] Government assisting and delivering contributions of individuals to needy people abroad.

You may be assured that the Department is sympathetic to such work as Mrs. Lee and Mrs. Garfield are doing in aiding less fortunate persons in other countries. As you may be aware, an Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid has been established in consultation with the International Cooperation Administration to coordinate Government and private foreign assistance activities. Since this Committee is familiar with problems such as Mrs. Garfield and Mrs. Lee relate, I am referring your letter to it for a more complete reply.

Sincerely yours,

William B. Macomber, Jr.
Assistant Secretary

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The Honorable
Henry Bennett,
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February 13, 1958

Honorable William B. Macomber,
Assistant Secretary of State,
Washin ton, D. C.

Dear Secretary Macomber:

Attached are letters from Mrs. Virginia Garfield and Mrs. Jennie Lee of Emmett, Idaho, concerning the work Mrs. Lee has been doing in the past several months in sending to Korea several tons of clothing, food and Christmas gifts for Korean orphans. The news paper clipping which are attached, which have been forwarded to me, explain in detail Mrs. Lee's work.

You will note a letter from Mrs. Garfield in reference to the handling of CARE packages. Both Mrs. Garfield and Mrs. Lee refer to the probability of some plan in which the Government can finance and oversee the transportation and delivery of individual contributions of food and clothing to needy people abroad.

It will be greatly appreciated if you will advise me in these matters and return the enclosures at such time as they have served their purpose.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Henry Dworshak

United States Senator

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Wehn:

The White House has asked the Department of State to reply to your letter of March 3, 1958 concerning orphans in Korea and what is being done about this problem.

As you may know, the Refugee Relief Act of 1953 provided for 4,000 foreign orphans adopted by American parents to enter the United States. Since the end of the Korean hostilities in July of that year, some 451 Korean orphans were admitted to the United States under the provisions of this act, which expired in December, 1956.

On September 11, 1957 Congress approved an amendment to the Immigration and Naturalization Act, Public Law 85-316, which liberalizes the previous law, providing for an unlimited number of non-quota visas for orphans up to 14 years of age who are already adopted or who will be adopted by American citizens. An eligible orphan is defined as one lacking both parents or whose remaining parent is incapable of providing for the child's care and has signed a release for his adoption. This recent authorization for orphan visas expires June 30, 1959 and it is expected that of an estimated total of 4,000 on a world-wide basis, at least 1500 visas may be issued for eligible Korean orphans. By the end of 1957, 446 Korean orphans entered the United States under its provisions.

Included in a group of 113 orphans entering the United States from Korea in January, 1958 were 27 tubercular cases who will be admitted into hospitals in this country with all expenses and care provided

The Reverend Lloyd Wehn
and Mrs. Wehn,
215 Oakley Avenue,
Lawrenceburg, Indiana.

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provided by the adopting parents. All such cases have been approved by the Public Health Service and are authorized under the new legislation which recognizes the role of the United States in helping these children.

The adoption procedure can take place either in Korea before the visa is issued or in the United States after the child arrives. Korean courts require the same adopting procedures as the home state of the adopting parents, thus making the adoption valid in the United States. The adoption procedure is further facilitated by adoption agencies in Korea. These agencies are the Catholic Relief Services, National Catholic Welfare Conference, the Child Placement Service, the Holt Adoption Program, the International Social Service, and the Seoul Sanitarium and Hospital Orphanage. A number of voluntary agencies both foreign and Korean have undertaken to maintain and support hospitals and homes for the welfare of orphans. The United States International Cooperation Administration also lends facilities to these voluntary agencies and supports them in many ways, such as contracting CARE to continue the Surplus Milk Program for the benefit of all underprivileged Korean children.

I trust that this information will be satisfactory for your purposes.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:

Maurice S. Rice
Acting Chief
Public Services Division

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Wehn:

The White House has asked the Department of State to reply to your letter of March 3, 1958 concerning the illegitimate children of servicemen in Korea.

As you may know, Congress has approved legislation which provides an unlimited number of non-quota visas for eligible orphans (who are defined as lacking a parent) up to 14 years of age who are already adopted or who will be adopted by American citizens. This authorization for orphan visas expires June 30, 1959, and it is expected that some 4,000 visas may be issued under its provisions.

The problem of illegitimate children is of extremely sensitive nature and one which contains many facets not ordinarily brought to light by most newspaper and magazine articles written on the subject. Among these points are the questions of legal responsibility and citizenship. Children born out of wedlock bear the nationality of the mother and of the country of birth, and a father with United States citizenship cannot confer his citizenship upon a child born out of wedlock if such birth occurs outside the United States. In addition, it would be impossible in most cases to establish paternity definitely.

While the support of children is the responsibility of the individual States and their various political subdivisions in the United States, the Federal Government is very much aware of the problem and the various interested Departments, including the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare and the Department of Defense, have given a great deal of consideration to the matter.

As you

The Reverend Lloyd Wehn,
and Mrs. Wehn,
215 Oakey Avenue,
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As you undoubtedly know, many churches and church organizations in this country have agencies overseas which disburse funds that have been contributed for the care of orphans abroad. It is believed that such private efforts to provide for the adoption or care of these children remain the best means of assisting in the solution of this problem.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:

Maurice S. Rice
Acting Chief
Public Services Division

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The Assistant to the President

215 Oakey Ave. 3/8
Lawrenceburg, Ind.
March 3, 1958

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Mr. Dwight D. Eisenhower
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President,

I have read much in recent months about babies in Korea who have G.I. fathers and Korean mothers and would like to know exactly what our country is doing to carry her share of the responsibility. These children are suffering for something which they are completely innocent of — perhaps the only innocent ones in the whole situation. I sincerely wish to know what is being done for these children.

Sincerely,
Rev. & Mrs. Lloyd Weber
215 Oakey; Lawrenceburg, Ind

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October 23, 1958

Dear Senator Neuberger:

Your communication of October 15, 1958 encloses a letter dated October 9 from Mrs. E. Loyd, Route 1, Box 100, Yoncalla, Oregon. Mrs. Loyd inquires whether the work done for Korean orphan children by the Soul Clinic International could be included in the United States aid program.

Since the International Cooperation Administration is primarily concerned with the administration of foreign aid, we are referring your communication, with enclosures, to that agency which will reply to you direct.

Sincerely yours,

William B. Macomber, Jr.
Assistant Secretary

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Richard L. Neuberger,
United States Senate.

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UNITED STATES SENATE

Washington, D. C., October 15, 1958

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Mr. William B. Macomber, Assistant Secretary of State for
Congressional Relations
Department of State
Washington 25, D. C.

I have attached recent correspondence Senator Neuberger received from Mrs. E. Loyd, Rt. 1, Box 100, Yoncalla, Oregon, who enclosed literature regarding Soul Clinic International, Los Angeles, California, and the work this organization is doing in behalf of Korean orphan children. Mrs. Loyd asks if the work of the Soul Clinic International could be included in the foreign aid program. Please prepare a report on this matter in duplicate and return the attached correspondence. It would be helpful if you could explain the work now being done by our Government for Korean orphan children.

Walter H. Dodd
Assistant to
Senator Richard L. Newberger

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October 9-1958

Mr. Neuberger
Dear Senator:

Maybe I should not send this to you, but it seems to me that it concerns everyone of us here in the United States.

We vote for Foreign Aid, willing that they should be helpful in anyway we can, this article I am sending, seems to me to be something tangible we could do that would be helpful, besides very needful.

They need this building badly before cold weather sets in, all the money they get is from contributions, sent in by individuals, couldn't this be made a Foreign Aid Program?

I thought you might pass this around among the Congressmen, and present it before the right people, for consideration.

I am enclosing an envelope with the address of the place to send any contribution you might make.

I very much hope you can help.

Sincerely,

(s) Mrs. E. Loyd

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Honorable John Foster Dulles
Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I enclose a self-explanatory letter from a constituent, Miss Florence C. Witte of Elizabeth, New Jersey.

I would appreciate any comments you may have. Kindly return the enclosure after it has served its purpose.

Sincerely,

Clifford P. Case

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December 17, 1958

Dear Senator Case:

I have received your letter of December 8, 1958 enclosing a letter from Miss Florence C. Witte, 131 Chilton Hall, Elizabeth 2, New Jersey. Miss Witte inquires concerning a press report that famine conditions exist on "Uling Island" (presumably Ulleng Island) in the Sea of Japan.

Available information tends to confirm the press reports that food production on Ulleng Island has declined sharply this year. Agricultural output on the island has been only 55 percent of normal as the result of heavy hailstorms in October, and the fish catch has reached only 20 percent of the expected level.

There are fortunately sufficient stocks of food available in Korea to meet the relatively small relief needs of Ulleng Island. It is understood that 5 tons of grain have already been supplied by the Korean Government to take care of the emergency requirements of the island, and more relief supplies will be forthcoming as soon as a study of the situation is completed.

Although the Department is of the opinion that the Republic of Korea is capable of handling the situation from its own resources, we shall carefully watch developments with a view to taking action if conditions warrant.

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Please let us know if you have any further questions in regard to the situation on Wilang Island.

Miss White's letter is returned herewith as requested.

Sincerely yours,

William B. Macomber, Jr.
Assistant Secretary

Enclosure:

Letter of November 28, 1958
from Miss Florence C. White.

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Department has learned from American Red Cross (ARC) latter informed League Red Cross Societies, Geneva, a devastating typhoon struck Korean peninsula September 18 bringing heaviest death and destruction in decades. Hardest hit areas: Pusan, Yosu, and Cheju-do. Understand that considerable part Pusan destroyed and as example devastation wrought: some 53,000 homeless; 120 killed; 320 injured; 192 missing; 5,600 homes destroyed; 8,000 damaged; 20,000 submerged; 4,400 partly flooded. According ARC, ROK Red Cross has appealed ARC and League RC Societies for assistance and ROKG has appealed to League also. Department understands League informing ROK RC that League will issue general appeal to all Societies. ARC requesting telegraphically Tokyo [redacted] make rapid survey.

Would appreciate priority report.

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TYPHOON SARAH WHICH STRUCK SOUTHERN END ROK EAST COASTS THURSDAY NIGHT RESULTED SEVERE DESTRUCTION, FLOOD DAMAGE SOUTHERNMOST PROVINCES, CHEJU AND OTHER ISLANDS. LATEST INFORMATION FROM MINISTRY HEALTH SOCIAL AFFAIRS PLACES NUMBER VICTIMS 450,750 WITH 432 DEAD, 171 MISSING, 1,441 INJURED. HOUSING DAMAGED ESTIMATED 78,000 OF WHICH 14,000 TOTALLY DESTROYED.

UNDER AUTHORITY CA-11026, JUNE 16, 1958, I AM ANNOUNCING IMMEDIATE RELEASE $10,000 U.S. DOLLARS TO PRINCIPAL AMERICAN CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS FOR PROCUREMENT CLOTH AND COTTON PADDING FOR MANUFACTURE COMFORTERS FOR HOMELESS, DESTITUTE. EMBASSY HAS CONSULTED WITH HEADS KAVA, CHURCH WORLD SERVICES, OTHER AGENCIES, WHICH DISTRIBUTING EMERGENCY FOOD STOCKS. U. S. MILITARY AND USOM/K ALSO CONSIDERING URGENT RELIEF MEASURES.

WILL COORDINATE COUNTRY TEAM EFFORTS MEET SITUATION AND SUBMIT LATER ESTIMATES ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED FROM U. S. PLUS APPRAISAL ASSISTANCE OFFERED BY ROK GOVERNMENT AND OTHER AGENCIES.

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Your 213.

For Ambassador Dowling.

At your discretion you may express to President Rhee and Foreign Ministry personal condolences of Secretary for severe destruction and human suffering which has occurred in southern area of ROK.

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Memorandum of Conversation

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SUBJECT: 1) Typhoon Sarah.
2) Korean and the United Nations General Assembly.

PARTICIPANTS: Mr. Pyo Wook Han, Minister of Korean Embassy
Mr. Sangjin Chyun, First Secretary of Korean Embassy
Mr. David M. Bane, Director, Office of Northeast Asian Affairs
Mr. Leonard L.Bacon, Deputy Director, Office of Northeast Asian Affairs
Mr. Samuel O. Lane, Officer in Charge, Korean Affairs

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Minister Han came in at his own request.

1) Typhoon Sarah.

At Minister Han's request, Mr. Bane confirmed that Ambassador Dowling had released $10,000 from emergency funds for immediate relief. Minister Han said that he had just come from a meeting with the American National Red Cross, which had also given $10,000. Mr. Bane stated that our Country Team in Seoul was considering what additional measures were necessary and was endeavoring to assess damages caused by the typhoon. He added that we in the Department of State were very much concerned and that we were awaiting further reports and recommendations from Seoul prior to deciding what action could be taken here. Mr. Bane informed the Minister that Secretary Herter had sent a message to President Rhee expressing the condolences of this Government.

2) Korea in the United Nations General Assembly.

Minister Han expressed his pleasure with Secretary Herter's recent speech at the opening of the United Nations General Assembly in which the Secretary had urged the unification of Korea and Republic of Korea admission to the United Nations. He also expressed his pleasure with Mr. Robertson's statements opposing Chinese Communist admission to the United Nations.

The Minister

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The Minister, who had just returned from the United Nations General Assembly, said that it looked as though the Korean item might come up second on the agenda, following the discussion upon disarmament, i.e. somewhere around October 20.

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TO: **Secretary of State**

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH DEPTEL 223, I CONVEYED TO PRESIDENT RHEE YESTERDAY SECRETARY'S CONDOLENCES FOR RECENT TYPHOON DISASTER. RHEE EXPRESSED THANKS AND SAID HE WAS GRATEFUL FOR ASSISTANCE WHICH WAS ALREADY COMING FROM U.S.

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TO: Secretary of State

NO: 231, SEPTEMBER 25.

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MORE COMPLETE REPORT DAMAGE TYPHOON SARAH SEPTEMBER 17 NOW POSSIBLE ON BASIS OFFICIAL ROKG SURVEY. FULL TEXT ROKG ESTIMATE AIRGRAMMED SEPARATELY. ALL POSSIBLE IMMEDIATE RELIEF ACTION UNDERWAY BY LOCAL AGENCIES, INCLUDING ROKG, UNC, VOL AG AND EMBASSY-USOM RESOURCES AND PERSONNEL.

THIS MESSAGE (PART 1), ESTIMATES EXTENT AND NATURE OF DAMAGE; (PART 11) SUMMARIZES EMERGENCY RELIEF MEASURES; (PART 111) INDICATES ANTICIPATED ROKG AID REQUESTS. OUR RECOMMENDATIONS WILL FOLLOW.

PART 1 - ESTIMATE OF DAMAGE

TYPHOON HIT SOUTH KOREA, PARTICULARLY PROVINCES CHOLLA NAMDO AND KYONGSANG NAMDO, AND MANY OF 1300 COASTAL ISLANDS INCLUDING CHEJU-DO. EYE OF STORM PASSED THROUGH PUSAN AND POHANG.

ROKG AND UNOFFICIAL OBSERVERS STATE THIS WORST NATURAL DISASTER IN 50 YEARS WITH DAMAGE SURPASSED ONLY BY W SUK DESTRUCTION MOSTLY FROM 20 FOOT TIDAL WAVES WHICH DAMAGED EXTENSIVELY PIERS, SEA WALLS AND HARBOR INSTALLATIONS WITH SUBSEQUENT DESTRUCTION ADJACENT BUILDINGS FROM WIND (UP TO 115 KNOTS) AND WAVE ACTION.

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CASUALTIES OFFICIALLY REPORTED 568 DEAD, 251 MISSING, 2500 INJURED, AND NEARLY 800,000 HOMELESS. ROKG ESTIMATES TOTAL DAMAGE 87 BILLION HWAN WITH REPORTS NOT ALL IN FROM ISOLATED ISLANDS.

DAMAGE ESTIMATES INCLUDE 140 THOUSAND BUILDINGS, MOSTLY DWELLINGS, EITHER COMPLETELY DESTROYED OR SEVERLY DAMAGED; 10,000 BOATS, COMPRISING APPROXIMATELY ONE FOURTH TOTAL FISHING FLEET LOST OR DESTROYED; 18 BILLION HWAN DAMAGE TO CROPS; AND 13 MILLIONS ACRES FARM LAND SUBMERGED AND SILTED. REPORTED RICE LOSS 500 THOUSAND SUK, OUT OF EXPECTED NATIONAL YIELD OF 17.5 MILLION.

EVALUATION ROKG ESTIMATES NOT YET POSSIBLE. MAJOR ECONOMIC IMPACT UNDOUBTEDLY DESTRUCTION OF DWELLINGS, PIER AND HARBOR FACILITIES, FISHING BOATS AND GEAR. MANY ISLAND AND COASTAL VILLAGES REPORTED COMPLETELY WASHED AWAY, INCLUDING HOUSES, FACILITIES, BOATS AND NETS, LEAVING POPULATION WITHOUT FOOD, SHELTER OR MEANS OF LIVELIHOOD.

USOM TECHNICIANS REPORT EXTENSIVE RAIL AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS LOSSES INCLUDING 30 MILLION FEET OF WIRE. ACCESS ROADS TO COAL MINES NEAR TONG-IN WASHED OUT, WITH SUSPENSION 40,000 TONS COAL SHIPPING PER MONTH. PUSAN INDUSTRY PROJECTS AT HANKUK AND PANGO-JIN SHIPYARDS AND DAIHAN SHIPBUILDING REPORT SEAWALL, SHIPWAY, DRYDOCK, SAWMILL AND VESSEL DAMAGE OF 190 MILLION HWAN. AGAR-AGAR PLANT NO. 1 REPORTS ROOF AND WATER INTAKE DAMAGE OF 47 MILLION HWAN. CONSIDERABLE PUSAN STORED AID GOODS DAMAGE REPORTED IN GENERAL CARGO, FERTILIZER, LUMBER AND CEMENT; VALUE AS YET UNDETERMINED.

DAMAGE TO U.S. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS SEPARATELY REPORTED BY UNC.

PART II - EMERGENCY RELIEF MEASURES

EMERGENCY RELIEF ACTIVITIES BEING COORDINATED BY NATIONAL DISASTER COMMITTEE, CHAIRED BY MINISTER HEALTH AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS, AND BY PUSAN AREA DISASTER COMMITTEE. MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES ROK, U.S. AND OTHER VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, KOREAN RED CROSS, AMERICAN RED CROSS, AND USOM REPRESENTATIVES. COMMITTEE PROVIDING COORDINATION WITH U.S. AND ROK ARMIES. STATE COUNCIL RELEASED 1.185 BILLION HWAN FROM GENERAL BUDGET FOR RELIEF.

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RELIEF PROVISION:

A. FOOD AND CLOTHING: VOLUNTARY AGENCIES PROVIDING FROM STOCKS APPROXIMATELY 6 1/2 MILLION POUNDS FLOUR, CORNMEAL, MEAT, BEANS, AND MILK POWDER. DISTRIBUTION PRINCIPALLY THROUGH FEEDING STATIONS THROUGHOUT DISASTER AREA. 6,000 BALES USED CLOTHING BEING RELEASED BY CWS. CARE SETTING UP MILK STATIONS FOR CHILDREN IN SCHOOLS AND REQUESTING FUNDS FROM U.S. FOR PURCHASE RICE. AMEMB PRESENTED KAVA $10,000 CHECK FOR PURCHASE MATERIALS FOR COMFORTERS. ARC GIVING KRC $10,000 FOR IMMEDIATE HOUSEHOLD NEEDS, ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE IF NEEDED. U.S. ARMY PROVIDING LARGE QUANTITIES CLOTHING, COOKING AND MESS UTENSILS, BEDDING, INCLUDING 10,000 SLEEPING BAGS, 2,000 LBS. CLOTHING, SHOES, RAINCOATS, ETC. MINISTRY TRANSPORTATION PROVIDING FREE TRANSPORTATION FOR ALL RELIEF SUPPLIES.

B. HEALTH AND MEDICAL CARE: POTENTIAL PUBLIC HAZARDS ARISING FROM TYPHOON DAMAGE: CONTAMINATION WATER SUPPLIES, EXCRETA DISPOSAL, DISPLACED POPULATION, AND NECESSARY HOUSING FEEDING LARGE NUMBERS SICK AND INJURED REFUGEES. IMMEDIATE CONCERN DIRECTED PREVENTION TYPHOID FEVER AND OTHER DISEASES FROM EXPOSURE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR SICK AND INJURED. ALL AGENCIES COOPERATING ON WATER DISINFECTION; MEDICAL TEAMS DISPATCHED TO AREA. NEEDED MEDICAL SUPPLIES, VACCINES, DRUGS, INSECTICIDES, RODENTICIDES ALLOTTED FROM MEDICAL WAREHOUSES IN PUSAN. OTHER MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND DRUGS DISPATCHED AREA BY EIGHTH ARMY AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES. EMERGENCY PUBLIC HEALTH MEASURES MEETING CURRENT SITUATION. TOO EARLY EVALUATE EFFECTIVENESS PREVENTIVE MEASURES FOR PREVENTION EPIDEMIC AMONG POPULATION AFFECTED AREA.

C. SHELTER: EMERGENCY SHELTER NEEDS HOMELESS STILL ACUTE. SCHOOLS, GOVERNMENT OFFICIES BEING USED, BUT 5,926 CLASSROOMS REPORTED DAMAGED SEVERELY LIMIT FACILITIES. U.S. ARMY PROVIDING 210 TONS CANVAS FOR SHELTER. ROK ARMY ALSO ASSISTING. CARE REQUESTING FUNDS FOR PURCHASE TENTS.

D. CASH: ROK GOVERNMENT HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS FOR COLLECTION ONE MILLION HWAN THROUGH SEOUL THEATER TAX AND VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS. 13 MILLION HWAN CASH RELIEF PROVIDED BY KOREAN RED CROSS.

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DONATIONS ALREADY RECEIVED FROM UNKRA, EMBASSIES AND OTHERS, AND MORE IN PROSPECT.

E. SUMMARY: EXCELLENT COORDINATION RELIEF ACTIVITIES ALL AGENCIES, WITH POOLING OF RESOURCES AND OPERATIONS REPORTED. BELIEVE IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY FOOD AND MEDICAL NEEDS BEING MET. NEED FOR CLOTHING, SHELTER AND BEDDING ACUTE. VOLUNTARY AGENCIES REPORT 6 MILLION POUNDS SURPLUS FOOD AVAILABLE FOR CONTINUING EMERGENCY AND 12 MILLION POUNDS IN TRANSIT. REQUIREMENTS FOR DISASTER AREA WILL HOWEVER SEVERELY CURTAIL SURPLUS AVAILABLE FOR OTHER ONGOING PROGRAMS FOR NEEDY AREAS THROUGHOUT COUNTRY.

PART III - ANTICIPATED AID REQUESTS

ROK GOVERNMENT HAS SET UP STANDING INTER-MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE TO PLAN REHABILITATION DAMAGED AREAS. MINISTER RECONSTRUCTION LETTER TO USOM DIRECTOR ESTIMATING LOSSES REQUESTS "MAXIMUM HELP BY UNITED STATES TO HELP NEEDY CITIZENS AND RESTORE DAMAGED FACILITIES". NO SPECIFIC REQUESTS YET RECEIVED BUT EXPECTED SHORTLY. REQUESTS WILL PROBABLY CALL FOR USE TITLE II, PL 480, PRESIDENT'S MSA EMERGENCY FUND, AND ADDITIONAL INCREMENTS REGULAR MSA PROGRAM. REQUESTS LIKELY INCLUDE BUILDING MATERIALS, FOOD AND CLOTHING, COMMODITY IMPORTS LIKE COTTON, FISHING GEAR AND LUMBER FOR BOAT CONSTRUCTION. ALSO, CONSIDERABLE DIVERSIONS AND REPROGRAMMING CURRENT PROJECT ACTIVITIES ANTICIPATED.

USOM URGING ROK LIMIT EMERGENCY REQUEST TO FUNDING IMPORTATION RELIEF AND REHABILITATION COMMODITIES USING OWN RESOURCES FOR LOCAL CURRENCY EXPENDITURES. HOWEVER, INFLATIONARY IMPACT MIGHT BE SIGNIFICANT. NEED FOR ADDITIONAL CONSUMABLES AND CAPITAL IMPORTS LIKELY AND CURRENTLY UNDER STUDY.

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In call on Assistant Secretary Parsons September 29 Ambassador Yang underscored severity damage caused by Typhoon Sarah which worst storm to hit Korea in his memory. Emphasized seriousness problems of exposure and disease confronting the hundreds of thousands of homeless with winter approaching. Asked if some way could be found for US to make funds available on emergency basis now in order permit urgent commencement building program house homeless. Said he had discussed problem [redacted] Expressed appreciation emergency contribution $10,000 extended by Ambassador Dowling.

Parsons said ROK Government and people have our deepest sympathy and that we wished do everything we could to assist. Outlined emergency steps taken by US officials and relief agencies Korea and excellent coordination with ROKG. Ambassador Dowling coordinating UNCK and US military efforts meet situation and we awaiting his recommendations as to what additional assistance we might be able provide. We expect give immediate consideration his recommendations as soon as received.

Above has been discussed with ICA; however before further consideration can be given, EMB/UNCK recommendations needed.

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TO: **Secretary of State**

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1. 109TH MAC CONCEED ON CALL KPA/CPV 1030 HOURS, KST, 28 SEPTEMBER 1959 AND RECESSED 1310 HOURS.

2. KPA/CPV REFERRED TO RECENT TYPHOON IN SOUTHERN KOREA, DESCRIBED DAMAGE AND MISERIES OF PEOPLE; OFFERED TO PROVIDE AID TO VICTIMS; PROPOSED DELEGATIONS OF BOTH SIDES MEET AT PANMUNJOM OR OTHER APPROPRIATE PLACE TO DISCUSS DETAILS; PROPOSED MAC AUTHORIZE PERSONS TO CROSS MDL FOR PURPOSES OF RELIEF AND PERMIT REFUGEES FROM SOUTH KOREA TO ENTER NORTH KOREA; REQUESTED UNC COOPERATION.

3. UNC REJECTED PROPOSAL AS POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC MATTER AND THEREFORE OUTSIDE COMPETENCE OF MAC; STATED PROPOSAL NOT SINCERE AND MERELY ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO USE MAC TO ACCOMPLISH POLITICAL AND PROPAGANDA OBJECTIVES.

4. KPA/CPV STATED PROPOSAL SINCERE AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH AA; STATED RELIEF COMMON CAUSE OF ALL DECENT PEOPLES; AGAIN REQUESTED UNC CONSIDERATION.

5. UNC AGAIN REJECTED PROPOSAL ON BASIS OUTSIDE COMPETENCE OF MAC; DESCRIGED ASSISTANCE TO TYPHOON VICTIMS BY ROKG AND OTHER AGENCIES.

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6. KPA/CPV AGAIN STRESSED SOUTH KOREA NEED FOR KPA/CPV RELIEF; CLAIMED ROK AID INSUFFICIENT; STATED IT WAS COMMON WORLD PRACTIVE TO ASSIST PEOPLE IN NEED; REITERATED CLAIM THAT EXECUTION OF PROPOSAL A MAC MISSION; AGAIN REQUESTED UNC COOPERATION.

7. UNC CHARGED KPA/CPV WITH INSINCERITY IN REPEATEDLY RAISING MATTER CLEARLY AND COMPLETELY OUTSIDE PURVIEW OF MAC; CHARGED RELIEF PROPOSAL EMPTY GESTURE; AGAIN REJECTED PROPOSAL.

8. KPA/CPV REPEATED RELIEF PROPOSAL; STATED IT WAS LIFE AND DEATH MATTER FOR 800,000 PEOPLE; STATED DESPERATE SITUATION IN SOUTH KOREA DEMANDED UNC REVERSE ATTITUDE TOWARD RELIEF PROPOSAL.

9. UNC QUOTED FROM AA TO SHOW THAT MAC NOT COMPETENT TO DISCUSS POLITICAL AND ECONOMICAL MATTERS; CHARGED KPA/CPV PROPOSAL INTRODUCED TO DECEIVE OWN PEOPLE AND DELUDE REST OF WORLD; AGAIN REJECTED PROPOSAL.

10. KPA/CPV RESTATED DESPERATE CONDITIONS IN SOUTH KOREA; CLAIMED ROK AID ONLY 9 PER CENT OF TOTAL REQUIRED; STATED IMPLEMENTATION OF KPA/CPV PROPOSAL WOULD RELIEVE VICTIMS; AGAIN REQUESTED UNC RECONSIDERATION.

11. UNC REFERRED TO LAST STATEMENT AND REPEATED MATTER COMPLETELY OUTSIDE COMPETENCE OF MAC.

12. KPA/CPV AGAIN URGED UNC RECONSIDERATION; OFFERED UNC DRAFT PROPOSAL FOR STUDY.

13. UNC REJECTED PROPOSAL FINALLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY; STATED NO STUDY NECESSARY.

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14. MATTERS INCIDENTAL TO MEETING:

A. CPV MEMBER NOT PRESENT.
B. PRESS CONFERENCE NOT REQUESTED.
C. KPA/CPV STATEMENTS RELATIVELY BRIEF AND MILD OF TONE, OBVIOUS PURPOSE BEING TO DISGUISE INSINCERITY OF PROPOSAL WITH AN AURA OF REASONABLENESS.

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JOINT EMBASSY-USOM MESSAGE

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SUBSEQUENT REPORTS SUPPORT ESTIMATE IN EMBTEL 231 THAT TYPHOON SARAH WAS WORST NATURAL DISASTER IN KOREA IN 50 YEARS WITH NEARLY 800,000 LEFT HOMELESS, AND HEAVY DESTRUCTION TO FISHING INDUSTRY AND COASTAL AREAS. ROKG TAKING VIGOROUS ACTION WITHIN ITS CAPABILITIES, AS OUTLINED PART IV, TO MEET EMERGENCY REQUIREMENTS. ITS INITIAL ESTIMATES RELIEF AND RECONSTRUCTION NEEDS AND IMPORT REQUIREMENTS IN TERMS MATERIALS, COMMODITIES, AND PRIORITIES TOGETHER WITH REQUEST FOR US ASSISTANCE BEING AIRGRAMMED SEPARATELY. PRESENT MESSAGE (PART I) RECOMMENDS EMERGENCY AID ALLOCATIONS; (PART II) TRANSLATES RECOMMENDATION INTO COMMODITY IMPORT UNITS, DOLLAR COSTS, AND FUNDING; (PART III) OUTLINES TENTATIVE PROGRAM UTILIZATION; (PART IV) SUMMARIZES STATUS CONTINUING EMERGENCY ACTION ALL CONCERNED AGENCIES SINCE LAST MESSAGE.

PART I

1. RECOMMENDED EMERGENCY AID ALLOCATION

ON BASIS INCLUDING DATA AT HAND AND BEST JUDGEMENT TECHNICIANS CONCERNED CONSIDERATION ROKG, UNC AND VOL AG PROGRAMS RECOMMEND EMERGENCY AID BE EXTENDED KOREA AS FOLLOWS:

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-2-247, OCTOBER 2, FROM SEOUL.

$13,711,000 MATERIALS AND COMMODITIES FOR DISASTER RECONSTRUCTION, FROM PRESIDENT'S CONTINGENCY FUND

691,430 RELIEF SUPPLIES AND OCEAN FREIGHT, UNDER TITLE II, PL 480
$14.402,430 TOTAL

THIS TOTAL IS LESS THAN HALF ROK ESTIMATES THEIR IMPORT NEEDS AT $31 MILLION, EXCLUSIVE OF EMERGENCY FOOD, CLOTHING AND TENTING REQUIREMENTS.

PART II

COMMODITY COMPONENTS

PRESIDENT'S CONTINGENCY FUND

ITEM	QUANTITY	COST
LUMBER & PLYWOOD	70 MILLION B/F	7,000,000
CEMENT	132 THOUSAND M/T	3,300,000
FISHING GEAR		800,000
REINFORCING & STRUCTURAL STEEL, SHEETMETAL & WIRE	5 THOUSAND M/T	2,115,000
ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT		440,000
MEDICAL SUPPLIES		40,000
COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT		16,000
		$13,711,000

ABOVE ITEMS INCLUDE IMPORT REQUIREMENTS REHABILITATION FISHING INDUSTRY $3,600,000; MINIMUM HOUSING REPLACEMENT $5,000,000 INDUSTRY REPAIRS $1,200,000; POWER $440,000; TRANSPORTATION $1,500,000, AND PUBLIC WORKS.

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TITLE II, PL 480 (FOR 5,000 PERSONS FOR 6 MONTHS)

ITEM	QUANTITY	COSTS
CEREAL GRAINS	300 M/T	19,500
COTTON	850 M/T	500,000
ANIMAL & VEGETABLE FATS	35 M/T	9,930
CANNED MEAT, DRIED EGGS & CHEESE	120 M/T	100,000
TOTAL	1,305 M/T	629,4309
OCEAN FREIGHT		62,000
TOTAL		691,430

ABOVE TITLE II COMMODITIES REQUIRED TO REPLACE TITLE III STOCKS DEPLETED BY EMERGENCY DISTRIBUTION AND CONTINUE OTHER NATIONAL RELIEF PROGRAMS. FATS AND PROTEINS REPLACE LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES LOSSES. COTTON FOR COMMUNITY PROCESSING QUILTS IN LIEU ROKG REQUESTED BLANKETS AND SLEEPING BAGS.

PART III - TENTATIVE UTILIZATION PROGRAM FOLLOWS:

1. US PROCUREMENT SHOULD BE AUTHORIZED ALL ITEMS. CRASH PROCUREMENT NECESSARY MEDICAL SUPPLIES, FISHING GEAR.

2. RECONSTRUCTION HOUSES AND FISHING BOATS PLANNED LARGELY ON SELF-HELP BASIS. BECAUSE ECONOMIC SIGNIFICANCE OF FISHING INDUSTRY, CEB ESTABLISHING SPECIAL GROUP COORDINATE PRIORITY ALLOCATION MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT TO COASTAL AND ISLAND FISHING COMMUNITIES WHERE RESTORATION HOUSING AND LIVELIHOOD MOST PRESSING. TITLE II REQUIREMENTS REQUESTED BASIS VOL AG ESTIMATES, ADDITIONAL NEEDS UNTIL NEXT HARVEST OR COMPLETION INITIAL RECONSTRUCTION AND REPLACE DEPLETED STOCKS REQUIRED FOR ON-GOING NATIONAL RELIEF PROGRAMS.

IV. STATUS OF CONTINUING EMERGENCY ACTION ACUTE EMERGENCY NEEDS FOOD, SHELTER, MEDICAL CARE BEING MET. COMMUNICABLE

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DISEASES APPARENTLY UNDER ADEQUATE CONTROL. NO EVIDENCE EPIDEMICS. VOL. AGS CONTINUE PROVIDE AND SUPERVISE DISTRIBUTION MAJOR SHARE RELIEF COMMODITIES. ESTIMATE FEEDING 750,000 PEOPLE. VOL AG DISTRIBUTION EXCEEDS 15.5 MILLION LBS. FOOD AND CONSIDERABLE QUANTITIES CLOTHING. KCWS, CARE, WORLD RELIEF CONTRIBUTING MAJOR SHARE. SUPPLIES THESE AGENCIES ESTIMATED EXHAUSTED BY OCTOBER 10. ANTICIPATED IMMEDIATE ARRIVALS 12 MILLION POUNDS, PRINCIPALLY NCWC, WILL CONTINUE RELIEF FEEDING. LARGE QUANTITIES US ARMY SHIPMENTS LIMITED NUMBER RELIEF ITEMS CONTINUES. ROK MINISTRY TRANSPORTATION AND ROK NAVY GIVING FULLEST SUPPORT SHIPMENT RELIEF SUPPLIES. APPROXIMATELY HW4.4 BILLION ROKG FUNDS PRESENTLY AVAILABLE, INCLUDING 1.4 FROM TTHEATER TAX, PUBLIC DONATIONS. TENTATIVE EXPENDITURE PLANS: RELIEF GRAIN 560 MILLION, EMERGENCY SHELTER 560 MILLION, ROK ARMY RECONSTRUCTION WAREHOUSES 339 MILLION, 13,000 SUK AQIR JVSYC SPMF(#) NOW BEING DISTRIBUTED. HW 280 MILLION BORROWED FROM BANK OF KOREA, AGAINST NEXT YEAR'S FUNDS PROCUREMENT FISHING MATERIALS. ROKG FUNDS AND PUBLIC COLLECTIONS BEING ALLOCATED CABINET COMMITTEE.

CEB SEPTEMBER 30 AUTHORIZED DIVERSION HW500 MILLION COUNTERPART FROM EDUCATION PROJECT FOR EMERGNCY CLASSROOM CONSTRUCTION, WITH 300 MILLION FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE; HW 250 MILLION ALLOCATION FROM BALANCE C/P RESERVE REPAIR POLICE COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES.

ROK LETTER OF REQUEST INDICATED AVAILABILITIES WILL MEET ONLY FRACTION HUGE REQUIREMENTS AND STATED FURTHER OUTLAYS WOULD CREATE STRONG UPWARD PRICE PRESSURES AND ENDANGER STABILIZATION PROGRAM. ACCORDINGLY ROKG NOTES LOCAL UTILIZATION COST OF IMPORTED RECONSTRUCTION MATERIALS SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY INCREASED SUPPLIES OF INDUSTRIAL RAW MATERIALS. HOWEVER, ROK ESTIMATED $31 MILLION IMPORT REQUIREMENTS COULD CALL FOR HW 45 BILLION UTILIZATION COSTS PLUS HW 7 BILLION PURCHASES DOMESTIC MATERIALS. IF ROK LOCAL CURRENCY ESTIMATE IS REDUCED BY SAME PROPORTIONS AS DOLLAR ESTIMATE (31 TO 14) THEN TOTAL LOCAL CURRENCY REQUIREMENTS WOULD BE HW 25 BILLION. SEPARATE MESSAGE FORTH-COMING ECONOMIC AND STABILIZATION CONSEQUENCES TYPHOON DAMAGE AND CONTEMPLATED

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RECONSTRUCTION MEASURES.

IT IS APPRECIATED THAT ABOVE ESTIMATES FALL FAR SHORT OF MEETING FULL COSTS TYPHOON DAMAGE. EMBASSY AND USOM WILL URGE ROKG TO MEET AS LARGE PART REMAINING HWAN AND DOLLAR COSTS TO FULLEST EXTENT THEIR CAPABILITIES. TO FACILITATE COORDINATION WITH ROKG, WOULD APPRECIATE EARLY INFORMATION ACTION U.S. PREPARED TO TAKE.

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Embassy/USOM authorized consider emergency dollar and counterpart requirements to meet typhoon rehabilitation costs within context of current Defense Support spending authority under Korean program. Crash procurement requirements for fishing gear and medical supplies can presumably be met through reprogramming of funds now available. Assumed that lumber and cement can be diverted from less important projects to meet urgent reconstruction needs arising from typhoon.

Problem of supplemental aid funding to meet rehabilitation costs now being reviewed in connection FY 1960 DS program level now under consideration here. Also exploring possibility of Title II P.L. 480 program.

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To : The Under Secretary
Through: S/S
From : FE - Mr. Parsons
Subject: Emergency Typhoon Assistance for the Republic of Korea.

On October 23, during your visit to Seoul, you assured the Cabinet of the Republic of Korea that the United States would do what it could to supply emergency assistance to meet needs arising from Typhoon Sarah, which struck the Pusan area on September 17, 1959. (Tab A)

Concerned agencies, both in the field and in Washington, have been closely following the situation. Ten thousand dollars was provided from the President's Emergency Fund for immediate relief, and on October 3, the Country Team at Seoul was authorized to reprogram available Defense Support funds to meet emergency requirements arising from the typhoon. Some $1.1 million, as well as the equivalent of over $3 million in counterpart, appear to be available under this authority.

The Country Team initially recommended $14.4 million in emergency aid but more recently it has taken the position that all possible financing for typhoon reconstruction must come from Korean sources and from deobligations and reprogramming of United States aid funds. We are now awaiting firm field recommendations concerning the supplemental assistance that may be required beyond funds available through reprogramming. United States voluntary agencies are also considering expansion of their Korean programs to replenish pipelines drawn down to meet emergency relief requirements.

FE will submit appropriate recommendations as soon as the above field recommendations are received.

Concurrences:
ED - Mr. Bischoff (in substance)
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To : The Under Secretary
Through: S/S
From : FE - Mr. Parsons
Subject: Typhoon Relief for the Republic of Korea.

My memorandum to you of November 12, 1959 (Tab A) outlined the steps taken to provide relief for victims of the typhoon which struck southern Korea on September 17, 1959. In following up this memorandum I find that the USOM at Seoul has submitted reports (Tab A) on aid furnished so far to typhoon victims by United States voluntary agencies and on requirements for further assistance under Titles II and III of Public Law 480. In its response to the request for additional food under Titles II and III (Tab B) ICA expressed a desire to meet such requirements as far as possible under Title III and requested that commodity details be submitted through voluntary agencies. ICA has recently questioned the desirability (Tab C) of meeting a Korean request (Tab D) for shipment of raw cotton under Title II of Public Law 480 to generate local currency for typhoon relief purposes.

In its telegram of December 3 (Tab E) the USOM reports Combined Economic Board approval of a typhoon reconstruction program totaling $2.5 million for non-project use and $7.4 million for project use. It is understood that to the maximum extent possible currently available Defense Support funds will be reallocated for typhoon relief purposes.

There has also recently come to our attention a $1.4 million Military Assistance Program requirement to restore Korean Army facilities destroyed by the typhoon, and we are now exploring it with the Department of Defense.

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Subject: Financing Typhoon Relief

Past Embassy-USOM messages have summarized severe damage caused Typhoon Sarah and steps taken meet most urgent relief and reconstruction requirements. Now able report firm emergency requirements, based on careful screening, and extent these requirements are being met from available resource.

ROKG has diverted 11 oillion* hwan regular CY '59 budget to typhoon relief and have planned additional 10 billion CY '60. Voluntary fund raising campaign yielded 1.5 million. Substantial additional assistance from private agencies U.S. military and others. CEB has approved reprogramming $3.5 million deobligations and has diverted $210 thousand project funds into typhoon area. Two additional deobligations totalling $900 thousand under consideration, at least part of which undoubtedly available this purpose. Above, in our judgment, is limit ROK and US resources presently available meet these emergency requirements.

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After detailed screening by US-ROK Typhoon Committee, dollar requirements of emergency phase typhoon relief and rehabilitation have been scaled down to 24.6 million, including 8.5 million for cotton and 6.2 million for food. (This over and above hwan which ROKG devoting to program. Propose meeting this requirement as follows:

(A) $4.6 million deobligations and project diversions;

(B) 6.2

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(B) 6.2 million Title II food;

(C) 8.5 million additional Title I cotton, sales proceeds to help cover hwan cost;

(D) 5 million additional dollar aid.

Details on items (A), (B) and (C) above being covered separate messages (latter involves proposal under Title I rather than Title II). Item (D) intended fund imports construction materials, fisheries supplies and other emergency commodity procurement specifically for typhoon rehabilitation projects. These additional imports are considered essential if urgently needed rehabilitation work is to proceed satisfactorily.

While relief and rehabilitation under way with funds now available, condition fishing villagers deteriorating, with necessity accept relief and makeshift housing while unable earn living. Cold weather will intensify problem. In addition 40 thousand houses completely destroyed, 60 thousand damaged, rendering 250 thousand people homeless, relatively few of whom have been able secure decent housing. Above housing figures compare with 41 thousand houses assisted by all phases USOM $5 million housing program past (*). Similarly, nearly 11 thousand fishing boats (plus few larger vessels) lost. This over 25 percent total registered boats ROK and compares with 313 such boats included USOM programs 1957-58. Thus Sarah destroyed 30 times as many vessels as included in one typical year's Korean/USOM efforts this field.

Need additional aid discussed with Secretary Dillon during recent visit who indicated would give sympathetic consideration after careful screening of requirements by USOM and (*)

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On basis reference telegram Embassy - USOM have abandoned proposal fund cotton under Title II. Request Washington agencies consider alternative funding additional requirement under Title BI. Embassy - USOM believe $8.5 million additional cotton imports FY 60 justified following basis:

Cotton textile consumption FY 59 approximately 58 thousand tons. Expect roughly ten percent increase FY 60 or total 64 thousand. Also desire begin building up mill stocks to improve efficiency of industry. Industry spokesman have expressed desire procure cotton for purpose building mill stocks and assure financial resources available without resort bank credit.

While desirable goal is for minimum two-month mill stocks, believe beginning of one-month supply, about five thousand tons, will be feasible current year. This brings FY 60 requirement to 69 thousand tons costing approximately $40 million. ROKG and textile industry have indicated requirement for 76 thousand tons costing $44 million. Assuming Section 402 cotton at $24 million ant Title I current program $7.5 million, uncovered requirement is $8.5 million. Two other groups cotton processors, in addition to spinners and weavers, also need 2,700 tons. (1) Cotton Manufacturer's Association uses low quality cotton for bedding, upholstery and padding for military and civilian clothing. Requires 6,000 tons annually (2) Sanitary Materials Association use 1,700 tons for sanitary uses these manufacturers imported 5 million pounds rayon staple last year since spiners and weavers are only cotton

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cotton importers and also buy up most of tonal crop. In open market, cotton costs more than rayon. Switching this request to cotton will save foreign exchange and increase consumption U.S. cotton. These requirements can be absorbed within $40 million program.

Recommend 90 percent local currency proceeds sales additional cotton be devoted Section 104 (C) for military budget support. This would yield approximately 3.8 billion hwan. Agreement would be reached with ROKG to reduce equivalent amount DS counterparty currently earmarked for military budget support which instead could be programmed by CEB for typhoon relief. In addition ROKG has indicated willingness devote exchange and commodity taxes derived from additional cotton imports (totalling 215 hwan per dollar) to typhoon relief. This would yield additional 1.8 billion hwan. Embassy - USOM believe this proposal justified both in terms cotton requirements and urgent need additional hwan for typhoon relief. Urge Washington approval believe this could best be handled by amendment current Title I agreement.

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SUBJECT: Utilization of Special Emergency Grant of $10,000 for Typhoon Sarah Victims

Enclosed for the information of the Department are copies of three unclassified communications, all self-explanatory, relating to the utilization of the special emergency grant of $10,000 for emergency relief, announced by Ambassador Dowling on September 21, 1959, for victims of Typhoon Sarah which struck the southern end of Korea on September 17.

The Embassy feels satisfied that the $10,000 grant was promptly, effectively and wisely used for its intended purpose.

For the Chargé d'Affaires ad interim:

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Enclosures:

1. Joint Memorandum of December 2, 1959 from Catholic Relief Services - NCWC and Korea Church World Service.
2. Reply of December 10, 1959 from the Chargé d'Affaires to NCWC.
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Joint Memorandum

From: Catholic Relief Services-NCWC and
Korea Church World Service

To: Mr. Sam P. Gilstrap, Charge d'Affaires
American Embassy, Seoul

Re: Disposition of $10,000 Disaster Relief Grant to victims of typhoon Sarah

1) Soon after typhoon Sarah struck southern Korea in September, Ambassador Walter C. Dowling, turned over $10,000 to Monsignor George M. Carroll, the Chairman of the Korea Association of Voluntary Agencies, for use by the voluntary agencies in making Korean quilts for victims of the typhoon.

2) This special $10,000 grant was divided equally between Catholic Relief Services-NCWC, and Korea Church World Service, and both agencies immediately initiated a program to cooperatively purchase cotton and muslin, and to have their respective widows' groups put the quilts together.

3) Through the excellent cooperation of the widows' homes of the Seoul area, each agency was able to have 1,000 quilts made at an average cost of $5.00 per quilt.

4) The total of 2,000 quilts were officially turned over to the ROK Ministry of Health and Social Affairs on Nov. 5, 1959, and on the same day were loaded into box cars and shipped to the following destinations in the quantities indicated:

Province	Locality	No. of quilts delivered	Total
Kyungsang Pukdo	Pohang City	20	
	Yung Puk County	240	
	Yungil County	140	
	Wolsung County	230	
	Yung Chun County	70	
			700
Kyungsang Namdo	Milyang County	250	
	Ulsan County	200	
	Chang Won County	50	
	Tong Yung County	200	
	Namhae County	50	
	Ruji County	200	
	Jin Woowon	50	
			1,000
Kangwon Do	Ulchin County	260	
	Samchmk County	40	
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5) The distribution of these quilts was personally supervised by officials of the Ministry of Public Health and Social Affairs. One quilt went to one family; therefore 2,000 families, numbering about 10,000 persons were assisted by this project.

6) On each quilt the following Korean language label was sewn: "A gift from the American people."

7) May we express to you and the American State Department our gratitude for having been permitted to have had a share in making possible this very direct expression of compassion to these unfortunate victims of the typhoon.

/s/ Hallam C. Shorrock, Jr.

Hallam C. Shorrock, Jr.
Executive Director
Korea Church World Service

/s/ Monsignor George Carroll

Monsignor George Carroll
Director
Catholic Relief Services-NCWC

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American Embassy,
Seoul, Korea,
December 10, 1959

Dear Monsignor Carroll:

I have received with great pleasure the Joint Memorandum of December 2, 1959, from the Catholic Relief Services - NCWC and the Korea Church World Service which relates the manner in which the special $10,000 grant awarded by Ambassador Dowling last September for relief of sufferers from the effects of Typhoon Sarah was utilized by your religious and charitable organizations to produce 2,000 cotton quilts which will serve 2,000 families and about 10,000 persons in the afflicted areas of the southern tip of Korea.

The Embassy is proud of the manner in which your organizations have worked to convert this disaster relief grant of the United States Government into prompt and effective use by victims of the typhoon. This is indeed a demonstration of practical and cooperative Christianity!

Sincerely yours,

Sam P. Gilstrap
Chargé d'Affaires ad interim

The Rt. Rev. Monsignor George Carroll,
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Follow-up to Actions Arising
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With regard to the attached status report on the above subject, it is assumed Mr. Riddleberger's memorandum to Mr. Dillon of December 18 regarding typhoon assistance for Korea (attached) takes care of Item #9 and that there are therefore no actions outstanding which arose from Mr. Dillon's Far East trip.

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SUBJECT: Reduction in Police Force and Projected Deactivation of Southwest Combat Command

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According to statements of the Home Minister before the National Assembly on April 27, 1955, three thousand men have been dropped from the National Police since August, 1954, and by June, 1955, the reduction-in-force will be completed, equating actual strength with the new authorization of 47,000 men.

On May 3, 1955, the Assembly passed a resolution proposed by Liberal Party Assemblyman YANG Yong-ju, calling on the Government to disband the Southwest (Sonam) Police Combat Command, in view of his committee's finding that the guerrilla menace in southwestern Korea had been eliminated. (The resolution also called for Government aid to the farmers in the area and to police who had participated in the campaign, and reconstruction of damage done in the course of the campaign.) During subsequent interpellation, the Home Minister announced that the Government would disband the Combat Command by June, 1955.

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According to an informal comment by a qualified National Police official on May 2, the "morning-report" strength of the police force at that time was a little over 47,700, representing a reduction of somewhat more than three thousand under mid-1954 figures. It appears probable that most of the reduction results from the deactivation of the Southwest Police Combat Command, which is now apparently underway. That the rest of the force will suffer only minor cuts is suggested by a recent confidential report that ten captains and one inspector have been dropped from the force and that no more officers of this rank will be affected.

Police sources further report that after the Southwest Combat Command has been deactivated (apparently programmed for approximately May 15), a new mobile police reserve, approximately half the size of the former combat command, is to be established. No details as to the organization or mission of this force are yet available.

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As to the elimination of guerrillas in the Chiri Mountain area (along the border between Cholla and Kyongsang Provinces), a long-time resident of South Cholla Province with police experience told the reporting officer recently that the people of the province were satisfied that the guerrilla threat had been disposed of; and that about a month ago the police chief of South Cholla had ordered the destruction of barricades around police stations.

For the Charge d'Affaires, a.i.

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SUBJECT: Data on the National Police of the Republic of Korea.

The attached memorandum on certain aspects of Korean National Police organization, prepared by a member of the Embassy staff, is forwarded for the information of the Department. Principal aspects of the police discussed in the memorandum are the organization and activities of the National Police College; the retransfer of the Coast Guard to the Navy; and comment on the situation in the Kyonggi and South Cholla provincial police organizations.

Data presented in the enclosure on the Police College are considered fairly accurate as far as they go. It seems reasonable to feel that the College represents a reasonably effective, centralized training organization which has the potential to handle most police training needs for at least the immediate future. Effectiveness of the training will probably be higher than heretofore as a result of discontinuing the provincial schools, if a continuing flow of trainees from the provinces to the College can be maintained.

In respect to the situation in the two named provinces, the data contained in the memorandum are fragmentary and colored by personal opinion, and are transmitted only for consideration in conjunction with such other information as may be available now or in future. The picture of "Tiger" Kim, Chief of the South Cholla police force, as an effective administrator is somewhat at variance with his background and with previous opinions about him. His recent transfer from Pusan is in the nature of a demotion; and that he is not now in jail as a result of his conduct while an Army officer is commonly attributed to political influence with the President, who is said to regard him as one of his most loyal supporters.

For the Ambassador:

Turner C. Cameron, Jr.

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First Secretary of Embassy

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Subject: Data on the National Police of the Republic of Korea.

On Friday, May 27, I spent a large part of the day visiting the National Police College (Kungnip Kyongch'al Chonmun Hakkyo) and the Kyonggi Province police headquarters at Inchon, escorted by Mr. Ray FOREAKER, adviser to the Police College and a State Department exchange grantee. The following information came from conversation with Mr. Foreaker; with HYON Kyu-pyong, Deputy Commandant of the Police College; and with Police Chief YI Song-u, Chief of Police of Kyonggi Province; and from personal observations.

1. National Police College

Since April 1 of this year, the Police College has been located at a former Catholic girls' school in Pup'yong-ni, a small village about four miles east of Inchon. The school property includes three buildings, connected by covered passageways, and perhaps 100 to 150 acres of land, much of which is wooded hillside which forms a picturesque background for the College. Two of the buildings, long two-storied structures of typical Japanese pattern, contain perhaps forty offices and classrooms. The third is an auditorium with a seating capacity of about five hundred, also used for judo instruction.

The Commandant of the College is KIM Chang-hung, whose principal assignment is Director of the Bureau of Public Security, Ministry of Home Affairs. Although he presumably does not spend much time on the campus, he does appear on the course schedules as teaching certain classes. Superintendent HYON is the ranking officer regularly at the campus. In Mr. Foreaker's estimation, he does comparatively little, has no special background for the position, and owes his appointment to politics.

The staff of the College is divided into four sections: Administration, headed by a Superintendent SUH Ki-yong with background in education and music; Education, also headed by Superintendent YI Myong-hun with academic background; Training, headed by Superintendent KIM Won-yong who until about a year ago commanded the Sonam Police Combat Command; and Publications, with Superintendent LIM Kyu-son in charge. In Mr. Foreaker's estimation all of these men are capable, hard-working, and well qualified for their positions. Superintendent KIM he characterizes as a practical police type, well balanced by the more academically-minded men in the Administration and Training sections. The staff table of organization, displayed on the wall of Mr. Foreaker's office at the College, shows approximately 70 positions of which about 57 are filled, plus 30 positions for professors in specialized fields, of which only three or four are filled for lack of funds. Total staff, including administrative and custodial personnel, amounts to somewhere around 200.

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There are currently about 400 students at the school, including 50 policewomen. The basic course, of three months' duration, has about 150 enrolled. There is also a course for officers and one for sergeants and detectives; these courses are of two months' duration. Most of the students are quartered in 21 tentments set up in front of the main building, which hold 20 men apiece. Policewomen and some of the men (presumably the officers) are quartered in the rear school building. The Deputy Commandant is concerned over the fact that the tents leak, and with the rainy season approaching there will be a very difficult morale and housekeeping problem. The tents could be waterproofed, but the police have been unable to obtain waterproofing compound. They tried used engine oil, but it did not serve the purpose.

Students attend classes of 50 minutes' duration from nine to twelve and one to three daily, with ten-minute recesses between classes. From three to five o'clock each day they engage in physical training such as drill and judo. The first two weeks of the basic training course are given over entirely to military drill.

My own superficial observation would indicate that the College is efficient and well-run. Students were all busily occupied in classes; all office personnel seemed to know what to do and to be engaged in doing it; sleeping quarters and all parts of the school premises were scrupulously neat, though quite plain and unornamented.

Mr. Foreaker informed me that all provincial police schools have been closed, and all training is being conducted at the National Police College. However, "Tiger" Kim in South Cholla is running an informal seminar-type school without the sanction of national headquarters. (This may very likely be the case in other provinces.) There is reportedly no recruiting now going on for the police force, which has been undergoing reduction in strength through attrition and through disbanding of the Combat Command. Those now receiving basic training had been placed on the force without it. There is a large backlog of such men still to be trained, presumably at the rate of 150 every three months.

2. Police Organization and Problems in Kyonggi Province

The Kyonggi Province Police Chief, YI Song-u (whose assignment to the post occurred about two weeks ago) recently returned from a training course at Michigan State College. Mr. Foreaker regards him as one of the most promising young officers on the police force, and other Embassy personnel who know him support this view. He speaks English fairly well, but very slowly and with some embarrassment; his comprehension of English seems very good. He said that Kyonggi Province is worse off in respect to communications than most other provinces, because war damage was heavy, and because the military have preempted almost all available wires, so that he can communicate with most of his 23 stations only by messenger. The province has some 40,000 refugees, mostly from the areas south of the 38th parallel now held by the Communists; most of them are congregated in the Inchon area. They are living in temporary "barracks" or "paper-box

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or "paper-box houses", which are scheduled for demolition next month. This step is necessary because the refugees are, for example, stealing coal from the railroad yards, around which a large part of them live. Building materials for new houses are coming in, but profiteering in these materials is creating additional problems.

3. Coast Guard

The Coast Guard, transferred from the Navy to the Police some time ago, was transferred back to the Navy about three months ago. There is a Harbor Police station in Inchon, with two patrol boats.

4. Police Situation in Kwangju

Mr. Foreaker had just returned from a brief visit to Kwangju, South Cholla Province. He was impressed by the way in which "Tiger" Kim (KIM Chong-won) had organized the police in the province. For example, he inspected all police stations in South Cholla once a month and rated them 1, 2 or 3 according to their relative efficiency and excellence. Chiefs of stations which consistently received low ratings were dismissed if any irregularity or misconduct occurred, whereas those with high ratings were accorded more liberal treatment. Again, unlike the situation in Seoul, police in South Cholla felt free to arrest ROKA soldiers who committed offenses.

Mr. Foreaker also inspected the jail in Kwangju. Although Chief Kim had not been warned in advance of the visit, the jail was scrupulously clean. Cells contained only four or five prisoners each, compared with twenty each in former times. The top floor of the jail was an exercise room, and prisoners were allowed out of their cells at certain times daily for exercise and for washing-up -- a radical departure from traditional penal practice in Korea. Prisoners were given books; and posters painted on cell walls portrayed the attractions of family life.

Donald S. Macdonald
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SUBJECT: Graduation Exercises at the National Police College, and Comments on Police Training

The National Police College (Kungnip Kyongch'al Chonmun Hakkyo), located at a former Catholic girls' school at Pup'yong-dong, near Inch'on, graduated 578 police officers from a three-month basic course (26th and 27th classes, third division) in an impressive outdoor ceremony on the afternoon of December 15. The course was for lieutenants, of whom twelve were promoted to Captain as a result of their diligence, and others received special commendations. President RHEE, Minister of Home Affairs YI Ik-hung, Mr. T. Eliot WEIL as representative of the American Ambassador, First Secretary CHO as representative of the Chinese Ambassador, Army Chief of Staff General YI Hyong-gun, and several other Korean notables were present, as well as several American advisers from the Office of the Economic Co-ordinator and the United States Army. President Rhee's presence probably can be taken as an indication of the importance he attaches to the police, as well as of his favor for the present chief, KIM Chong-won, Director of the Public Security Bureau. Both Director Kim and the President spoke, the latter extemporaneously for about five minutes. The President seemed in good health and spirits. So far as he was understood by Embassy officers present, he appeared to refer in glowing terms to past police exploits, particularly the anti-guerrilla campaign in the Chiri Mountain area, and to cite police responsibilities and his hopes for their continued progress. None of his comments were particularly impassioned, and he did not seem to refer to current political issues in any major degree.

The appearance of the graduates themselves was splendid indeed. They were dressed with the utmost neatness, lined up in perfect formation, and stood rigidly at attention for the entire ceremony, which lasted about an hour. The police honor guard put on a spectacular prize drill which obviously impressed the President, as well as the other guests. The entire exercise was a reflection of the great outward progress made by the police, although it is understood that the training program puts insufficient emphasis on technical police skills and perhaps too much on academic subjects and "spit-and-polish".

The graduation of these men brings to 2,840 the number of lieutenants who have either trained at the Police College or at provincial colleges (which are no longer officially operated). This number coincides with the total strength of the National Police in this grade. A new, six-month course began on December 17 with

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420 police sergeants who will become lieutenants on graduation.

The United States Government has played a large role in the training and organization of the National Police from their beginnings under Military Government in 1945. Formal training was first instituted in 1946 at the provincial level. The Provincial Police College in Seoul was expanded in 1953 and became known as the National Police College, training police personnel from all provinces of South Korea. Initially it was located in a small building near the American Embassy in Seoul, and was moved to its present location in early 1955.

Although American advisers had worked with the police throughout their history, the first adviser to the National Police College, Mr. Ray FOREAKER, was sponsored by the State Department exchange-of-persons program in 1955. In early 1956, the Office of the Economic Co-ordinator set up a Public Safety Advisory Group, under the leadership of Mr. Foreaker, who now has four civilians with extensive police experience to assist him, as well as a diminishing number of U.S. Army officers detailed to this activity. An adviser for the college is included in the scope of this group's activities. The OEC program for the fiscal year 1957 includes an amount of $866,000 for National Police support, but until the present time no United States funds have been provided for aid in improving the physical facilities of the College. USIS and OEC funds have been provided for translating American police manuals and U.S. Army manuals into Korean. American manuals on such subjects as riot control and ordnance have been translated, and are now in use in the curriculum of the College. Plans are now being made for the U.S. Army to build pistol and rifle ranges at the College, to be used by military as well as police personnel and eventually to be wholly turned over to the College.

The American adviser at the Police College now teaches one to two classes daily on police administration and riot control. There are also ten Korean instructors at the college, all with at least the rank of Superintendent. Three of these are civilians with honorary Superintendent rank; the remainder are career police officers.

In addition to the program of training in Korea, a total of approximately 35 police officers have been sent to the United States for observation and training since 1945. Fifteen of these men (of whom five are in the United States at present) have been sent under the United States Government exchange-of-persons program for six months of training and observation of American police methods. These men receive, as preparation for their travel abroad, three months of English instruction at the Foreign Language Institute (an institution operated by the Ministry of Education and the United Nations Korea Reconstruction Agency) and an additional period of orientation at the Police College given by the American adviser and by Korean instructors who have already completed similar tours abroad.

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FORMER ACTING PRIME MINISTER HO CHONG (HUH JUNG) APPOINTED MAYOR SEOUL REPLACING KO CHAE-BONG DECEMBER 14. KO REPORTEDLY TENDERED RESIGNATION DECEMBER 12 BUT AS YET NO RPT NO EXPLANATION HIS RESIGNATION AVAILABLE EMBASSY. HO CHONG AGE 61 ACTIVE 1919-1930 KOREAN INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT IN SHANGHAI AND US. ONE-TIME ASSISTANT PRESIDENT RHEE; STUDENT THREE YEARS COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY; 1930-38 ENGAGED GOLD MINING OPERATIONS KOREA; ACTIVE RIGHT WING HANGUK DEMOCRATIC PARTY; EX-NATIONAL ASSEMBLYMAN; EX-PRESIDENT KOREAN COAL AND KOREAN SHIPPING CORPORATIONS; EX-MINISTER TRANSPORTATION; EX-MINISTER SOCIAL AFFAIRS. HO IS RHEE SUPPORTER AND LONG TIME CLOSE FRIEND OF YI KI- BUNG.

VICE MINISTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER DECEMBER 14 HO HAD FLATLY REFUSED PRESIDENT RHEE'S OFFER POSITION COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER A MONTH AGO. ACCORDING CAS SOURCES HO, UNDER PRESSURE ACCEPT SOME GOVERNMENT OFFICE FINALLY TOLD SPEAKER YI HE WOULD ACCEPT POSITION MAYOR EXPLAINING HE COULD DO A GREAT DEAL MORE WORKING WITH BOTH LIBERAL PARTY AND OPPOSITION IN SEOUL AS MAYOR THAN HE COULD DO IN A CABINET POSITION.

HO WAS RELIEVED POSITION ACTING PRIME MINISTER IN APRIL 1952 WHEN HE OBJECTED PRESSURES PLACED ON NATIONAL ASSEMBLY TO PASS AMENDMENT PERMITTING POPULAR ELECTION PRESIDENT. HIS CLOSE FRIEND YI KI-BUNG HAS CONTINUALLY PRESSED FOR HIS REINSTATEMENT IN POSITION IMPORTANCE. DIRECTOR METROPOLITAN POLICE RECENTLY TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER HE BELIEVED PRESIDENT'S OBJECTIVE (AND PRESUMABLY YI'S) WAS PLACE HO CHONG IN CHARGE OF CABINET THUS FREEING YI KI-BUNG TO DEVOTE ATTENTION TO LIBERAL PARTY AND ASSEMBLY ELECTION PROBLEMS. VICE MINISTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS EXPRESSED OPINION PROPER APPOINTMENT FOR HO CHONG WOULD BE AS FOREIGN MINISTER. HO IS TAKING LONG-RANGE

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Also recommended Medal Freedom with Bronze Palm to Chief Kangwon-do Police Chang Jae-ik for meritorious service as Chief Welfare Section NP Headquarters June 1950 to July 1953.

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SUBJECT: UN Cemetery in Korea.

PARTICIPANTS:
Mr. Hunter Wade, First Secretary, New Zealand Embassy
Mr. John Rowland, Second Secretary, Australian Embassy
Mr. James McCardle, Second Secretary, Canadian Embassy
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Miss Armstrong reported the reaction of the British Government to the U.S. suggestion that action be sought by the UN General Assembly to create a UN cemetery in Korea which would be cared for by the ROK in accordance with stipulated standards. The British Government agrees with the U.S. that it would be desirable not to require yearly appropriations for the cemetery by the General Assembly, but it opposed to ROK custodianship. The British suggest, instead, that after UN General Assembly action to establish the cemetery, maintenance be entrusted to an ad hoc committee of countries with graves in the cemetery, who would maintain it at their own expense.

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Messrs. McCardle and Rowland indicated that the Canadian and Australian Governments agreed with the British suggestion. Mr. Wade indicated that New Zealand was still inclined to favor a cemetery maintained as well as created by the UN itself, inasmuch as it was a UN responsibility. He asked whether the U.S. was firmly opposed to UN maintenance. Mr. DePalma replied that the U.S. is not firmly set against the idea, but is strongly inclined to oppose it on the ground that yearly financing of the cemetery by the UN appears to be unnecessary and would occasion yearly repetitions of the debate on the origins and nature of the Korean conflict. Mr. DePalma said that ROK custodianship had merely been a suggestion by the U.S., and the U.S. would not press for it.

It was agreed that the Commonwealth representatives would present their plan for U.S. consideration in more detail, preferably accompanied by a draft resolution. If the Commonwealth proposal seemed workable, the views of others of the Sixteen would be sought and, if agreement is then reached further action on the proposal would be referred to the permanent mission in New York.

Mr. Norred

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Mr. Norred gave the Commonwealth representatives the following list of the numbers of graves in the UN Command cemetery, by nationality, as of late May 1955.

Australia	251
Canada	375
Great Britain	829
New Zealand	32
South Africa	11
France	86
Netherlands	117
Norway	1
Republic of Korea	36
Turkey	389
unknown	4
Other (Soviet pilot)	1

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SUBJECT: Korean Narcotics Control Law

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On March 4, 1957 the ROK National Assembly passed a Narcotics Control Law, which was promulgated on April 23, 1957 as Law No. 440. The Law comes into force sixty days after its promulgation.

There is enclosed in reproducible form an unofficial English Translation of the Narcotics Control Law. Eight copies of the official Korean text of the law will be transmitted by surface pouch, making reference to this despatch.

The law makes the non-authorized use of narcotics a criminal offense and sets forth the authorized uses of narcotics drugs. It appears to be fairly comprehensive and detailed. It provides for a strict licensing system for the persons engaged in the legitimate use of narcotics, and calls for a system of records control which should prevent the illegal use or diversion of legally imported or manufactured narcotics. The prevention of smuggling and the suppression of the illegal use of smuggled narcotics are not covered by this law since these are functions of the customs and police officials, and, presumably, are already covered by existing regulations.

At the time of the legislative hearings on the bill, the Minister of Health and Social Affairs, who will have principal responsibility for narcotics control under the law, indicated a determination on the part of the Government to exercise effective control over narcotics. Various implementing regulations which are called for in the law are in the process of being drawn up and should be ready by the time the law comes into force on June 23, 1957.

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CHAPTER I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1. (Purpose)

The purpose of this Law is to protect humanity against the harmful effects of addiction, and to limit the supply and uses of narcotic drugs to medical and scientific purposes.

Article 2. (Definition of Narcotic Drugs)

The term "narcotic drugs", as used herewith, applies to those which fall under the following categories:

(a) Opium poppy, opium, coca leaves, but excluding coca leaves after alkaloids have been extracted.

(b) All types of alkaloids extracted from opium poppy, opium and coca leaves; salts derivatives thereof.

(c) Marihuana stems, and seeds and derivatives thereof, but excluding full-grown marihuana stems and their derivatives, and non-germinating seeds of marihuana.

(d) Any other chemical preparations so determined by the Presidential Decree as equally damaging and/or habit-forming as the narcotic drugs specified above.

(e) Any other drugs or preparations that contain narcotic drugs specified above but so determined by the Minister of Health and Social Affairs as non-habit forming and as non-reproducible into narcotic drugs by mixing with other substances (hereafter in this Law referred to as the exempted narcotic drugs).

Article 3. (Definition of Licensees)

The term "licensee" applies to those who fall under the following categories, possessing a license issued by the Minister of Health and Social Affairs:

(a) "Importer" means one who imports narcotic drugs into the country.

(b) "Manufacturer" means one who manufactures narcotic drugs (including chemical processing of transforming and refining).

(c) "Pharmacist" means one who prepares narcotic drugs by any means of processing that brings no chemical changes to the substance.

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(d) "Repackager" means one who repackages narcotic drugs.

(e) "Wholesaler" means one who sells narcotic drugs to duly licensed retailers, medical practitioners, narcotic administrators, or laboratory scientists.

(f) "Retailer" means one who dispenses narcotic drugs upon prescription issued by a duly licensed practitioner.

(g) "Practitioner" means doctors, dentists, and vetinary surgeons who administer, dispense or prescribe narcotic drugs to patients or for animals in the exercise of their therapeutic functions.

(h) "Administrator" means an employee in a medical institution which operates under provisions of the National Medical Treatment Law (hereafter shall be referred to as a medical institution), who is responsible for the preparation, receipt and custody of the narcotic drugs the medical institution maintains to administer or dispense to patients.

(i) "Laboratory Scientist" means one who uses narcotic drugs in the course of scientific research.

(j) "Exempted narcotic preparations pharmacist" means one who prepares exempted narcotic drugs.

Article 4. (Prohibition of Unlicensed Transactions)

No person without an appropriate license is permitted to possess, procure, supervise, import, manufacture, prepare, repackage, compound, administer, sell or purchase, receive or transfer narcotic drugs, or use narcotic drugs for scientific research purposes, or to issue prescriptions for narcotic drugs, or to prepare exempted narcotic drugs. However, the following shall be exceptions:

(a) When someone possesses narcotic drugs as dispensed to him for medical purposes by a duly licensed practitioner in accordance with the provisions of this Law.

(b) When someone possesses narcotic drugs as sold or transferred to him by a duly licensed retailer in accordance with the provisions of this Law.

(c) When someone possesses narcotic drugs to transport or to store pursuant to agreement with a person duly licensed in accordance with the provisions of this Law.

(d) When someone possesses narcotic drugs in his official capacity that have been seized, forfeited or confiscated.

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(e) When someone possesses narcotic drugs with permission from the Minister of Health and Social Affairs, as determined by Presidential Decree.

Article 5. (Transactions Limited)

1. No licensee shall carry out activities specified in the preceding article with a view other than specified in business objective.

2. Those who possess, transport or supervise narcotic drugs, in accordance with the provisions of this Law, shall not use such narcotic drugs for non-specified purposes.

3. The Minister of Health and Social Affairs may, when he finds such action to be in the public interest, issue orders to prohibit or restrict the importation, manufacture, preparation, repackaging or use of narcotic drugs, as determined by Presidential Decree.

Article 6. (Activities prohibited to the public)

No one shall carry out activities that fall under the following categories:

(a) Use of narcotic drugs not specified in this Law.

(b) Export trade in narcotic drugs.

(c) Cultivation of plants which are the source of narcotic drugs; possession, procurement, supervision, export-import, sale or purchase, receipt or transfer of raw material, seeds and seedlings of narcotic drugs; or extracting substances from raw material, seeds and seedlings. However, an exception will be made when permission has been given by the Minister of Health and Social Affairs, as determined by Presidential Decree.

(d) Manufacture of medicines from marihuana; or to use or administer or dispense such medicines.

(e) To possess, procure, supervise, import, manufacture, purchase or sell, receive or transfer, transport, use, administer or dispense heroin (diacetylmorphine), and salts and derivatives thereof.

(f) To make profit by letting a place to a person who carries out activities prohibited specifically in Article 4 and this Article throughout its sub-paragraphs.

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CHAPTER II

LICENSES

Article 7. (Issuance of Licenses)

The Minister of Health and Social Affairs may issue a license to the following qualified persons, as determined by Presidential Decree:

(a) An importer's license may be issued to a duly licensed pharmacist or any person who, under the supervision of a duly licensed pharmacist as provided in Article 24 of the Pharmaceutical Law, is engaged in import-export trade in medicines in general.

(b) A manufacturer's license, a pharmacist's license, a repackager's license and an exempted narcotic preparations pharmacist's license may be issued to a duly licensed person who is either a duly licensed pharmacist or any person who, under the supervision of a duly licensed pharmacist, manufactures medicines in general and who has adequate technique and facilities to do so.

(c) A wholesaler's license may be issued to a duly licensed pharmacist or any person who, under the supervision of a duly licensed pharmacist, deals in medicines.

(d) A retailer's license may be issued to a pharmacist duly licensed to practice pharmacy or to a pharmacist supervisor as provided in Article 17 of the Pharmaceutical Law.

(e) A practitioner's license may be issued to any doctor, dentist, or vetinery surgeon duly licensed to practice; or to a medical staff in a medical institution.

(f) An administrator's license may be issued to any doctor, dentist, vetinery surgeon or pharmacist working in a medical institution in which more than two licensed practitioners are employed.

(g) A research license may be issued to any research worker who is engaged in scientific research works and who has sufficient knowledge and know how to use narcotic drugs.

Article 8. (Issuance and Registration of License Certificate)

1. When the Minister of Health and Social Affairs issues a license, he shall register a licensee and issue a license certificate.

2. Regulations concerning registration under the preceding paragraph and fees shall be determined by the order of the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs (which shall be hereafter referred to as Ministry Order).

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Article 9. (Duration of License)

1. All licenses shall terminate on the 31st day of December of the year for which they are issued.

2. Applications for renewal shall be filed during the month of November preceding the expiration date, as determined by the Minister of Health and Social Affairs.

3. The Minister of Health and Social Affairs shall renew licenses without prejudice unless disqualifying factors have been established against an applicant.

Article 10. (License not transferable; revocation of license)

1. No license shall be transferable.

2. A licensee shall file an application to the competent Minister for a revocation of his license when he has reasons of transferring or closing his business establishment or of resigning from his post.

3. If a licensee dies, or when the business establishment dissolves, or when a licensee becomes legally incapacitated, his license shall thereby lapse and his legal heir (or his legal representative in property custody when his heir is not clear), liquidator, guardian, or adviser may file a report to the Minister of Health and Social Affairs informing him of the matter.

4. When a licensee has violated the provisions of paragraph 1 of this article or when he had reasons specified in paragraph 2 of this article, his license shall lapse and he shall surrender the license certificate to the Minister of Health and Social Affairs.

5. When applying, notifying or surrendering as stipulated in paragraphs 2 through 4 of this article, all procedures shall go through an appropriate mayor or governor.

Article 11. (Revocation of Registration; other matters)

1. When factors applying to the following categories, the Minister of Health and Social Affairs shall take a licensee off the registration list:

(a) When no application has been duly filed as stipulated in paragraph 2 of Article 9;

(b) When a license has been revoked in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 2 and 3 of the preceding article.

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2. Further regulations, other than those stipulated in this Law, relating to alterations in registration, revocation of registration, application or notification for revocation of license, renewal or surrender of license certificate, or to license certivicate shall be determined by the Ministry Order.

CHAPTER III

NARCOTICS CONTROL

Article 12. (Limits in Receipt)

No licensee shall receive narcotic drugs from an unlicensed person. However, an exception shall be made when the Minister of Health and Social Affairs gives his permission, in accordance with provisions of paragraph 1 of article 16.

Article 13. (Sales Receipts; Order Forms)

1. No licensee shall sell or other wise transfer narcotic drugs (excluding exempted narcotic preparations) to another licensee unless he exchanges with the buyer or transferee a sales receipt and an order form, in the forms issued by the government agency, making entry of required information and signing his name and sealing his seal on the forms.

2. The forms (blank) shall be purchased through the government agency for a nominal fee, as determined by Presidential Decree.

3. The sales receipt and order forms, as stipulated in paragraph 1 of this article, shall be retained for two years from the date of exchange.

Article 14. (Inventory Records)

1. All licensees shall keep inventory records on the handling of narcotic drugs, showing: item, amount and date they imported, manufactured, prepared, repackaged, compounded, received, transferred, administered or dispensed or used such drugs for scientific research; including address and name of all persons involved in every transactions. When it was made to another licensee, his license classification and registration number must be added.

2. A duly licensed administrator in a medical institution shall keep records on narcotic drugs that have been administered or dispensed to the patients by the medical institution, regardless of the provisions of the preceding paragraph.

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3. Such inventory records under the two preceding paragraphs shall be retained for five years.

Article 15. (Damaged or Stolen Narcotic Drugs)

When any of the following conditions occurr to anyone possessing narcotic drugs, the licensee shall report the matter to the minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor without delay:

(a) Loss by natural disaster.

(b) Misplaced or stolen.

(c) Deteriorated or damaged.

Article 16. (Disposal of narcotic drugs owned by disqualified Licensee)

1. When a licensee (excluding the exempted narcotic preparations pharmacist) has his registration revoked or his license revoked in accordance with the provisions of article 11, the person who was a licensee, his heir, liquidator, guardian or adviser or a company that might be surviving or newly-established shall file a report to the Minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor on item and amount of narcotic drugs on hand, and shall transfer the narcotic drugs to a licensee upon obtaining permission from the Minister of Health and Social Affairs. However, when the heir or a company is a licensee, no such transfer shall be necessary with permission from the Minister of Health and Social Affairs.

2. Any person whose license has been suspended in accordance with the provisions of article 53 shall surrender the narcotic drugs on hand and his license certificate to the appropriate mayor or governor.

3. Upon the expiration of the suspension period, narcotic drugs and license certificate surrendered shall be properly returned to the owner licensee.

Article 17. (Storage of Narcotic Drugs)

All licensees and those who are specified in exceptions (c) thru (e) of article 4 shall keep their stock of narcotic drugs under lock and apart from other merchandise and materials.

Article 18. (Sealing of Narcotic Drugs)

1. A duly licensed importer, manufacturer, pharmacist, and repackager shall make proper markings on the receptacles or packages of narcotic drugs that have been imported, manufactured, prepared and repackaged, in accordance with Ministry Order, and seal them with stamps approved by the government

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agency. However, the same shall not apply to exempted narcotic drugs.

2. A nominal fee shall be paid to the National Treasury for the stamps specified in the preceding paragraph, as determined by Presidential Decree.

Article 19. (Unsealed Narcotic Drugs)

No licensee shall receive or transfer narcotic drugs that have not been sealed as stipulated in the preceding article. However, an exception shall be made when the Minister of Health and Social Affairs gives his permission, as determined by Presidential Decree.

CHAPTER IV

LICENSEES

Article 20. (Importer)

1. No importer other than those stipulated in this Law shall import narcotic drugs.

2. Every licensed importer, when he wishes to import narcotic drugs, shall obtain permission from the Minister of Health and Social Affairs for the establishment of item and amount of the drugs proposed to be imported, as determined by the Ministry Order.

Article 21. (Imported Narcotic Drugs)

Importers shall not transfer imported narcotic drugs to persons other than duly licensed manufacturers, pharmacists, repackagers, wholesalers or exempted narcotic preparations pharmacists.

Article 22. (Report on Import)

Not later than the 10th of the next month, every importer shall file a report to the Minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor, showing:

(a) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the beginning of the calendar month for which the report is made.

(b) Name, amount and date of narcotic drugs imported and name of country from which they were imported druing the calendar month.

(c) Name of all persons to whom he delivered narcotic drugs and name, amount and date delivered to each such person during the calendar month.

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(d) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the end of the calendar month.

(c) Other required data.

Article 23. (Manufacturer)

1. No manufacturer other than those stipulated in this Law shall manufacture narcotic drugs.

2. Every manufacturer, when he wishes to manufacture narcotic drugs, shall obtain permission from the Minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor, for the establishment of name, substance, manufacturing process, forms, package unit, amount and source of narcotic drugs to be manufactured.

Article 24. (Manufactured Narcotic Drugs)

A manufacturer shall not deliver (transfer) manufactured narcotic drugs to persons other than a duly licensed manufacturer, pharmacist, repackager, exempted narcotic preparations pharmacist or wholesaler.

Article 25. (Report on Manufacture)

Not later than the 10th of the next month, every manufacturer shall file a report to the Minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor, showing:

(a) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the beginning of the calendar month for which the report is made.

(b) Name, amount and source of narcotic drugs he used during the calendar month.

(c) Name and amount of narcotic drugs he manufactured during the calendar month.

(d) Name of all persons to whom he transferred or from whom he received narcotic drugs and name, amount and date of such transfer and receipt during the calendar month.

(e) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the end of the calendar month.

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Article 26. (Pharmacist)

1. No pharmacist other than those stipulated in this Law shall prepare narcotic drugs.

2. Every pharmacist, when he wishes to prepare narcotic drugs, shall obtain permission from the Minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor, for the establishment of name, substance, process, forms, package unit and amount to be prepared, and of name, amount and source of narcotic drugs to be used in preparations.

Article 27. (Prepared Narcotic Drugs)

A pharmacist shall not transfer prepared narcotic drugs to any person other than a duly licensed wholesaler.

Article 28. (Report on Preparations)

Not later than the 10th of the next month, every pharmacist shall file a report to the Minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor, showing:

(a) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the beginning of the calendar month for which the report is made.

(b) Name, amount and source of narcotic drugs he used in preparations during the calendar month.

(c) Name and amount of narcotic drugs he prepared during the calendar month.

(d) Name of all persons to whom he sold or from whom he received narcotic drugs and name, amount and date sold or received during the calendar month.

(e) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the end of the calendar month.

(f) Other required data.

Article 29. (Repackager)

1. No repackager other than those stipulated in this Law shall repackage narcotic drugs.

2. Every repackager, when he wishes to repackage narcotic drugs, shall obtain permission from the Minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor, for the establishment of name and amount to be repackaged and amount and source of narcotic drugs to be used in repackaging.

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Article 30. (Repackaged Narcotic Drugs)

A repackager shall not transfer repackaged narcotic drugs to any person other than a duly licensed wholesaler.

Article 31. (Report on Repackaging)

Not later than the 10th of the next month, every repackager shall file a report to the Minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor, showing:

(a) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the beginning of the calendar month for which the report is made.

(b) Name, amount and source of narcotic drugs he used in repackaging during the calendar month.

(c) Amount of narcotic drugs repackaged during the calendar month.

(d) Name of all persons to whom he sold and from whom he received narcotic drugs and name, amount and date sold or received to and from each such person during the calendar month.

(e) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the end of the calendar month.

(f) Other required data.

Article 32. (Wholesaler)

A duly licensed wholesaler, in accordance with the provisions of this Law, shall not transfer narcotic drugs to any person other than a duly licensed retailer, practitioner, administrator or research scientist located in a city or a province where his business establishment has its location. However, it will be an exception when a transfer is made with permission from the Minister of Health and Social Affairs, after filing an application through the appropriate mayor or governor.

Article 33. (Report on Wholesale Trade)

Not later than the 10th of the next month, every wholesaler shall file a report to the Minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor, showing:

(a) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the beginning of the calendar month for which the report is made.

(b) Name of all persons from whom he purchased or to whom he sold narcotic drugs and name, amount and date purchased or sold to or from such persons during the calendar month.

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(c) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the end of the calendar month.

(d) Other required data.

Article 34. (Retailer)

1. No retailer other than those stipulated in this Law shall dispense narcotic drugs upon prescriptions issued by a duly licensed practitioner. However, an exception will be made when a practitioner dispenses narcotic drugs upon his own prescription while in the exercise of his medical functions.

2. A retailer shall retain a copy of each prescription for two years.

Article 35. (Report on Retail Trade)

Not later than the 10th of the next month, every retailer shall file a report to the appropriate mayor or governor, showing:

(a) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the beginning of the calendar month for which the report is made.

(b) Name, amount, date and source of narcotic drugs he purchased during the calendar month.

(c) Name and amount of narcotic drugs dispensed during the calendar month.

(d) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the end of the calendar month.

Article 36. (Practitioner)

No practitioner other than those stipulated in this Law shall administer, dispense or prescribe narcotic drugs to a patient or for an animal.

Article 37. (Record on Administering)

1. Every practitioner administering or dispensing narcotic drugs shall keep a record showing: address, name (in case of an animal, address and name of its owner), age, sex, name of disease, major symptoms of a patient; amount of narcotic drugs administered or dispensed to each patient; name, amount and date of narcotic drugs administered or dispensed. Such records shall be kept apart from his other records.

2. A practitioner shall retain the record specified in the preceding paragraph for two years.

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3. An administrator shall keep and retain such records for a medical institution where an administrator is assigned.

Article 38. (Prescriptions)

1. Every practitioner prescribing narcotic drugs shall write, sign and seal a prescription, showing: address, place of business establishment, firms name, license number of the issuing practitioner; address, name, sex, age, name of disease of a patient to whom a prescription is issued; and date of issuance. Prescription copies shall be kept apart from his other records.

2. Provisions of paragraphs 2 and 3 of the preceding article shall apply to the preceding paragraph of this article.

Article 39. (Report on Administering)

1. Not later than the 10th of the next month, every practitioner shall file a report to the appropriate mayor or governor, showing:

(a) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the beginning of the calendar month for which the report is made.

(b) Name, amount and source of narcotic drugs he purchased during the calendar month.

(c) Name and amount of narcotic drugs administered or dispensed during the calendar month.

(d) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the end of the calendar month.

2. Provisions of paragraph 3 of article 37 shall apply to the preceding paragraph of this article.

Article 40. (Administrator)

1. An administrator shall be assigned by the head of a medical institution where more than two licensed practitioners are employed, in accordance with the provisions of this Law.

2. When an administrator has his registration revoked or has his license revoked, in accordance with the provisions of this Law, the head of a medical institution shall, until a new assignment is made, have narcotic drugs on hand transferred to a duly licensed practitioner in the institution, and file a report to the Minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor on the matter.

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3. The provisions of the preceding paragraph of this article shall apply to a case where the business has been suspended in accordance with the provisions of article 53.

Article 41. (Supervising)

An administrator in a medical institution shall not administer or dispense narcotic drugs other than the drugs received and kept in the institution to administer or to dispense to patients.

Article 42. (Research Scientist)

No research scientist other than those stipulated in this Law shall consume narcotic drugs for scientific research purposes.

Article 43. (Report on Consumption)

Not later than the 10th of the next month, every research scientist shall file a report to the Minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor, showing:

(a) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the beginning of the calendar month for which the report is made.

(b) Name of all persons from whom he purchased narcotic drugs and name, amount and date he purchased from each person during the calendar month.

(c) Name, amount and date of narcotic drugs used during the calendar month; summary of research programs during the calendar month.

(d) Name and amount of narcotic drugs in his possession at the end of the calendar month.

(e) Other required data.

Article 44. (Exempted Narcotic Preparations Pharmacist)

1. No exempted narcotic preparations pharmacist other than those stipulated in this Law shall prepare exempted narcotic drugs.

2. Every exempted narcotic preparations pharmacist, when he wishes to prepare exempted narcotic drugs, shall obtain permission from the Minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor, for the establishment of name, substance, processing, forms, package unit and amount proposed to be prepared, and name, amount and source of narcotic drugs to be used in preparations.

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Article 45. (Prepared exempted narcotic drugs)

1. When an exempted narcotic preparations pharmacist transfers prepared exempted narcotic preparations, he shall prepare a report on such transfers, showing: name, amount and date of prepared exempted narcotic drugs; address and name of all persons to whom transferred; in case the transferee is another licensee, his address, name, license classification and license number shall be added.

2. The provisions of paragraph 2 of article 37 shall apply to the preceding paragraph of this article.

Article 46. (Report on Preparations of Exempted Narcotic Drugs)

Not later than the 10th of the next month, every exempted narcotic preparations pharmacist shall file a report to the Minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor, showing:

(a) Name and amount of exempted narcotic drugs in his possession at the beginning of the calendar month for which the report is made.

(b) Name of all persons from whom narcotic drugs have been purchased and name, amount and date of such narcotic drugs purchased during the calendar month.

(c) Name and amount of narcotic drugs used in preparations during the calendar month.

(d) Name and amount of exempted narcotic drugs prepared during the calendar month.

(e) Name of all persons to whom exempted narcotic drugs have been transferred and name, amount and date transferred to each person during the calendar month.

(f) Other required data.

CHAPTER V

ADDICTS

Article 47. (Control over Addicts)

Loss of self-control or activities disrupting social order, caused by drug addiction, shall be prohibited.

Article 48. (Use of Narcotic Drugs Prohibited)

A practitioner shall not administer, dispense or prescribe narcotic drugs to an addict in order to reduce his symptoms or to cure him. However,

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exception will be made when such use is made at a quanrantine camp, in accordance with the provisions of article 50, with permission from the Minister of Health and Social Affairs.

Article 49. (Report on Addicts)

When a practitioner diagonses a patient as an addict, he shall file a report to the Minister of Health and Social Affairs through the appropriate mayor or governor on the patient, giving the address, name, age and sex of the addict, and the type of narcotic drugs he is addicted to. The same shall be done when an addict has been cured or has died.

Article 50. (Forced Custody at Quarantine Camp)

1. When a treatment at a quarantine camp is necessary to cure an addict, the Minister of Health and Social Affairs or an appropriate mayor or governor shall admit an addict to a designated quarantine camp.

2. Regulations concerning quarantine accommodation shall be determined by Presidential Decree.

CHAPTER VI

SUPERVISION AND CONTROL

Article 51. (Inspection; Taking)

1. The Minister of Health and Social Affairs or a mayor or governor, when he finds it necessary to supervise and control transactions of narcotic drugs, shall send government agents to a business establishment, plant, warehouse, drug store, preparations plant or other place having a relationship with narcotic drugs to inspect the structure, facilities, business, records, medicines and other materials, and may have the government agents take a necessary amount of narcotic drugs or drugs related to narcotic drugs, for testing purposes, as determined by the Ministry Order.

2. When a government agent is inspecting or taking, in accordance with the provisions of this Law, he shall identify himself by presenting proper identifying papers.

Article 52. (Business Reports)

The Minister of Health and Social Affairs may order a licensee to submit a report on necessary information covering his business.

Article 53. (Revocation of Registration; Suspension of Business)

When a licensee has violated this Law or other related Laws, the

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Minister of Health and Social Affairs shall revoke his registration or order a part or all of his business to be suspended for a specified period of time.

Article 54. (Disposal of Illegal Narcotic Drugs)

The Minister of Health and Social Affairs may seize or take other necessary actions over narcotic drugs illegally owned, procured, supervised, cultivated, imported, manufactured, prepared, repackaged, sold or purchased, received or transferred, administered, dispensed or compounded or used for research purposes.

Article 55. (Narcotics Inspectors)

1. Narcotics inspectors shall be assigned to the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, City and Provincial government levels.

2. Regulations concerning the inspectors shall be determined by Presidential Decree.

3. An inspector shall be in charge of inspection, taking accommodating at quarantine camps and other matters related to enforcing of this Law; when he handles a crime involving narcotic drugs, he shall carry out the duty of a police officer in accordance with the provisions of the "Provisions concerning equivalent police officer and scope of their official duty."

4. When he finds it necessary in execution of his official duty, an inspector may carry a government issued small arm.

CHAPTER VII

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Article 56. (Collection of Information Regarding Narcotic Drugs)

The Minister of Health and Social Affairs may collect from the government agencies information relating to implementation of this Law and other related Laws or may ask the agencies for such information.

Article 57. (Disposal of Seized Narcotic Drugs)

1. Narcotic Drugs seized in accordance with provisions of this Law and other related Laws shall be forwarded to the Minister of Health and Social Affairs.

2. The Minister of Health and Social Affairs, upon receipt of seized narcotic drugs, shall destroy them or may take other necessary steps of disposal.

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3. Regulations concerning the disposal mentioned in the preceding paragraph of this article shall be determined by Presidential Decree.

Article 58. (Rewards)

Anybody who informs or detects a crime or a criminal involved in narcotic drugs, as stipulated in this Law and other related Laws, before the discovery by Government investigation agents, shall receive a cash reward in an amount equal to twenty-five percent of the total fine or the total value of the confiscated items or of the equivalent value collected in cases where the item cannot be confiscated. However, no reward shall exceed the amount determined by Presidential Decree.

Article 59. (Establishment of Regulations)

Regulations required in enforcement of this law shall be determined by Presidential Decree.

CHAPTER VIII

PENALTIES

Article 60.

Violators of the provisions of article 4, paragraphs 2 through 5 of article 6, paragraph 1 of article 20, paragraph 1 of article 23, paragraph 1 of article 34, and article 36 shall be sentenced to an imprisonment of not more than ten years.

Article 61.

Violators of the provisions of article 5, article 12, paragraph 1 of article 26, paragraph 1 of article 29, article 42, paragraph 1 of article 44, and article 48 shall be imprisoned for not more than five years.

Article 62.

Violators of the provisions of paragraph 1 and 6 of article 6 shall be imprisoned for not more than five years.

Article 63.

The following shall be imprisoned for not more than three years:

(a) Violators of paragraph 2 of article 20, article 21, paragraph 2 of article 23, article 24, paragraph 2 of article 26, article 27, paragraph 2 of article 29, article 30, article 32, and paragraph 2 of article 44.

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(b) A licensee who becomes a party to activities in violation of the provisions of article 21, article 24, article 27, article 30, and article 32.

Article 64.

The following persons shall be imprisoned for not more than two years:

(a) Violators of the provisions of paragraph 1 of article 10, article 13, article 14, paragraph 1 of article 18, article 19, paragraph 2 of article 34, article 37, article 38, paragraph 1 of article 40, article 41, and article 45.

(b) Those who make false entries in sales receipts and order forms as stipulated in paragraph 1 of article 13, inventory records as stipulated in paragraph 1 of article 14, records as stipulated in paragraph 1 of article 37, or prescriptions as stipulated in paragraph 1 of article 38.

(c) Those who fail to file a report or notification stipulated in article 15, paragraph 1 of 16, 22, 25, 28, 31, 33, 35, 39, paragraphs 2 and 3 of 40, 43, 46, 49, and 52, or who make a false entry in those reports or notifications.

(d) Those who fail to transfer narcotic drugs to a licensee so violating the provisions of article 16, paragraphs 2 and 3 of 40.

(e) Those who have refuse, interfere or evade the orders for inspection on taking as provided in paragraph 1 of article 51 of disposals as stipulated in article 54.

(f) Those who carry out business during the business suspension period as stipulated in article 53.

Article 65.

Violators of the provisions of article 47 and those who have refused, interfered or evaded treatment at a quanrantine camp as provided in article 50 shall be imprisoned for not more than five years and not less than six months.

Article 66.

The following persons shall be fined with a fine of not more than hwan 500000:

(a) Those who fail to file an application or notification as stipulated in paragraphs 2 through 4 of article 10 or those who fail to surrender license certificate.

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(b) Violators of the provisions of article 17.

Article 67.

Those who attempt to violate the provisions of article 4 through 6, 12, paragraph 1 of 20, 21, paragraph 1 of 23, 24, paragraph 1 of 26, 27, paragraph 1 of 29, 30, 32, paragraph 1 of 34, 36, paragraph 1 of 38, 41, 42 and paragraph 1 of 44 shall be punished.

Article 68.

Habitual violators of the provisions of article 4, 5, 6, 12, 14, 15, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 29, 30, 32, 34, 37, 38, 41, 42, 44, 47 and 49 shall receive double the punishment due to them.

Article 69.

Crimes stipulated in this Law may receive additional punishment of revocation of license for not more than 10 years and/or a fine of not more than hwan 500,000.

Article 70.

Narcotic drugs involved in crimes stipulated in this Law shall be confiscated. However, the equivalent amount of money shall be collected for the narcotic drugs due to be confiscated when confiscation is not possible.

Article 71.

When a crime as stipulated by this Law has been committed by a representative of a corporation or an agency and/or an employee of a corporation or an individual and when the crime is related to the business of the corporation or an individual, the corporation or individual also shall be punished with a fine of not more than hwan 100,009, even though it may be unaware of the action taken by the guilty party.

SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS

Article 72. (Coming into force)

This Law shall come into force on the sixtieth day after the date of promulgation.

Article 73. (Former Regulations and Penalties Annulled)

1. The Narcotics Control Order (Ordinance No. 119 dated November 11, 1946), Rewards for Informants on Narcotic Drugs (Ordinance No. 219 dated August 12, 1948) and Narcotics Regulations (Department Order No. 3 of

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Public Health and Welfare dated June 24, 1947) shall be annulled.

2. Violators of former regulations (including those convicted or serving sentence) prior to the effective date of this Law shall be punished with appropriate former regulations.

3. When a crime has been committed during the transitional period of the former regulations and this Law, it shall be regarded as committed prior to the effective date of this Law.

Article 74. (Qualification retained)

Any person whose license under former regulations is valid at the time of the effective date of this Law shall be regarded as a qualified licensee.

Article 75. (Validity of Seals)

Narcotic drugs in receptacles or packages sealed with stamps at the time of the effective date of this Law, in accordance with the provisions of former regulations, shall be regarded as valid.

Article 76. (Validity of Documents)

Inventory records, other records order forms and sales receipts prepared at the time of the effective date of this Law, in accordance with former regulations, shall be regarded as valid.

Article 77. (Validity of Orders for Suspension)

Orders for suspension of business issued prior to the effective date of this Law shall be considered as valid under this Law.

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SUBJECT: Laws and Regulations Concerning Intoxicating Liquors, Republic of Korea

The subject of the consumption of intoxicating liquors abroad airlines is not mentioned in relevant ROK laws and regulations.

In current practice, alcoholic beverages are served on the Korean National Airlines' only international flight (between Seoul and Hongkong), but not on domestic flights.

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The following information is submitted in reply to the referenced communication.

There is little or no voluntary agency activity in the field of medical research in Korea. Such research is supported, to a very limited extent, from medical school budgets. Foreign voluntary agencies are active within Korea in the field of disease control, with the major effort concentrated on tuberculosis and leprosy. Such activity is recognized by the Korean governments, but active support is not given except in regard to favorable exchange rates. Participation by Korean private citizens is a personal matter and does not constitute an important source of revenue for foreign voluntary agencies. Contributions by Koreans to Korean voluntary agencies are modest.

In regard to the specific points that are raised, the following information may be of help:

1. There is no provision in Korean laws for exemption from taxes for philanthropic contributions.

2. There are few voluntary health organizations in Korea. The only ones with modest activities are the Anti-Tuberculosis Association and the Anti-Leprosy Association. Funds of both these organizations are tax-exempt.

3. In general, Korean regulations and policy cannot be said to either discourage or stimulate private medical research or disease control.

The Embassy wishes to express its appreciation to Dr. Alfred S. Lazarus of ICA (OEC) who provided the above data.

For the Ambassador:

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SUBJECT: Transmittal of ROK Aide-Memoire Requesting Financial and Technical Assistance for Medical Facilities

The ROK Ministry of Foreign Affairs has transmitted to the Embassy an aide-memoire dated July 9, Enclosure 1, requesting that the Government of the United States of America assist the ROK financially and technically under the provisions of U.S. Senate Joint Resolution 41. According to the aide-memoire, this measure has already been passed by the Senate and is now pending before the House of Representatives. The ROK Government proposes to use aid received under the measure, when it is passed, to improve Korean medical facilities, research, and training. Included with the aide-memoire was a booklet, "Proposal of International Medical Research and Assistance," prepared by the ROK Government, Enclosure 2.

The Embassy has replied to the aide-memoire, Enclosure 3, advising the Ministry of Foreign Affairs that its request has been forwarded for the Department's consideration upon enactment of the measure.

FOR THE AMBASSADOR:

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No. 1 - Aide-Memoire from ROKG
No. 2 - Booklet "Proposal of International Medical Research and Assistance"
No. 3 - Embassy's Note No. 71 to the ROKG
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AIDE-MEMOIRE

Reference is made to the U.S. Senate Joint Resolution 41, known as the Hill Bill for the establishment of a National Institute for International Health and Medical Research to provide for International Cooperation in health research, research training and planning, which has already been passed by the Senate and is now pending before the House of Representatives.

It is understood that the Resolution is intended to provide annually, when it is adopted, a sum of $50,000,000 for overseas aids in support of medical research projects and also for a constructive international cooperation among nations, which need the improvement of, and grants of financial assistance for, health measures and medical researches, and it also aims to control collectively the infectious and epidemic diseases throughout the world.

In view of the fact that the Resolution is aimed to achieve such purposes, the Government of the Republic of Korea is appreciative of the lofty idea of the Resolution and further looks forward to the passage of the Resolution by the House of Representatives which will then be put into execution by the Government of the United States.

As the Government of the United States is well aware, Korea had suffered a great devastation of its industry and economy as well as the health and medical facilities. The Government of Korea, however, has put emphasis on the improvement of medical facilities and researches with its available sources. However, the pace of improvement is as yet far from satisfactory.

The Government of Korea, therefore, wishes to request the United States Government to help assist Korea both financially and technically for the following measures to be taken by this Government when the provisions of the Resolution will be put into operation by the Government of the United States:

1. Measures for the improvement and establishment of stationary and mobile clinics to provide ambulatory treatments.

2. Financial measures for the modernization of medical institutes.

3. Financial measures for the resettlement and vocational training to bacteriologically negative patients.

4. Financial measures for an establishment of epidemiology research institute and research grants.

5. Technical assistance of experts and grants of fellowships for study abroad.

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For the United States Government's reference and consideration, a "Proposal of International Medical Research and Assistance" prepared by this Government is enclosed herewith.

The Government of Korea, therefore, would appreciate it if the Government of the United States kindly give a favourable consideration to the Proposal, taking into account the need for improvement of the medical and health conditions in Korea.

Enclosure: As stated

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The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea and has the honor to acknowledge receipt of the Ministry's Aide-Memoire IR-157, dated July 9, 1959, requesting that the Government of the United States of America assist the Republic of Korea financially and technically under the provisions of United States Senate Joint Resolution 41 when that measure is finally enacted.

The Embassy also has the honor to inform the Ministry that the contents of the note have been forwarded to the Department of State for its consideration upon enactment of the measure.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Korea, the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America,

Seoul, July 13, 1959.

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SUBJECT: Korean Aide-Memoire Requesting Financial and Technical Assistance for Medical Facilities.

TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL

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Reference is made to the Embassy's despatch No. 22, July 13, 1959, transmitting the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Aide-Memoire IR-157, July 9, 1959, which refers to S.J. Res. 41, known as the Hill Bill, and requesting assistance for Korean medical facilities. The Department has read with interest the booklet entitled "Proposal for International Medical Research and International Medical Assistance".

As noted by the Ministry, the Bill has passed the Senate and is now before the House of Representatives. Enclosed is a copy of the version of the Bill which was passed by the Senate.

The Embassy will note that the object of the Bill is to promote international cooperation in health research, research training and research planning. In its present form, S.J. Res. 41 does not contemplate the granting of aid or technical assistance except in connection with research. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Aide-Memoire gives the impression that the purpose of the Bill has not been fully understood. At its discretion, the Embassy may clarify this with the proper authorities so that, if the Bill is passed, the Government of Korea will understand the nature of the grant aid which will be available.

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SUBJECT: United Nations Command Cemetery in Korea.

PARTICIPANTS: Mr. J. L. Allen, Second Secretary, Australian Embassy
Mr. James J. McCardle, Second Secretary, Canadian Embassy
Miss M. E. Armstrong, Third Secretary, British Embassy
Mr. R. E. B. Peren, Third Secretary, New Zealand Embassy
Mr. Christopher A. Norred, NA

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As requested earlier by telephone by Miss Armstrong, the Commonwealth representatives were given a list of the number of graves of the various countries in the United Nations Command cemetery near Pusan (list attached). They were informed that all bodies of United States personnel had been removed; that efforts were under way to deactivate the United States graves registration company by May 31, 1955 and that consideration was being given to fixing responsibility elsewhere for further care for the graves including turning it over to the ROK if other agreed upon arrangements had not been made in the meantime.

The Commonwealth representatives indicated that consultations on this problem between CINCUNC and the Commonwealth representatives in Tokyo had been under way since early this year. All Commonwealth countries, including South Africa, strongly oppose ROK custody of the cemetery. While unable to give an official explanation for this opposition, Mr. McCardle expressed the opinion that the view was attributable at least in part to a general Commonwealth practice to tend to their own cemeteries, and in any event not to leave their care to the local country. Learning that CINCUNC planned in early March to send a representative to Korea to negotiate with the ROK for handing over custody, the Commonwealth representatives had prevailed upon him to stop this action pending further consideration of some agreed on plan.

Although all the Commonwealth countries favor establishing a cemetery under United Nations auspices, they are not entirely agreed among themselves on procedures and alternatives. Canada is the strongest champion of the United Nations proposal. The Imperial War Graves Commission, which acts for all the

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all the Commonwealth countries, has indicated without explanation that it could not assume responsibility subject to some other authority. No thought has been given thus far, apparently, to procedures for establishing a United Nations cemetery--whether by resolution of the United Nations General Assembly or by the United Nations Command and the Sixteen with notification to the United Nations General Assembly, and whether administered and budgeted by the United Nations, the Sixteen, or those of the Sixteen with graves or monuments in the cemetery. The consensus of the Commonwealth representatives was that the Commonwealth countries probably would be willing to assume a major role if not full charge in administration of the cemetery, pending establishment of a United Nations cemetery or on a permanent basis.

They asked that no negotiations with the ROK be held pending urgent effort to agree on establishment of a United Nations cemetery. The United Kingdom representative is prepared, if acceptable to the United States, to propose this for consideration by the Sixteen in Washington, following discussions with the French and Netherlands representatives, the only other countries with any significant number of graves in the cemetery. They were informed that consideration would be given this idea and that a preliminary expression of United States views might be possible shortly.

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Graves in UN Command Cemetery

Australia	239
Canada	368
United Kingdom	777*
France	103
New Zealand	30
South Africa	11
Netherlands	115
Norway	1
Republic of Korea	36
"Non-Belligerent"	1**

Countries which have Removed all their Graves

United States

Turkey

Greece

Thailand

Philippines

Belgium-Luxembourg

Colombia

Ethiopia

* United Kingdom graves may now number 781 and some 50 odd bodies now in Kokura may be moved to Korea.

** Soviet pilot shot down when he approached [illegible] aircraft carrier in Yellow Sea.

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DATE: April 8, 1955

SUBJECT: United Nations Command Cemetery in Pusan.

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PARTICIPANTS: Miss M. E. Armstrong, Third Secretary, British Embassy
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Miss Armstrong telephoned with regard to a discussion of the United Nations Command Cemetery in Pusan on March 29 between representatives of the British, Canadian, Australian, and New Zealand Embassies and Mr. Norred of NA. Mr. Norred informed her that he regretted he had no reaction as yet to give her from the United States side--inasmuch as the United States bodies have all been removed it would appear likely that the United States would not take any initiative in altering plans for disposal of the cemetery, which now call for it to be turned over to the ROK at the beginning of June unless other arrangements have been agreed upon meanwhile.

Miss Armstrong agreed that it was incumbent upon the Commonwealth countries to take an initiative if plans were to be changed. The current thinking of the Commonwealth representatives here is that the cemetery should ultimately be established as a United Nations Cemetery through necessary actions by the United Nations itself. It should be supported by United Nations funds and tied in with the United Nations Secretariat if possible, as a matter of principle even though in the end support may have to come only from the Sixteen. Pending a definite establishment of a United Nations cemetery, the Commonwealth representatives hope that arrangements could be made among the Sixteen to continue it as a United Nations Command cemetery. The representatives here have reported in this sense to their Governments but have not yet received further instructions. Their earlier instructions were clear in opposition to ROK custodianship and in favor of some sort of United Nations arrangement, but had given no details or procedures.

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As soon as instructions are received, Miss Armstrong will call again. The Commonwealth representatives would then like to discuss the problem with the French and Netherlands representatives, the other governments principally involved, and approach the United Nations Secretariat about it, preparatory to discussion of the matter by the Sixteen, if this is agreeable to the United States.

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On April 12 Miss Armstrong telephoned again to inform that London has instructed the British Embassy here to proceed as it recommended. After talking with the other Commonwealth Embassies she proposes to have the British Delegation to the United Nations discuss the matter informally with the United Nations Secretariat. She said the Embassy considers it desirable also to forewarn the others of the Sixteen that they intend to raise the cemetery matter before the Sixteen, so that they may have instructions. She asked that USUN be informed beforehand of the contemplated British discussions with the Secretariat.

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SENT DEPARTMENT ARMY, INFORMATION CGAFFE/ARMYEIGHT, STATE DEPARTMENT, AMEMB TOKYO, AMEMB KOREA

1. During early part of Korean action, United Nations Memorial Cemetery was established at Tanggok, Korea, a location on southern tip of peninsula in vicinity of Pusan. Responsibility for operation and maintenance of this UN facility has to date been under jurisdiction of US Forces Graves Registration personnel. Transfer of this responsibility to ROK as host country or establishment of an UN-sponsored memorial is desirable at this time.

2. The Tanggok cemetary contains the remains of 2044 UN dead. Countries represented are Australia, Canada, Ethiopia, France, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, South Africa, Thailand, Turkey, and the United Kingdom.

3. In order to perpetuate memory of those who made supreme sacrifice in Korea during UN action to repel aggression, it is recommended that a permanent memorial be created and chartered by UN at cemetery located at Tanggok, Korea.

4. Favorable consideration of this recommendation would leave a lasting monument for posterity to recognize that UN stand ready to fight, if necessary, for preservation of liberty among peoples of the world.

5. It is requested that recommendation presented in paragraph 3 above be forwarded through appropriate channels for consideration by United Nations General Assembly.

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Mr. Willard: Policy Office, Memorial Div. OQMG, Army. —X53184

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Reference letter DA AGAC-C-687 March 26, 1954, QMGML dated September 10, 1954.

Subject: US Participation in UN Memorial Cemetery, Tanggok, Korea.

1. This letter was reply to AFF/ARMYEIGHT letter concerning disposition of the cemetery and recommended action be taken to transfer responsibility for Tanggok to ROK as host country. Further recommendation was made that should any other nation press for continuance of an UN memorial, they could proceed through their own channels or such request could be submitted by CINCUNC to the UN through Department of Defense and Department of State.

2. This headquarters has recently received information from British Commonwealth Embassies in Tokyo that course of action is being agreed upon in Washington between representatives of the Commonwealth nations and US concerning future status of Tanggok Cemetery. In view of this, a resume of plans and current thinking on this subject, as relates to FEC/UNC, is submitted.

3. The following deceased are interred at Tanggok, and current plans do not envisage repatriation:

COUNTRY	NUMBER
British Commonwealth	1,449
Turkey	372
Netherlands	117
France	90
South Africa	11
Thailand	3

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Thailand	3
Ethiopia	1
Norway	1
Total	2,044

4. In accordance with reference, paragraph 1 above, this headquarters is forwarding by separate message a recommendation to establish an UN-sponsored memorial at Tanggok. In considering this matter, it would appear advisable to obtain the views of the American Battle Monuments Commission concerning any plans which they may have formulated for commemorating the US Armed Forces in Korea.

5. The question has been raised concerning capability of ROK to assume responsibility for proper care and maintenance of Tanggok Cemetery without supervision by one or more of interested UN nations. In addition, upkeep of cemeteries in Orient leaves much to be desired in relation to Western standards.

6. Alternate solutions would be for the United Nations Organization to accept responsibility or appoint one or more of countries concerned to act as an agent in supervision of this installation. Operations could be maintained by UN employing Korean labor on contract basis as presently organized by US Armed Forces Graves Registration personnel. Transfer of real estate could be to United Nations Organization or designated agent.

7. Until decision has been reached between countries now seeking agreement in Washington, as stated in paragraph 2 above, it is not possible to determine who should negotiate with ROK; and, therefore, although an urgent requirement exists, such negotiations are being held in abeyance.

8. In view of information herein and planned phasing-out of US Forces by 30 June 1955 in immediate area concerned, together with numerous records and other details involved in transfer of this type installation, it is requested that this headquarters be furnished guidance as soon as possible concerning date to start, and channels to be used in transferring responsibility for care and maintenance of Tanggok Cemetery.

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Miss Armstrong, Second Secretary, British Embassy
Mr. Rowland, Second Secretary, Australian Embassy
Mr. Peren, Third Secretary, New Zealand Embassy
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Mr. DePalma informed the British Commonwealth representatives that since their discussions with Department officers in March, talks had been held within the Department and with the Defense Department and the U.S. now wished to present for the consideration of their Governments an outline of a plan for making the UN Command Cemetery in Pusan a UN Cemetery.

The U.S. looks with favor on the idea and thinks it feasible. In the interest of avoiding annual or periodic UN fiscal action to maintain the cemetery, the U.S. suggests that (1) a resolution be proposed in the UN General Assembly authorizing the establishment of the cemetery and the purchase of the necessary land from the ROK and establishing a commission drawn from the countries represented in the UN Command to negotiate the establishment of the cemetery; (2) the commission negotiate an agreement with the ROK to purchase the land and provide for maintenance of the cemetery by the ROK under specified standards; and (3) each of the governments concerned would be responsible for erection of appropriate memorials and grave markers at its own expense.

In response to questions Mr. DePalma indicated that the U.S. advanced this outline plan as a suggestion and was not firm regarding its details, but the U.S. does believe that annual or periodic action by the UN to finance maintenance of the cemetery should be avoided. The plan would involve an agenda item for the UN General Assembly this year. Miss Armstrong asked whether it would be a collective resolution, and Mr. DePalma suggested that one of the British Commonwealth countries might propose it with the support of the Sixteen, to which the Commonwealth representatives seemed amenable.

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The Canadian, Australian, and New Zealand representatives commented that their governments probably would not look with favor on ROK caretaking as a matter of principle, but conceded that British Commonwealth practices regarding war graves are not easily applicable to the situation in Korea. The British Commonwealth representatives said they would report the U.S. suggestions to their governments and inform us of their reactions.

Miss Armstrong telephoned subsequently to say that the British Commonwealth representatives had decided to brief the South African Embassy fully on the exchange of views so that a complete British Commonwealth position could be formulated at this stage.

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1. The subject of the proposed United Nations Cemetery in Korea came up during an informal conversation between an Embassy officer and an official of the Ministry of External Affairs and the following are the views expressed by the Ministry official.

2. The Ministry considers the proposal acceptable provided other Commonwealth countries also agree to it. However, the Ministry's agreement is subject to two conditions: a) that there be a guarantee that the graves will be properly cared for by the United Nations Command until the United Nations Assembly is able to take appropriate decisions on the matter, presumably at its next session; and b) that the United Nations agrees to meet the original capital outlay and maintenance costs (the latter are estimated at about £10,000 per year).

3. The Ministry also desires that the Commonwealth War Graves Commission be designated the permanent agent of the United Nations to care for the graves. This is regarded as a more reliable way of ensuring the proper upkeep of the cemetery than to rely upon the Republic of Korea for such service, and all that the United Nations would need to do under this arrangement would be to receive periodic reports and approve budgetary provisions. Under a 1924 statute the Commonwealth War Graves Commission is permitted to care for the graves of other than Commonwealth nationalities if all Commonwealth countries give their consent. New Zealand has approached the other Commonwealth nations in this regard and has already received the support of Australia and expects soon to receive the support of the other Commonwealth members.

4. Some disagreement arose at the May 18th meeting in the State Department, the Ministry official said, because the Commonwealth representatives understood that the United Nations Command intended to withdraw from any further responsibility for the care of the graves as of May 31st. This would not have allowed time for approval to be obtained from all the Commonwealth countries to allow the Commonwealth Graves Commission to take responsibility over the graves, and in the meantime arrangements unsatisfactory to Commonwealth countries would have been necessary.

5. It is natural that Commonwealth countries should be especially concerned about graves and cemetery arrangements, the official said, because

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Commonwealth countries do not repatriate their war dead (in contrast, for example, to the policy of the United States, Greece, The Philippines and Thailand, who do). However, the official said, thanks to the personal intervention of President Eisenhower, who took the matter up with the Pentagon, arrangements have since been made for the United Nations Command to continue its responsibility for the care of the graves beyond May 31st until other satisfactory arrangements are made. This is expected to lead to acceptance by the Commonwealth nations of the United Nations Cemetery proposal, provided that the conditions mentioned in paragraph 2 are met.

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KOREAN UN CEMETERY AND HEADQUARTERS COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE.

IN DISCUSSION WITH HAMMARSKJOLD YESTERDAY WE RAISED INFORMALLY QUESTION OF KOREAN UN CEMETERY AND HEADQUARTERS COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE PER HALL-WAINHOUSE TELECON. SYG'S FIRST REACTION FAVORED UN FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR CEMETERY AS AGAINST 8 OR 16 POWER RESPONSIBILITY. HE RESERVED FINAL JUDGMENT EXPLORATION BUDGETARY CONSEQUENCES BUT INDICATED BELIEF UN OPERATION POLITICALLY DESIRABLE.

ON COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE HE SAID PROBLEM HAD CONCERNED HIM SINCE BERNADOTTE MEMORIAL PLAQUE FIRST AFFIXED TO WALL OF MEDITATION ROOM. HE SAID HE CONSIDERED POSSIBLE SOLUTION THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GENERAL MEMORIAL FOR UN DUTY TO INCLUDE INDIVIDUAL MEMORIAL TABLETS FOR (1) KOREA, (2) PALESTINE, (3) KASHMIR. (IN ALL PRECEDING CASES DEATHS ON UN DUTY INVOLVED.) HE SAID OBVIOUSLY THE FUTURE WOULD BRING ADDITIONAL SITUATIONS WARRANTING MEMORIALS. SYG SAID IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY DIFFICULT FOR SOVIETS TO EFFECTIVELY OBJECT TO GENERAL MEMORIAL AND CITED MOLOTOV'S TREATMENT OF TRUMAN SPEECH, INCLUDING CANCELLATION OF CONFLICTING DINNER, FOR BELIEF SOVIETS WOULD NOT OBJECT STRONGLY TO KOREAN MEMORIAL TABLET. WE DID NOT COMMENT ON SYG'S MEMORIAL SUGGESTION. DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS WOULD BE HELPFUL RE BOTH SYG PROPOSALS FOR FURTHER GUIDANCE.

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SUBJECT: UN Cemetery in Korea.

PARTICIPANTS:
Mr. Hunter Wade, First Secretary, New Zealand Embassy
Mr. William G. M. Oliver, First Secretary, Canadian Embassy
Mr. John Rowland, Second Secretary, Australian Embassy
Miss Meira E. Armstrong, Third Secretary, British Embassy
Mr. C. Andland, Third Secretary, British Embassy
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As promised in the meeting of June 28, Miss Armstrong presented a suggested resolution for the UN General Assembly (copy attached) which would authorize making the present UNC cemetery a UN Memorial Cemetery, and a suggested agreement (copy attached) between the UN and the ROK giving the UN perpetual use of the land in the cemetery. The resolution had been agreed upon among the Commonwealth representatives in London, but the UN-ROK agreement represented only British views.

Miss Brown informed the group that U.S. repfesentatives at the UN, in discussing the cemetery with the UN Secretariat, had also raised the idea of a memorial plaque at UN headquarters to those who died in Korea while fighting in behalf of the UN. It was agreed that the memorial plaque and the UN cemetery could be considered entirely separately, and that it was unnecessary for this group to take up the memorial plaque problem.

Miss Armstrong reported that when U.S. and British representatives had raised the issue of the cemetery with Mr. Hammarskjeld, he had suggested that the UN itself, rather than a committee of countries with graves still in the cemetery, take financial and administrative responsibility for it. If the UN Secretary General maintains this view, the British Government will also favor it. Mr. Wade commented that his Government had consistently been of this opinion. Miss Brown indicated that, while we had originally preferred that the States with graves in the cemetery assume full responsibility for its operation, we were now prepared to go along with the view of the Secretary General that the UN should assume budgetary and administrative responsibility.

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On this basis, the group agreed to modify the suggested UN General Assembly resolution agreed upon among the British Commonwealth countries by adding a fourth paragraph authorizing the UN Secretary General to make provision for the cemetery in the UN budget. The suggested resolution and agreement were also modified by replacing the word "Pusan" with "Tanggok" in defining the exact location of the cemetery. It was decided that, while further consequential changes unquestionably would have to be made concerning the relation between the committee of countries with graves and the UN itself, it was preferable to work out the final language in New York in consultation with the Secretariat. It was therefore agreed that the modified drafts should be sent to the respective delegations in the UN as working papers.

Miss Armstrong reported that the UN Secretary General was actively interested in the UN cemetery problem and eager to consult with the French and others, so that further consultations might be expected in New York at any time. The British Commonwealth representatives requested that the U.S. inform the ROK of the plans and obtain its reaction and also inform the others of the Sixteen regarding discussions on the problem to date, indicating the plan to carry on further consultations in the delegations in New York.

Attachments:

1. Suggested UNGS Resolution on UN Cemetery in Korea.
2. Suggested UN-ROK Agreement on UN Cemetery in Korea.

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Cemetery at Pusan, Korea

Draft United Nations Resolution

The General Assembly

Desiring to pay tribute to all those who pursuant to the call of the United Nations laid down their lives in resisting aggression in Korea and upholding the cause of peace and freedom;

Bearing in mind that no permanent arrangements have yet been made for the care of those graves of the United Nations Command which still remain in Korea:

Decides

(i) That a United Nations Memorial Cemetery in honour of the dead should be established at Tanggok, Korea;

(ii) that a committee consisting of those Powers with graves still in Korea should be set up under the auspices of the United Nations to arrange the negotiation of an agreement with the Republic of Korea in order to obtain a suitable site for the Memorial Cemetery;

(iii) that this Committee should be responsible for all arrangements for the long-term maintenance of the Memorial Cemetery which it may consider necessary;

(iv) that the Secretary General is authorized to make provision in the budget of the United Nations for the provision of necessary funds.

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Cemetery at Pusan, Korea

Draft Agreement between the U.N. and the Republic of Korea

The UN on the one part: and

The Government of the ROK on the other part:

Desiring to make provision with regard to the Graves of those who have fallen as a result of the hostilities of 1950-1953 while fighting under the flag of the UN and have been interred in Korean territory:

Have decided to conclude an Agreement for the above-mentioned purpose and have accordingly agreed as follows:

Article I

A cemetery is hereby established at Tanggok, near Pusan in the ROK as a Memorial to the members of the UN forces who fell during the hostilities of 1950-53.

Article II

The Committee appointed by the UN under General Assembaly Resolution No. of 1955 is recognized by the Government of the ROK as the sole authority charged on behalf of the UN with the permanent care of the Memorial Cemetery and graves at Tanggok, and as being entitled to ensure and provide at its own cost for the lay-out, construction, maintenance, and control of the same, and to appoint such employees as it may think fit.

Article III

The Government of the ROK grants to the Committee of the UN free of cost and in perpetuity the use of the land chosen as the site of the Memorial Cemetery at Tanggok. The said land shall however remain the property of the ROK.

Article IV

The present Agreement shall come into force as from the date of signature.

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PARTICIPANTS: Mr. Hunter Wade, First Secretary, New Zealand Embassy
UNP - Miss Elizabeth Brown

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Mr. Wade telephoned me today to say that the Embassy had received further instructions regarding the position of New Zealand on the projected UN Cemetery in Korea. He informed me that, while his Government still favored the assumption of substantial responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the cemetery by the UN, it would not wish to see the UN take responsibility if, in a year or so, that responsibility were to devolve upon ~~upon~~ the ROK. Mr. Wade said that these instructions had been passed on to the New Zealand Mission in New York for use in discussions there.

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Request you inform ROK Government ~~Dept~~ Commonwealth countries whose dead occupy major part UNC cemetery Tanggok near Pusan are consulting New York with Hammarskjold and others of Sixteen with view ~~to~~ UNGA resolution making UNC cemetery a UN Memorial Cemetery. Commonwealth suggested resolution ~~authorizing~~ authorizing cemetery and creating Committee composed ~~of~~ nations with dead in cemetery to arrange negotiations with ROK for perpetual use land. U.S. had initially noted yearly financing by UN difficult and suggested financing by countries with graves, which acceptable ~~to~~ Commonwealth, but Hammarskjold now interested and favors UN financing and administration with committee ~~of~~ countries serving ~~in~~ advisory role. ROK has 36 dead in cemetery and would be on committee. U.S. has no dead there but considers such arrangements appropriate. Outside administration with perpetual use ~~of~~ land standard formula for war cemeteries but this would be first UN cemetery. U.S. inclined defer views countries with dead still in cemetery and is merely informing ROK ~~of~~ developments to date but would appreciate knowing ROK reaction. Suggest consultations ~~in~~ New York but prepared discuss Washington.

FYI: We will obviously want consider possible arrangements whereby other participants UN action in Korea who do not have graves there might erect suitable memorials in Cemetery. END FYI

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TO: **Secretary of State**

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RE DEPTEL 43, ~~repeated~~ REPEATED TOKYO 115.

EMBASSY ADVISED DIRECTOR FONOFF BUREAU INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS INFORMALLY REGARDING CURRENT COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES - UN SECRETARY GENERAL CONSULTATION CONCERNING UNC CEMETERY TANGGOK. AFTER DISCUSSION WITH FONMIN, DIRECTOR CONCLUDES PYUN WOULD BE IN FAVOR PROJECT AT SUCH TIME AS FORMAL REPRESENTATIONS ARE MADE TO ROK GOVERNMENT.

BUREAU DIRECTOR ALSO POINTED OUT SUCH MATTER WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO BE ACTED UPON BY STATE COUNCIL IN VIEW BASIC ROK LAWS REQUIRING ROK RETAIN SOVEREIGNTY OVER ALL TERRITORY, BUT EXPRESSED OPINION ROK GOVERNMENT WOULD FEEL MORALLY REQUIRED TAKE WHATEVER SPECIAL ACTION NECESSARY TO REALIZE PROJECT.

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FROM: NEW YORK

TO: Secretary of State

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SUBJECT: UN CEMETARY IN KOREA AND MEMORIAL PLAQUE

PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS THESE MATTERS HAD WITH UKDEL WHO ARE PREPARED TAKE INITIATIVE IN NEGOTIATING CEMETERY PROPOSAL WITH SECRETARIAT AND OTHER MEMBERS OF "SIXTEEN" IN NEW YORK.

RE PLACING ITEM ON THE AGENDA, FIRST THOUGHTS WERE THAT, IF CEMETERY TO BE RUN AS UN OPERATION, IT PREFERABLE HAVE SYG UN TAKE INITIATIVE IN PLACING ITEM ON AGENDA. IT ASSUMED ITEM WOULD BE HANDLED IN FIFTH COMMITTEE.

UKDEL STILL EXPLORING POSSIBILITY OF IMPERIAL WAR GRAVES COMMISSION ACTING AS UN AGENT TO ADMINISTER CEMETERY. RECOGNIZES PROBLEM OF SECURING ACCEPTANCE THIS IDEA BY NON-COMMONWEALTH MEMBERS OF "SIXTEEN". ALTERNATIVE APPEARS TO BE APPOINTMENT BY SYG UN OF ADMINISTRATOR TO RUN CEMETERY WITH LOCALLY RECRUITED STAFF.

WAR GRAVES COMMISSION HAS ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST ADMINISTRATION OF CEMETERY AT $30,000. UKDEL SUGGESTS ABSORPTION THIS SUM IN BUDGET UNDER ITEM "SPECIAL MISSIONS AND RELATED ACTIVITIES".

UKDEL REQUESTED OUR VIEWS RE MEMORIAL PLAQUE AND SUGGESTED THIS ITEM BE HANDLED TOGETHER WITH CEMETERY PROPOSAL IN FIFTH COMMITTE. STATED THAT JUSTIFICATION FOR TWO PROPOSALS BASICALLY IDENTICAL AND IS A WASTE OF TIME TO REPEAT IT AND GIVE SOVIETS TWO OPPORTUNITIES FOR ATTACK. WE STATED THAT OUR VIEWS RE PLAQUE NOT FIRM AS YET AND THAT WE AWAITING VIEWS OF SYG UN.

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SUGGEST DEPARTMENT MIGHT WISH TO VERIFY THROUGH UN COMMAND THE PROBABLE COST OF ADMINISTRATION OF UN CEMETERY. REQUEST INFORMATION AS TO WHETHER BODIES OF ROK NATIONALS AND SOVIET PILOT ARE TO REMAIN IN CEMETERY. IF THIS IS CASE, WHAT POSITION ARE WE TO TAKE RE THIS SITUATION?

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SUBJECT: UN MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN KOREA

MEETING TO DISCUSS MATTER HELD THIS MORNING BY REPRESENTATIVES OF AUSTRALIA, CANADA, NEW ZEALAND, UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA, UK, AND USUN;

RE PLACING OF ITEM ON GA AGENDA, CONSENSUS OF COMMONWEALTH DELEGATIONS WAS THAT ITEM SHOULD BE CO-SPONSORED BY "SIXTEEN" RATHER THAN BY GOVERNMENTS HAVING GRAVES IN CEMETERY OR BY SYG UN. UK HAD FIRM INSTRUCTIONS FAVORING "SIXTEEN", AND OTHERS PRESENT AGREED REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS. POSITION OF SYG UN RE THIS MATTER NOT KNOWN. CORDIER (UN) IS SEEKING VIEWS OF SYG UN AND ANTICIPATES HE WILL FAVOR "SIXTEEN".

IT WAS AGREED AT MEETING TO REFER TO GOVERNMENTS FOLLOWING DRAFT RESOLUTION RE CEMATERY:

QUOTE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

DESIRING TO PAY TRIBUTE TO ALL THOSE WHO PURSUANT TO THE CALL OF THE UNITED NATIONS LAID DOWN THEIR LIVES IN RESISTING AGGRESSION IN KOREA AND UPHOLDING THE CAUSE OF PEACE AND FREEDOM;

NOTING THAT NO PERMANENT ARRANGEMENTS HAVE YET BEEN MADE FOR THE CARE OF THOSE GRAVES OF THE UNITED NATIONS COMMAND WHICH STILL REMAIN IN KOREA;

DECIDES TO ESTABLISH A UNITED NATIONS MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN HONOUR OF THE DEAD AT TANGGOK, NEAR PUSAN, KOREA;

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REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENERAL WITH THE ADVICE OF A COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF THOSE COUNTRIES WITH GRAVES STILL IN KOREA TO ARRANGE THE NEGOTIATION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A SUITABLE SITE FOR THE MEMORIAL CEMETERY AND TO MAKE ALL NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND LONG-TERM MAINTENANCE OF THE MEMORIAL CEMETERY;

AUTHORIZES THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO MAKE PROVISION IN THE BUDGET OF THE UNITED NATIONS FOR THE ALLOCATION OF THE NECESSARY FUNDS.

END QUOTE

ONLY SERIOUS QUESTION ARISING FROM TEXT OF RESOLUTION WAS WHETHER ROK SHOULD BE MEMBER OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE. CONSENSUS WAS IN FAVOR, ALTHOUGH REPRESENTATIVE OF NEW ZEALAND BELIEVED HIS GOVERNMENT MIGHT RAISE OBJECTIONS.

UKDEL DISTRIBTED FOR REFERENCE TO GOVERNMENTS FOLLOWING TEXT OF EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM RE AGENDA ITEM:

QUOTE

IN A CEMETERY AT TANGGOK, NEAR PUSAN, IN THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA THERE ARE THE GRAVES OF NEARLY TWO THOUSAND MEN WHO, PURSUANT TO THE CALL OF THE UNITED NATIONS, LAID DOWN THEIR LIVES IN RESISTING AGGRESSION IN KOREA AND UPHOLDING THE CAUSE OF PEACE AND FREEDOM. SEVERAL OF THE MEMBER GOVERNMENTS WHOSE FORCES FOUGHT UNDER THE UNITED NATIONS COMMAND HAVE REMOVED THE BODIES OF THEIR DEAD BUT THE GRAVES OF MEN FROM THE FOLLOWING MEMBER COUNTRIES REMAIN IN THE CEMETERY: AUSTRALIA, CANADA, FRANCE, THE NETHERLANDS, NEW ZEALAND, NORWAY, UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM. THE CEMETERY HAS UP TO NOW BEEN LOOKED AFTER BY THE UNITED NATIONS COMMAND.

THE 16 DELEGATIONS WHOSE FORCES FOUGHT UNDER THE UNITED NATIONS COMMAND IN KOREA CONSIDER THAT THE TIME HAS NOW COME TO MAKE PERMANENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CARE OF THE CEMETERY AND THAT IT WOULD BE AN APPROPRIATE TRIBUTE TO THE DEAD IF IT WERE ESTABLISHED AS A UNITED NATIONS MEMORIAL CEMETERY. IT IS

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THEIR INTENTION TO REQUEST, AT THE TENTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THAT APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE MADE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A UNITED NATIONS MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN KOREA WHICH WOULD ENSURE PERMANENT AND PROPER CARE OF THE CEMETERY BY THE UNITED NATIONS.

END QUOTE

RE MEMORANDUM, CONSENSUS WAS THAT ROK SHOULD BE LISTED AMONG "COUNTRIES" HAVING GRAVES IN CEMETERY. WHEN QUESTION RAISED WHY TURKEY NOT INCLUDED, UKDEL STATED ITS INFO WAS THAT NO TURKISH GRAVES IN CEMETERY. USUN WAS ASKED TO CHECK THIS FACT WITH DEPARTMENT. FURTHER, UK FIGURES RE NUMBER OF GRAVES FOR EACH NATIONALITY DIFFER SOMEWHAT FROM THOSE IN POSSESSION USUN, AND RECHECK OF THESE FIGURES ALSO DESIRED.

IF PROPOSALS SET FORTH ABOVE ARE APPROVED BY GOVERNMENTS, MEETING WITH DELEGATIONS OF SIXTEEN PLANNED FOR NEXT WEEK.

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TO: Secretary of State

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SUBJECT: UN MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN KOREA

RE MYTEL 76 OF AUGUST 2, FURTHER MEETING HELD YESTERDAY BY REPRESENTATIVES OF COMMONWEALTH AND USUN.

CUTTS (AUSTRALIA) HAD INSTRUCTIONS TO EFFECT THAT HIS GOVERNMENT, WHILE PREPARED CO-SPONSOR ITEM, NOT PREPARED ACCEPT TRANSFERRING RESPONSIBILITY TO SYG FOR ADMINISTRATION OF CEMETERY. HIS GOVERNMENT HAD DOUBTS RE NECESSITY FOR AND WISDOM THIS COURSE, WHICH IT FELT GAVE NO ASSURANCE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF CEMETERY.

CUTTS WILL ATTEMPT TO SECURE NEW INSTRUCTIONS PRIOR MEETING TO BE HELD WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF "SIXTEEN" FRIDAY, 11:00 A.M.

AT YESTERDAY'S MEETING GROUP TENTATIVELY AGREED FOLLOWING TEXT OF RESOLUTION:

QUOTE

DESIRING TO PAY TRIBUTE TO ALL THOSE WHO PURSUANT TO THE CALL OF THE UNITED NATIONS LAID DOWN THEIR LIVES IN RESISTING AGGRESSION IN KOREA AND UPHOLDING THE CAUSE OF PEACE AND FREEDOM;

NOTING THAT IN A CEMETERY AT TANGGOK, NEAR PUSAN, IN THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA THERE ARE THE GRAVES OF NEARLY 2,000 MEN WHO SERVED WITH FORCES WHICH FOUGHT UNDER THE UNITED NATIONS COMMAND;

NOTING FURTHER THAT UP TO THE PRESENT TIME THIS CEMETERY HAS BEEN LOOKED AFTER BY THE UNITED NATIONS COMMAND BUT THAT PERMANENT

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PERMANENT ARRANGEMENTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN MADE FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE CEMETERY;

DECIDES THAT THE CEMETERY AT TANGGOK SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAINED AS A UNITED NATIONS MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN HONOUR OF THE DEAD.

REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENEAL, ACTING ON THE ADVICE OF A COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF THOSE COUNTRIES WITH GRAVES STILL IN THE CEMETERY,

(A) TO ARRANGE THE NEGOTIATION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE RAPUBLIC OF KOREA IN ORDER TO SECURE THE PERMANENT USE OF THE SITE OF THE MEMORIAL CEMETERY, AND

(B) TO MAKE ALL NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR ITS ESTABLISHMENT AND PERMANENT MAINTENANCE.

AUTHORIZES THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO MAKE PROVISION IN THE BUDGET OF THE UNITED NATIONS FOR THE ALLOCATION OF THE NECESSARY FUNDS.

END QUOTE

USUN SUGGESTED INCLUSION IN RESOLUTION OF OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH INVITING GOVERNMENTS WHOSE FORCES FOUGHT UNDER UN COMMAND BUT WHICH HAD NO GRAVES IN CEMETERY TO ERECT SUITABLE MEMORIALS THERE IF THEY SO DESIRED. OBJECTION WAS MADE BY COMMONWEALTH DELEGATIONS TO INCLUSION THIS PARAGRAPH ON GROUND THAT, IF IT APPEARED AT OUTSET THAT CERTAIN GOVERNMENTS MIGHT ERECT MEMORIALS AT OWN EXPENSE, QUESTION WOULD IMMEDIATELY ARISE AS TO PROPRIETY OF UN ACCEPTING FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR CEMETERY. THEY SUGGESTED THAT IN DEBATE ON ITEM US INDICATE ITS DESIRE, IF SUCH WERE THE CASE, TO ERECT A MEMORIAL IN CEMETERY, AND COMMONWEALTH DELEGATIONS WOULD THEN SUPPORT THIS POSITION. IT COULD THEN BE DETERMINED WHETHER OR NOT TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL

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PARAGRAPH IN RESOLUTION RE THIS MATTER. DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS REQUESTED.

ONLY FEW MINOR DRAFTING CHANGES MADE IN EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM AS SET FORTH MYTEL 76.

COMMONWEALTH DELEGATIONS EXPRESSED HOPE THAT USUN WOULD HAVE AVAILABLE FOR FRIDAY MEETING CONFIRMED UP-TO-DATE LIST OF COUNTRIES HAVING GRAVES IN CEMETERY AND NUMBER OF GRAVES FOR EACH. THIS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT RE TURKEY SINCE BOTH UK AND NEW ZEALAND DELEGATIONS HAVE INFORMATION INDICATING ALL TURKISH GRAVES REMOVED FROM CEMETERY.

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SUBJECT: UN MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN KOREA

MEETING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF "SIXTEEN" WITH COLOMBIA AND LUXEMBOURG ABSENT HELD THIS MORNING. ROK AND NORWAY REPRESENTED

BUTLER (UK) DISTRIBUTED TEXT OF PROPOSED LETTER REQUESTING INSCRIPTION OF ITEM ON AGENDA, EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM, AND DRAFT RESOLUTION. COPIES BEING POUCHED DEPARTMENT. EXPRESSED HOPE THAT ALL "SIXTEEN" WOULD BE IN POSITION TO SIGN LETTER BY FRIDAY, AUGUST 19. EXPLAINED WOULD BE DESIRABLE, IF AGREEMENT REACHED BY THAT DATE ON GENERAL LINES OF RESOLUTION, TO ATTACH DRAFT RESOLUTION TO EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM. IF NO AGREEMENT REACHED BY THAT TIME, EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM ALONE WILL BE SUBMITTED

IMMEDIATE REACTION OF THOSE PRESENT GENERALLY FAVORABLE, ALTHOUGH ONLY FRANCE PREPARED COMMIT ITSELF TO SUPPORT. NO CHANGE IN AUSTRALIAN POSITION.

KANG (ROK) HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS OR INFORMATION FROM HIS GOVERNMENT RE MATTER BUT WILL REPORT FULLY

USUN DISTRIBUTED LATEST LIST (JUNE 21) RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT INDICATING COUNTRIES HAVING GRAVES IN CEMETERY AND NUMBER OF GRAVES FOR EACH.

AGREED IT WOULD NOTIFY OTHERS IF ANY CHANGE IN LIST RESULTED FROM CHECK NOW BEING MADE UN COMMAND

WOULD APPRECIATE FORMAL DEPARTMENT APPROVAL TO JOIN IN SIGNING LETTER REQUESTING INSCRIPTION OF ITEM ON AGENDA AND, IF

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GENERAL AGREEMENT REACHED ON TEXT OF RESOLUTION ALONG LINES SET FORTH MYTEL 96, AUGUST 10, SUBMISSION OF TEXT TOGETHER WITH EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM.

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TO: Secretary of State MESSAGE CENTER

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SUBJECT: UN MEMORIAL CEMETERY

HAMMARSKJOLD ADVISED LODGE LAST EVENING OF RECEIPT OF COMMUNICATION FROM SYNGMAN RHEE OFFERING TO UN PERMANENT USE OF TANGGOK CEMETERY LAND FREE OF CHARGE. THIS PRESUMABLY CLEARS WAY FOR NEGOTIATION BY UN WITH ROK OF AGREEMENT RE MEMORIAL CEMETERY ENVISAGED BY SIXTEEN POWER PROPOSAL.

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SEP 13 1955

Dear Mr. Robertson:

Reference is made to a verbal request from your office formalized in a joint State-Defense message to CINCUNC, dated 10 August 1955, DEF 986537, requesting copies of the legal documents (if any existed) relative to arrangements between the United Nations Command and the Republic of Korea, concerning the real estate at Tanggok Cemetery.

It was indicated that these legal documents were desired by the United Nations in their deliberations regarding the establishment of a United Nations Memorial Cemetery at Tanggok, Korea.

The requested legal documents have been received and are herewith transmitted to your office.

Sincerely yours,

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In reply refer to
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September 16 1955

Dear Admiral Davis:

I have received your letter of September 13 transmitting legal documents concerning real estate at Tanggok mentioned in Navy.

I appreciate your courtesy in making this material available.

Sincerely yours,

Walter B. Smith
Deputy Secretary

Rear Admiral A. G. Davis,
Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense,
Office of the Secretary of Defense,
Room 3E869,
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NO.: A-69 September 28, 1955

SUBJECT: **Legal Documents Providing for the Use of the Tanggok Cemetery in Korea by the United Nations Command.**

TO: **USUN, New York**

Reference: USUN memorandum to UNP, "UN Memorial Cemetery in Korea," August 4, 1955, CONFIDENTIAL.

Enclosed are copies of the legal documents providing for the use of the Tanggok Cemetery land in Korea by the United Nations Command, which Mr. Cordier requested from USUN for study in connection with proposed United Nations administration of the cemetery.

It is requested that the documents be returned to the Department of State.

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SUBJECT: (1) √(IO - UNP) -- Legal Documents Providing for the Use of the Tanggok Cemetery in Korea by the United Nations Command

As requested by the Department's A-69 of September 28, 1955, there are returned herewith the documents which were transmitted with that instruction.

These documents have been inspected by the Secretariat of the UN.

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(IO - UNP - FE) -- UNITED NATIONS MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN KOREA

There is transmitted herewith a copy of a letter from Mr. Andrew W. Cordier, Executive Assistant to the SYG-UN, dated June 8, 1956, enclosing a copy of the provisional agenda for a meeting on June 22 of the Advisory Committee on the UN Memorial Cemetery in Korea and a copy of a draft agreement between the UN and the ROK for the establishment and maintenance of a UN Memorial Cemetery in Korea.

Although the enclosed letter is in the same form as those addressed to members of the Advisory Committee, Cordier has explained that it was intended merely to invite a US representative to attend the Committee's session in order that the UN Command might be informed of Committee recommendations and any questions the Committee might have which would require the securing of information from the UN Command.

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1. Copy of letter from Mr. Cordier.
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3. Draft agreement.

Albert F. Bender, Jr.
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8 June 1956

Sir,

On behalf of the Secretary-General, I have the honour to refer to Resolution 977 (X) of the General Assembly of 15 December 1955, concerning the establishment and maintenance of a United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea. This Resolution requested the Secretary-General, "acting on the advice of a Committee consisting of representatives of those countries whose men still lie in graves in the cemetery:

"(a) To arrange for the negotiation of an agreement with the Republic of Koreain order to secure the permanent use of the site of the memorial cemetery;

"(b) To make all necessary arrangements for the establishment and permanent maintenance of the cemetery."

In accordance with the terms of the above request, I have the honour to invite you or your representative to be present at a first meeting of the Advisory Committee referred to above, in Conference Room 8 at Headquarters on 22 June 1956. A draft agenda for the first meeting is enclosed.

There is also enclosed the text of a draft agreement on this subject between the United Nations and the Republic of Korea for discussion at that meeting.

A similar communication is being sent to the Permanent Representatives of Australia, Canada, France, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the Union of South Africa.

I should be grateful if you would inform me whether you can be present at this meeting, or if not, the name of your representative.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

/s/

Andrew W. Cordier
Executive Assistant
to the Secretary-General

His Excellency
Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.
Permanent Representative of the
United States of America to the United Nations
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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE UNITED NATIONS MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN KOREA

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FIRST MEETING

22 JUNE 1956 AT 3 P.M.

Conference Room 8

1. Organization of the Committee

2. Discussion of the draft agreement with the Republic of Korea

3. Steps to be taken to establish United Nations supervision of the cemetery

4. General observations on pattern of long-range administration for the cemetery

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DRAFT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A UNITED NATIONS MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN KOREA

WHEREAS the General Assembly of the United Nations on 15 December 1955 adopted Resolution 977 (X) as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Desiring to pay tribute to all those who, pursuant to the call of the United Nations, laid down their lives in resisting aggression in Korea and in upholding the cause of peace and freedom,

"Noting that, in a cemetery at Tanggok, near Pusan, in the Republic of Korea, there are the graves of nearly two thousand men who served with forces which fought under the United Nations Command,

"Noting further that up to the present time this cemetery has been cared for by the United Nations Command but that permanent arrangements have not yet been made for its maintenance,

"1. Decides that the cemetery at Tanggok, near Pusan, in the Republic of Korea, should be established and maintained as a United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea in honour of the dead;

"2. Requests the Secretary-General, acting on the advice of a Committee consisting of representatives of those countries whose men still lie in graves in the cemetery:

"(a) To arrange for the negotiation of an agreement with the Republic of Korea in order to secure the permanent use of the site of the memorial cemetery;

"(b) To make all necessary arrangements for the establishment and permanent maintenance of the cemetery;

"3. Authorizes the Secretary-General to make provision in the budget of the United Nations for the allocation of the necessary funds for this purpose"; and

WHEREAS the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea on 15 November 1955 had adopted the following resolution:

"The National Assembly,

"Expressing gratitude and paying high tribute to the United Nations Forces which fought in Korea to repel aggressors in accordance with

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United Nations Resolutions following the incident of 25 June 1950; and

"With a view to keeping the precious sacrifices of those who were killed in battle in everlasting memory and commemorating their distinguished services;

"Recommends that the Government propose to the United Nations General Assembly the establishment of a United Nations Cemetery in Korea as a holy place."; and

WHEREAS it is desired to give effect to the foregoing resolutions and to honour those who died in the service of the United Nations in Korea,

The UNITED NATIONS and the REPUBLIC OF KOREA, through their duly appointed representatives, have agreed as follows:

Article I

A United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea shall be established in permanent tribute to all those, who, pursuant to the call of the United Nations, laid down their lives in resisting aggression in Korea and in upholding the cause of peace and freedom. The use and maintenance of the Memorial Cemetery shall be regulated solely by the provisions of this Agreement and by such other provisions as may be made by the United Nations consistent with this Agreement or as may be brought into effect by supplemental agreement between the United Nations and the Republic of Korea.

Article II

(1) The Republic of Korea grants to the United Nations in perpetuity and without charge the land at Tanggok, near Pusan, and on which the Memorial Cemetery stands, which is indicated in blue on the plat initialed "ne varietur" and annexed to this agreement. This land is more particularly described as follows:

(The description of the property, including title to the approach road, and the plat to be annexed will be prepared after a survey has been made on the ground)

(2) The Republic of Korea shall take whatever steps are necessary under its law to obtain and transfer to the United Nations full and complete title to the land described in paragraph (1) of this article, free and clear of all encumberances and restrictions save those specifically provided in the present agreement; and the Republic of Korea shall guarantee and defend, at its own expense, the title of the United Nations to such land against any claims or litigation of whatever nature or from whatever source.

Article III

(1) The United Nations shall use the land described in Article 2 solely for the purpose of a Memorial Cemetery. The United Nations shall

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have the right to make all arrangements considered by it necessary for the establishment, maintenance, administration, and operation of a permanent cemetery on this land. These arrangements may include, but are not limited to, the permanent care and maintenance of the cemetery and the graves therein; the keeping of a registry and records; religious or commemorative ceremonies; burials, exhumations for reburial or movement, and removal of bodies to their home countries; and the installation on the land of memorials, monuments, grave markers, and all structures, boundary walls, buildings, utilities, roads and horticultural plantings as it may consider appropriate for the embellishment, maintenance, administration and operation of the Memorial Cemetery.

(2) The United Nations undertakes to maintain permanently the Memorial Cemetery and its approaches in a suitable and dignified manner. Memorials, monuments, grave markers, horticultural plantings and other donations offered by States, organisations or private persons, shall be approved by the United Nations. The Republic of Korea shall take all reasonable steps to assure that the dignity of the Memorial Cemetery is not prejudiced by the use made of the land in the vicinity. To this end the area marked in green on the annexed plat will be restricted to agricultural and residential use.

Article IV

(1) It is recognized that the provisions concerning the privileges and immunities to be accorded to the United Nations in Korea, as set out in the Agreement concluded by the exchange of letters of 21 September 1951 between the representatives of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the President of the Republic of Korea, shall apply with full force and effect to the United Nations Memorial Cemetery, to the United Nations Custodian and other United Nations officials and employees, and to all relevant operations conducted in accordance with the present agreement.

(2) Without in any way prejudicing or detracting from the privileges and immunities as set out in the Agreement referred to in the foregoing paragraph of this article, it is understood that:

(a) While extraterritoriality shall not apply to the Memorial Cemetery, the grounds of the Cemetery shall be inviolable. National, provincial and local officers or officials of Korea, whether administrative, judicial, military or police, shall not enter the Memorial Cemetery to perform official duties except at the request or with the authorization of the United Nations Custodian;

(b) Burials in and removals from the Memorial Cemetery shall be exempt from generally applicable laws and regulations relating to hygiene and the securing of permits in connection with the burial, exhumation for re-burial or movement, and removal of bodies. However, the United Nations

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undertakes to ensure that such work will be conducted in a manner which will in no way constitute a danger to public health and it shall make such sanitary arrangements for this purpose as may be necessary. The United Nations shall have the right to make other regulations operative within the Memorial Cemetery which it may consider necessary for the purposes of this agreement. Laws and regulations of the Republic of Korea which are inconsistent with a regulation authorized by this paragraph, to the extent of such inconsistency, shall not be applicable within the Memorial Cemetery;

(c) The United Nations shall be permitted the use of railroads, highways, navigable waters, ports, port installations, buildings, utilities and other facilities, together with the necessary services and Korean labor to the extent required for the accomplishment of the purposes of this agreement, subject only to payment of the established rates of compensation therefore less any direct or indirect taxes included in such rates, exemption from which shall be granted by the Republic of Korea. The United Nations may import into Korea from any country and re-export therefrom after use thereof, free of customs duties and other taxes, the equipment, supplies and materials as are necessary for the accomplishment of any of the purposes of this agreement;

(d) It is understood that the provisions relating to taxation set out in the Agreement on Privileges and Immunities referred to in paragraph (1) of this Article are to be interpreted according to the principle that there should be no increase in the cost of any materials or service to the United Nations as a result of taxes of any kind levied by the Republic of Korea by national, provincial or local governments.

Article V

(1) Visits to and the conduct to be observed by the public in the Memorial Cemetery may be made subject to conditions prescribed by the United Nations Custodian.

(2) The Republic of Korea shall permit entry to its territory and shall assure thereon full and undisturbed transit and access to and from the Memorial Cemetery at all times for United Nations officials and employees, representatives of States whose forces served in Korea under the United Nations Command or of States which have been represented on United Nations Commissions in Korea, next of kin of men buried in the Memorial Cemetery, and other visitors authorized by the United Nations.

(3) The appropriate Korean authorities shall exercise due diligence to ensure that the tranquility of the Memorial Cemetery is not disturbed by the unauthorized entry of groups of persons from outside or by disturbances in its vicinity. The Republic of Korea shall also provide such assistance as may be requested by the United Nations Custodian for the safeguard and protection of the Memorial Cemetery and the personnel and property connected therewith.

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Article VI

(1) A state having forces serving under the United Nations Command in Korea may under conditions prescribed by the United Nations Custodian and subject to available space, arrange for burials in the United Nations Memorial Cemetery of any members of its forces who may die while serving under the United Nations Command in Korea. The United Nations may arrange for burial in the United Nations Memorial Cemetery of any person who may die while serving with the United Nations or any of its organs in Korea.

(2) The United Nations or, under conditions prescribed by the United Nations Custodian, a State whose men lie in graves in the Memorial Cemetery, shall have the right to exhume and remove bodies for return to their home countries.

Article VII

(1) The Secretary-General shall have the responsibility for the implementation of this agreement on behalf of the United Nations. On important matters of policy, and particularly with respect to the Plan for the Memorial Cemetery, the Secretary-General shall be advised by a United Nations Memorial Cemetery Committee composed of Members of the United Nations whose men lie in graves in the Memorial Cemetery.

(2) The Secretary-General shall designate a United Nations Custodian who, under the authority of the Secretary-General, shall be responsible for the administration of the cemetery and for liaison with the Republic of Korea. The Secretary-General may appoint or assign such other officials and consultants as may be necessary and the United Nations Custodian may employ local labour or make such contracts for labour, service, materials and supplies, as may be necessary for the maintenance and administration of the cemetery.

(3) The Government of the Republic of Korea shall ensure the co-operation of the provincial and local governments and other authorities of the Republic of Korea, for the purpose of a full implementation of this Agreement. The Government of the Republic of Korea shall designate an official who shall be responsible on behalf of the Republic of Korea for maintaining liaison with the United Nations Custodian on all matters relating to the implementation of this agreement.

Article VIII

Any dispute between the Republic of Korea and the United Nations concerning the interpretation or application of this agreement which is not settled by negotiation or other agreed mode of settlement shall be referred for final settlement to a Tribunal of three arbitrators, one to be named by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, one by the Government of the

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Republic of Korea and a third to be chosen by the two. If the two arbitrators should fail to agree on the choice of a third, or if one party should fail to appoint an arbitrator, the President of the International Court of Justice may be asked by one party to appoint an arbitrator. The failure of one party to appoint an arbitrator shall not preclude the making of a binding award by the other two.

Article IX

(1) Should the United Nations for any reason cease to maintain the Memorial Cemetery, the title to the land shall be vested in a Memorial Cemetery Commission to be composed of the States whose men lie in graves in the Memorial Cemetery. In such event, the Memorial Cemetery Commission, acting by majority vote or by such other procedure as it may decide, shall have the right to appoint a Custodian to maintain and administer the Memorial Cemetery in accordance with the terms of the present Agreement and shall succeed to all rights and accept all obligations of the United Nations under the present Agreement.

(2) Should the land for any reason cease to be maintained as a Memorial Cemetery by the United Nations or by the Memorial Cemetery Commission referred to above, title shall vest in the Republic of Korea which shall permanently maintain the Cemetery in a suitable and dignified manner.

(3) Should the land cease altogether to be used as a Memorial Cemetery and all graves be removed, full and complete title shall revert to the Republic of Korea.

Article X

This Agreement shall become effective from the date of signature by the Secretary-General on behalf of the United Nations and by a duly appointed representative of the Government of Korea on behalf of the Republic of Korea. Amendments or revisions shall be made by agreement of the United Nations and the Republic of Korea.

Done in duplicate in the English language at United Nations Headquarters, New York, on _____ day of _____ 1956.

For the United Nations

For the Republic of Korea

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Additional Paragraph to Article II should the Possibility of acquiring Additional Land be envisaged for Residence Purposes.

Article II

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(3) The United Nations may acquire such additional land as it may consider necessary for the purposes of the present Agreement, including the provision of residence or office accommodation. The Republic of Korea shall, if requested by the United Nations, assist in the acquisition of such land through laws and procedures available to it. The relevant provisions of the present Agreement, and particularly those of Article IV, shall apply to such additional land as may be acquired pursuant to the present paragraph.

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Re UN Korean Cemetery

USUN will recall that 10th GA adopted resolution providing for turn-over of Korean military cemetery to UN, and authorizing SYG, assisted by advisory committee of states with graves in cemetery, to negotiate suitable agreement with ROK. UNC has meantime continued to operate cemetery although no US graves remain.

Since over two years have elapsed without conclusion of agreement, request USUN approach SYG with view to ascertaining plans for concluding agreement including some estimate of time when UNC can expect to be relieved its present responsibility. In your discretion make point UNC cannot reasonably be expected to operate cemetery indefinitely. USUN might also usefully raise subject in same terms with members Advisory Committee.

FYI DEPT would like give UNC some relatively precise indication regarding progress on this matter. END FYI

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In response USUN's inquiry re status negotiations between Korea and Advisory Committee of states with graves in cemetery, Stavropoulos sent copy of letter (copy attached) from Korean Ambassador to US. Also attached copy of Stavropoulos' letter of transmittal.

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Enclosures:

1. Copy of letter of transmittal from Stavropoulos.
2. Copy of letter from Korean Ambassador.

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KOREAN EMBASSY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 11, 1957

Dear Mr. Stavropoulos,

I communicated with our President, Dr. Syngman Rhee, and also with our Foreign Office in regard to the matter of care of the United Nations Cemetery in Korea.

After reviewing the whole problem of the care of the United Nations Cemetery in Pusan, our Government feels that the Republic of Korea should take over the whole responsibility of proper care for the United Nations Cemetery as well as conducting the United Nations' Day ceremony annually held at the cemetery.

This is what President Rhee says, and I quote:

"It would be only a small token of our eternal gratitude towards the soldiers who gave their lives for the cause of freedom and for Korea. I honestly believe that it is our duty to take care of this cemetery with a small detachment of our Army who could be stationed there premanently to keep the cemetery in good order."

Our President goes on to say for me to have a talk with you to find out what procedures you would advise us to take to initiate the turnover of the cemetery reaction to this.

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Very sincerely yours,

(signed - You Chan Yang)

You Chan Yang
Korean Ambassador

Mr. C.A. Stavropoulos
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My dear Mrs. Marr,

I enclose a copy of the letter of 11 December 1957 from the Korean Ambassador in Washington, which we spoke about. This letter was sent to Sir Leslie Munro, the Chairman of the Memorial Cemetery Committee, who suggested that we should acquaint the other members of the Committee with the new proposal of the Korean Government in order that they might seek the views of their Governments before a meeting of the Committee. Copies have been sent to the other members, and they are now consulting their Governments. I shall keep you informed of further developments on this matter.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely

s/ Constantin A. Stavropoulos
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Re United Nations Cemetery in Korea

The Embassy previously received a copy of the Korean Ambassador's letter of December 11, 1957 to the United Nations Secretariat, in which the Republic of Korea offers to take over the whole responsibility for the United Nations cemetery. Copies of this letter were given to the representatives of those countries with graves in the cemetery.

On March 13, 1958 the Korean Cemetery Advisory Committee met to consider the Korean offer. It was decided that the Secretariat should seek further clarification. The Chairman of the Committee, Sir Leslie Munro of New Zealand, expressed doubt that the Korean offer was within the terms of reference of the Committee. He expressed appreciation for the generosity of the offer, but stated that in his view the cemetery should be maintained under "UN wardship".

The United Kingdom and South Africa shared New Zealand's views that the United Nations should maintain control over the cemetery. However, Botha of South Africa was instructed by his government to seek more details as to the nature of the offer. France, the Netherlands, Norway and Canada, while similarly desiring more information, stated that they would agree to an arrangement under which Korea would assume the day to day maintenance of the cemetery, even to the extent of Korean assumption of financial responsibility for this purpose. France pointed out that this would effect a saving for the United Nations. Australia and Turkey were without instructions, but personally were inclined toward the New Zealand position. Munro made it clear he did not think it proper for the Committee to approve a transfer of the financial responsibility from the United Nations to Korea. In his view the Assembly had not contemplated this, and Assembly decision would be necessary to effect such a change in the Assembly's original understanding.

The Department would welcome any comments or information that the Embassy may now have or be able to obtain regarding this matter.

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Embassy officer April 7 discussed problem raised referenced airgram with Vice Minister Foreign Affairs. Vice Minister understood long-standing precedent whereby Commonwealth countries assume management cemeteries abroad containing their military dead rather than burden host country and expressed belief Yang proposal political and diplomatic gesture. He believed no serious problem posed by United Nation desire manage cemetery, but referred to question "status local employees" of cemetery which he said under study. He suggested discussing matter again in few days after Ministry had opportunity for further consideration.

Embassy officer discussed matter with First Secretary British Embassy who said his Embassy taking no action.

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Embassy's comments requested, particularly re special emissary negotiate directly with Rhee. ROK offer rejected by UN Cemetery Committee contained correspondence between Yang and UN which sent by transmittal slip August 27 and G-15. 895B.552

DEPT believes matter should not be permitted to drag on indefinitely and would be inclined favor special emissary procedure or any other means re expediting early conclusion appropriate agreement/in operation of cemetery.

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Enclosed is a copy of a note from the UN Legal Counsel, dated September 19, 1958, transmitting a copy of the letter to Amb. Yang, approved by the UN Memorial Cemetery Committee at its meeting on September 15 and a copy of the revised Draft Agreement.

Albert S. Watson
Executive Director

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1. Copy of note from the UN Legal Counsel.
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Sir,

..... I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of the letter to Ambassador Yang, approved by the Memorial Cemetery Committee at its meeting on 15 September 1958,

..... and a copy of the revised Draft Agreement which I have submitted to Ambassador Yang together with my letter.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

/s/
Constantin A. Stavropoulos
Legal Counsel

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Dear Ambassador Yang,

The United Nations Memorial Cemetery Committee has recently held two meetings in order to consider the proposal of your Government which you forwarded to me with your letter dated 5 August 1958.

The United Nations owe a debt of gratitude to your Government for their generosity in deciding to give this land for a Memorial Cemetery. The United Nations Memorial Cemetery will always serve as a reminder of that debt as well as of the sacrifice and dedication of the men who lie buried there.

The recent proposal of your Government, whereby it offers to take over the responsibility for the Cemetery, is a further illustration of the generosity which your Government has shown in this matter, and the Committee has asked me to express its very real appreciation of this offer.

However, as I pointed out in my letter to you of 17 March 1958, the Committee can only negotiate within the mandate of resolution 977(X) of the General Assembly. Accordingly, and after careful consideration of all the records of the Assembly and its committees relating to the resolution, the Committee feels that the intent of the Assembly was that the United Nations as such should assume responsibility for the administration and maintenance of the Cemetery. This being the case, it is not possible for the Committee to negotiate on any other basis.

His Excellency
Dr. You Chan Yang
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the
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Embassy of Korea
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The Committee feels that there is much common ground between it and your Government and that agreement should not now be difficult to reach, especially since we all share the determination that the Cemetery should be established as soon as possible as a fitting memorial for the men who so gallantly gave their lives in the defence of Korea. I am sure that you will understand that the proposals of the Committee contained in this letter represent a genuine attempt by the Committee to understand and to meet the difficulties which the Government of the Republic of Korea faces. We all hope that on the basis of these proposals we can quickly negotiate a final agreement.

The first of these, and the more important, related to the privileges and immunities of locally-recruited personnel under Article IV(1) of the Draft Agreement. As I explained in my letter to you of 31 October 1957, this immunity would lie only in respect of official acts and would in any event be waived by the Secretary-General when to claim immunity would impede the course of justice and would not prejudice the interests of the United Nations. This immunity is accorded to the United Nations by every country within which the United Nations operates as a matter of principle, even though it has never, in the history of the United Nations, been invoked by the Secretary-General. On the other hand, it is a principle which, because of its implications for the status of the Organization and those who serve it, whether internationally or locally-recruited, is of great importance to the Organization. The principle is implicit in Article 105 of the United Nations Charter and it is expressly stated in Article 18(a) of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations of 1946. The same principle is contained in all agreements with States in which the United Nations operates and it has also been previously accepted by your Government in the Agreement of 21 September 1951.

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I am sure you will understand, therefore, that the Committee could not negotiate an agreement relating to the Cemetery which was inconsistent with the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations and with the United Nations Charter.

However, in its desire to seek a solution acceptable to your Government and at the same time consistent with the Convention and the Charter, the Committee makes two alternative proposals to solve this difficulty.

The first is to delete the word "non-Korean" from the first sentence of paragraph 1 of Article IV of the Draft Agreement and also the last sentence in its entirety as you have proposed. This would then leave the whole matter to be governed by the existing Agreement between the Republic of Korea and the United Nations of 21 September 1951. However, this Agreement affords immunity from military and other compulsory services which we should not insist upon for Cemetery personnel, so that we could exclude this latter immunity by the following text of Article IV(1):

> "It is recognized that the provisions concerning the privileges and immunities to be accorded to the United Nations in Korea, as set out in the Agreement concluded by the exchange of letters of 21 September 1951 between the representatives of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the President of the Republic of Korea, shall apply to the United Nations Memorial Cemetery, to the United Nations Custodian and other United Nations officials and employees, and to all relevant operations conducted in accordance with the present agreement. However, with respect to locally recruited personnel employed by the United Nations for work in connexion with the Memorial Cemetery, the United Nations will assert its right only to the immunity concerning official acts provided in the first sentence of paragraph 6 of Article IV of the Agreement of 21 September 1951."

Should this proposal not be acceptable to your Government, the Committee makes the following alternative proposal based on resolution 76(I) of the General Assembly, which makes an exception from Article 18(a) of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations in respect of locally-recruited personnel paid at hourly rates:

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"It is recognized that the provisions concerning the privileges and immunities to be accorded to the United Nations in Korea, as set out in the Agreement concluded by the exchange of letters of 21 September 1951 between the representatives of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the President of the Republic of Korea, shall apply to the United Nations Memorial Cemetery, to the United Nations Custodian and other United Nations officials and employees, and to all relevant operations conducted in accordance with the present Agreement. Except that immunity from jurisdiction shall not be claimed for locally-recruited personnel:

(a) in respect of such personnel as are assigned to hourly rates;

(b) in respect of any liability for military and other compulsory services."

Since by far the greatest number of the locally-recruited personnel would be engaged in tasks such as the care and maintenance of the graves, pathways and plots in the Cemetery and which could be paid on an hourly basis, this would mean that they would not enjoy any privileges or immunities. The second proposal also excludes immunity from military and other compulsory services.

I sincerely hope that one or other of the two alternative proposals will command itself to your Government, for I cannot imagine any other way in which we might proceed to a solution of this problem.

The second question is perhaps less difficult. It relates to Article IX of the Draft Agreement and concerns the unlikely event of the United Nations ceasing to maintain the Cemetery. In that event the Draft Agreement provides for a Memorial Cemetery Commission, composed of the States whose men lie in graves in the Cemetery, which would assume responsibility for the maintenance and administration of the Cemetery. It is, of course, our understanding that there are graves of Korean soldiers in the Cemetery and that, therefore, your Government would be represented

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as such on the Commission. However, if your Government feels it should be represented on the Commission in any event, express provision for this could be made by substituting for the first sentence in Article IX(1) the following:

> "Should the United Nations for any reason cease to maintain the Memorial Cemetery, the title to the land shall be vested in a Memorial Cemetery Commission to be composed of one representative of the Republic of Korea and one representative of each of the other States whose men lie in graves in the Memorial Cemetery."

There is a further point relating to Article IX to which I should like to draw your attention. In the letter from the Korean Permanent Observer to the Chairman of the Memorial Cemetery Committee dated 24 October 1956, point eleven reproduced the text of Article IX(3) unaltered save for the addition of a further sentence dealing with the acquisition of additional land. We should welcome your clarification on this, for we have assumed that this further sentence is intended not as an addition to Article IX(3), but to replace the last sentence of the proposed additional paragraph 3 to Article IX which deals with the acquisition of additional land. As such it is acceptable to the Committee.

I enclose three copies of the complete and revised text of the Draft Agreement which incorporates these proposals of the Committee as well as all the amendments proposed by your Government which the Committee has accepted. Attached to the text is a map which, as you will recall, was envisaged in the Draft Agreement as an integral part of the Agreement. The Committee sincerely hopes that this revised text will prove acceptable to your Government. In this connexion it would greatly assist in expediting an agreement if your Government could see fit to appoint a plenipotentiary who could negotiate on its behalf here in New York during the present session of the General Assembly.

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The Committee, and I personally, much appreciate your own personal interest in this matter and look forward to an early indication of your Government's views with regard to the proposals which the Committee now makes.

I remain, dear Mr. Ambassador,

Yours sincerely,

Constantin A. Stavropoulos
Legal Counsel

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REVISED DRAFT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A UNITED NATIONS MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN KOREA

WHEREAS the Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea, on 9 August 1955 wrote to the Secretary-General advising him of the decision of his Government to offer gratis to the United Nations the ground of the Cemetery at Tanggok, near Pusan, in dedication to the ideals of the United Nations and in tribute to the services and sacrifices rendered by the United Nations soldiers in Korea, and

WHEREAS the General Assembly of the United Nations on 15 December 1955 adopted resolution 977 (X) as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Desiring to pay tribute to all those who, pursuant to the call of the United Nations, laid down their lives in resisting aggression in Korea and in upholding the cause of peace and freedom,

"Noting that, in a cemetery at Tanggok, near Pusan, in the Republic of Korea, there are the graves of nearly two thousand men who served with forces which fought under the United Nations Command,

"Noting further that up to the present time this cemetery has been cared for by the United Nations Command but that permanent arrangements have not yet been made for its maintenance,

"1. Decides that the cemetery at Tanggok, near Pusan, in the Republic of Korea, should be established and maintained as a United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea in honour of the dead;

"2. Requests the Secretary-General, acting on the advice of a Committee consisting of representatives of those countries whose men still lie in graves in the cemetery:

"(a) To arrange for the negotiation of an agreement with the Republic of Korea in order to secure the permanent use of the site of the memorial cemetery;

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"(b) To make all necessary arrangements for the establishment and permanent maintenance of the cemetery;

"3. Authorizes the Secretary-General to make provision in the budget of the United Nations for the allocation of the necessary funds for this purpose."; and

WHEREAS the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea on 17 November 1955 adopted the following resolution:

"The National Assembly,

"Expressing gratitude and paying high tribute to the United Nations Forces which fought in Korea to repel aggressors in accordance with United Nations Resolutions following the incident of 25 June 1950; and

"With a view to keeping the precious sacrifices of those who were killed in battle in everlasting memory and commemorating their distinguished services;

"Recommends that the Government propose to the United Nations General Assembly the establishment of a United Nations Cemetery in Korea as a holy place."; and

WHEREAS it is desired to give effect to the foregoing resolutions and to honour those who died in the service of the United Nations in Korea,

The UNITED NATIONS and the REPUBLIC OF KOREA, through their duly appointed representatives, have agreed as follows:

Article I

A United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea shall be established in permanent tribute to all those, who, pursuant to the call of the United Nations, laid down their lives in resisting aggression in Korea and in upholding the cause of peace and freedom.

Article II

(1) The Republic of Korea grants to the United Nations in perpetuity and without charge the land at Tanggok, near Pusan, on which the Memorial Cemetery stands, and which is indicated in blue on the plat initialed "ne varietur" and annexed to this Agreement. This land is more particularly described as follows:

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"All that land enclosed by a line drawn from point 1 in front of the main gate of the Cemetery upon a bearing S 32° 48' 10" E for a distance of 124.20 ft. to point 2; thence upon a bearing S 35° 24' 30" E for a distance of 107.00 ft. to point 3; thence upon a bearing S 31° 02' 10" E for a distance of 72.80 ft. to point 4; thence upon a bearing S 24° 29' 50" E for a distance of 125.60 ft. to point 5; thence upon a bearing S 5° 13' 30" E for a distance of 64.00 ft. to point 6; thence upon a bearing N 89° 45' 00" E for a distance of 62.20 ft. to point 7; thence upon a bearing S 38° 01' 40" E for a distance of 212.20 ft. to point 8; thence upon a bearing S 27° 46' 20" E for a distance of 114.20 ft. to point 9; thence upon a bearing S 40° 11' 20" W for a distance of 18.00 ft. to point 10; thence upon a bearing S 48° 15' 00" E for a distance of 50.80 ft. to point 11; thence upon a bearing N 44° 20' 20" E for a distance of 41.00 ft. to point 12; thence upon a bearing S 58° 11' 20" E for a distance of 232.20 ft. to point 13; thence upon a bearing N 43° 12' 20" E for a distance of 20.00 ft. to point 14; thence upon a bearing S 58° 25' 40" E for a distance of 558.00 ft. to point 15; thence upon a bearing N 31° 17' 20" E for a distance of 979.00 ft. to point 16; thence upon a bearing N 57° 09' 20" W for a distance of 737.60 ft. to point 17; thence upon a bearing N 32° 20' 00" E for a distance of 86.00 ft. to point 18; thence upon a bearing N 54° 37' 40" W for a distance of 34.40 ft. to point 19; thence upon a bearing S 70° 28' 40" W for a distance of 91.30 ft. to point 20; thence upon a bearing N 53° 25' 00" W for a distance of 206.80 ft. to point 21; thence upon a bearing N 86° 55' 40" W for a distance of 208.75 ft. to point 22; thence upon a bearing S 86° 16' 20" W for a distance of 428.40 ft. to point 23; thence upon a bearing S 27° 12' 20" W for a distance of 208.20 ft. to point 24; thence upon a bearing S 52° 32' 30" W for a distance of 173.40 ft. to point 1."

(2) The Republic of Korea shall take whatever steps are necessary under its law to obtain and transfer to the United Nations full and complete title to the land described in paragraph (1) of this article, free and clear of all encumbrances and restrictions save those specifically provided in the present Agreement; and the Republic of Korea shall guarantee and defend, at its own expense, the title of the United Nations to such land against any claims or litigation of whatever nature or from whatever source.

(3) The United Nations may acquire such additional land as it may consider necessary for the purposes of the present Agreement, including the provision of residence or office accommodation. The Republic of Korea shall, if requested by the United Nations, assist in the acquisition of such land through laws and procedures available to it. The provisions of paragraph 1 of Article IV and

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Article IX of the present Agreement shall apply to such additional land as may be acquired pursuant to the present paragraph.

Article III

(1) The United Nations shall use the land described in Article II solely for the purpose of a Memorial Cemetery. The United Nations shall have the right to make all arrangements considered by it necessary for the establishment, maintenance, administration, and operation of a permanent cemetery on this land. These arrangements include, but are not limited to, the permanent care and maintenance of the Cemetery and the graves therein; the keeping of a registry and records; religious or commemorative ceremonies; burials, exhumations for reburial or movement, and removal of bodies to their home countries; and the installation on the land of memorials, monuments, grave markers, and all structures, boundary walls, buildings, utilities, roads and horticultural plantings as it may consider appropriate for the embellishment, maintenance, administration and operation of the Memorial Cemetery.

(2) The United Nations undertakes to maintain permanently the Memorial Cemetery in a suitable and dignified manner and enjoys the right to use and, where necessary, maintain and repair the approach road to the Memorial Cemetery from the junction of that road with the airport road east of the village of Kodonggok and west of the village of Chigok, thence south of the village of Sokp'o and thence east to the Memorial Cemetery. Memorials, monuments, grave markers, horticultural plantings and other donations offered by States, organisations or private persons, shall be approved and accepted by the United Nations, provided that such donations are in full harmony with the general character of the Memorial Cemetery and do not detract from the uniformity of the Cemetery and its component parts. Whenever a donation is offered for any

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particular section of the Memorial Cemetery the United Nations shall, before taking a decision on the approval and acceptance of such donation, consult with the Member or Members of the United Nations whose men are buried in that section of the Memorial Cemetery.

(3) The Republic of Korea shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that the dignity of the Memorial Cemetery is not prejudiced by the use made of the land in the vicinity. To this end the area marked in green on the annexed plat will be restricted to agricultural, residential and other uses not prejudicial to the dignity of the Memorial Cemetery. Such area is more particularly described as follows:

"All that area enclosed by a line drawn from the junction between the airport road and the approach road to the Cemetery lying east of the village of Kodonggok and west of the village of Chigok, then following the road through Chigok south-east to a point 1,500 ft. north-west of the road junction at the north-west limits of Pump'o; thence generally south along the crest of the hills for a distance of 3,300 ft; thence due west to the Tanggok-Yongdang-ni road and along that road generally north north-west to Tanggok; thence west to the Sokp'o harbour road; thence north along the road to the starting point."

Article IV

(1) It is recognized that the provisions concerning the privileges and immunities to be accorded to the United Nations in Korea, as set out in the Agreement concluded by the exchange of letters of 21 September 1951 between the representatives of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the President of the Republic of Korea, shall apply with full force and effect to the United Nations Memorial Cemetery, to the United Nations Custodian and other United Nations officials and employees, and to all relevant operations conducted in accordance with the present Agreement. However, with respect to locally-recruited personnel employed by the United Nations for work in connexion with the Memorial Cemetery, the United Nations will assert its right only to the

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immunity concerning official acts provided in the first sentence of paragraph 6 of Article IV of the Agreement of 21 September 1951.

OR

(1) It is recognised that the provisions concerning the privileges and immunities to be accorded to the United Nations in Korea, as set out in the Agreement concluded by the exchange of letters of 21 September 1951 between the representatives of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the President of the Republic of Korea, shall apply with full force and effect to the United Nations Memorial Cemetery, to the United Nations Custodian and other United Nations officials and employees, and to all relevant operations conducted in accordance with the present Agreement. Except that immunity from jurisdiction shall not be claimed for locally-recruited personnel:

(a) in respect of such personnel as are assigned to hourly rates;

(b) in respect of any liability for military and other compulsory services.

(2) Without in any way prejudicing or detracting from the privileges and immunities as set out in the Agreement on Privileges and Immunities referred to in the foregoing paragraph of this article, it is understood that:

(a) While extraterritoriality shall not apply to the Memorial Cemetery, the grounds of the Cemetery shall be inviolable. National, provincial and local officers or officials of Korea, whether administrative, judicial, military or police, shall not enter the Memorial Cemetery to perform official duties except at the request or with the authorization of the United Nations Custodian. However, when a request is made by the competent authorities to enter the Memorial Cemetery for the investigation of suspected crimes, the United Nations Custodian shall permit the entry of such officers or officials for the said purpose, unless there is a just reason for refusal;

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(b) Burials in and removals from the Memorial Cemetery shall be exempt from generally applicable laws and regulations relating to hygiene and the securing of permits in connection with the burial, exhumation for reburial or movement, and removal of bodies. However, the United Nations undertakes to ensure that such work will be conducted in a manner which will in no way constitute a danger to public health and it shall make such sanitary arrangements for this purpose as may be necessary. The United Nations shall have the right to make other regulations operative within the Memorial Cemetery which it may consider necessary for the purposes of this Agreement. Laws and regulations of the Republic of Korea which are inconsistent with a regulation authorized by this paragraph, to the extent of such inconsistency, shall not be applicable within the Memorial Cemetery;

(c) The United Nations shall be permitted the use of railroads, highways, navigable waters, ports, port installations, buildings, utilities and other facilities, together with the necessary services and Korean labour to the extent required for the accomplishment of the purposes of this Agreement, subject only to payment of the established rates of compensation therefor less any direct or indirect taxes included in such rates, exemption from which shall be granted by the Republic of Korea. The United Nations may import into Korea from any country and re-export therefrom after use thereof, free of customs duties and other taxes, such equipment, supplies and materials as are necessary for the accomplishment of any of the purposes of this Agreement;

(d) It is understood that the provisions relating to taxation set out in the Agreement on Privileges and Immunities referred to in paragraph (1) of this article are to be interpreted according to the principle that there should be no increase in the cost of any materials or service to the United Nations as a result of taxes of any kind levied by the Republic of Korea by national, provincial or local governments.

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Article V

(1) Visits to and the conduct to be observed by the public in the Memorial Cemetery may be made subject to conditions prescribed by the United Nations Custodian.

(2) The Republic of Korea shall permit and ensure entry into and transit across its territory for the purpose of full and undisturbed access to and exit from the Memorial Cemetery at all times for United Nations officials and employees, representatives of States whose forces served in Korea under the United Nations Command or of States which have been represented on United Nations Commissions in Korea, next of kin of men buried in the Memorial Cemetery, and other visitors authorised by the United Nations.

(3) The appropriate Korean authorities shall exercise due diligence to ensure that the tranquility of the Memorial Cemetery is not disturbed by the unauthorised entry of groups of persons from outside or by disturbances in its vicinity. The Republic of Korea shall also provide such assistance as may be requested by the United Nations Custodian for the safeguard and protection of the Memorial Cemetery and the personnal and property connected therewith.

Article VI

(1) A State having forces serving under the United Nations Command in Korea may under conditions prescribed by the United Nations Custodian and subject to available space, arrange for burials in the United Nations Memorial Cemetery of any members of its forces who may die while serving under the United Nations Command in Korea. The United Nations may arrange for burial in the United Nations Memorial Cemetery of any person who may die while serving with the United Nations or any of its organs in Korea.

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(2) The United Nations or, under conditions prescribed by the United Nations Custodian, a State whose men lie in graves in the Memorial Cemetery, shall have the right to exhume and remove bodies for return to their home countries.

Article VII

(1) The Secretary-General shall have the responsibility for the implementation of this Agreement on behalf of the United Nations. On important matters of policy, and particularly with respect to the plan for the Memorial Cemetery, the Secretary-General shall be advised by a United Nations Memorial Cemetery Committee consisting of representatives of those countries whose men lie buried in graves in the Memorial Cemetery.

(2) The Secretary-General shall designate a United Nations Custodian who, under the authority of the Secretary-General, shall be responsible for the maintenance and administration of the Cemetery and for liaison with the Republic of Korea. The Secretary-General may appoint or assign such other officials and consultants as may be necessary and the United Nations Custodian may employ local labour or make such contracts for labour, service, materials and supplies, as may be necessary for the maintenance and administration of the Cemetery.

(3) The Government of the Republic of Korea shall ensure the co-operation of the provincial and local governments and other authorities of the Republic of Korea, for the purpose of a full implementation of this Agreement. The Government of the Republic of Korea shall designate an official who shall be responsible on behalf of the Republic of Korea for maintaining liaison with the United Nations Custodian on all matters relating to the implementation of this Agreement.

Article VIII

Any dispute between the Republic of Korea and the United Nations concerning the interpretation or application of this Agreement which is not settled by negotiation or other agreed mode of settlement shall be referred for final

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settlement to a Tribunal of three arbitrators, one to be named by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, one by the Government of the Republic of Korea and a third to be chosen by the two arbitrators so named. If the two arbitrators should fail to agree on the choice of a third, or if one party should fail to appoint an arbitrator, the President of the International Court of Justice may be asked by one party to appoint an arbitrator. The failure of one party to appoint an arbitrator shall not preclude the making of a binding award. If any of the arbitrators should die, resign or become unable to act before the award has been given, the vacancy shall be filled by the method laid down in this article for the original appointment.

Article IX

(1) Should the United Nations for any reason cease to maintain the Memorial Cemetery. the title to the land shall be vested in a Memorial Cemetery Commission to be composed of the States whose men lie in graves in the Memorial Cemetery. In such event, the Memorial Cemetery Commission, acting by majority vote or by such other procedure as it may decide, shall have the right to appoint a Custodian to maintain and administer the Memorial Cemetery in accordance with the terms of the present Agreement and shall succeed to all rights and accept all obligations of the United Nations under the present Agreement.

OR

(1) Should the United Nations for any reason cease to maintain the Memorial Cemetery, the title to the land shall be vested in a Memorial Cemetery Commission to be composed of one representative of the Republic of Korea and one representative of each of the other States whose men lie buried in graves in the Memorial Cemetery. In such event, the Memorial Cemetery Commission, acting by majority vote or by such other procedure as it may decide, shall have the right to appoint a Custodian to maintain and administer the Memorial Cemetery in accordance with the terms of the present Agreement and shall succeed to all rights and accept all obligations of the United Nations under the present Agreement.

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(2) Should the land for any reason cease to be maintained as a Memorial Cemetery by the United Nations or by the Memorial Cemetery Commission referred to above, title shall vest in the Republic of Korea which shall permanently maintain the Cemetery in a suitable and dignified manner.

(3) Should the land cease altogether to be used as a Memorial Cemetery and all graves be removed, full and complete title shall revert to the Republic of Korea.

Article X

The use and maintenance of the Memorial Cemetery shall be regulated solely by the provisions of this Agreement and by such other provisions as may be made by the United Nations consistent with this Agreement or as may be brought into effect by supplemental agreement between the United Nations and the Republic of Korea. Amendments or revisions of this Agreement shall be made by agreement of the United Nations and the Republic of Korea.

Article XI

This Agreement shall become effective from the date of signature by the Secretary-General on behalf of the United Nations and by a duly appointed representative of the Government of the Republic of Korea on behalf of the Republic of Korea.

Done in duplicate in the English language at United Nations Headquarters, New York, on _____ day of _____ 1956.

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BRITISH EMBASSY HAS MADE AVAILABLE COPY SEPT. 18, 1958 LETTER TO AMBASSADOR YANG FROM STAVROPOULOS POINTING OUT UN MEMORIAL CEMETERY COMMITTEE CAN NEGOTIATE ONLY WITHIN MANDATE GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 977 (X) AND THEREFORE FEEL INTENT UN ASSEMBLY WAS THAT UN ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY ADMINISTRATIVE AND MAINTENANCE CEMETERY IN PUSAN. BRITISH EMBASSY INSTRUCTED COORDINATE APPROACH TO FOREIGN MINISTRY WITH EMBASSY SEOUL.

SHORTLY THEREAFTER EMBASSY OFFICER DISCUSSED MATTER WITH VICE-MINISTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS. VICE MINISTER STATED HE HAD DISCUSSED MATTER WITH PRESIDENT RHEE WHO HOLDS STRONG OPINION ROK SHOULD HAVE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR CEMETERY ALTHOUGH UN COULD SEND CUSTODIAN AND WOULD BE EXPECTED GIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. VICE MINISTER APPEARED UNDERSTAND ARGUMENT BY STAVROPOULOS AND PRECEDENTS FOR FOREIGN CONTROL CEMETERIES ABROAD BY COUNTRY WHOSE DEAD THEY CONTAIN. NEVERTHELESS, HE SAW NO REASON WHY UN COULD NOT PASS ANOTHER RESOLUTION AMENDING FIRST WHICH WOULD MAKE POSSIBLE ROK CONTROL. VICE MINISTER EXPECTED REPLY STAVROPOULOS LETTER BE DRAFTED AND POSSIBLY FORWARDED THIS WEEK. LETTER PRESUMABLY WILL REJECT UN PROPOSALS AND REITERATE ROK INSISTENCE ON CONTROL.

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USUN reports Sir Leslie MUNRO scheduled arrive Korea Feb. 23 for 8 to day stay as representative UN Korean Cemetery Advisory Committee for high-level consultations on points outstanding in negotiations between UN and ROK on Cemetery Agreement.

2. As stated Ref Deptel, US desires expedite early conclusion appropriate agreement. DEPT. particularly anxious relieve US military personnel of all responsibility re cemetery at earliest opportunity.

3. Pursuant Wilcox-Dowling Feb. 4 conversation Embassy should, after consultation with Sir Leslie and if in your judgment demarche would be productive, make high-level approach ROKG during Munro visit to urge serious consideration compromise proposals contained Stavropoulos Sept. 18 letter. believes ROK could best show its appreciation to UN and to Members which have men buried in cemetery by concluding agreement within spirit and letter R 977 (X). Prolonged ROK delay in reaching agreement bound to have unfortu repercussions in ROK - UN relations.

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4. Points of difference between ROK and UN now narrowed to immunities of UN personnel and reversion of title in event UN ceases to maintain cemetery. US regards proposals contained Stavropoulos Sept. 18 letter as limit to which UN can go and still maintain legal principle of immunity of UN salaried personnel in respect to official acts. DEPT. believes it may be desirable to stress immunity provisions in draft agreement would apply only in respect official acts and has made clear immunity provisions would be waived when to invoke them would impede course of justice and the interests of the UN would not be prejudiced thereby.

5. Concerning reversion of title, ROK on Feb. 11 submitted counter proposals to text Article IX of draft agreement contained Stavropoulos Sept. 18 letter. ROK version would have title revert ROK in event UN proper should cease to maintain cemetery and ROK would then continue maintain cemetery with advice of Commission composed of representatives of states with men buried in Memorial Cemetery. Committee did not consider ROK Feb. 11 text prior to Munro's departure, and we doubt it would prove acceptable. Committee meeting now planned for Feb. 23 or 24 in order provide Munro guidance on this point. DEPT. will inform you of results. FYI One alternative would be to avoid issue title reversion at this time by rewording Article IX to provide for negotiations between ROK and interested states in event UN ceases to maintain cemetery. END FYI

6. DEPT. desires you provide every appropriate assistance to assure success Munro's mission. Keep DEPT. currently informed on progress consultations.

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VERBATIM TEXT

RE: KOREAN CEMETERY

IN MEETING OF KOREAN CEMETERY ADVISORY COMMITTEE THIS PM, EVANS (UK) WAS ELECED CHAIRMAN FILL VACANCY CREATED BY RESIGNATION SIR LESLIE MUNRO FROM NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT. STAVROPOULOS (UN LEGAL) MADE STATEMENT REVEALING LACK OF ANSWER TO FOLLOWING COMMUNICATIONS:

1) COMMITTEE LETTER DATED SEPTEMBER 15, 1958 TO AMBASSADOR YANG IN WASHINGTON (SENT DEPARTMENT VIA DESPATCH 321);

2) PERSONAL LETTER FROM STAVROPOULOS TO KOREAN FOREIGN MINISTER;

3) CABLE DATED JANUARY 21, 1959, REQUESTING REPLY BEFORE JANUARY 27 MEETING.

COMMITTEE ADOPTED WITHOUT OBJECTION FOLLOWING RESOLUTION SPONSORED BY AUSTRALIA:

QUOTE

THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL THAT HE CONSIDER THE ADVISABILITY OF SENDING, AT AN EARLY DATE, A REPRESENTATIVE TO CONSULT WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA ON THE POINTS OUTSTANDING IN THE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA FOR AN AGREEMENT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A UNITED NATIONS MEMORIAL CEMETERY KOREA AND TO REPORT ON THE OUTCOME OF HIS CONSULTATION TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL.

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THE COMMITTEE FURTHER RECOMMENDS THAT THE SECRETARY GENERAL IF HE DECIDES TO SEND SUCH A REPRESENTATIVE, SHOULD GIVE FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION TO THE APPOINTMENT, AS REPRESENTATIVE, OF SIR LESLIE MUNRO, IN VIEW OF HIS LONG ASSOCIATION WITH THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE.

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MUNRO, SELECTED ON BASIS EXPERIENCE AND STATURE, WILL REPRESENT UN. AFTER MEETING, USUN LEARNED FROM BOWETT (UN LEGAL) MUNRO GOING KOREA IN FEBRUARY. EVANS REITERATED UK DESIRE US DEMARCHE, ADDING APPROACH AT HIGH LEVEL, E. G., RHEE AND/OR FOREIGN MINISTER, WHILE MUNRO IN KOREA WOULD BE MOST EFFECTIVE. EVANS SUGGESTED US AS JOINT COMMAND COULD EXPRESS WISH SEE EARLY END NEGOTIATIONS AND TRANSFER RESPONSIBILITY.

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RE: KOREAN CEMETARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

STAVROPOULOS INFORMED USUN OFFICER TODAY AGREEMENT REACHED BETWEEN KOREA AND MUNRO RE KOREAN CEMETARY. AGREEMENT BEING INITIALED TOMORROW. RE POINTS OF DIFFERENCE: KOREANS ACCEPTED ARTICLE IV WITH DELETION ALL REFERENCES 1951 AGREEMENT AND SUBSTITUTION PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES ACCORDED ~~PERSONNEL~~ UNDER TERMS 1946 CONVENTION ON PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES. ARTICLE IX.1, KOREANS ACCEPTED 2ND ALTERNATIVE PARAGRAPH AS STATED IN REVISED DRAFT DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 1958. (SEE USUN DESPATCH 321, SEPTEMBER 24, 1958.) AGREEMENT WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON RATIFICATION INSTEAD OF SIGNATURE AS ORIGINALLY CONTEMPLATED.

TO ACHIEVE AGREEMENT, MUNRO GRANTED CONCESSIONS, DETAILS OF WHICH NOT YET CLEAR. MUNRO DUE IN NEW YORK ABOUT MARCH 10. ANTICIPATE MEETING VERY SOON THEREAFTER. UN HOPES OBTAIN FULL TEXT FOR DISTRIBUTION IN ADVANCE MEETING.

PRIOR RETURN NEW YORK, MUNRO PLANS DISCUSS HUNGARIAN PROBLEM WITH JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER IN TOKYO.

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Memorandum of Conversation

DATE: March 2, 1959

SUBJECT: UN Agreement on Korean Cemetery

PARTICIPANTS: Sir Leslie Munro, Ambassador, Embassy of New Zealand
(1) Mr. David M. Bane, Deputy Director, Office of Northeast Asian Affairs

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While traveling by air from Seoul to Tokyo on March 2, Mr. Bane had occasion to talk to Sir Leslie Munro regarding his negotiations with the ROK Government on the UN cemetery at Pusan. Sir Leslie stated that while he had succeeded in arriving at the initialing of an agreement with the Korean Government this had only been possible as a result of his having been able to see President Rhee and to obtain his approval to the agreement. He said that his earlier talks with the Foreign Minister on this subject had been unsatisfactory and that he had given up hope of achieving agreement.

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Enclosed is a copy of the Agreement Between the United Nations and the Republic of Korea for the Establishment and Maintenance of a United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea, initialled in Seoul on March 2, 1959 by Sir Leslie K. MUNRO as a representative of the United Nations Secretary General and Korean Foreign Minister CHO Chong-hwan. The Korean Government insisted upon submitting it to the National Assembly for approval, after which it is to be signed in United Nations Headquarters. The agreement is in the English language.

The final text of the agreement is almost identical with the September 16, 1958 draft transmitted on September 18, 1958 by United Nations Legal Counsel Constantin A. STRAVOPOULOS to Korean Ambassador to the U.S. YANG Yu-ch'an. The only substantive difference is in Article IV paragraph 1 concerning the immunities of locally-recruited personnel. This had been the stumbling-block in the negotiations in New York for some years. Korean Foreign Ministry officials have explained that Korean reluctance to extend immunities to local personnel is derived from national resentment against the extension of such immunities to favored Koreans by the Japanese during their control over Korea. They indicated that agreement had been reached in the government to concede on this issue even before the arrival of Sir Leslie, but it is the opinion of this Embassy that news of his coming as a special emissary exerted the pressure necessary to secure this concession.

The Koreans insisted that the text of Article IV paragraph 1 make no reference to the exchange of letters of September 29, 1951 concerning the privileges and immunities to be accorded the United Nations in Korea. They explained that this exchange of letters had never been referred to the National Assembly, and might stimulate unnecessary controversy in securing Assembly approval of the present agreement. Accordingly, the draft proposed by the United Nations as an alternative for Article IV paragraph 1 was reworded slightly to make reference to the Convention on Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations instead. According to an UNCURK official, Sir Leslie was authorized to offer to modify the 1951 exchange of letters, which provides somewhat more extensive immunities than does the Convention, and in fact implied in the negotiations that he was prepared to do so. The Korean negotiators did not respond to his offer, however, apparently preferring to take no action at all bearing on the 1951 exchange.

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There was no difficulty at all about provisions for ultimate disposition of the cemetery in the event that the United Nations ceased to maintain it. The Koreans readily accepted the language proposed as an alternative in the United Nations' September 16, 1958 draft.

Sir Leslie Munro arrived in Korea February 23, 1959. He was housed in VIP quarters by the United Nations Command and provided a suitable automobile. Mr. Phillippe POULLAIN, the outgoing Principal Secretary of UNCURK, delayed his departure from Seoul in order that he might be of assistance until the substantive negotiations had been concluded. The incoming Principal Secretary, Mr. Ali AGHASSI, who had arrived only shortly before Sir Leslie, attended the negotiations also and assisted in the final stages. Sir Leslie was guest at a state dinner on February 24, 1959. He visited the United Nations Cemetery at Tanggok, near Pusan, during his stay. He was interviewed during his visit by the Armed Forces Korea Network Television (AFKN-TV), which broadcast the interview under the title "Fast Man with the Gavel."

For the Ambassador,

William G. Jones

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A UNITED NATIONS MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN KOREA

WHEREAS the Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea on 9 August 1955 wrote to the Secretary-General advising him of the decision of his Government to offer gratis to the United Nations the ground of the Cemetery at Tanggok, near Pusan, in dedication to the ideals of the United Nations and in tribute to the services and sacrifices rendered by the United Nations soldiers in Korea, and

WHEREAS the General Assembly of the United Nations on 15 December 1955 adopted resolution 977 (X) as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Desiring to pay tribute to all those who, pursuant to the call of the United Nations, laid down their lives in resisting aggression in Korea and in upholding the cause of peace and freedom,

"Noting that, in a cemetery at Tanggok, near Pusan, in the Republic of Korea, there are the graves of nearly two thousand men who served with forces which fought under the United Nations Command,

"Noting further that up to the present time this cemetery has been cared for by the United Nations Command but that permanent arrangements have not yet been made for its maintenance,

"1. Decides that the cemetery at Tanggok, near Pusan, in the Republic of Korea, should be established and maintained as a United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea in honour of the dead;

"2. Requests the Secretary-General, acting on the advice of a Committee consisting of representatives of those countries whose men still lie in graves in the cemetery:

"(a) To arrange for the negotiation of an agreement with the Republic of Korea in order to secure the permanent use of the site of the memorial cemetery;

"(b) To make all necessary arrangements for the establishment and permanent maintenance of the cemetery;

"3. Authorizes the Secretary-General to make provision in the budget of the United Nations for the allocation of the necessary funds for this purpose."; and

WHEREAS the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea on 17 November 1955 adopted the following resolutions:

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"The National Assembly,

"Expressing gratitude and paying high tribute to the United Nations Forces which fought in Korea to repel aggressors in accordance with United Nations Resolutions following the incident of 25 June 1950; and

"With a view to keeping the precious sacrifices of those who were killed in battle in everlasting memory and commemorating their distinguished services;

"Recommends that the Government propose to the United Nations General Assembly the establishment of a United Nations Cemetery in Korea as a holy place."; and

WHEREAS it is desired to give effect to the foregoing resolutions and to honour those who died in the service of the United Nations in Korea,

The UNITED NATIONS and the REPUBLIC OF KOREA, through their duly appointed representatives, have agreed as follows:

Article I

A United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea shall be established in permanent trubute to all those, who, pursuant to the call of the United Nations, laid down their lives in resisting aggression in Korea and in upholding the cause of peace and freedom.

Article II

(1) The Republic of Korea grants to the United Nations in perpetuity and without charge the land at Tanggok, near Pusan, on which the Memorial Cemetery stands, and which is indicated in blue on the plat initialed "ne varietur" and annexed to this Agreement.

This land is more particularly described as follows:

"All that land enclosed by a line drawn from point 1 in front of the main gate of the Cemetery upon a bearing S 32° 48' 10" E for a distance of 124.20 ft. to point 2; thence upon a bearing S 35° 24' 30" E for a distance of 107.00 ft. to point 3; thence upon a bearing S 31° 02' 10" E for a distance of 72.80 ft. to point 4; thence upon a bearing S 24° 29' 50" E for a distance of 125.60 ft. to point 5; thence upon a bearing S 5° 13' 30" E for a distance of 64.00 ft. to point 6; thence upon a bearing N 89° 45' 00" E for a distance of 62.20 ft. to point 7; thence upon a bearing S 38° 01' 40" E for a distance of 212.20 ft. to point 8; thence upon a bearing S 27° 46' 20" E for a distance of 114.20 ft. to point 9; thence upon a bearing S 40° 11' 20" W for a distance of 18.00 ft. to point 10; thence upon a bearing S 48° 15' 00" E for a distance of 50.80 ft. to point 11; thence upon a bearing N 44° 20' 20" E for a distance of 41.00 ft. to point 12; thence upon a bearing S 58° 11' 20" E for a distance of 232.20 ft. to point 13; thence upon a bearing N 43° 12' 20" E for a distance of 20.00 ft. to point 14; thence upon a bearing S 58° 25' 40" E

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for a distance of 558.00 ft. to point 15; thence upon a bearing N 31° 17' 20" E for a distance of 979.00 ft. to point 16; thence upon a bearing N 57° 09' 20" W for a distance of 737.60 ft. to point 17; thence upon a bearing N 32° 20' 00" E for a distance of 86.00 ft. to point 18; thence upon a bearing N 54° 37' 40" W for a distance of 34.40 ft. to point 19; thence upon a bearing S 70° 28' 40" W for a distance of 91.30 ft. to point 20; thence upon a bearing N 53° 25' oo" W for a distance of 206.80 ft. to point 21; thence upon a bearing N 86° 55' 40" W for a distance of 208.75 ft. to point 22; thence upon a bearing S 86° 16' 20" W for a distance of 428.40 ft. to point 23; thence upon a bearing S 27° 12' 20" W for a distance of 208.20 ft. to point 24; thence upon a bearing S 52° 32' 30" W for a distance of 173. 40 ft. to point 1."

(2) The Republic of Korea shall take whatever steps are necessary under its law to obtain and transfer to the United Nations full and complete title to the land described in paragraph (1) of this article, free and clear of all encumbrances and restrictions save those specifically provided in the present Agreement; and the Republic of Korea shall guarantee and defend, at its own expense, the title of the United Nations to such land against any claims or litigation of whatever nature or from whatever source.

(3) The United Nations may acquire such additional land as it may consider necessary for the purposes of the present Agreement, including the provision of residence or office accommodation. The Republic of Korea shall, if requested by the United Nations, assist in the acquisition of such land through laws and procedures available to it. The provisions of paragraph 1 of Article IV and Article IX of the present Agreement shall apply to such additional land as may be acquired pursuant to the present paragraph.

Article III

(1) The United Nations shall use the land described in Article II solely for the purpose of a Memorial Cemetery. The United Nations shall have the right to make all arrangements considered by it necessary for the establishment, maintenance, administration, and operation of a permanent cemetery on this land. These arrangements include, but are not limited to, the permanent care and maintenance of the Cemetery and the graves therein; the keeping of a registry and records; religious or commemorative ceremonies; burials, exhumations for reburial or movement, and removal of bodies to their home countries; and the installation on the land of memorials, monuments, grave markers, and all structures, boundary walls, buildings, utilities, roads and horticultural plantings as it may consider appropriate for the embellishment, maintenance, administration and operation of the Memorial Cemetery.

(2) The United Nations undertakes to maintain permanently the Memorial Cemetery in a suitable and dignified manner and enjoys the right to use and, where necessary, maintain and repair the approach road to the Memorial Cemetery from the junction of that road with the airport road east of the village of Kodonggok and west of the village of Chigok,

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thence south of the village of Sokp'o and thence east to the Memorial Cemetery. Memorials, monuments, grave markers, horticultural plantings and other donations offered by States, organizations or private persons, shall be approved and accepted by the United Nations provided that such donations are in full harmony with the general character of the Memorial Cemetery and do not detract from the uniformity of the Cemetery and its component parts. Whenever a donation is offered for any particular section of the Memorial Cemetery the United Nations shall, before taking a decision on the approval and acceptance of such donation, consult with the Member or Members of the United Nations whose men are buried in that section of the Memorial Cemetery.

(5) The Republic of Korea shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that the dignity of the Memorial Cemetery is not prejudiced by the use made of the land in the vicinity. To this end the area marked in green on the annexed plat will be restricted to agricultural, residential and other uses not prejudicial to the dignity of the Memorial Cemetery. Such area is more particularly described as follows:

"All that area enclosed by a line drawn from the junction between the airport road and the approach road to the Cemetery lying east of the village of Kodong-ok and west of the village of Chigok, then following the road through Chigok south-east to a point 1,500 ft. north-west of the road junction at the north-west limits of Punp'o; thence generally south along the crest of the hills for a distance of 3,300 ft; thence due west to the Tanggok-Yong-dang-ni road and along that road generally north harbour road; thence north along the road to the starting point."

Article IV

(1) It is recognized that the provisions of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations (hereinafter called "the Convention") shall apply with full force and effect to the United Nations Memorial Cemetery, to the United Nations Custodian and other United Nations officials and employees, and to all relevant operations conducted in accordance with the present Agreement, except that privileges and immunities from jurisdiction shall not be claimed for locally-recruited personnel:

(a) In respect of such personnel as are assigned to hourly rates;

(b) In respect of (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) referred to in Section 18, Article V, of the Convention.

(2) Without in any way prejudicing ordetracting from the privileges and immunities as set out in the Convention referred to in the foregoing paragraph of this article, it is understood that:

(a) While extraterritoriality shall not apply to the Memorial Cemetery, the grounds of the Cemetery shall be inviolable. National, provincial and local officers or officials of Korea, whether administrative, judicial, military or

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police, shall not enter the Memorial Cemetery to perform official duties except at the request or with the authorization of the United Nations Custodian. However, when a request is made by the competent authorities to enter the Memorial Cemetery for the investigation of suspected crimes, the United Nations Custodian shall permit the entry of such officers or officials for the said purpose, unless there is a just reason for refusal;

(b) Burials in and removals from the Memorial Cemetery shall be exempt from generally applicable laws and regulations relating to hygiene and the securing of permits in connection with the burial, exhumation for reburial or movement, and removal of bodies. However, the United Nations undertakes to ensure that such work will be conducted in a manner which will in no way constitute a danger to public health and it shall make such sanitary arrangements for this purpose as may be necessary. The United Nations shall have the right to make other regulations operative within the Memorial Cemetery which it may consider necessary for the purposes of this Agreement. Laws and regulations of the Republic of Korea which are inconsistent with a regulation authorized by this paragraph, to the extent of such inconsistency, shall not be applicable within the Memorial Cemetery;

(c) The United Nations shall be permitted the use of railroads, highways, navigable waters, ports, port installations, buildings, utilities and other facilities, together with the necessary services and Korean labour to the extent required for the accomplishment of the purposes of this Agreement, subject only to payment of the established rates of compensation therefor less any direct or indirect taxes included in such rates, exemption from which shall be granted by the Republic of Korea. The United Nations may import into Korea from any country and re-export therefrom after use thereof, free of customs duties and other taxes, such equipment, supplies and materials as are necessary for the accomplishment of any of the purposes of this Agreement;

(d) It is understood that the provisions relating to taxation set out in the Convention referred to in paragraph (1) of this article are to be interpreted according to the principle that there should be no increase in the cost of any materials or service to the United Nations as a result of taxes of any kind levied by the Republic of Korea by national, provincial or local governments.

Article V

(1) Visits to and the conduct to be observed by the public in the Memorial Cemetery may be made subject to conditions prescribed by the United Nations Custodian.

(2) The Republic of Korea shall permit and ensure entry into and transit across its territory for the purpose of full and undisturbed access to and exit from the Memorial Cemetery at all times for United Nations officials and employees, representatives of States whose forces served in Korea under the United Nations Command or of States which have been represented on United Nations Commissions in Korea, next of kin of men buried in the Memorial Cemetery, and other visitors authorized by the United Nations.

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(3) The appropriate Korean authorities shall exercise due diligence to ensure that the tranquility of the Memorial Cemetery is not disturbed by the unauthorized entry of groups of persons from outside or by disturbances in its vicinity. The Republic of Korea shall also provide such assistance as may be requested by the United Nations Custodian for the safeguard and protection of the Memorial Cemetery and the personnel and property connected therewith.

Article VI

(1) A State having forces serving under the United Nations Command in Korea may under conditions prescribed by the United NationsCustodian and subject to available space, arrange for burials in the United Nations Memorial Cemetery of any members of its forces who may die while serving under the United Nations Command in Korea. The United Nations may arrange for burial in the United Nations Memorial Cemetery of any person who may die while serving with the United Nations or any of its organs in Korea.

(2) The United Nations or, under conditions prescribed by the United Nations Custodian, a State whose men lie in graves in the Memorial Cemetery, shall have the right to exhume and remove bodies for return to their home countries.

Article VII

(1) The Secretary-General shall have the responsibility for the implementation of this Agreement on behalf of the United Nations. On important matters of policy, and particularly with respect to the plan for the Memorial Cemetery, the Secretary-General shall be advised by a United Nations Memorial Cemetery Committee consisting of representatives of those countries whose men lie buried in graves in the Memorial Cemetery.

(2) The Secretary-General shall designate a United Nations Custodian who, under the authority of the Secretary-General, shall be responsible for the maintenance and administration of the Cemetery and for liaison with the Republic of Korea. The Secretary-General may appoint or assign such other officials and consultants as may be necessary and the United Nations Custodian may employ local labour or make such contracts for labour, service, materials and supplies, as may be necessary for the maintenance and administration of the Cemetery.

(3) The Government of the Republic of Korea shall ensure the co-operation of the provincial and local governments and other authorities of the Republic of Korea, for the purpose of a full implementation of this Agreement. The Government of the Republic of Korea shall designate an official who shall be responsible on behalf of the Republic of Korea for maintaining liaison with the United Nations Custodian on all matters relating to the implementation of this Agreement.

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Article VIII

Any dispute between the Republic of Korea and the United Nations concerning the interpretation or application of this Agreement which is not settled by negotiation or other agreed mode of settlement shall be referred for final settlement to a Tribunal of three arbitrators, one to be named by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, one by the Government of the Republic of Korea and a third to be chosen by the two arbitrators so named. If the two arbitrators should fail to agree on the choice of a third, or if one party should fail to appoint an arbitrator, the President of the International Court of Justice may be asked by one party to appoint an arbitrator. The failure of one party to appoint an arbitrator shall not preclude the making of a binding award. If any of the arbitrators should die, resign or become unable to act before the award has been given, the vacancy shall be filled by the method laid down in this article for the original appointment.

Article IX

(1) Should the United Nations for any reason cease to maintain the Memorial Cemetery, the title to the land shall be vested in a Memorial Cemetery Commission to be composed of one representative of the Republic of Korea and one representative of each of the other States whose men lie buried in graves in the Memorial Cemetery. In such event, the Memorial Cemetery Commission, acting by majority vote or by such other procedure as it may decide, shall have the right to appoint a Custodian to maintain and administer the Memorial Cemetery in accordance with the terms of the present Agreement and shall succeed to all rights and accept all obligations of the United Nations under the present Agreement.

(2) Should the land for any reason cease to be maintained as a Memorial Cemetery by the United Nations or by the Memorial Cemetery Commission referred to above, title shall vest in the Republic of Korea which shall permanently maintain the Cemetery in a suitable and dignified manner.

(3) Should the land cease altogether to be used as a Memorial Cemetery and all graves be removed, full and complete title shall revert to the Republic of Korea.

Article X

The use and maintenance of the Memorial Cemetery shall be regulated solely by the provisions of this Agreement and by such other provisions as may be made by the United Nations consistent with this Agreement or as may be brought into effect by supplemental agreement between the United Nations and the Republic of Korea. Amendments or revisions of this Agreement shall be made by agreement of the United Nations and the Republic of Korea.

Article XI

(1) This Agreement shall be signed by the Secretary-General on behalf of

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the United Nations and by a duly appointed representative of the Government of the Republic of Korea on behalf of the Republic of Korea.

(2) This Agreement shall enter into force on the date upon which the Secretary-General is notified by the Government of the Republic of Korea of the ratification of this Agreement.

Done in duplicate in the English language.

FOR THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA:

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RE: UN Cemetery

1. UN Secretariat Legal Office official informed USUN all members Cemetery Committee have now consented to Agreement. However, Aghassi (UNCURK) reports ~~Koreans now state~~ ROK unable accept Article 11 since independent Korean survey indicates UN survey does not correspond actual boundary of cemetery. Koreans reportedly suggest either (1) new UN survey, (2) joint UN-Korean survey, (3) acceptance Korean survey. UN official and UK member Committee believe if UNC willing conduct joint survey with ROK such action best prospect for early settlement this complication.

2. Provided you perceive no objection, Embassy should approach UNC with a view to arranging joint survey. If UNC agrees joint survey, at your discretion and as appropriate, you should indicate to ROK our hope Agreement will be ratified promptly when survey completed.

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Re: UN Cemetery, Ur 534.

UN Legal Counsel and Cemetery Committee Chairman doubt accuracy Korean survey and request joint UNC/ROK survey. In order minimize chance future misunderstandings, Embassy should, after consulting Aghassi, arrange for joint survey soonest.

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RE: KOREAN CEMETERY

ACCORDING SCOTT (UN LEGAL) KOREANS CLAIM UN SURVEY DOES NOT RPT NOT CORRESPOND ACTUAL BOUNDARY OF CEMETERY. KOREAN INDEPENDENT SURVEY DIFFERS. THEREFORE, ARTICLE II AGREEMENT UNACCEPTABLE ROK. KOREANS SUGGEST EITHER 1) NEW UN SURVEY, 2) JOINT SURVEY OR 3) ACCEPTANCE OF KOREAN SURVEY. SCOTT WISHES TO KNOW INFORMALLY WHETHER UN COMMAND WOULD BE PREPARED JOIN WITH ROK IN JOINT SURVEY. ACCORDING TO SCOTT, EVANS (UK) CERTAIN OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS WOULD SUPPORT THIS PROCEDURE.

DEPARTMENT'S REPLY RE ACCEPTANCE THIS PROJECT BY UN COMMAND DESIRED AT EARLY DATE SO THAT ARTICLE II MAY BE ACCEPTED BY BOTH SIDES, AND CEMETERY TRANSFER COMPLETED.

FROM SCOTT USUN ALSO LEARNED ALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS HAVE NOW CONSENTED TO AGREEMENT.

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REFERENCE DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM 454, APRIL 1959

UNC WILLING ENGAGE IN JOINT UNC/ROK SURVEY UN CEMETERY BOUNDARIES IF NECESSARY. HOWEVER, AGHASSI (UNCURK) REPORTS FORWARDING DETAILS BOTH UN SURVEY AND KOREAN SURVEY TO UN SECRETARIAT WHICH SHOWS KOREAN SURVEY TO BE MORE FAVORABLE THAN UN SURVEY. AGHASSI AWAITING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.

IN LIGHT ABOVE, BEFORE ARRANGING FOR UNC/ROK JOINT SURVEY, MAY WISH GIVE FURTHER CONSIDERATION TO ACCEPTANCE KOREAN SURVEY.

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FROM: NEW YORK

TO: Secretary of State

NO: 906, APRIL 20, 6 P.M.

RE: KOREAN CEMETERY

RE INFORMATION FROM AGHASSI (UNCURK) CONTAINED EMBTEL 534 FROM SEOUL, STAVROPOULOS (UN LEGAL) EXPRESSES DOUBT RE ACCURACY KOREAN SURVEY. STAVROPOULOS, THEREFORE, REPEATS REQUEST JOINT UNC/ROK SURVEY UN CEMETERY BOUNDARIES. EVANS, COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, IN ACCORD.

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Joint UNC/ROK survey UN Cemetery began May 12. Field work completed May 15. Expect joint plot plan be available week May 18.

Agument, UNCURK, acting as liaison ROKG and UNC this matter. Complete report to UN Headquarters will be forwarded by Agument.

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RE: Korean Cemetery.

~~DEPT~~ Korean Assembly December 1 unanimously ratified Cemetery Agreement with UN. DEPT assumes this completes legal formalities and that ROK will be in position take over maintenance in near future. ~~After confirming foregoing~~ USUN should inquire Secretariat approximate date UN takeover in order DEPT may inform US Army.

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SUBJECT: (IO - OIA - FE) -- AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A UNITED NATIONS MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN KOREA

Enclosed is a copy of a note from the UN Legal Counsel, dated December 8, 1959, transmitting a copy of the authentic text of the Agreement between the United Nations and the Republic of Korea for the Establishment and Maintenance of a United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea. This Agreement was signed on November 6, 1959, at UN Headquarters by the SYG-UN and by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea. This agreement will enter into force, in accordance with the provisions of article XI, on the date upon which the Secretary-General is notified by the Government of the Republic of Korea of the ratification of the Agreement.

Hugh M. Adamson
Chief Administrative Officer

Enclosures: as stated.

1. Copy of note from the UN Legal Counsel
2. One copy of Agreement between the UN and the Republic of Korea

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Sir,

..... I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of the authentic text of the Agreement between the United Nations and the Republic of Korea for the Establishment and Maintenance of a United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea. As you are aware this Agreement was signed on 6 November 1959, at United Nations Headquarters, by the Secretary-General and by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea. It will enter into force, in accordance with the provisions of article XI, on the date upon which the Secretary-General is notified by the Government of the Republic of Korea of the ratification of the Agreement.

I have been unofficially informed that the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea ratified the aforesaid Agreement on 1 December 1959. It is expected that formal notification of such ratification will be received by the Secretary-General within the next few days. When this has been received the text of the Agreement will be submitted by the Secretary-General, together with a report, to the General Assembly for its information.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

s/ Constantin A. Stavropoulos
Legal Counsel

The Permanent Representative of the
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TO: Secretary of State

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Re Korean Cemetery

Subject confirmation by SYG, who is now in Africa, Vaughan (UN Director General Services), plans take over maintenance Korean cemetery January 1.

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SUBJECT: SWEDISH INTEREST IN SCANDINAVIAN SPONSORED SOUTH KOREAN HOSPITAL

The Swedish Ministry of Interior issued a press release on August 24, 1955, concerning the projected Scandinavian sponsored hospital in Korea. A translation of this release is attached as Enclosure No. 1, Unclassified.

This press release notes that a delegation will be sent to Korea to discuss certain details connected with the proposed hospital. The reporting officer has been informed by Mr. Henrik BEER, Secretary General of the Swedish Red Cross, that this delegation is not expected to go until October 1955. He explained further that there was considerable interest among Swedish social work agencies and medical societies in this project which had the full backing of the three Scandinavian governments. He further said that all the top persons concerned are a little apprehensive about formalizing arrangements for this hospital as they feel that some of the South Korean Government officials are not prepared to make concessions in terms of housing and administration to facilitate the operation of this Scandinavian hospital project.

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Joseph Sweeney

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First Secretary of Embassy

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Ministry of Interior press release dated August 24, 1955.

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PRESS RELEASE FROM THE MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

August 24, 1955

At the Danish-Norwegian-Swedish conference which took place August 24 in Stockholm concerning the projected Scandinavian school hospital in Korea, it was established that agreement in principle existed with respect to the questions arisen because of the proposals received from the South Korean Government and UNKRA calling for amendments to the agreement which is to form the basis for the maintenance and operation of the hospital. However, certain questions are of a nature that a definitive solution could hardly be brought about through continued written negotiations. The conference therefore decided to recommend that a minor Scandinavian delegation be dispatched to Korea to have these questions finally settled.

Among the questions which this delegation would consider are noted the housing of the future Scandinavian personnel and certain problems in connection with the administration of the hospital.

The recommendations of the conference will be laid before the Scandinavian Foreign Ministers in September.

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SUBJECT: PROPOSED SCANDINAVIAN HOSPITAL FOR KOREA

At the meeting of Nordic Ministers in Stockholm on September 8 it was decided to send a Danish-Norwegian-Swedish delegation to Korea to discuss with UNKRA and South Korean authorities the plan for a Scandinavian hospital at Seoul. When this scheme materializes the present Swedish hospital at Pusan will be closed and its staff, etc. transferred.

The Swedish hospital commenced operations in September 1950 under the auspices of the Swedish Red Cross, and it is Government-financed. To date the hospital has received approximately 36 million kronor, and for the year 1954 alone received a State grant of Sw.kr.6,003,098.

In 1954 the hospital was re-organized to adapt it to purely civilian use, and now consists of four departments, surgical, medical, pediatric and X-ray. The permanent Swedish personnel numbers 12 doctors and 35 nurses. There is accommodation for 225 patients, and a pediatric out-patient department also exists, which provides medical care to some 1,000 children in orphan homes. Swedish doctors also lend assistance to the Im Boo Kwan sanitorium, where a Swedish nurse is permanently employed. Since its inception the hospital has treated 25,000 patients of which 19,730 were UN patients and 6,302 Korean civilians.

For the Ambassador:

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SUBJECT: FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS ON SCANDINAVIAN HOSPITAL IN KOREA

On September 9 the Stockholm press reported a Foreign Office announcement that a Scandinavian delegation comprised of two representatives each from Sweden, Denmark and Norway would leave for Korea sometime in October to negotiate with the United Nations Relief Organization in Korea (UNKRA) and the South Korean Government on the building of a Scandinavian training hospital in Seoul. One of the Scandinavian Ministers currently assigned to Tokyo is expected to head the delegation. This decision to send the Scandinavian delegation to Korea emanated from the recently concluded Nordic Foreign Ministers' Conference in Stockholm (see Despatch No. 266 of September 13, 1955). The Swedish Foreign Office issued a communique for the Nordic Foreign Ministers concerning this proposed Scandinavian hospital, a translation of which is attached as Enclosure No. 1 (Unclassified).

Henrik BEER, Secretary General of the Swedish Red Cross, interviewed by Conservative Svenska Dagbladet on September 9, explained that the delay in proceeding with this hospital from the time in 1953 when a delegation was sent to Korea to the present time when a decision has been reached to send another delegation was not the fault of the Nordic Governments. This delay stems, Beer explained, from the desire of the Nordic Governments to be perfectly clear about the co-operation that is to be maintained with UNKRA and the South Korean Government. As Beer put it, the Nordic Governments "want to know exactly what is needed, how the work and the authority should be distributed and how the hospital should be operated in order to serve its purpose". Beer pointed out that international organizations have occasionally incurred difficulties when arrangements had not been formalized by detailed agreements obtained in advance. The conclusion of this detailed agreement is the purpose for which the new Scandinavian delegation will visit Korea. The organization of this proposed Scandinavian hospital depends on full agreement being reached between the Scandinavian countries on the one hand and the UNKRA and the South Korean Government on the other.

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Secretary General Beer emphasized the importance of maintaining continuity in the Scandinavian hospital work in Korea. He suggested that the present hospital in Fusan should not be closed down until its work could be taken over by the new hospital in Seoul, if agreement could be reached on its establishment. This proposed hospital, however, will require more personnel than the Fusan hospital. Doctors, nurses and technical personnel will be recruited from the three Scandinavian countries, and it is believed that suitable personnel can be recruited. Secretary General Beer concluded his interview by explaining that the three Scandinavian countries were completely agreed on what they should do and he hoped that they could reach agreement with UNKRA and the South Korean Government.

For the Ambassador:

Joseph Sweeney

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First Secretary of Embassy

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Communique Concerning Proposed Scandinavian Hospital in Korea Issued by the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs on September 8, 1955.

In connection with the Scandinavian Foreign Ministers Meeting in Stockholm there were approved the recommendations concerning the projected Scandinavian training hospital in Korea on which preliminary agreement was reached at the earlier Danish-Norwegian-Swedish meeting in Stockholm on August 24. It was thus decided that a minor Scandinavian delegation should be sent to Korea with instructions to try to settle, through negotiations with the South Korean Government and the UN relief agency for Korea--UNKRA--the questions that still remain in connection with the existing draft agreement, so that it may be feasible to sign it as soon as possible.

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SUBJECT: SCANDINAVIAN DELEGATION TO KOREA FOR NEGOTIATIONS CONCERNING PLANNED SCANDINAVIAN HOSPITAL AT SEOUL

The Swedish Foreign Office announced on October 5, 1955, that the Scandinavian delegation to go to Korea for negotiations concerning the joint Scandinavian school hospital to be set up there will comprise the following members:

From Sweden: Baron Karl-Gustav LAGERFELT, Swedish Minister to Tokyo;
Dr. Carl-Erik GROTH, Surgeon General of the Swedish Armed Forces;
Dr. Gustaf BIRCH-LINDGREN, Architect.

From Denmark: Professor BLIXENKRONE-MÖLLER;
Hospital Director WARMING.

From Norway: Envoyé VOGT, Norwegian Minister to Tokyo;
Dr. CASPERSEN, Director of State Hospital in Oslo;
Professor SEMB;
Mr. OKKENHAUG, Chief of the planned Scandinavian Secretariat at Seoul.

Among the Swedish delegates, Dr. Groth served as chief of the Swedish war hospital in Korea 1950-51 and became Surgeon General and Chief of the Hospital Administration of the Swedish Armed Forces in 1952. He was born in 1905. Dr. Tech. Birch-Lindgren, born 1892, is one of Sweden's foremost architects and a specialist on hospital planning and design.

The delegation is scheduled to meet at Tokyo on October 17.

The Embassy has learned from a Swedish Red Cross official that the delegation anticipates that their negotiations in Korea will take approximately one month. Unless the Scandinavian delegation receives satisfactory assurances from the Republic of Korea

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concerning various aspects of administering the hospital the whole project may be abandoned.

For the Ambassador:

Joseph Sweeney

Joseph Sweeney
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SUBJECT: SCANDINAVIAN-ROK-UNKRA AGREEMENT CONCERNING ESTABLISHMENT OF HOSPITAL IN SEOUL

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On January 20, 1956, the Foreign Office issued a press release concerning an agreement recently reached by the Scandinavian Delegation to Korea with the Korean Government and UNKRA on a draft treaty concerning the establishment and operation of a Scandinavian School Hospital in Seoul. A translation of this press release is attached as Enclosure No. 1, Unclassified.

So far this release has prompted no publicity in the Swedish press. The Embassy understands from Red Cross officials, however, that Swedish officials are satisfied with the way the the negotiations for this hospital have gone despite what is termed the lack of flexibility on the part of the Korean representatives.

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ROYAL MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Press Bureau

Press Release of January 20, 1956

At the Scandinavian delegation's visit to Korea in October-November 1955, agreement was reached with the Korean Government and UNKRA over a draft treaty concerning the establishment and operation of a Scandinavian school hospital in Seoul. The Swedish Government on its part has approved the draft treaty and has instructed the Minister to Tokyo, Baron K. -G. Lagerfelt, to sign the treaty on Sweden's behalf. The intention is that the signing take place in Seoul. This is expected to take place as soon as the Korean National Assembly has approved the treaty.

According to the draft treaty, a hospital situated in Seoul, the Seoul City Hospital, is to be remodelled for the purpose. Among other things, new buildings are to be erected for ward and personnel dwellings. The hospital is estimated to hold a total of 470 beds. The activities of the hospital are to aim at instructing young Korean doctors and senior students of medicine, and at demonstrating in practice how a hospital is operated in Scandinavia.

The draft treaty is based on the presumption that the treaty is to enter into effect as soon as it has been signed and that it is to apply, first during a construction and equipment period which is to be concluded not later than January 1, 1958, and thereafter during a five-year operation period.

The intention is that the Scandinavian countries are to stand all costs in connection with the Scandinavian personnel of the hospital as well as the expenses for the acquisition and maintenance of the medicinal equipment. Other expenditures are in the main to be covered by the Korean Government and UNKRA. UNKRA is to contribute 2.4 million dollars for the work connected with remodelling and new constructions. The architect for the hospital will be Swedish Architect G. M. Birch-Lindgren.

The expenditures to be covered by the Scandinavian countries are in principle to be allocated equally among them. For Sweden's part, a total contribution of 3.5 million crowns is estimated for the period of construction, and about 2.6 million crowns per annum during the operation period.

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The administration of the hospital will be in the hands of a Board to comprise three Scandinavians and three Koreans. The chairman of the Board shall be the Scandinavian Chief Surgeon at the hospital.

It is hoped on Sweden's part that the present Swedish hospital in Pusan may continue in operation until the Scandinavian activities at Seoul are started.

The basic treaty between the Scandinavian countries and the Korean Government with UNKRA is supplemented by an inter-Scandinavian agreement which contains provisions concerning the Scandinavian management and secretariat to be set up for the handling of that part of the administration of the planned hospital which will have to be located in Scandinavia (recruitment of personnel, etc.). The Secretariat is to be located in Oslo. The costs for the management and secretariat will be covered by funds appropriated for the Korean hospital.

The agreement is expected to be signed in Oslo in the near future.

Although the agreement has not yet been signed, it has been found appropriate for Sweden's part to appoint already the Swedish representatives on the Scandinavian Board. These are Surgeon General C. -E. Groth and Professor G. Karpe of the Caroline Institute. Their alternate is Secretary General H. Beer of the Swedish Red Cross.

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SUBJECT: Swedish Red Cross Field Hospital in Korea to be Continued for One Year

In a conversation at the Foreign Office with S. RYNELL, Chief of the International Organization Section, he said that the decision had been made to ask for sufficient appropriations from the Riksdag for the Swedish Red Cross to enable the Swedish Field Hospital in Korea to be maintained for an additional year, that is, until July 1, 1957. At that time it will be discontinued and, in view of this, activities and personnel will be gradually tapered off during the year.

He expects the agreement with the Korean Government [illegible] establishment of a Scandinavian medical center [illegible] signed tomorrow. It is not expected that this will begin [illegible] tions until the end of 1957.

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SECRET

In the note of July 26, 1956, the Chargé d'Affaires ad Interim of Sweden referred to plans regarding the termination of the activities of the Swedish Red Cross Field Hospital in Pusan, Korea, as of July 1, 1957.

The Government of the United States, in its capacity as the United Command, agrees that cancellation of the Agreement of June 27, 1953, between Sweden and the United States, in its capacity as the United Command, concerning participation of the Field Hospital in the Korean operations, would not seem necessary or appropriate in view of the nature of certain of the provisions of the Agreement, for example Article 5.

In its capacity as the United Command, the Government of the United States wishes to express its appreciation to the Swedish Government and the Swedish Red Cross Field Hospital for the valuable services performed by the hospital and its personnel during and after the Korean hostilities.

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Memorandum

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Count Douglas recalled that on March 12, 1956, Ambassador Cabot had been informed by the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the plans to reduce successively the activities of the Field Hospital during the year beginning July 1, 1956, and to close the Hospital definitely as of July 1, 1957. The Chargé d'Affaires also repeated the information given to Ambassador Cabot at the same time regarding the Scandinavian Hospital in Seoul. Activities at this Hospital are planned to start on or about January 1, 1958. Count Douglas also pointed to the fact that the agreement of June 27, 1951, between Sweden and the United States is only regulating certain aspects of the activities of the Red Cross Field Hospital. There should thus be no need for a cancellation of the agreement.

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SUBJECT: Swedish Red Cross Field Hospital and Scandinavian Medical Center.

PARTICIPANTS: Count Douglas, Minister Plenipotentiary, Counselor, Swedish Embassy
Mr. William J. Sebald, Deputy Assistant Secretary, FE
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Count Douglas referred to previous discussion of the Swedish Red Cross Hospital by the Swedish Government with Ambassador Cabot, indicating that the Field Hospital would be closed July 1, 1957. He said that the Scandinavian Hospital in Seoul is not to be opened until about January 1, 1958, leaving an hiatus of about six months between the two. He expressed the view that there would be no need to cancel the June 27, 1951 agreement between Sweden and the United States concerning the Swedish Red Cross Field Hospital.

Mr. Sebald said that he was not familiar with the June 27, 1951 agreement, and would look into it.

Count Douglas left an Aide-Memoire of his statement, copy attached.

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The Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs announced through a press release on December 21, 1956, that an agreement between Sweden, Norway and Denmark concerning the establishment and operation of the Scandinavian training hospital in Korea had been signed in Oslo on December 21. The officials signing the agreement were: Norwegian Foreign Minister LANGE, Danish Ambassador HANSEN and Swedish Ambassador EDBERG.

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For the Ambassador:

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The Assistant to the President
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Dear Mr. Hickman:

The President was glad to learn of your decision of a while longhair with he knows out of your plans to develop additional units. The photographs you sent furnish an interesting record of your unique endeavor to enrich peoples abroad. Such gifts will undoubtedly do much to the development of friendliness for the United States among other countries.

Sincerely yours,

H. Sherman Adams

Mr. Edward R. Hickman,
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FE - Mr. Zurhellen

Attached for appropriate action is a letter to the President from Dr. Linus H. Bittner, who encloses photographs of the Korean Mobile Hospital which was apparently donated to the Korean Government by Dr. Bittner.

Please send two copies of your acknowledgement of Dr. Bittner's letter--if an acknowledgement is considered appropriate--to S/S no later than close of business Thursday, March 13.

Robert K. German
S/S-RO

Attachment:

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Dr. Lewis H. Bittner

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March 1, 1958

Honorable President of the
United States,
Dwight D. Eisenhower

My dear President:

Enclosed are photographs of the Korean Mobile Hospital designed and equipped to facilitate the spread of tuberculosis there. Those units should lift the spiritual and physical status of the people in other parts of the world, help restore international good will and create a lasting peace.

It is my plan to develop two such Mobile Hospital Units each year.

I am greatly indebted to various Congressmen, members of the Pentagon and the Army for their splendid cooperation in sending these Units and accompanying personnel to their destination.

Wishing you health and every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

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President
From The Assistant to the President
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March 21, 1958

Dear Dr. Bittner:

The President was glad to learn of your donation of a mobile hospital unit to Korea and of your plans to develop additional units.

The photographs you sent furnish an interesting record of your unique endeavor to assist peoples abroad. Such gifts will contribute significantly to the development of friendliness for the United States among other countries.

Sincerely,

SHERMAN ADAMS

Dr. Linus M. Bittner
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Subject: Disbandment of the German Red Cross hospital in Korea.

It has been decided that the German Red Cross hospital in Korea - maintained at an annual cost of some $ 900,000.- (DM 3.600.000.-) - is to be disbanded shortly.

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It will be recalled that the hospital was presented by the Federal Chancellor to the President of the United States shortly before the end of the hostilities in Korea as a token of the gratitude felt by the Federal Government and the German people for the substantial American assistance rendered during the post-war period.

The hospital equipment and personnel arrived too late in Korea to be employed for military purposes. Instead the hospital, in agreement with the United States authorities, began to provide medical care for the population of the port city of Pusan which had greatly increased through the influx of refugees from North Korea. Since then, for almost five years, the hospital under the direction of Professor Huwer has performed its tasks and, by the establishment of a nursing school and by employing several Korean doctors, has also served educational purposes. Nevertheless the disbandment of the hospital at an early date would appear advisable on the following grounds:

1.) The present legal status of the hospital - under which there is close cooperation with United States authorities, but not with those of the Republic of Korea - is questionable. The group of buildings in

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which the hospital is accommodated are the only requisitioned buildings which the United States authorities have been unable so far to return to the Korean Government because the accommodation is still required for the hospital.

2.) The condition of the main building and of the ancillary buildings of the hospital will compel the hospital's removal from these quarters in the foreseeable future. The floors in the main building as well as the foundations and roofs of the ancillary buildings are decayed and no longer water-repellent. All pipes will have to be replaced. During the five or six dry months of the year the supply of water involves incridable difficulties. The United States authorities which rendered effective aid in these difficulties during the first few years, have reduced their own funds to such an extent that with all good will they are no longer in a position to provide relief. The same applies to electricity supply, the guarding of the hospital compound etc. The sanitary installations are quite inadequate; there are no single rooms for serious cases, for post-operative or dying cases. There is no effective isolation for those suffering from infectious diseases.

3.) Several of the German doctors, including the medical director, Professor Huwer, have resigned their positions with the German Red Cross as of April 1, 1959. Considerable difficulties are experienced in finding suitable replacements for these doctors.

4.) The hospital was intended as a temporary facility and as such has its justification only during the war and the immediate post-war era. Actual war damages have largely been made good in Korea.

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Inquiries made by the German Embassy at Seoul have indicated that the disbandment of the hospital would not cause any disappointment in Korea, provided that German readiness to help in the development of the country manifests itself in some other convincing manner. The Korean Minister of Health has mentioned the expansion of the university hospital at Kwangju as a suitable project for future German-Korean cooperation in the sphere of public health.

The teaching of German medical knowledge and skills might indeed be easier to accomplish at a university hospital than at Pusan where inadequate accommodation and other local difficulties had a detrimental effect on the training of Korean doctors and nurses. The region of Kwangju having very poor medical facilities, a well-managed university hospital will continue to provide medical care on a generous scale as a humanitarian service. If this project would materialize the salaries for the German medical and nursing staff would be provided from German funds. The hospital installations would have to be modernized with German assistance. In this connection some of the instruments and other equipment of the present German Red Cross hospital in Korea could probably be used.

At present a German financial contribution amounting to about DM 2 Mill. per annum for a period of two to three years is envisaged.

The essential difference between the old hospital at Pusan and the new project at Kwangju would be that the new project is based entirely on cooperation with Korean authorities while the hospital at Pusan worked exclusively with the United States military authorities in Korea. In this way a permanent basis would be created for German participation in Korean public health activities, replacing the present temporary arrangements with the United States military authorities.

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A German commission of experts will shortly leave for Korea to determine whether the Kwangju project is in fact suitable and - should this be the case- how a German contribution could be most effectively used. After the return of the commission to Germany details on any German offer of participation will be communicated.

The "Agreement between the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of the United States of America concerning assistance to be rendered by a German Red Cross hospital in Korea", signed in Washington on February 12, 1954, does not provide for a period of notice of termination. In article VII it is stipulated, however, that the Government of the United States shall render the hospital every available assistance which may be necessary in connection with the termination of its work and its repatriation.

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GERMAN RED CROSS HOSPITAL IN KOREA

Agreement between the
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
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AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY
CONCERNING ASSISTANCE TO BE RENDERED BY
A GERMAN RED CROSS HOSPITAL IN KOREA

Whereas the Government of the United States of America, acting as the Unified Command pursuant to the United Nations Security Council resolution of July 7, 1950, has designated the Commander of the United Nations forces in Korea (hereinafter referred to as the "Commander");

Whereas the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany desires to lend humanitarian assistance in Korea and therefore proposes the dispatch of a Red Cross hospital (hereinafter referred to as the "Hospital") and its staff of civilian personnel to Korea;

Whereas Article 27 of the Geneva Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of the Wounded and Sick in Armed Forces in the Field of August 12, 1949 sets out procedures which the two Governments are willing to employ for the accomplishment of the humanitarian proposal of the Federal Republic of Germany;

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The Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany have entered into the present agreement:

Article I

1. The German Red Cross in the Federal Republic of Germany as a recognized national aid society shall, on the instructions and with the consent of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany, furnish a Hospital for use in connection with the United Nations operations in Korea. The Hospital will devote its facilities to the care of civilians to the extent found feasible by the Commander.

2. The Government of the United States of America, acting as the Unified Command, gives its authorization to the rendering of assistance by the Hospital and shall request the Secretary General of the United Nations to give the notification to the adverse Party provided for in the second sentence of paragraph 2, Article 27 of the above-mentioned Geneva Convention.

Article II

1. The Hospital shall be placed under the control of the Commander. Its internal operations, administration, and disciplinary control shall be vested in the Head of the Hospital, subject to all orders, directives, and policies of the Commander. In the event of disagreement with such orders, directives, or policies, they shall be accepted and carried out as given, but formal protest may be presented subsequently.

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2. The German personnel of the Hospital shall wear the uniform of the German Red Cross.

Article III

1. The Government of the United States of America shall assist the Hospital in the discharge of its functions.

2. The Government of the United States of America shall furnish the Hospital with available materials, supplies, services, and facilities, including transportation to and from Korea and such local services as are normally supplied by the Commander to like units, which the Hospital requires for its operations and which it is not feasible for the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany to furnish.

3. In protecting and caring for the Hospital, the Commander shall apply the same standards as he applies to like units under his jurisdiction, taking into account its humanitarian mission as a medical unit of a recognized national aid society.

4. The Commander, in so far as possible, will provide for unimpeded communications between the Hospital and the competent German authorities.

Article IV

1. The Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany will maintain accounts of the materials, supplies, services, and facilities furnished by the Government of the United States of America to the Hospital.

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2. The Government of the Federal Republic of Germany shall reimburse the Government of the United States of America in United States dollars, upon the presentation of statements of account by the Government of the United States of America, for such materials, supplies, services, and facilities. Issues of materials and supplies to the Hospital will not operate to transfer title in advance of reimbursement.

3. The Governments of the United States of America and the Federal Republic of Germany shall make technical and administrative arrangements regarding the furnishing of materials, supplies, services, and facilities, and the accounting and reimbursement therefor.

4. Classified, specialized, or scarce items furnished to the Hospital by the Government of the United States of America will be returned upon request, at the termination of the activities of the Hospital under this agreement, as a credit to the account of the Hospital. If the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany determines that materials or supplies furnished by the Government of the United States of America are not desired for retention, such materials or supplies may be offered to the Government of the United States of America, and if accepted, their residual value as determined by the Government of the United States of America will be credited to the account of the Hospital.

5. Settlement of obligations for materials, supplies, services, and facilities received by the Hospital from other

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governments, whether directly or through the Commander, shall be a matter for consideration between the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and such other governments.

Article V

The requirements of the Hospital for Korean currency will be supplied under arrangements approved by the Commander; provided, however, that settlement of any obligation of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany for the use of such currency will be a matter for consideration between the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the competent authorities of Korea.

Article VI

1. Each of the parties to this agreement agrees not to assert any claim against the other party for injury or death of its personnel, or for loss, damage, or destruction of its property or property of its personnel caused in Korea by personnel of the other party. For the purposes of this paragraph, personnel of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany shall be defined as personnel of the Hospital and property of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany shall include the property of the German Red Cross.

2. Claims of any other government or its nationals against the Government or nationals of the Federal Republic of Germany or vice versa shall be a matter for disposition between the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and such other government or its nationals.

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Article VII

The Government of the United States of America shall render to the Hospital such available assistance as may be necessary in connection with the termination of its activities and its redeployment.

Article VIII

This agreement shall come into force upon the date of signature thereof, and shall apply to all materials, supplies, services, and facilities furnished or rendered before, on, or after that date, to all claims referred to in Article VI arising before, on, or after that date, and to all technical and administrative arrangements concluded pursuant to Article IV before, on, or after that date.

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VEREINBARUNG ZWISCHEN
DER REGIERUNG DER VEREINIGTEN STAATEN VON AMERIKA
UND
DER REGIERUNG DER BUNDESREPUBLIK DEUTSCHLAND
UEBER DIE
MITWIRKUNG EINES HOSPITALS
DES
DEUTSCHEN ROTEN KREUZES IN KOREA

Da die Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika in ihrer Eigenschaft als Gemeinsame Befehlsstelle gemaeß der Entschließung des Sicherheitsrats der Vereinten Nationen vom 7. Juli 1950 den Oberbefehlshaber der Streitkraefte der Vereinten Nationen in Korea (im folgenden als der "Befehlshaber" bezeichnet) ernannt hat;

Da die Regierung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland den Wunsch hat, in Korea humanitaere Hilfe zu leisten, und daher die Entsendung eines Hospitals des Roten Kreuzes (im folgenden als das "Hospital" bezeichnet) mit Zivilpersonal nach Korea vorschlaegt;

Da Artikel 27 des Genfer Abkommens zur Verbesserung des Loses der Verwundeten und Kranken der Streitkraefte im Felde vom 12. August 1949 Bestimmungen enthaelt, welche die beiden Regierungen anzuwenden gewillt sind, um den humanitaeren Vorschlag der Bundesrepublik Deutschland zu verwirklichen;

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Haben die Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika und die Regierung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland diese Vereinbarung abgeschlossen.

Artikel I

1. Das Deutsche Rote Kreuz in der Bundesrepublik Deutschland als anerkannte nationale Hilfsgesellschaft stellt im Auftrage und mit Einwilligung der Regierung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland ein Hospital zur Verwendung im Zusammenhang mit den Maßnahmen der Vereinten Nationen in Korea zur Verfuegung. Das Hospital stellt seine Einrichtung in dem von dem Befehlshaber fuer zweckmaeßig erachteten Umfang fuer die Betreuung von Zivilpersonen zur Verfuegung.

2. Die Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika in ihrer Eigenschaft als Gemeinsame Befehlsstelle erteilt ihre Ermaechtigung zur Mitwirkung des Hospitals und ersucht den Generalsekretaer der Vereinten Nationen, der Gegenpartei die in Artikel 27 Absatz 2 Satz 2 des genannten Genfer Abkommens vorgesehene Notifizierung vorzunehmen.

Artikel II

1. Das Hospital wird der Kontrolle des Befehlshabers unterstellt. Sein interner Betrieb, seine interne Verwaltung und die Dienstaufsicht werden vorbehaltlich aller Anordnungen, Direktiven und Richtlinien des Befehlshabers dem Leiter des Hospitals uebertragen. Bei Einwendungen gegen diese Weisungen, Direktiven oder Richtlinien sind diese entgegenzunehmen und entsprechend auszufuehren, jedoch kann spaeter formell Einspruch erhoben werden.

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2. Das deutsche Personal des Hospitals traegt die Dienstbekleidung des Personals des Deutschen Roten Kreuzes.

Artikel III

1. Die Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika unterstuetzt das Hospital bei der Erfuellung seiner Aufgaben.

2. Die Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika stellt dem Hospital die verfuegbaren Materialien, Versorgungsgueter, Dienstleistungen und Erleichterungen, einschließlich des Transports nach und von Korea und solcher oertlichen Dienstleistungen, wie sie ueblicherweise von dem Befehlshaber entsprechenden Einheiten gewaehrt werden, zur Verfuegung, die das Hospital fuer seinen Betrieb benoetigt und die die Regierung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland nicht liefern kann.

3. Der Befehlshaber wendet bei dem Schutz und der Betreuung des Hospitals die gleichen Grundsaetze an, die er gegenueber entsprechenden, seiner Zustaendigkeit unterstehenden Einheiten anwendet, und zwar unter Beruecksichtigung der humanitaeren Aufgaben des Hospitals als Sanitaetseinheit einer anerkannten nationalen Hilfsgesellschaft.

4. Der Befehlshaber sorgt so weit wie moeglich fuer ungehinderte Verbindungen zwischen dem Hospital und den zustaendigen deutschen Dienststellen.

Artikel IV

1. Die Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika und die Regierung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland fuehren Buch ueber die von der Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika dem Hospital zur Verfuegung gestellten Materialien, Versorgungs-

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gueter, Dienstleistungen und Erleichterungen.

2. Die Regierung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland erstattet der Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika die Kosten fuer diese Materialien, Versorgungsgueter, Dienstleistungen und Erleichterungen in US-Dollar gegen Vorlage der Abrechnungen durch die Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika. Die Lieferung von Materialien und Versorgungsguetern an das Hospital hat vor der Erstattung der Kosten keine Uebertragung des Eigentumsrechts zur Folge.

3. Die Regierungen der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika und der Bundesrepublik Deutschland werden technische und Verwaltungsabreden ueber die Bereitstellung von Materialien, Versorgungsguetern, Dienstleistungen und Erleichterungen sowie ueber die Verbuchung und Erstattung dieser Leistungen treffen.

4. Von der Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika dem Hospital gelieferte klassifizierte, spezialisierte oder verknappte Gegenstaende werden nach Beendigung der im Rahmen dieser Vereinbarung geleisteten Taetigkeit des Hospitals auf Ersuchen zurueckgegeben und dem Konto des Hospitals gutgeschrieben. Wuenscht die Regierung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland von der Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika gelieferte Materialien oder Versorgungsgueter nicht zu behalten, so koennen diese Materialien oder Versorgungsgueter der Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika angeboten werden; im Falle der Annahme wird der von der Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika bestimmte Restwert dem Konto des Hospitals gutgeschrieben.

5. Die Regelung von Verbindlichkeiten fuer Materialien, Versorgungsgueter, Dienstleistungen und Erleichterungen, die

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das Hospital unmittelbar oder ueber den Befehlshaber von anderen Regierungen erhalten hat, ist zwischen der Regierung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland und den betreffenden anderen Regierungen zu behandeln.

Artikel V

Der Bedarf des Hospitals an koreanischen Zahlungsmitteln wird auf Grund von Regelungen befriedigt, die von dem Befehlshaber zu genehmigen sind, jedoch mit der Maßgabe, daß die Regelung aller Verbindlichkeiten der Regierung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland aus der Verwendung dieser Zahlungsmittel zwischen der Regierung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland und den zustaendigen Behoerden Koreas zu behandeln ist.

Artikel VI

1. Jede der Parteien dieser Vereinbarung verzichtet gegenueber der anderen Partei auf den Ersatz von Schaeden, die durch Verletzung oder Toetung von Angehoerigen ihres Personals oder durch Verlust, Beschaedigung oder Zerstoerung ihres Eigentums oder des Eigentums ihres Personals durch Personal der anderen Partei in Korea verursacht werden. Im Sinne dieses Absatzes ist unter Personal der Regierung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland das Personal des Hospitals und unter Eigentum der Regierung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland auch das Eigentum des Deutschen Roten Kreuzes zu verstehen.

2. Forderungen anderer Regierungen oder ihrer Staatsangehoerigen gegen die Regierung oder Staatsangehoerige der Bundesrepublik Deutschland und umgekehrt sind zwischen der Regierung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland und der betreffenden anderen

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Regierung oder deren Staatsangehoerigen zu regeln.

Artikel VII

Die Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika wird dem Hospital jede verfuegbare Hilfe leisten, die in Zusammenhang mit der Beendigung seiner Taetigkeit und seiner Rueckfuehrung erforderlich sein koennte.

Artikel VIII

Diese Vereinbarung tritt mit dem Tage ihrer Unterzeichnung in Kraft und gilt fuer alle Materialien, Versorgungsgueter, Dienstleistungen und Erleichterungen, die vor, an oder nach diesem Tage geliefert oder geleistet worden sind, fuer alle in Artikel VI erwaehnten Forderungen, die vor, an oder nach diesem Tage entstanden sind, sowie fuer alle vor, an oder nach diesem Tage gemaeß Artikel IV getroffenen technischen und Verwaltungsabreden.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective Governments have signed this agreement.

DONE at Washington, this twelfth day of February 1954, in duplicate in the English and German languages, each text being equally authentic.

ZU URKUND DESSEN haben die von ihren Regierungen ordnungsgemäss bevollmächtigten unterzeichneten diese Vereinbarung unterschrieben.

GESCHEHEN zu Washington am zwölft Februar 1954, in zweifacher Ausfertigung in englischer und deutscher Sprache, wobei der Wortlaut in beiden Sprachen gleichermassen verbindlich ist.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:
FUER DIE REGIERUNG DER VEREINIGTEN STAATEN VON AMERIKA:

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FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY:
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AIDE-MÉMOIRE

The Department of State has considered the information in the aide-mémoire of the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany dated November 13, 1958 concerning the proposed closing of the German Red Cross Hospital in Korea which was established pursuant to the Agreement between the United States of America and the Federal Republic of Germany signed at Washington on February 12, 1954.

Since this hospital is not utilized by the United Nations forces in Korea and serves only the Korean population in the Pusan area, the Government of the United States believes that the decision to close the hospital is a matter for the German Government to determine in the light of its relations with the Korean Government and the use of the hospital by Korean nationals. It is noted from the Embassy's aide-mémoire that this matter has also been discussed by the German Embassy in Seoul with the Government of the Republic of Korea. In view of the foregoing the Government of the United States

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on its part has no objection to the proposed closing of the hospital as set forth in the Embassy's aide-mémoire.

The Government of the United States, acting as the Unified Command, desires to extend its deep appreciation and gratitude to the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany for the splendid assistance rendered by the German Red Cross Hospital in Pusan to the Korean people and to personnel of the United Nations forces. The plans to continue German medical assistance in Korea through another project mentioned in the Embassy's aide-mémoire are a praiseworthy indication of the desire of the Federal Republic of Germany to continue its humanitarian assistance to the Korean people.

Department of State,

Washington, December 17, 1958.

Delivered by hand to Mr. Stastny of German Embassy by Mr. Samuel O. Lane, in N.A. December 18, 1958.

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Memorandum of Conversation

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SUBJECT: German Red Cross Hospital in Pusan.

PARTICIPANTS: Mr. Herbert Weil, Second Secretary, German Embassy
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Mr. Weil came in at his own request to discuss the proposed closing of the German Red Cross hospital in Pusan, which was the subject of the attached aide-memoire of November 13, 1958. (Although dated November 13, the aide-memoire was not received in the Department until November 25.) For the reasons set forth in the aide-memoire, the German Government desires to close the hospital on March 31, 1959 and is sending a survey mission to Korea around the first of January to make a final decision on this matter and to decide whether to establish a new German medical project at the Kwangju University Hospital. Mr. Weil explained that the German Red Cross would probably wish to transfer to the Kwangju project much of the equipment now at the Pusan hospital if it is decided to go ahead with this project.

Mr. Weil stated that before taking further action with respect to the closing of the hospital, the German Government would like the views and comments of the U.S. Government since this hospital had been established pursuant to a formal agreement between the U.S. Government and the Federal Republic of Germany (February 12, 1954). It was explained to Mr. Weil that we would wish to solicit the views of Embassy Seoul and CINCUNC but that we would reply to the German request as quickly as possible.

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With respect to paragraph 1.) of the attached aide-memoire, in which it is stated that one of the reasons for closing the hospital at an early date is that "the legal status of the hospital . . . is questionable", Mr. Weil explained that the German Ambassador in Seoul, Dr. Hertz, had discussed the general subject with ROK officials and had received the impression that the ROK felt that (possibly on grounds of sovereignty, according to Hertz) it might be preferable to have the German medical project in Korea on such a basis that the German Government would be dealing directly with the ROK Government rather than, as in the present case, with the U.S. acting as the Unified Command.

Attachment:

German Embassy's Aide-Memoire,
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Aide Memoire

Subject: Disbandment of the German Red Cross hospital in Korea.

It has been decided that the German Red Cross Hospital in Korea - maintained at an annual cost of some $ 900,000.- (DM 3.600.000.-) - is to be disbanded shortly.

It will be recalled that the hospital was presented by the Federal Chancellor to the President of the United States shortly before the end of the hostilities in Korea as a token of the gratitude felt by the Federal Government and the German people for the substantial American assistance rendered during the post-war period.

The hospital equipment and personnel arrived too late in Korea to be employed for military purposes. Instead the hospital, in agreement with the United States authorities, began to provide medical care for the population of the port city of Pusan which had greatly increased through the influx of refugees from North Korea. Since then, for almost five years, the hospital under the direction of Professor Huwer has performed its tasks and, by the establishment of a nursing school and by employing several Korean doctors, has also served educational purposes. Nevertheless the disbandment of the hospital at an early date would appear advisable on the following grounds:

1.) The present legal status of the hospital - under which there is close cooperation with United States authorities, but not with those of the Republic of Korea - is questionable. The group of buildings in which the hospital is accommodated are the only requisitioned buildings which the United States authorities have been unable so far to return to the Korean Government because the accommodation is still required for the hospital.

2.) The condition of the main building and of the ancillary buildings of the hospital will compel the hospital's removal from these quarters in the foreseeable future. The floors in the main building as well as the foundations and roofs of the ancillary buildings are decayed and no longer water-repellent. All pipes will have to be replaced. During the five or six dry months of the year the supply of water [redacted] involves incridable (sic) difficulties. The United States authorities which rendered effective aid in these difficulties during the first few years, have reduced their own funds to such an extent that with all good will they are no longer in a position to provide relief. The same applies to electricity supply, the guarding of the hospital compound etc. The sanitary installations are quite inadequate; there are no single rooms for serious cases, for post-operative or dying cases. There is no effective isolation for those suffering from infectious diseases.

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3.) Several of the German doctors, including the medical director, Professor Huwer, have resigned their positions with the German Red Cross as of April 1, 1959. Considerable difficulties are experienced in finding suitable replacements for these doctors.

4.) The hospital was intended as a temporary facility and as such has its justification only during the war and the immediate post-war era. Actual war damages have largely been made good in Korea.

Inquiries made by the German Embassy at Seoul have indicated that the disbandment of the hospital would not cause any disappointment in Korea, provided that German readiness to help in the development of the country manifests itself in some other convincing manner. The Korean Minister of Health has mentioned the expansion of the university hospital at Kwangju as a suitable project for future German-Korean cooperation in the sphere ofpublic health.

The teaching of German medical knowledge and skills might indeed be easier to accomplish at a university hospital than at Pusan where inadequate accommodation and other local difficulties had a detrimental effect on the training of Korean doctors and nurses. The region of Kwangju having very poor medical facilities, a well-managed university hospital will continue to provide medical care on a generous scale as a humanitarian service. If this project would materialize the salaries for the German medical and nursing staff would be provided from German funds. The hospital installations would have to be modernized with German assistance. In this connection some of the instruments and other equipment of the present German Red Cross hospital in Korea could probably be used.

At present a German financial contribution amounting to about DM 2 Mill. per annum for a period of two to three years is envisaged.

The essential difference between the old hospital at Pusan and the new project at Kwangju would be that the new project is based entirely on cooperation with Korean authorities while the hospital at Pusan worked exclusively with the United States military authorities in Korea. In this way a permanent basis would be created for German participation in Korean public health activities, replacing the present temporary arrangements with the United States military authorities.

A German commission of experts will shortly leave for Korea to determine whether the Kwangju project is in fact suitable and - should this be the case - how a German contribution could be most effectively used. After the return of the commission to Germany details on any German offer of participation will be communicated.

The "Agreement between the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of the United States of America concerning assistance to be rendered by a German Red Cross hospital in Korea", signed in Washington on February 12, 1954, does not provide for a period of notice of termination.

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In article VII it is stipulated, however, that the Government of the United States shall render the hospital every available assistance which may be necessary in connection with the termination of its work and its repatriation.

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Department informed by German Embassy its Government wishes close German Red Cross Hospital Pusan March 31, 1959. Reasons given are 1) QUOTE questionable legal status UNQUOTE i.e., Germans informed by ROKG it would prefer see such projects established on basis direct understandings with ROKG rather than as in case Pusan Hospital between German Government and U.S. Government acting as Unified Command, 2) greatly deteriorated condition hospital buildings 3) several German doctors including Director Huwer employed Pusan have resigned effective April 1, 1959, 4) hospital only intended as temporary facility. German Government considering possibility following Pusan hospital closing of inaugurating new German financed medical project at Kwangju University hospital and is sending technical group Korea early 1959 investigate feasibility such project. Present hospital established pursuant U.S.-German agreement February 12, 1954 (TIAS 2924).

Germans have requested Department's views re closing Pusan hospital. Although Department perceives no reason or basis to object Department before replying Germans wishes Embassy's views and comments after discussing matter. CINCUNC and if deemed appropriate OEC. Embassy's reply requested.

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requested by December 10 since if hospital closed March 31 German Red Cross must airmail from Bonn termination notices to reach hospital personnel by December 31.

FYI: German Embassy has indicated informally that if U.S. were to express strong views German Government would [redacted] probably delay closing hospital short period. END FYI.

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When CINCUNC speaks of Pusan Hospital as QUOTE only useful facility available UNQUOTE does he mean for UNC personnel or Koreans? Department under impression only negligible use made of hospital by UNC personnel.

Department would be reluctant request German Government postpone closing hospital unless most compelling reasons presented especially since [redacted] is entitled terminate its activities under 1954 Agreement German Government/[redacted]

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TO: Secretary of State

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IN VIEW OF URGENT NEED FOR MEDICAL FACILITIES IN PROVINCIAL AREAS, I HOPE VERY MUCH ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE TO RE-ESTABLISH GERMAN MEDICAL PROJECT AT KWANGJU OR ELSEWHERE AND HOPE DEPT WILL CONVEY TO GERMAN GOVT OUR SYMPATHETIC ATTITUDE THIS REGARD. FOR POLITICAL REASONS ALSO IT WOULD SEEM ADVISABLE MAINTAIN GERMAN INTEREST IN KOREA TO WHICH GERMAN RED CROSS HOSPITAL HAS UNDOUBTEDLY CONTRIBUTED.

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American Embassy,
Seoul, Korea,
March 3, 1955.

Dear Bill:

Thank you for your letter of February 21, 1955, about the Refugee Relief Program. I wrote Bob McClurkin yesterday and you will probably have seen that letter by the time you get this one.

I am pleased to hear that the International Social Service worker has been recruited. I am most anxious to get the orphan problem moving and hope that she will be able to get something done when she arrives. I wish to stress again the importance of having the social worker adequately briefed so that she can come out here with the necessary contacts in working expeditiously in matching up children with adoptive parents.

Mr. Kenney made contact with three Negro Congressmen (Powell, Diggs and Dawson) while he was in the States, and has written them from Taipei about the colored baby problem. Mr. Powell is undertaking to write an article for EBONY to stir up some interest among the colored people in the United States. I should particularly like to have the social worker speak to these three men in the course of a briefing and if possible make some definite plans for cooperating with them.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Carl

Carl W. Strom
Charge d'Affaires a.i.

Enclosure:
Copy of letter to above-mentioned Congressmen.

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William G. Jones, Esquire,
Officer in Charge, Korean Affairs,
Office of Northeast Asian Affairs,
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(Identical letters were also sent to The Honorable Powell and The Honorable Dawson).

American Embassy,
Seoul, Korea,
March 3, 1955.

My dear Mr. Diggs:

Mr. Roland W. Kenney, the Refugee Relief Program Coordinator for the Far East, has informed me about the correspondence he has had with you concerning the possibility of finding adoptive parents for some of the GI babies in Korea, particularly babies whose fathers were Negro soldiers.

The Embassy attaches importance to the GI baby problem for political reasons, and is attempting to get as many of them as possible removed from Korea under the provisions of the Refugee Relief Act. Any assistance that you can give in helping to find adoptive parents for them will be a valuable service. The Department of State has recruited an International Social Service worker who will come to Seoul to take charge of this work. In my correspondence with the Department I have stressed the importance of having her properly briefed before she leaves Washington so that she will come here with contacts that will be helpful to her in matching children with parents as expeditiously as possible. I have not been given her name, but I have asked Mr. William Jones, the Korean Desk Officer in the Department, to make sure that she sees you to make some plans for cooperation with you before she leaves for Korea.

Sincerely yours,

Carl W. Strom
Charge d'Affaires a.i.

The Honorable
Charles C. Diggs, Jr.,
House of Representatives.

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Dear Carl:

Thanks for your letter of March 3 concerning the Refugee Relief Program.

The candidate who has been recruited for the position of international social service worker at Embassy Seoul in connection with the Refugee Relief Program has still not yet been cleared. However, we have been assured that the appointment will be expedited when and if clearance is obtained. We have also learned that it is expected that following the appointment, the candidate will spend about one month in the United States in consultation with United States Government and private agencies concerned with various aspects of the Refugee Relief Program, particularly the problem of assurances. We shall take special pains to make sure that the appointee speaks to Congressmen Powell, Diggs, and Dawson and if possible to make some definite plans for cooperating with them.

Sincerely yours,

William G. Jones
Officer in Charge, Korean Affairs
Office of Northeast Asian Affairs

Carl W. Strom, Esquire,
Counselor,
American Embassy,
Seoul.

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TO : SCS - Miss Alice B. Correll

DATE: February 5, 1959

FROM : VO - Albert E. Clattenburg, Jr.

SUBJECT: Holt Adoption Agency, Seoul, Korea

As I understand it, the American Red Cross which is making gamma globulin available to the doctor working on the Holt Adoption Program at Seoul would like some information about the orphans assembled at Seoul under Mr. Holt's auspices.

Mr. Holt is a farmer from the Pacific Northwest whose activities in behalf of Korean orphans of mixed parentage have been spoken of most highly by Senator Neuberger of Oregon on the floor of the Senate. The Embassy at Seoul is convinced that Mr. Holt's activities in behalf of these orphans, while they reflect a great deal of inexperience, are a truly philanthropic activity which deserves great sympathy.

Mr. Holt collects the orphans from the various places where they are to be found in Korea living under conditions of neglect and poverty and brings them to an establishment he has set up at Seoul. His financial means are extremely limited and for that reason, the facility where the orphans are collected is very far from being one of great comfort. Should an epidemic of a disease like virus pneumonia take place in an installation of this sort, it is obvious that it will have unfortunate results. The children have come from an under-privileged situation to one which is far from privileged, although a great improvement. They are awaiting the completion of their adoption by prospective adoptive parents in the United States. Many of the children who have been adopted in this way and have come to the States have had illnesses of one kind or another. The usual transportation is by chartered airplane which brings 90 to 100 of the orphans to the United States at one time. The Dr. Ten Have, mentioned in the letter to the Red Cross from his father at Grand Haven, Michigan, ~~has to do with~~ is an American doctor who formerly worked for the United States Government and resigned that position to work for Mr. Holt under a one-year contract. It is believed that his appointment with Mr. Holt expires with the close of June 1959 when the legislative authority for nonquota visas for these orphans also expires.

The only criticism that has been made of the Holt Adoption Program is that the facilities of Mr. Holt for conducting home studies of prospective parents in the United States are not of the best. There has been great wide-spread admiration for his sincerity and for the good that he has done, bearing in mind the bulk of his cases rather than specific instances which might have unfortunate aspects.

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American Red Cross - Mr. Samuel Krakow

February 9, 1959

Department of State - Mr. George H. Haselton

Holt Adoption Agency, Seoul, Korea

With reference to your recent telephone conversation with Mrs. Correll on the above-mentioned subject, there is attached for your information a copy of a memo prepared by the Visa Office of the Department.

Attachment:

Copy of memo dated
February 5, 1959.

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SUBJECT: Request for Embassy Comment on Gift of Livestock to Korea.

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TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL.

Senator Hubert H. Humphrey has requested background information and comments on the enclosed letter dated August 13, 1959 which Mr. James R. LeBlond of Waco, Texas wrote to Senator Ralph Yarbrough. Mr. LeBlond narrates the difficulties attending the recent delivery of twenty calves donated by central Texas ranchers and dairymen to an orphanage at Seoul.

The Embassy is requested to submit promptly a full report on the situation described by Mr. LeBlond for use by the Department in replying to Senator Humphrey. The Embassy's comments on the present status of the animals are specifically requested.

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Copy of letter from Mr. LeBlond dated August 13, 1959, with Report.

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P.O.Box 567 - 1019 Washington Avenue Dial PL - 4-5417

August 13, 1959 WACO, TEXAS.

Hon. Ralph Yarbrough
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Yarbrough:

Enclosed you will find a copy of a report on my recent trip to Korea as representative of the people of Texas to deliver 20 calves to the Orphanage of Korea, in Seoul, Korea.

I want to thank you on behalf of the people of Texas and the Korean people for your able assistance in making this "cattle drive" to Korea a success.

If you would like for me to come to Washington to discuss with you and other congressional leaders the conditions we found in Korea and to show movies and still pictures of our trip, I will be happy to do so.

Your very truly,

/s/ James R. LeBlond

James R. LeBlond

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To:

Subject: Confidential Report-Trip to Korea, July, 1959.

On July 13, 1959 I left James Connally Air Force Base in a Lockheed C 130 Hercules Turbo-Prop Cargo plane with 20 calves donated by Central Texas ranchers and dairymen. I was accompanied by:

Colonel Dean E. Hess, U.S.A.F., Los Angeles
M/Sgt. William Deringer, 12th U.S.A.F., Waco, Texas.
Mr. Frederick M. Lege III, U.S. Department of Agriculture
Mr. Turner Hiers, Lockheed Aircraft Corp.
Mr. Goodson McKee, Radio WACO, Waco, Texas.
Mr. Jean Paul King, N.B.C., Los Angeles
Mr. Hugh Brundage, Voice of America, Los Angeles

Also on the aircraft was Mr. Robert Delaney of New York, as attorney, representing the American-Korean Foundation.

We flew non-stop to McClellan AFB in Sacramento, Calif. where we re-fueled and got water for calves, Agriculture Department Inspection and Clearance were issued. We flew then to Hickam AFB at Honolulu, Hawaii. At Hickam we were met by General Preuss, his staff, hula dancers, the Press and citizens. Refueling, water for calves and meal there. Next stop Wake Island. Then to Tachikawa A.F.B. Japan, out of Tokyo, and we cleared Japanese customs very easily and quickly thanks to the cooperation of Japanese government. Landed in Seoul, Korea at K-16 approximately 5:00 p.m. Wednesday (Tuesday, U.S. time) after a total of 40 hours from Waco.

We were met by a band, banners, flags, children from the orphanage, government and military leaders from Korea and U.S., and a crowd of approximately 300 people. After extensive welcoming ceremony we were informed by a representative of the Ministry of Agriculture that the cattle would have to be taken to quarantine for at least two weeks.

This was against all of the instructions we had received from the Consul of Korea in Los Angeles and the Korean Ambassador in Washington. We had been informed as to what procedure to follow from them in preparing the cattle for shipment to them, our veterinarian had complied and certificates were issued. The Korean officials were notified in advance of our arrival that we had complied.

Reluctantly we agreed to the quarantine period but insisted that 36 hours were all we'd agree to. The cattle were taken to the Government Agriculture Station outside of Seoul and we went to the Hotel Bando for rooms.

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At the hotel in meeting with Orphanage personnel we were informed by them that the Agriculture Ministry of Korea had called upon them prior to our arrival and told them they couldn't receive the cattle and that the cattle would have to be taken to a government farm on Cheju-do Island off the Southern Coast where the government would care for them. It was pure intimidation and blackmail, but the Orphanage officials refused. Further inquiry developed that the government had made plans to take them from the quarantine station to the Island with or without our agreement on the pretense that the cattle were infected, not subject to import.

Not at all to our surprise, they began to find fault with the cattle. First that three of the calves had high fever, they took all temperatures. So we injected with penicillin -- next three calves had Bangs disease by virtue of blood tests -- they drew and examined all blood.

This we knew was not true as we had used particular care to receive donations of only cattle that had never been innoculated for Bangs or exposed. Blood tests from each examined by the Ft. Worth Office of the Department of Agriculture showed them all blood negative before shipment.

Later on our objections about the blood tests they finally relented and said only a Santa Gertrudis heifer had infected blood, but they certified She was a Bull.

Far be it for me to criticize their laboratory technique, but I feel certain that their methods are not near so perfect as our own Department of Agriculture methods, and certainly we at least know the difference between a heifer and bull calf.

This was all a premeditated ruse to harass and aggravate us on the part of their Agriculture Department because we would not give them the cattle.

Fortunately the Minister of National Defense and the Korean Air Force officials who were very friendly and courteous to us forced the hands of the Agriculture people and we removed the cattle to the Orphanage with the Agriculture people saying that in two weeks (on or about the 1st of August) they were going to take blood samples again.

I would not be surprised if on or about that date in our absence, the several cattle had anything from Black Leg, Bangs, or even Bubonic Plague. Our not being there to argue and put pressure on would give them much support to intimidate the Orphanage people and make them release the "infected" cattle for "observation" or to be "destroyed".

We found this as an example of the corruption existing within the Government of Korea.

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It is my opinion that President Rhee because of his age and infirmities has allowed many departments and sections of his government to be handled and mishandled by people of corrupt and immoral traits and that these reflect on the stability of that government and our position in that nation.

The rate of exchange which our government recognizes is 500 hwan to one American dollar. The only place in Korea where the Dollar is so exchanged is in "Official" circles, and the Bando Hotel which is rumored to be owned by a high Korean lady. Everywhere in Korea you can get approximately 1,000 to 1,800 hwan to 1 dollar and there is a thriving black market in Dollars.

I am told that our military and surplus commodity aid is being used to trade on the money market in this fashion and that much of the aid we are sending to Korea is being funnelled off by corrupt officials.

In conference with our American military leaders, a visit to the Joint Security Area at Panmunjon and throughout the country it seems to me that Korea is as explosive an area as Berlin or Formosa.

With no personal discredit to the venerable and great Syngman Rhee I am of the opinion that we are helping to perpetrate a crime against the Korean people and the Free World by supporting that regime. Dr. Rhee because of his age and condition cannot or is not riding herd on his ministers close enough and hard enough to prevent graft and corruption and as stated it is rumored that a lady of high position leads this group in their traffic in dollars and corruption.

I am of the serious opinion that the U.S.A. is being "took" in our aid programs. I am told that it is not unusual to be "took" in foreign aid anywhere, but my information points that we really are being "took" in Korea.

It would seem important to me that we should demand the same rate of exchange of our aid dollars that anybody can get in the streets of Korea. Why send them $10.00 thinking they are receiving $5,000. in Korean hwan when in reality they are getting anywhere from 10,000 hwan to 18,000 hwan for the same $10.00 aid contribution when if we want them to get 5,000 hwan just send them $5.00 or $3.00 in American dollars and cut out the corruption, or at least demand that our aid dollars be exchanged on the same rate as anyone's dollars.

It is my opinion that the only way to institute any reforms for the protection of Korea and its people from falling into corruption in such degree that an overthrow of the government by Communist infiltration would be possible is to institute certain reforms in our aid programs in both military and Public Law 480.

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Now Korea has some dedicated and outstanding leaders who are trying like you and I to re-build their country on principles of liberty, democracy and freedom, but they are in an apparent minority, so long as President Rhee's ministers are at the helm guided by the powerful lady behind the helm. It would be interesting to me to know where the personal deposits of several of Korea's leaders are and in what amounts.

I have been told many "stories" of corruption that need to be checked and documented. If they are true, drastic measures should be taken by our government, if untrue they should be forgotten, but by no means should our government continue and extend our program of cheerful aid to a country when the people and that nation are not getting the majority of the benefits intended.

At your invitation I'm available to come to Washington and bring with me a personage or two who can help substantiate my opinion. I think you ought to hear these allegations and act on them as you see fit.

As a private citizen travelling in that ancient land for such a short period I was not able to inquire too deeply into the charges I found made. I was greatly distressed at the attitudes of our people over there and the sulleness of the population toward Americans for their endorsement of so corrupt a regime.

There were several Korean officials who were particularly good and kind to us and at a later date I'd like for you to have their names.

In our party we had outstanding personnel. They were top people to represent America in this mission. I would like to tell you more about them.

I avail myself to elaborate and discuss any and all facets of this trip.

/s/ James R. LeBlond

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September 16, 1959

Dear Senator Lausche:

I have received your letter dated September 9, 1959 requesting the Department's comments on a report which was sent by Mr. James R. LeBlond of Waco, Texas to Senator Yarborough and which describes certain difficulties attending the delivery in July 1959 of twenty calves donated by central Texas ranchers and dairymen to an orphanage at Seoul, Korea.

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We have asked the American Embassy at Seoul, Korea for a prompt report on the situation described by Mr. LeBlond and shall be pleased to inform you as soon as a reply is received.

We are returning the copy of Mr. LeBlond's report and Mr. Andrews' analysis thereof.

Sincerely yours,

For

William B. Macomber, Jr.
Assistant Secretary

Enclosure:

Copy of Mr. LeBlond's Report, July 1959, with Analysis by Mr. Andrews dated August 31, 1959.

The Honorable
Frank J. Lausche,
United States Senate.

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Mr. William B. Macomber, Jr.
Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations
Department of State
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Macomber:

I am enclosing a confidential report which Mr. James R. LeBlond of Waco, Texas gave to Senator Ralph Yarborough concerning a trip to Korea. Later, Senator Yarborough gave the report to Senator Lausche, believing that the Foreign Relations Committee should be made acquainted with this situation. I also made a brief analysis for the Senator.

You will note Mr. LeBlond alleges corruption and mishandling in the gift of cattle to a Korean orphanage and further discusses "black market in American money", and states he was told our military and surplus commodity aid is being used to trade on the money market. He also claims that a woman of "high position" leads this group in their traffic and corruptions.

He states he is willing to come to Washington to substantiate his report.

The Senator has instructed me to make appropriate contact with the Department of State for their comments and consideration so I may further report to him.

I will appreciate an early reply.

Sincerely yours,

Stanley M. Andrews

Stanley M. Andrews
Staff Member, Office of
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TO: Senator Lausche

FROM: Mr. Andrews

SUBJECT: Analysis of Report of James R. LeBlond, Waco, Texas - Copy of confidential report given you by Senator Yarborough

The trip involved the gift of cattle from Texas cattlemen to Korean Foundation, Korea, an orphanage.

On arrival, the Korean Government sequestered the cattle under pretense of quarantine. Korean men made tests and declared the cattle infected. Mr. LeBlond claims this was a deliberate ruse to harass and aggravate the givers because they would not give cattle to Korean officials. Eventually, the cattle were given proverbially to the orphanage for further "rechecking" by government officials.

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He states he is willing to come to Washington to substantiate his report.

It might be a problem for the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to consider.

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To:

Subject: Confidential Report-Trip to Korea, July, 1959

On July 13, 1959 I left Ames Connally Air Force Base in a Lockheed C130 Hercules Turbo-Prop Cargo plane with 20 calves donated by Goshen, Texas ranchers and dairymen. I was accompanied by:

Colonel Dunn E. Rees, U.S.A.F., Los Angeles
M/Sgt. William Springer, 12th U.S.A.F., Waco, Texas
Mr. Frederick H. Lapp, III, U.S. Department of Agriculture
Mr. Harvey Hiers, Lockheed Aircraft Corp.
Mr. Graham Hollis, Radio WACO, Waco, Texas
Mr. Jean Paul King, U.S.C., Los Angeles
Mr. Hugh Brundage, Voice of America, Los Angeles

Also on the aircraft was Mr. Robert Delany of New York, an attorney, representing the American-Korean Foundation.

We flew non-stop to McClellan AFB in Sacramento, California where we refueled, and water for calves, Agriculture Department inspection and clearance were issued. We flew then to Hickam AFB at Honolulu, Hawaii. At Hickam we were met by General Stevens, his staff, Mayor Fasi, the Press and others. Refueling, water for calves and food for crew was taken aboard. Then to Yokohama A.F.B., Japan, 4th of July, and we cleared Japanese customs very easily and quickly thanks to the cooperation of Japanese government. Landed in Seoul, Korea at approximately 1400 p.m. Wednesday (Tuesday, U.S. time) after a total of 25 hours flying time.

We were met by a band, banners, flags, children from the orphanages, government and military leaders from Korea and U.S., and a crowd of approximately 200 people. After extending welcoming remarks we were followed by a representative of the Ministry of Agriculture who said the cattle would have to be taken to quarantine for 40 days; two weeks which would have to be taken in Japan before we left.

This was against all of the instructions we had received from the Council of Korea in Los Angeles and the Korean Ambassador in Washington. We had been informed as to what procedure to follow from then in preparing the cattle for shipment to Pusan, our subsequent and eventual destination was known. The Korean officials were notified by cable of our arrival, that we had complied.

Reluctantly we agreed to the quarantine period but insisted that 20 hours rest was all we'd agree to. The cattle were taken to the Government Agriculture Station outside of Seoul and we went to the hotel where the press

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As a private citizen travelling in that ancient land for such a short period I was not able to inquire too deeply into the charges I found made. I was greatly distressed at the attitudes of our people over there and the sulleness of the population toward Americans for their endorsement of so corrupt a regime.

There were several Korean officials who were particularly good and kind to us and at a later date I'd like for you to have their names.

In our party we had outstanding personnel. They were top people to represent America in this mission. I would like to tell you more about them.

I avail myself to elaborate and discuss any and all facets of this trip.

/S/ James R. LeBlond

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With a sterling assist from the Agricultural Division of USOM/Korea the Embassy has completed a fairly detailed investigation of the circumstances surrounding the airlift of 20 calves from Waco, Texas by U. S. Air Force plane to Seoul, Korea, on July 15 last, which were donated by a group of Central Texas ranchers and dairymen to the Orphans' Home of Korea located in Seoul. The investigation was predicated on a letter containing certain charges of malfeasance against the ROK Government written by Mr. James R. LeBlond of Waco, Texas, on August 13, 1959, to Senator Yarbrough of Texas (and conveyed by the referenced Instruction). Also involved was a letter of August 17, 1959, written by U. S. Congressman W. R. Poage to the ROK Minister of Agriculture protesting an alleged attempt by the Korean Government to deprive the orphanage of the calves donated by the Congressman's constituents in Central Texas.

In his "confidential report" to Senator Yarbrough the first charge made by Mr. LeBlond is that after arrival of the cattle in Seoul and a welcoming ceremony at the airport the members of the party accompanying the cattle, which will be referred to hereafter as the Col. Hess group, were informed by a representative of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF) that the cattle would have to be taken to quarantine for at least two weeks "against all of the instructions..... received from the Consul of Korea in Los Angeles and the Korean Ambassador in Washington." Just what these instructions were was not made fully clear, but if they included a statement that no quarantine would be necessary for cattle imported into Korea, the ROK Embassy and Consulate in question must have misinformed the Col. Hess group. As evidenced by an extract of an informal translation of the MAF Act 41 of July 13, 1955, (Enclosure No. 1) cattle imported into the ROK ("even-toed ungulates") are required to undergo a minimum period of quarantine of ten days, usually at the Pusan Veterinary Quarantine station where normally shipments of livestock by sea are received.

In this connection it should be mentioned that while there had been considerable advance publicity about the cattle airlift, radical information of the plane's arrival time was received less than 24 hours in advance. This, coupled with the fact that this was apparently the first time in Korean history that cattle have been shipped in by air and that there are no facilities at the Kimpo airport for handling livestock, may have been the basis for some understandable

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confusion in handling the shipment. In any event the agreement by the MAF to limit the quarantine period for the cattle to only 36 hours was clearly a concession to the importance of the Col. Hess group and far less than the ten day period required by MAF Act 41. (The Embassy is informed that United States and individual States' regulations on the importation of cattle may be far more severe). Unfortunately, the Koreans have ample basis for fearing the importation of what might be diseased cattle from the United States.

For example, the Embassy has been shown a report dated September 21, 1959, by Dr. LEE Kyu Myung, Veterinary Consultant to the Agricultural Division of USOM/Korea, that the Cheju-do cattle ranch which has been developed solely by the ROK Government and into which has been "poured" some millions of dollars from the Government budget is practically on the verge of failure, since 111 of the 580 cattle on the ranch, including pure-breds, have been found to be infected with brucellosis (Bang's disease). It may be necessary to quarantine the ranch for a period of five years until such time as the herd is certified to be free of the disease. This would be a crippling blow to the development of the Korean livestock industry.

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This Cheju-do ranch was apparently started up as a project agreed between President Rhee and General James A. Van Fleet, (U.S.A. - Retired), and is sometimes popularly called the "Van Fleet Ranch." Whether it is owned by President Rhee or by the ROK Government is not certain. The original herd of cattle, including presumably some of those infected, was reportedly sold to the ranch by Gen. Van Fleet and shipped to Cheju-do from the Florida cattle farm in which the General has interests.

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The second charge made by Mr. LeBlond was to the effect that personnel of the Orphans' Home of Korea were told by the MAF prior to the arrival of the Col. Hess group that the cattle would be taken away from the orphanage and placed on the "government" farm on Cheju-do island. There are enclosed, unclassified, copies of a letter from U. S. Congressman W. R. Poage dated August 17, 1959, to the ROK Minister of Agriculture and Forestry bearing on this point and the reply of Minister LEE dated September 14, 1959, giving the official MAF version of this story. This version has been effectively confirmed to officials of the Agricultural Division, USOM/K, by Mr. YU Yun-su, Chief of the Livestock Section, Bureau of Livestock, MAF. Mr. Yu is believed by the Embassy and USOM to be the person who contacted orphanage officials regarding the cattle.

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To obtain direct information on this charge the reporting officer, assisted

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by Mr. Clyde Wilder, Agricultural Division, USOM/K, interviewed Mrs. HWANG On-soon, the owner and directress of the Orphans' Home of Korea, at the Embassy on September 23, 1959. Mrs. Hwang, a late-middle-aged widow of reputed personal means, speaks passable English and consented to talk about this situation with some reluctance and with the understanding that what she told the Embassy would be held in confidence. Because public knowledge of her story could place her and the orphanage in definite jeopardy of reprisals by high ROK Government officials it is absolutely imperative that remarks attributed to her not be released to unauthorized persons or be publicized in any way.

Mrs. Hwang stated that an MAF official whom she would not name (but believed by the Embassy to be the Mr. Yu cited above) telephoned her a few days before the arrival of the cattle airlift and informed her that the ROK Government would take away 13 of the 20 calves and send them to the "government" ranch on Cheju-do. The "explanation" given by the unnamed MAF official was that the ROK Government did not wish any "mixed-breed" cattle on the mainland of Korea. Mrs. Hwang has been subsequently warned, allegedly by someone at the Kyungmudae, (the ROK "White House") that she should not reveal this fact to any U. S. Government officials.

Mrs. Hwang indicated that this was not the first time she had had difficulties with the Kyungmudae. In 1956 and 1957, according to Mrs. Hwang, following the filming of "Battle Hymn," the story of Col Hess's wartime experiences in Korea and his ultimate sponsorship of the orphanage in Seoul, the Hollywood film company which shot some of the scenes in the ROK started a drive in the film colony to collect a large amount of clothing, foodstuffs, toys, etc., for the Orphans' Home of Korea. They were then apparently shipped aboard a ROK naval vessel from California to Korea, but Mrs. Hwang stated that she and the orphanage never received any part of the shipment.

Not long after the ROK naval vessel returned here Mrs. Hwang states that she was called to the Kyungmudae and requested by Mrs. Rhee to sign a receipt for the entire shipment. Although the President's wife, according to Mrs. Hwang, became very angry at Mrs. Hwang's failure to "cooperate," Mrs. Hwang stood fast and refused to sign the receipt. In any case, Mrs. Hwang claims never to have received any of these relief supplies. Some time ago, when Mrs. Hwang visited the United States, apparently to participate in a "This is Your Life" television program featuring Col. Hess, she was embarrassed by inquirers in Hollywood as to why she or the orphanage had not acknowledged their gifts. She said that she had told them, without elaboration, that the gifts had somehow never arrived.

Mrs. Hwang related to the reporting officer the following further story connected with the cattle airlift. At the time the Col. Hess group was departing from the Bando Hotel in Seoul to return by air to the United States, the group was stopped by the hotel manager and asked to pay their bill totalling 471,565 hwan ($943.13 at the 500 hwan to the $1.00 U. S. legal exchange rate).1/ The group was angered because apparently, whether with justification or not is unknown to the Embassy, they had the impression or understanding that they were guests of the ROK Government at the Bando. They nevertheless paid the bill and departed.

1/ The Bando, a ROK Government-owned hotel, actually requires payment of all its bills in U. S. dollars or dollar instruments.

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Subsequently word of this episode was carried to Kyungmudae and a check was written for $943.13 and mailed as a refund for the bill to Col. Hess to be redistributed in the United States to the group members. (Col. Hess reportedly has returned the check to be donated to Korean charities, but the Embassy is not certain on this point).

Mrs. Hwang, however, said that she has been informed by the Minister of Health and Social Affairs SON, that the ROK Government has no funds to pay for expenses of the sort incurred by the Col. Hess group at the Bando Hotel and she and/or the orphanage has been directed to repay the Government the 471,565 hwan. She stated that she is going to do so in order to avoid more trouble.

There appears to be no practical way for the Embassy to attempt verification of the stories related by Mrs. Hwang without causing her and the orphanage serious difficulty with the highest Korean authorities. On the other hand she seemed very straightforward in her statements to the reporting officer, and the fact that in making them she was well aware of the danger of reprisals against her if her confidence in the Embassy's discretion should be misplaced tends to lend credence to these statements. She confessed her shame at revealing evidences of corruption in the highest quarters in the ROK and indicated her realization that incidents of the type she related could not happen in the United States. It should be made clear, however, that the Embassy knows little about Mrs. Hwang's background and in particular her political affiliations and sympathies. The possibility must therefore be acknowledged that the stories she related could be inspired by a political motivation to discredit the President and Mrs. Rhee with U. S. Government authorities.

One statement, namely that the MAF informed the orphanage prior to the arrival of the Col. Hess group that the cattle would be taken off to the "government" ranch on Cheju-do, has been partially confirmed in that Mr. KO Ju-kyong, Manager of the Orphans' Home of Korea, told an official of USOM/K that he was so informed by an unknown section chief of the MAF about two weeks before the cattle airlift. Again the person involved is probably the Yu Yun-su named above. Incidentally, Section Chief Yu is generally well thought of by USOM/K officials who regularly have contacts with him, and they have difficulty in believing his alleged role in this episode. It is explainable of course by the possibility, if not probability, that he merely carried out distasteful orders from on high.

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The Embassy has been unable to verify the charges made by Mr. LeBlond that three calves were found by ROK authorities to have a high fever, and next that three others had Bang's disease. A copy in translation of the quarantine report revealed one "doubtful" calf (suspected of Bang's disease) on the first bloodtest which was revealed negative by a second test two weeks later. Veterinary experts of USOM/K indicate that it would not be at all unusual for a group of calves from 4 to 9 months old to run a fever from excitement after a 40 hour flight from Texas to Korea.

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As to the charge that an MAF official certified a heifer to be a bull, Mr. LeBlond must be mistaken or must have seen the result of a clerical error. Korean veterinarians may not be up to U. S. standards but they can certainly detect the sex of a calf.

The other charges made by Mr. LeBlond of the shotgun variety -- government corruption, black market dollars, diversion of aid to illegal purposes, the activities of President Rhee's Ministers "guided by the powerful lady behind the helm" (presumably Mrs. Rhee is meant) - are ones all too familiar to the Department and can presumably be answered, if such is necessary, in Washington as easily as in Seoul.

This despatch will be closed on one happy note: the 20 calves are in good health and all in the hands of the Orphans' Home of Korea. Further, in view of the interest taken in this matter by such persons as Senators Humphrey and Yarbrough and Representative Poage, and the obvious fear of the ROK Government that any more unfavorable publicity may develop, it seems unlikely that any further effort will be made to deprive the orphanage of the calves.

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Ministry of Agriculture & Forestry

REPUBLIC OF KOREA

July 13, 1955

Subject: Act 41 of Ministry of Agriculture & Forestry:
(Partially amended by the Act. 51 of the Ministry of Agr. & Forestry, dated Jan. 29, 1957, are contents of Art. 7, 10, 11 and 13, and Form 1,2,3, and 4, the inspection stamps, brand mark and quarantined card with English translation; and the certificate with English translation is amended and official stamps with English translation is made.)

The Livestock Quarantine Regulations are herein provided for to be as follows in accordance with the requirements of Art. 21 of the Livestock Infections Disease Prevention Act;

Minister,
Agriculture & Forestry

LIVESTOCK QUARANTINE REGULATIONS

Art. 1: Livestock and its products that are imported or exported shall undergo quarantine in accordance with the stipulations provided herein.

Art. 2: Livestock and its products (hereafter called object/objects of quarantine) that have to undergo quarantine in accordance with the foregoing Article, shall be follows;

a. Even-toed ungulates, Horses, Chickens, Geese, Ducks Turkeys, Rabbits, Bees and those Carcasses,

b. The above said animals' Bones, Flesh, Eggs, Skin, Hairs, Feathers, Hones, Toes, Tendons Internal organs, Raw Milk, Powder Blood and these containers and wrappers.

c. Any animals other than the above that are liable to communicate pathogenes of livestock, their feedstuff and any instruments including all the others that are uses to feed or care for animals.

Art. 3: The quarantine provided for in Art. 1 shall be carried out by the Pusan Veterinary Quarantine Station (hereafter called Quarantine Station), provided that a place of quarantine shall be designated and made public prior to ten days, only in case the Minister of Agriculture & Forestry admits such an occasion.

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Art. 8: Periods of quarantine stipulated in the preceding Article are as follows, provided periods for the young or the livestock products which are born or turned out during the quarantine shall be the periods of quarantine of the mother animals or the other ones;

Objects of Quarantine	Export	Import
Even-Toed Ungulates in a. of Art. 2	8 days	10 days

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

August 17, 1959

The Minister of Agriculture
Republic of Korea
Seoul, Korea

Dear Mr. Minister:

About one month ago, the citizens of Central Texas donated 20 calves to one of the orphanages in Korea. Most of our people are anxious to help the orphans of your country. We thought that it would be helpful for them to have some good foundation stock on which they might build both a dairy and a beef herd. The United States Air Force provided transportation. We all thought that the Republic of Korea and its people were interested in receiving these animals. Your Ambassador flew from Washington down to Waco to participate in the sendoff of these animals. The American Government, State Governments of Texas, California, and Hawaii, and the Imperial Japanese Government all cooperated in removing red tape and expediting the handling of the calves.

When the animals arrived in Korea, however, I am advised that your officials made it plain that you intended to take the cattle away from the orphanage and to turn them over to the government. The people of Central Texas didn't give these cattle to the Government of Korea. We gave them to orphan children. While there is nothing we can do about it now that the cattle are in your possession, we can certainly see that no further gifts of this kind are forthcoming if they are to be taken by others than the intended donees.

It may be that you can establish a sound and lasting government in Southern Korea on this basis. I hope you can, but the Republic of China could not survive these practices. Korea is an independent nation, and you can run your country as you please. You can confiscate cattle if you want to. You can deny the orphans of your land the gifts of foreign friends, but the United States is also an independent country, and we can stop our gifts.

I happen to represent that section of Central Texas from which these cattle came. I am also the Chairman of the Foreign Agriculture Subcommittee of our Agriculture Committee. In both of these capacities, I am interested in knowing just what happens to these cattle. Would you give me a report, advising just where these cattle are now, whether they are completly under the control of the orphanage, or whether your government has made other disposition of them?

Thanking you, I am

Yours sincerely,

W. R. Poage, Congressman

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CC: Honorable Walter C. Dowling, Ambassador of the United States to Korea

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W. R. Poage
Congressman
Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Poage:

I have the honor to take this opportunity to explain to your question in connection with 20 heads of calves donated to the Orphans Home of Korea, by the citizens of central texas, and I also deeply appreciated for your letter dated on 17 August 1959.

I know well the fact that the calves were donated by the citizens of central texas as a friendly aid for the Orphans and these are growing under the care of orphans and the staff of the Orphans Home of Korea located outside of Seoul city which was observed by a party of Colonel Hess, and our technicians are providing technical assistance from time to time.

In order to give you clear cut answer to your question I checked this case and find out that prior to the arrival of those calves, our livestock technician has advised to the staff of Orphans Home of Korea, if you are going to raise beef cattle it might be better to raise at the place like Chejudo island where grass are abundant. Further I learned Mr. Ko, Joo Kyung a staff member of the Orphans Home of Korea mentioned, when Colonel Hess was to here, that since the Orphans Home of Korea has a branch at Chejudo island they might prefer to raise beef cattle down there.

I am sure, of course, these calves are a property of the Orphans Home of Korea and nobody can take their properties and the Orphans Home of Korea will have a find herd in near future.

Please don't hesitate to write me again if you have any further questions, and I do pray the richest blessings of our God be with you and yours and further I hope our friendly relationship would develop even closer as we understand each other better.

Sincerely yours,

Kuen Jik Lee
Minister

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Dear Senator Lausche:

On September 16, 1959 I wrote you that we had requested the American Embassy at Seoul, Korea to investigate the difficulties attending the delivery in July 1959 of twenty calves donated by Central Texas ranchers to an orphanage at Seoul. You noted in your letter of September 9, 1959 that this case had come to your attention through a letter dated August 13, 1959 written by Mr. James R. Lofland of Waco, Texas, to Senator Yarborough. We have now received a report on the situation from the American Embassy at Seoul which confirms that there was a certain amount of misunderstanding and confusion in the delivery of the calves to the Orphans' Home of Korea.

Mr. Lofland's letter indicated his surprise that the Korean Government undertook to quarantine the animals upon their arrival at Seoul. Our Embassy reports that Korean Government regulations require a ten-day quarantine for imported cattle and indicated that it was unfortunate that the American party was led shortsightedly to believe that the quarantine requirements would be waived. The Embassy points out in this connection that the fact that this was the first shipment of air-lifted cattle to arrive in Korea may have accounted for some of the confusion. The Embassy also refers to a rumored unfortunate Korean experience with the importation of diseased cattle. The Embassy has been unable to verify Mr. Lofland's assertion that Korean authorities found three of the calves with a high fever and three others with bronchitis. The final Korean quarantine report on the shipment gives the animals a clean bill of health.

With respect to Mr. Lofland's report of the destiny of the Korean Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry to sell the animals to the Orphanage with Zoos in Chejudo Island, the Embassy refers to a letter from the Korean Minister of Agriculture to Representative Paige of Texas, dated September 11, 1959, which explains the Ministry's position. The

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The Honorable
Frank J. Lausche,
United States Senate.

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The Embassy confirms that the twenty calves are now in good health and that they are in the hands of the Orphans' Home of Korea.

We consider Mr. LeBlond's references to governmental inefficiencies, misuse of aid goods, and the exchange rate problem as somewhat exaggerated, but you may be assured that all the United States agencies concerned with Korea are watching the situation carefully and are taking all opportunities for constructive action. In any case, we believe that the Republic of Korea has made and will continue to make progress in the direction of sound and efficient administration.

I shall be pleased to hear from you if you have further questions concerning Mr. LeBlond's letter or on other matters which relate to Korea.

Sincerely yours,

Florence Kirlin
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Acting Assistant Secretary
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In view of your particular interest in Korea, I hope that you will let me know if we may be of further help to you.

Sincerely yours,

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Florence Kirlin

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Dear Chan:

You will recall that during our meeting on October 20, 1955, we discussed the origins of the public controversy in Korea about the taxation of foreign businessmen.

I have had my staff examine the records. They have called my attention to a "Korean Republic" editorial of May 16 stating that "we have no room and less tolerance for shysters, crooks, or carpetbaggers who want to reap profits from Korea while ignoring our laws and evading our taxes either as agents or principals". The editorial concluded: "We repeat: we welcome all legitimate businessmen and enterprises; but the crooks, the shysters, and the carpetbaggers must go". The American Chamber of Commerce asked on May 18 that the "Korean Republic" print a letter setting forth its view of the problem. The letter was not printed or referred to by the "Korean Republic" or any of the other Seoul papers to which it was sent. On May 28 a further editorial in the "Korean Republic" attacked the businessmen, stating: "But the business of the Government is to protect the interests of all people, citizens as well as foreigners, and it cannot permit the perpetuation of a small but economically powerful group in an enclave located outside the bounds of law and responsibility." I am informed that the first public statement by the Chamber of Commerce was on August 27.

I write this letter because I know that like myself you wish to know the facts. As I said in our last meeting, I very much hope that this matter will now be resolved through quiet negotiation without further public controversy.

Sincerely yours,

Walter S. Robertson
Assistant Secretary

His Excellency
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FOREIGN SERVICE DESPATCH

FROM : AMEMBASSY, SEOUL

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TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.

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REF Department Instruction A-126, February 28, 1957, and CERP Sec. E. Part II-B.

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SUBJECT: Special Report on Rail Transportation

The Embassy requested the Transportation Division of OEC to compile the information requested in subject instruction, inasmuch as technicians of that office have been closely affiliated with the work of rehabilitating the Korean railway system.

A comprehensive report was submitted to Washington through ICA channels on October 18, 1957, under TOICA A-1125. Three copies of that report are enclosed. The six copies of a map of the railway system, requested in the Department's instruction, are being forwarded separately.

The Embassy regrets its inability to comply with the June 30 due-date.

For the Ambassador:

Edwin M. Cronk
First Secretary Embassy

No encls. att.

Enclosure to be forwarded when received in DC/R

Enclosures - 3 copies TOICA A-1125

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : FE/NA - Mr. Bacon

DATE: AUG 31 1959

FROM : NA/K - Mr. Lane

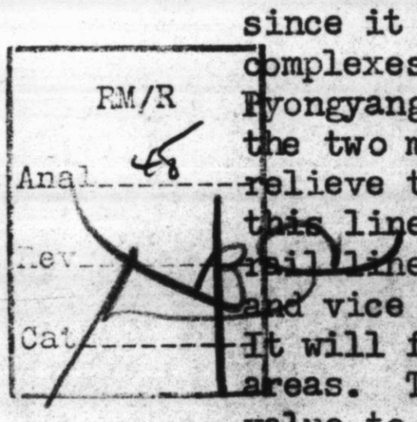
SUBJECT: Pyongsan-Chihari-Sepo Railroad in north Korea.

The following information and hypotheses are submitted in response to your inquiry regarding the significance of the August 23 announcement by Radio Kyungyang of the completion of the Pyongsan-Chihari section of the Pyongsan-Sepo rail line.

The north Korean terrain is marked by high rugged central north-south mountain system. Railroad development therefore has largely followed both coasts creating two north-south systems extending on either side of the mountains and joined together in Seoul, south Korea. The only connecting link north of Seoul between the two systems is the Pyongyang-Kowon (see attached map), a route characterized by numerous bridges, tunnels, steep grades and short radius curves. The partition of Korea after the Second World War and the establishment of the demilitarized zone north of Seoul under the Armistice Agreement cut off the use of the Seoul link by north Korea throwing all transpeninsular traffic in north Korea onto the Pyongyang-Kowon line.

The projected second link between the two systems is the first major railroad construction in north Korea since the Armistice. It is apparently completed from Pyongsan to Chihari, which would have been relatively easy since it would probably follow the Yesong-gang Valley to Chihari. The construction from Chihari to Sappo will be the most difficult since it will necessarily cross the central mountain ranges. This line will be about 25 miles north and roughly parallel to the demilitarized zone. Upon completion this railroad will link the Pyongyang-Seoul line and the Wonsan-Seoul line.

It appears that there is little economic significance in this line since it is located far south of any known mineral resources or industrial complexes. For purely economic reasons the double tracking of the Pyongyang-Kowon line would have been more reasonable since this line joins the two main industrial areas of northern Korea and expansion would relieve the present heavy traffic load. It is henceforth apparent that this line is primarily of strategic significance since it connects the two rail lines that lie within the leading invasion corridors to south Korea and vice versa. (The Pyongyang-Seoul route and Wonsan-Seoul corridor). It will facilitate troop movement and supplies between these two strategic areas. This line will undoubtably be of both offensive and defensive value to the north Korean army.



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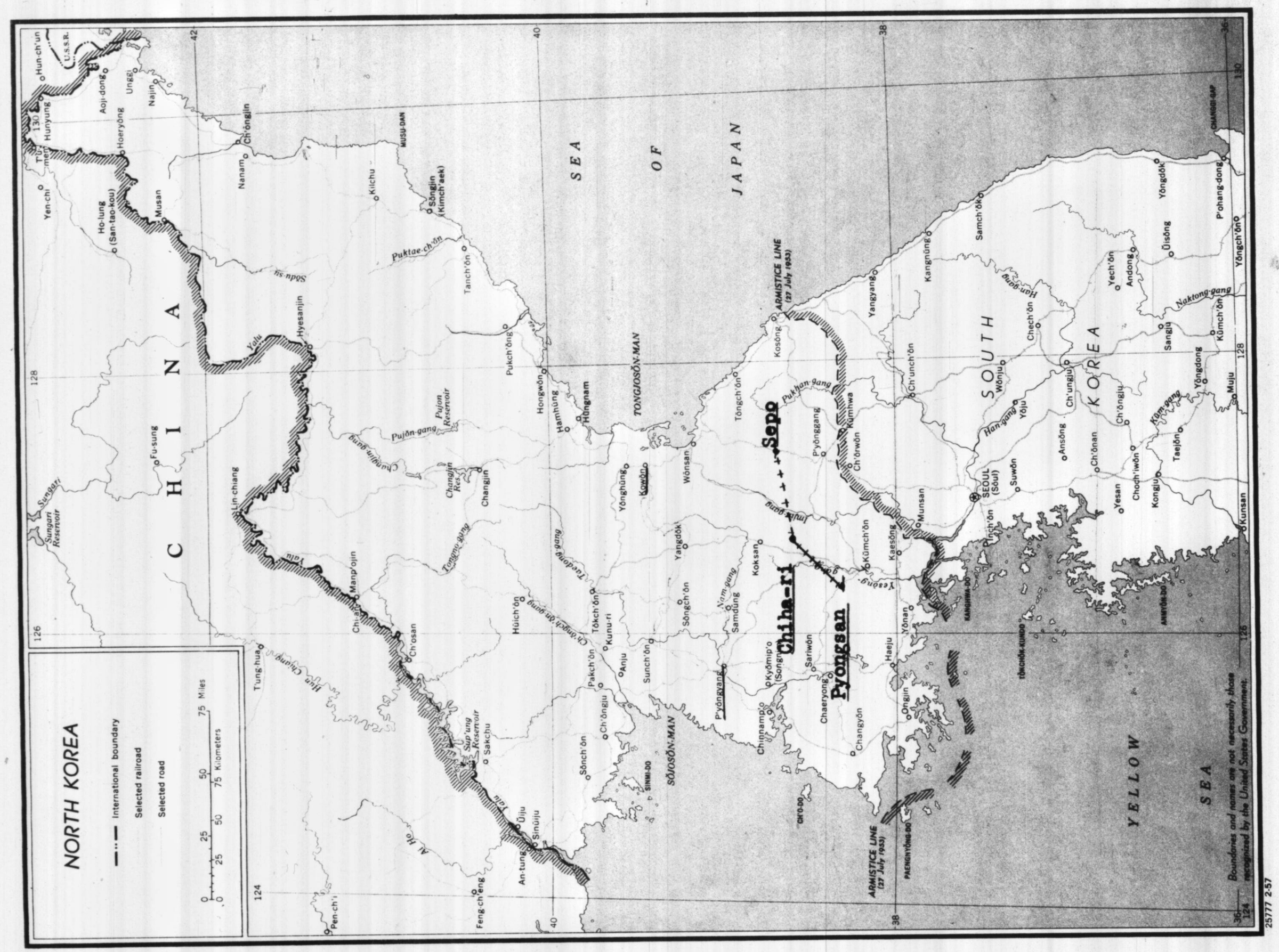

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ADDRESS FOR RADIOGRAMS
"TELCORCA"

November 30, 1956

U. S. Department of State
Division of Communication Services
Washington, D. C.

SUBJ: Priority System for Resumption of Intercity Private Line Services

Gentlemen:

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In compliance with paragraph 6 of the letter dated July 1, 1956 from the Office of Defense Mobilization, we are herewith enclosing, in duplicate, Certification for Priority from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Korea.

These forms were inadvertently sent directly to our office and are forwarded for proper action.

Very truly yours,

Charles E. Somerville

Charles E. Somerville
Assistant Manager
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Enclosures (2)

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December 20 1956

Dear Mr. Alexander:

I enclose for your information copies of self-explanatory correspondence concerning certain forms submitted by the Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs with regard to the priority status of communications between that Ministry and the Korean Embassy in Washington.

Sincerely yours,

Francis Colt de Wolf
Chief
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Mr. F. C. Alexander,
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Office of Defense Mobilization,
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Dear Mr. Somerville:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 30, 1956, transmitting certain forms prepared by the Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the certification of the priority status of certain communications between that Ministry and the Korean Embassy in Washington.

This action is apparently based on current plans of the United States Government to assign priorities for the restoration of certain communications in the event of their interruption in times of emergency. These priorities, however, have not yet been extended to communications services of foreign governments or individuals, and there is no immediate plan to do so.

The forms are accordingly returned with the suggestion that you may wish to retain them with other similar forms applying to communications of interest to the United States, in the event where a subsequent change of policy may extend the priority privileges to communication services of foreign governments or individuals.

Sincerely yours,
For the Secretary of State:

Francis Colt de Wolf
Chief
Telecommunications Division

Enclosure:

Certification form, in duplicate.

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Mr. Charles E. Somerville,
Assistant Manager, Subscriber Services,
RCA Communications, Inc.,
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NO.: A-96 December 20, 1956

SUBJECT: Priority for the Restoration of Private Line Communication Services.

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TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL.

The Department has received from RCA Communications, Inc. certain forms executed in duplicate by the Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs certifying the priority status of certain private line communications between that Ministry and the Korean Embassy in Washington.

This action is presumably based on current United States plans to assign priorities for the restoration of certain private line communication services in the event of their interruption in times of emergency. These priorities, however, have not yet been extended to communication services of foreign governments and individuals and there are as yet no plans to do so.

The forms in question are being returned to RCA by the Department with the above information and with the suggestion that that company may wish to keep them on file together with similar forms applying to services of interest to the United States, in the event the policy in this matter is changed and it is decided to extend the priorities to foreign governments or individuals.

The Embassy is instructed, in its discretion, to inform the appropriate Korean authorities of the above.

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NO: 326, January 19, 9 p.m.

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KOREAN EMBASSY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

January 7, 1955

Dear Secretary Dulles,

At the request of my President, Dr. Syngman Rhee, I have the honor to send to you herewith the first mint issue of three sets of stamps from the Korean Post Office Department commemorating the signing of the Mutual Defense Treaty between the Republic of Korea and your own great nation, the United States of America.

The symbolism these stamps seek to convey is, I am sure, very apparent -- the firm handclasp of friendship between the two Chief Executives and the flags of the two nations in the background.

With my highest esteem, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

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You Chan Yang
Korean Ambassador

The Secretary of State
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Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I wish to thank you cordially for your letter of January 7, 1955, calling to my attention at the request of President Syngman Rhee the first sixty issues of three sets of stamps from the Korean Post Office Department commemorating the signing of the Mutual Defense Treaty between the United States and the Republic of Korea.

In view of my strong personal interest and participation in making the Treaty arrangements, I am particularly pleased to receive these handsome commemorative stamps.

I would be highly appreciative if you would convey my thanks to President Rhee for his thoughtfulness.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN FOSTER DULLES

John Foster Dulles

His Excellency
Yu Chan Yang,
Ambassador of Korea.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Korean Charge Concerning Mutual Defense Treaty

I am enclosing herewith an envelope which the Korean Ambassador left with me on January 7, 1955. He said that he carries Korean charge concerning the signing of the Mutual Defense Treaty between the United States and the Republic of Korea and that these charges are being given you at the request of President Rhee.

A written acknowledgment asking the Korean Ambassador to convey your appreciation to President Rhee would appear appropriate, and I am enclosing a suggested acknowledgment for your consideration.

JOHN FOSTER DULLES

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1. Korean charge.
2. Suggested acknowledgment.

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Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I want to tell you how much I appreciate receiving the new Korean stamps commemorating the signing of the Mutual Defense Treaty between the United States and the Republic of Korea. The stamps are symbolic of the strong ties between our countries.

I will be grateful if you would convey to President Rhee my sincere thanks for his thoughtfulness.

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TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON — DATE December 28, 1955

REF : CERP March 20, 1953, Section D-4; D-20

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SUBJECT: Complaints About Korean Postal Service and Foreign Exchange Controls

The American sponsored relief and charitable organizations which are members of the KOREA ASSOCIATION of VOLUNTARY AGENCIES(KAVA) have been temporarily granted an extension by Headquarters, United States Army Forces, Far East, of the privilege of receiving and sending first-class letter mail through A.P.O. channels, a privilege which was to terminate on December 31st. The Embassy has recommended to the Commanding General, Eighth Army, that a temporary extension be granted pending outcome of possible further discussions with the Korean government concerning interference with legitimate remittances by resident Americans and certain reported deficiencies in the Korean postal system.

As the Department is aware, Army logistical support in Korea of private individuals and organizations has been withdrawn in steps over the past year. The charitable and religious organizations which are represented in KAVA were scheduled to lose all of their logistical support, including the use of A.P.O. facilities, this spring. An extension of the period during which first class letter APO privileges would be enjoyed by KAVA members was granted because the Ministry of Finance in April, 1955, issued instructions to the Korean postal authorities to check outgoing mail and to remove checks and other foreign exchange instruments from outgoing communications. These instruments were sent to the Bank of Korea(BOK) where they were held without action. (In at least a few instances, checks so removed were later negotiated by unauthorized persons who had apparently stolen them either at the Post Office or at the BOK).

The Embassy informally enquired at the BOK and at the Finance Ministry as to the legal basis for the removal from letters of American citizens of checks drawn on bank accounts in the United States, for such purposes as payment of insurance permiums and support of members of the remitter's family. The BOK said in effect that their instructions from the Ministry of Finance were only to hold the checks, and that the Ministry was solely responsible for the interpretation of exchange control laws and regulations.

The Ministry of Finance pointed out that the great need for Korea to control the outflow of foreign exchange necessitated the measure of opening all outgoing mail, including that of foreign residents of Korea, and the /removal

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removal of exchange instruments contained therein. When the Embassy pointed out that Korea could hardly claim the right to control disbursements from bank accounts abroad containing funds not derived from activities here of foreigners residing temporarily in Korea, the Minister admitted that this was not the government's intent, but stated that the Postal inspectors could not distinguish between different kinds of remittances. He promised however to look into the problem.

Enclosure No. 1 is a Finance Ministry instruction to the BOK on the Control of Outgoing Foreign Exchange, which apparently resulted from the informal representations of the Embassy to the Finance Ministry. The instruction provides for a system of licensing certain types of check payments abroad by foreigners resident in Korea. Although it provides a measure of relief, it is restricted to personal checks of less than $500 in value. The sender of the letter and the drawer of the check must be the same person, according to the BOK.

The inadequacies of the Korean postal system are well-known. Enclosure No. 6 lists a large number of cases of delays in delivery, pilferage, non-delivery, etc., as reported to KAVA by its members. Non-official Koreans confirm that these inadequacies exist and state that they affect Koreans as well as foreigners. The average Korean does not entrust his postal system with anything of value.

The Korean authorities intend to continue to open outgoing and incoming mail, including first-class letters. The possibility of misuse of information gleaned from letters remains. The members of KAVA regard this 'censorship' one of the most objectionable features of the Korean exchange control action.

Action Requested:

The Department's comments are requested as to whether the ROK postal inspection practices are in accordance with general international usage.

The U.S. Army will doubtless ask for Embassy advice within the next several months as to a further extension of the existing first-class APO privilege enjoyed by KAVA members. Instructions as to an Embassy reply would be appreciated. They should be based on the assumption that no improvement will have taken place in the ROK mail service or inspection procedures.

For the Charge' d'Affaires a.i.:

Samuel O. Lane

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Second Secretary of Embassy

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Enclosures:

1. As stated.
2. Finance Bureau Notification, "Control of outgoing and incoming foreign exchange by mail.
3. Announcement (by Bank of Korea)
4. Application For Mailing Checks(s) Abroad.
5. Letter dated November 11, 1955, from KAVA to AFFE/US Eighth Army.
6. Letter dated December 5, 1955, from KAVA to AFFE/US Eighth Army.

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Financial Bureau, Ministry of Finance No. 5415
September 16, 1955

From : Minister of Finance

To : Governor of Bank of Korea

Subject: Control of Outgoing Foreign Exchange

I understand that the referenced subject matter is being handled in accordance with the Financial Bureau Notification No. 607, issued on May 18, 1955, by the Ministry of Finance. However, the said notification has been amended and you are advised to discharge your function in connection with the remittance of foreign exchange most satisfactorily in accordance with the following amendment.

1. I hereby transfer to the Bank of Korea my authority as Minister of Finance, which is none being exercised in accordance with the USAMGIK Ordinance No. 93, article 1, paragraphs 3 & 4, to issue permits for the remittance of small amounts of foreign exchange to be used for proper purposes, such as remittances for family needs, taxes, insurance, etc.

2. When the Bank of Korea approves such remittances in accordance with the above paragraph, the Bank shall issue certificates of approval.

3. The proper authorities under the Ministry of Communications shall permit remittance of foreign exchange by mail for which the above certificates are issued.

4. Incoming foreign exchange shall be handled as usual.

5. The Bank of Korea shall inform alien nationals (especially the religious organizations) of these amendments.

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Finance Bureau Notification No. 5415
October 15, 1955

From : Minister of Finance

To : Governor of Bank of Korea

Subject: Control of outgoing and incoming foreign exchange by mail

The referenced subject matter was covered in Notification 5415, dated September 16, 1955. But I call to your attention an amendment which has been made to handle incoming foreign exchange. The amendment is as follow:

1. In the case of incoming foreign exchange (all foreign exchange including traveler's check and Military Payment Certificates) by mail, the proper authorities under the Ministry of Communication shall notify immediately the remittee, and transfer the foreign exchange to the Bank of Korea for custody. When the remittee is notified, the said authority should mention the fact in the notification that the remittee can deposit the exchange with the Bank of Korea or sell the exchange to the Bank of Korea on the basis of 500 to 1.

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Announcement (by Bank of Korea)

During the past, the Government, in order to control illegal currency transactions as well as to prevent our domestic capital escaping overseas and regardless of whether a person is a Korean national or a foreigner, has prohibited foreign exchanges and other valuables from being enclosed in the mail and sent abroad.

Now, in accordance with the authorization made by the Ministry of Finance to the Bank of Korea, the foreign residents and religious organizations may send through the mail monetary gifts to their families and may also send such other checks issued against their personal deposits abroad; which are intended to pay for taxes or insurance premiums, etc., by obtaining a previous approval from the Foreign Department of this bank.

However, such a monetary transfer is to be recognized only within the amount of $500.00 or its equivalent in some other foreign currency. This has to be previously applied for according to the authorized form and duly approved. Now, having obtained such a permit, one may either show the certificate to the postal authorities or else, enclose the same together with the check thereof and mail it. This may now be considered as being immune from seizure.

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APPLICATION
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MAILING CHECK(S) ABROAD

The undersigned apply for your approval for mailing my check(s) abroad as follows:

Amount:_____

Purpose:_____

Name of Sender:_____

Name of Payee:_____

Signature:_____

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Approved.

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Authorized Signature
The Bank of Korea

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KOREA ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTARY AGENCIES

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SEOUL, KOREA

KENRIC R. MARSHALL
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

November 11, 1955

General I.D. White
Commanding General
AFFE/U.S. 8th Army
A.P.O. 301

Dear Sir:

In June of this year on the kind recommendation of General Lemnitzer, the Department of Army authorized the temporary extension of first-class letter A.P.O. privileges to American citizens of the American sponsored member agencies of KAVA. We understand that this is effective only until January 1st 1956.

In the meantime we have worked towards assuring a measure of security for American citizens in the regular international mails and have expressed our concern to the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Communications and the American Embassy. It was hoped that the situation in the Korea postal system, censorship of first-class mail, removal of cheques drawn on home banks to pay accounts in the U.S.A., Canada etc, and other evidences of pilfering could be cleared up.

However such is not the case. Canadian and other non-USA members of KAVA continue to experience these difficulties and delays and as yet no effective agreement has been reached with the ROK government in the matter of foreign cheques drawn on foreign banks. A list of current abuses of the mails is being prepared for presentation to the ROK Minister of Communications and we will be pleased to send you this list when it is completed if you so wish.

Meanwhile our American members have expressed grave concern and ask that we beg your indulgence and consideration of an extension of A.P.O. first-class letter privileges.

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As in the past our agencies will make every effort to assure that there are no abuses of this highly important privilege.

Thank you indeed for your consideration of this request.

Yours respectfully,

Monsignor George M. Carroll
Chairman

Kenric R. Marshall
Executive Secretary

Kindly address reply to:

K. R. MARSHALL
Vol. Agencies Liaison
UNKRA A.P.O. 301

cc: Miss Charlotte Owen
American Council Voluntary Agencies
for Foreign Service
20 West 40th St.
New York, N.Y.

Mr. Paul R. Hughes
Economic Section
American Embassy
Seoul, Korea.

Wm H. McCahon
Executive Director
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From Seoul

December 5, 1955

General I. D. White
Commanding General
AFFE/U.S. 8th Army
APO 301

Dear Sir:

With reference to our letter of November 11, 1955 requesting an extension of A.P.O. privileges may I take the liberty of attaching herewith a partial list of complaints registered by members of KAVA.

This points up most seriously that the same situation which last May prompted the Department of Army to review A.P.O. privileges for first class letter mail still obtains. In fact far from improving the situation has deteriorated. We believe that until evidence of some improvement and stability can be demonstrated the security of American citizens is in jeopardy and the programs of the agencies threatened. In addition there are now more cases of return names and addresses on envelopes being used by unscrupulous and unauthorized persons to request money from people at home.

In short sir the American citizens of our agencies are terribly concerned about this and beg your indulgence in support of an extension of A.P.O.

Yours respectfully,

/s/ M. Olin Burkholder
/t/ M. OLIN BURKHOLDER
Chairman

Return Mailing Address:

M. Olin Burkholder
Methodist Mission
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LIST OF COMPLAINTS RE R.O.K. POSTAL SERVICE

FIRST CLASS MAIL

Complainant's name and address: American Foundation for Overseas Blind
P.O. Box 381 Kwanghwa Moon, Seoul

Date Complaint	Mail sent to:	Mail sent from:	Nature of complaints
Aug. through Oct. 55	Seoul, Korea	U. S. A.	Not delivered - 4 letters

The Asia Foundation: 198 Hwanhoon Dong, Chongro, Seoul

Jul. 5/55	From Seoul to U.S.A.	(1) Not delivered - a check for insurance never reached dest.
Sept. 1/55	" " "	(2) Delays: 2 weeks & 3 days for airmail.
Sept. 15/55	" " "	(3) Opened: a personal letter.
Oct. 12/55	" " "	(4) " : a letter addressed to the Foundation

Assemblies of God Mission: P. O. Box 5, Su Dai Moon, Seoul

Oct. 55	From U.S.A. to Seoul	(1) Opened: a letter
Jul. 55	From Seoul to U.S.A.	(2) Not delivered: Some addressees did not receive mail.

Benedictine Fathers. Waegwan, Kyongsang Pukto

4 Oct. 55	From Korea to Germany	A mail Not Delivered.

Christian Children's Fund: P.O. Box 278 Kwanghwa Moon, Seoul

No specific date but take place regularly.
Mail not delivered: Sponsors of our children often write us asking why a certain child hasn't answered his letter. We check our records and find that letters for that child have never come to our office.

Once a check was removed from the mail.

Columban Sisters:

17 Mar. to 15 Oct. 55	From Mokpo to Boston	(1) Not delivered: during this period less than 1/3 letters have reached Boston.
" "	From Mokpo to Altoona, PA.	(2) Not delivered: about ½ letters reached Altoona.
29 Apr. 31 May, 55	From Mokpo to St. Colombasis Nebraska	(3) Not delivered: 3 letters never reached the destination.

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Columban Sisters: (Cont'd)

28 Aug. 55	From Elpaso to Mokpo	(4) Mail opened and 5 dollar cheque removed.

Maryknoll Sisters: P.O. Box 77, Pusan

June 55	From U.S.A. to Pusan, Korea	(1) Mail Not delivered - mail with cheque enclosed.
July 55	From 8th Army to Pusan	(2) Delays: 4 weeks for delivery from Seoul to Pusan.

Jesuit Fathers: P.O. Box 11, Central, Seoul, Korea

12 Oct. 55	From Tokyo to Seoul	(1) Mail opened - no "censored" stamp used
12 Sept. 55	" "	(2) Mail opened and also delivered 3 weeks later.
4 Apr. 55	Seoul to N.Y.	(3) Checks held at B.O.K. for 6 months.
25 Oct. 55	From Tokyo to Seoul	(4) Mail not delivered.

Methodist Mission: Box 164 Kwanghwa Moon, Seoul

Apr. 1 & 2, 55	From Seoul to Bank of America	(1) 2 letters opened and checks and U.S. postal Money Orders removed.
Always	From Seoul to Pusan or Pusan to Seoul	(2) Delays: one week to more than one month.

Presbyterian Mission Taegu, Korea

April 15, 1955	From California to Taegu	(1) Letter with $300 check from La Canada, Calif., never delivered (nor returned)
May	From Penna. to Taegu	(2) Letter with $250 check from Erie, Pa., lost in mail.
Aug. 8	From Ohio, U.S.A. to Taegu	(3) $20 check removed from undelivered letter and cashed with forged signature and endorsement "Chung Gun Kim, Y.M.C.A."
Summer	From Texas, U.S.A. to Taegu	(4) Money removed from two letters addressed to Dr. K. M. Scott.

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Salvation Army: P.O. Box 8, Kwanghwa Moon, Seoul

	From London to Seoul	(1) Mail not delivered - letter containing money.
	" "	(2) Mail not delivered.
	From Erling, England to Seoul	(3) Mail not delivered - containing photograph.

Seventh Day Adventist Mission: P.O. Box 43, Seoul

May 1/55	From Korea to U.S.A.	(1) Letters opened and checks never reached U.S.
	" "	(2) " " "
May 25/55	From Korea to Canada	(3) Mail opened.
July 15/55	From Korea to U.S.A.	(4) Mail opened and checks never received.
Apr. 9/55		
Apr. 12/55	" "	(5) " " "
May 15/55	" "	(6) " " "
May 55	" "	(7) Delays: Several letters stamped Seoul P.O. May 3,4,5, delivered to city P.O. Box May 19, 20, 21, 22.
July 55	" "	(8) Mail opened and 2 checks to U.S. bank removed.
July 55	" "	(9) Mail opened and a check to family removed.

PARCEL POST

Complainant's name and address: American Foundation for Overseas Blind
P.O. Box 381 Kwanghwa Moon, Seoul

Date Complaint	Parcel sent to:	Parcel sent from:	Nature of complaints
Aug. through Oct. 55	Korea	U.S.A.	(1) Opened & goods removed: 8 parcels. (2) Missing: 6 neckties (3) Goods damaged: 8 hankerchiefs 5 knives 2 thermometres (4) Delays and others: 2 months delay. 38 visits to several offices. Careless handling, sitting and walking on parcels, charge ₩ 16,000. Mistake admitted but money not repaid.

Assemblies of God Mission: P.O. Box 5, Su Dai Moon, Seoul

Aug. 55	Parcels from U.S.A. to Korea	Parcels opened and all apart. List of contents - tag missing.

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Benedictine Fathers: Waegwan, Kyongsang Pukto

Nov. 5/55	From Germany to Waegwan	(1) a parcel not delivered
Nov. 11/55	" "	(2) Not delivered - magazines

Christian Children's Fund: P.O. Box 278 Kwanghwa Moon, Seoul

No specific dates, but take place regularly.
Parcels opened and goods removed: Especially during the last Christmas seasons nearly one-fourth of the boxes for the children (which came at the rate of 300 per day) had contents missing. In two cases a box was sent to our office which had every item taken from the box and only the wrappings were sent to us. In this connection, about 75% of the gifts have the customs declaration tag removed so that it is not possible to check the contents of the box against what the sender claims to have sent. This particular complaint of missing items is not so great now as a few months back.

N.B. IMPORTANT: A serious complaint is that employees in the International Section have taken names from the packages to the children (of the sender) and written direct appeals to them for gifts and money. This has caused us embarassment and a great deal of explanation.

Methodist Mission: P.O. Box 164 Kwanghwa Moon, Seoul

June /55	From Ill., USA to C.H. Harper, Pusan	(1) A line level was sent and never arrived.
June 1954	From N.J. USA to C.H. Harper.	(2) Dacron shirt was sent and never arrived.

Maryknoll Sisters: P.O. Box 77, Pusan

July 1955	From U.S.A. to Pusan, Korea	(1) goods up to $5 either removed or destroyed by rate.
Oct. 1955	" " "	(2) $1 worth goods removed.
		(3) Delays - 10 weeks coming from the States.
		(4) Packages No. 1588, 1939, 1298 lost. Letter from post office said they did not know what happened to them.
June 1955	" " "	(5) Missing - Some animal dolls
Sept. 1955		(6) An overcoat missing
July 1955	" " "	(7) 2 cans powdered milk and 2 bottles of vitamin pills - missing.
July 1955	" " "	(8) 4 pairs of socks taken from a package.
July 1955	" " "	(9) Mail not delivered.

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Mennonite Central Committee: P.O. Box 5, Taegu

Apr. 12, 1955	From New York to Taegu	(1) Missing - Package of books. Local Post office never cooperate tracing.
June, 1955	From Ohio, USA to a student	(2) Missing: a small package containing FOUNTAIN PEN and extra points. Entire Contents missing. Had been inspected by Korean customs.
August, 1955	From USA to a student in Taegu	(3) Parcel received but 5 or 6 candy bars had been removed.

Methodist Mission, Women's Div. Address: % Methodist Mission

Jul. 25/55	From Detroit, USA to Seoul	(1) Missing: two packages never received.
Jul. 55	From Washington, D.C. to Seoul	(2) One package of medicine never received.

Presbyterian Mission, Taegu, Korea.

May-August, 1955	From Mich., USA to Taegu	(1 - 6) Relief clothing removed from cloth bags (shipped from Detroit) on 6 or 7 occasions.
Sept., 1955	From England to Taegu	(7) Package from London containing 25,000 tablets of leprosy medicine(DDS) not delivered.
Sept., 15/55	From Okla., USA to Taegu	(8 - 11) 4 packages from Muskogee, Okla, opened and part of contents (food and other items) removed.
April, 1955	From Chicago, USA to Taegu	(12) Package addressed to R.C. Urquhart never arrived.
May, 1955	" "	(13) Customs tag and part of contents removed from package.

Salvation Army: P.O. Box 8, Kwanghwa Moon, Seoul

-	From Millard, New Zealand to Seoul	(1) Parcels opened & goods removed.

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-	From Canada to Seoul	(2) Parcels returned to sender, though clearly marked to our regular address.
-	Burr Brisbane to Seoul	(3) Parcel mutilated and contents - Missing (4) There are a number of parcels with articles - Missing

Salesian Fathers: Kwangju, Cholla Namdo

Jan/55	From Tokyo to Kwangju	(1) Not delivered - Japanese products printed matter
Feb/55	" "	(2) Not delivered - Japanese Catholic magazine
June/55	" "	(3) Not delivered - Japanese
July/55	" "	(4) Not delivered - Japanese
July/55	" "	(5) Not delivered - Japanese scholastic matter.

Seventh Day Adventist Mission: P.O. Box 43, Seoul

May, July, August & Sept.	From USA to Seoul	(1) Not delivered - Books and magazines (several instances)
July/55	From USA to Seoul	(2) Not delivered - 2 personnel packages.

United Church of Canada: 190-10 Choong Chung Ro, 2-Ka, Su Dai Moon, Seoul

March - Nov. 16/55	From England to Seoul	(1) Of "several parcels" sent from England none have ever arrived.
July 1, 1955	From Canada to Seoul	(2) Fur-coat in a parcel on the outside of which were listed other things - Missing
September	From Canada to Seoul	(3) ½ parcel removed - this complaint taken to post office, Nothing done.

World Vision, Inc.: P.O. Box 44, Su Dai Moon, Seoul

Nov. 12/55	From USA to the Agency in Seoul	(1) Missing - 4 used clothing items.
" "	" " "	(2) Missing - 17 used clothing and shoes items.

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TO : TD - ~~Mr. de Wolf~~

FROM : TD - Miss Kelly

DATE: January 12, ~~1956~~

SUBJECT: Attached letter to Mr. Siedle and despatch from Seoul.

I am holding the original despatch in order to get comments from Mr. Srole (FN) who I understand is the Department's expert on foreign exchange control questions, and who is on leave until Monday, January 16th. However, in the meantime, I think it would be useful to get this letter off to the Post Office Department so that we may possibly have an answer from it by the time we get in touch with Mr. Srole.

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Dear Mr. Siedle:

I enclose for your consideration a copy of despatch No. 204 dated December 28, 1955, together with copies of the enclosures thereto, from the American Embassy at Seoul reporting the unsatisfactory conditions prevailing in Korean postal services, and requesting the Department's comments as to whether the postal inspection practices of the Korean Government are in accordance with general international usage.

The Department would appreciate receiving your suggestions as to the nature of the reply to be made to the Embassy in response to this question, as well as any other comments you consider might be helpful.

Sincerely yours,

Francis Colt de Wolf
Chief
Telecommunications Division

Enclosure:

Copy of Despatch No. 204 dated December 28, 1955, from Seoul, with enclosures thereto.

The Honorable
E. George Siedle,
Assistant Postmaster General,
Washington 25, D. C.

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NO.: A - 158 , February 10, 1956

SUBJECT: Complaints about Korean Postal Service and Foreign Exchange Controls.

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TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL.

A copy of the Embassy's despatch No. 204 dated December 28, 1955, was referred to the Post Office Department for information responsive to the Embassy's request to be advised whether the Korean postal inspection practices are in accordance with general international usage. In a letter dated January 24, 1956, the Post Office Department replied as follows:

> "The Universal Postal Convention interposes no objection to official examination of letters for exchange-control inspection. Article 61 of the Convention specifically authorizes the opening of letters and other mail articles for customs inspection, and exchange-control inspection is clearly an analogous procedure. Such inspections are regularly carried on in other countries."

From this information it could not be said that the ROK is engaged in an objectionable method of enforcing exchange controls when it inspects outgoing mail and removes foreign exchange instruments enclosed by the sender without authorization. This applies even when the enclosed instruments are checks of persons who reside only temporarily in the ROK and who draw them against funds held elsewhere and that derive from activities engaged in elsewhere. An American in Korea wishing to obtain hwan for local use, for instance, could purchase the hwan from a local Korean and, if he were free to do so, could effect payment by making out a check on his bank account in the U.S. and mailing it for deposit into an account of the Korean in the United States. The Korean would have succeeded then in exporting capital to the United States. Since this process could be carried out with little chance of detection, it would provide an opportunity for capital export of an unauthorized nature. It was no doubt to prevent such flight of capital that the freedom to send checks or other foreign exchange instruments via the mails has been restricted.

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On the assumption that no improvement will have taken place in the ROK mail service or inspection procedures, the Department considers that the Embassy would be justified in recommending a further extension of the existing first class APO privileges enjoyed by members of the Korea Association of Voluntary Agencies (KAVA) and it may so recommend when requested for advice by the United States Army officials.

While it would appear that this Government has no basis for protesting the restrictions, or their enforcement through the use of the Postal Service, it would nevertheless seem appropriate for the Embassy, in its discretion, to continue its efforts to have unreasonable or arbitrary enforcement practices discontinued.

The Department has noted from an examination of the enclosure listing cases of delays in delivery, pilferage, et cetera, that members of KAVA used the open mails when the APO facilities were, apparently, available to them. The Department would be interested in knowing why this was done.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : TD--Miss Kelly

DATE: February 2, 1956

FROM : FN--S. R. Srole

SUBJECT: Embassy Seoul Despatch 204--Language for Inclusion in Reply

The following is proposed as part of the reply to the reference despatch concerning the Postal Service of Korea, and its use in connection with Korean exchange controls.

> From information made available by the U.S. Post Office Department, it could not be said that the ROK is engaged in an objectionable method of enforcing exchange controls when it inspects outgoing mail and removes foreign exchange instruments enclosed by the sender without authorization. This applies even when the enclosed instruments are checks of persons who reside only temporarily in the ROK and who draw them against funds held elsewhere and that derive from activities engaged in elsewhere. An American in Korea wishing to obtain hwan for local use, for instance, could purchase the hwan from a local Korean and, if he were free to do so, could effect payment by making out a check on his bank account in the U.S. and mailing it for deposit into an account of the Korean in the U.S. The Korean would have succeeded then in exporting capital to the U.S. Since this process could be carried out with little chance of detection, it would provide an opportunity for capital export of an unauthorized nature. It was no doubt to prevent such flight of capital that the freedom to send checks or other foreign exchange instruments via the mails has been restricted.

The abuses committed by the Korean Postal Service in administering such restrictions is another matter, of course, TD will presumably want to comment on them. Although the U.S. would lack the basis for protesting the restrictions, or their enforcement through use of the Postal Service, it would nevertheless seem appropriate for the Embassy at Seoul, in its discretion, to seek to have enforcement practices that are unreasonable or arbitrary discontinued.

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January 24, 1956

Mr. Francis Colt de Wolf
Chief, Telecommunications Division
Department of State
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. de Wolf:

Reference is made to your letter of January 17 (TD) transmitting a copy of Seoul dispatch No. 204 reporting unsatisfactory conditions prevailing in the Korean postal service and inquiring whether the postal inspection practices described are in accordance with general international usage. The complaint concerns the opening of mail, including letters, for the purpose of enforcing the Korean Government's prohibition against foreign exchange transactions except with the approval of the Bank of Korea.

The Universal Postal Convention interposes no objection to official examination of letters for exchange-control inspection. Article 61 of the Convention specifically authorizes the opening of letters and other mail articles for customs inspection, and exchange-control inspection is clearly an analogous procedure. Such inspections are regularly carried on in other countries.

Sincerely yours,

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Director
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Hopeful instructions requested in Embassy despatch 204, December 28, 1955, will be received soon. Army anxious receive Embassy advice this problem.

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NO.: A-220 May 11, 1956

SUBJECT: Complaints about Korean Postal Service and Foreign Exchange Controls.

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TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL.

The Department refers to the Embassy's despatch No. 204 dated December 28, 1955, and to subsequent correspondence on the above subject. The Embassy is requested to advise the Department of the present status of its negotiations with the ROK Government for the discontinuance of unreasonable or arbitrary enforcement practices in the inspection of mail.

Specifically, the Department would like to know whether the Embassy considers its negotiations with the Government have been completed and what the results of these negotiations are.

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NO.: A - 36 September 7, 1956

SUBJECT: Continuation of APO privileges to Korea Association of Voluntary Agencies (KAVA).

TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL.

The Department refers to its instruction No. A-25, August 10, 1956, and to previous correspondence on the above subject, and encloses a copy of a letter dated August 28, 1956, from the Department of Defense, stating that it will continue to provide APO first class mail privileges to KAVA.

In accordance with the wish expressed in the letter, the Embassy is requested to keep this matter in mind and, whenever the time seems opportune, to renew negotiations with the appropriate authorities for an improved mail service, in order that the Department of Defense will not have to continue indefinitely to provide this service.

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Enclosure:

Copy of a letter from the Department of Defense, August 28, 1956.

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Washington 25, D. C.

August 28, 1956

Dear Mr. Prochnow:

Your request of 10 August 1956 for the continuation of APO privileges to the Korea Association of Voluntary Agencies (Kava) has been carefully considered.

When we made the decision in June 1955 to extend the first class mail privilege to the KAVA until 1 January 1956, it was hoped that the Department of State would be successful in its efforts to improve the Korean Postal Service. This date was subsequently extended pending the outcome of negotiations with the Korean Government.

Since you advise that negotiations with that Government have been discontinued, the Department of Defense will continue to provide APO first class mail privileges to KAVA.

It is hoped that negotiations will be resumed toward improving the Korean Postal Service in order that it will not be necessary for this Department to continue indefinitely to provide this service.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Carter L. Burgess

Honorable Herbert V. Prochnow
Deputy Under Secretary for
Economic Affairs
Department of State
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NO.: A-25, August 10, 1956,

SUBJECT: Complaints about Korean Postal Service and Foreign Exchange Control.

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TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL.

The Department refers to the Embassy's despatch No. 411 of June 19, 1956, and encloses for the information of the Embassy a copy of a letter of even date to the Department of Defense requesting favorable consideration by that Department of the question of the continuation of the APO first class privileges now enjoyed by the Korea Association of Voluntary Agencies (KAVA).

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FOREIGN SERVICE DESPATCH

FROM : AMEMBASSY, SEOUL

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DESP. NO.

TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.

June 19, 1956

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REF : a) A-220 May 11, 1956
b) Emb despatch 204, December 28, 1955

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SUBJECT: Complaints about Korean Postal Service and Foreign Exchange Control

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The Embassy is not now conducting negotiations or discussions with the ROK Government relative to the discontinuance of arbitrary practices in the inspection of incoming and outgoing foreign mail.

Enclosure #1 to ref. b) contained details of a procedure announced by the Finance Minister by which foreign residents in Korea might send through the mail "monetary gifts to their families" and also "such other checks issued against their personal deposits abroad, which are intended to pay for taxes or insurance premiums, etc., by obtaining a previous approval" from the Bank of Korea. This procedure was at least partly the result of informal Embassy discussions of the problem with Ministry of Finance and Bank of Korea officials.

According to the Executive Secretary of the Korea Association of Voluntary Agencies (KAVA) individuals and organizations affiliated with his group have felt that the BOK prior approval procedure offers only a partial solution to the problem of communication with persons and organizations outside Korea. Many believe that the information called for on the BOK form of application for permission to send a check by mail is of a private nature which they should not be forced to divulge. Others object to the opening and examination of their letters for any reason.

It is believed that very little use has yet been made of the new BOK prior approval procedure, because the U.S. Army has continued to permit the use of first-class mail APO facilities by KAVA members. The Commanding General of the U.S. Eighth Army, Korea, informed his higher headquarters on March 21, 1956, that the Embassy's discussions with ROK authorities had been temporarily suspended and recommended that no change be made in the existing APO privilege.

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While Embassy officers will, as opportunities present themselves, continue attempts to have unreasonable foreign exchange control enforcement measures discontinued, it seems certain that the opening of outgoing mail will continue.

It seems equally certain that the conditions of low pay for ROK government employees, poor equipment and inefficiencies in the ROK postal system which result in pilferage, delays in delivery or non-delivery of mail will continue for the forseeable future.

An approach made by KAVA to the Ministry of Communications several months ago elicited an assurance that the postal authorities would not open or interfere with incoming mail addressed to members of KAVA. Perhaps as a result of this, there has been, according to the Executive Secretary, somewhat less pilferage from or non-delivery of packages addressed to KAVA members.

However, there have been several recent cases in which incoming letters were opened and checks removed. These checks were voluntary, unsolicited contributions for the work of the addressee KAVA agencies in Korea but they have apparently been confiscated by the government. Heretofore, foreign exchange found in incoming mail has been deposited in the Bank of Korea, or at the request of the payee or addressee has been purchased by the Bank of Korea at the official exchange rate.

According to a recent newspaper story 1/, in the future such foreign exchange may be confiscated and other penalties including fines and penal servitude imposed on the offender. The application, as threatened, of a provision of the customs law which establishes penalties for smuggling or attempted smuggling to "offenses" of the type described would probably greatly handicap the KAVA agencies, even if first class APO privileges are retained. The Executive Secretary of KAVA intends to seek clarification of this announcement. He points out that it is obviously impossible for KAVA members to control the contents of unsolicited mail, and he questions that the sending of donations to aid the work being done by KAVA members for the Korean people should be discouraged even though the donors are technically violating the ROK foreign exchange control laws.

1/ See enclosure No. 1 for a translation of the newspaper story, which appeared on May 24, 1956. On June 19 a Customs Bureau official informed an Embassy staff member that the threatened crack-down was still in the discussion stage.

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Embassy Recommendation:

It is understanding of the Embassy that the volume of KAVA APO mail is small and places little additional burden on the Army Postal System. The Embassy recommends therefore that the Department request the Department of Defense to continue the APO first-class mail privileges now enjoyed by KAVA. If this is, for reasons unknown here, impossible or inadvisable, it is requested that as much warning as possible be given prior to the cessation of this privilege.

For the Charge' d'Affaires a.i. :

Edwin M. Cronk

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First Secretary of Embassy

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TRADE NEWS - May 24, 1956

Illegal Influx of Foreign Exchange to be Strictly Controlled

The Ministry of Communications has requested the Ministry of Finance to stringently control the illegal influx of foreign exchange through the mails. Consequently, the Ministry of Finance is said to be planning to have the Seoul Customs Bureau request the authorities concerned to take legal steps in accordance with the provisions of Article 197 1/ of the Customs Law whenever foreign currency, traveler's checks, and so forth are discovered in the mails. Up to now, any foreign exchange found in the mails has either been deposited in the Bank of Korea or, if requested by the party involved, procured by the Bank at the official exchange rate in accordance with the provisions of USAMGIK (United States Army Military Government in Korea) Ordinance No. 93, Item No. 4 of Article 12 of the Customs Law, and International Mail Regulations.

1/ Embassy footnote: Article 197 reads as follows (unofficial translation):

THE CUSTOMS LAW

Law No. 67
Promulgated on November 23, 1949.

Law No. 229
Promulgated on December 6, 1951.

CHAPTER VI. PUNITIVE RULES.

Article 197. Any person who has exported or has attempted to export the contraband and who has imported or has attempted to import the contraband shall be punished with penal servitude not exceeding five years or by a fine of not less than one time and not exceeding five times the amount of duty so evaded or attempted to evade, and the goods in possession or owned by the offender shall be confiscated.

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NO.: A-252 June 22, 1956

SUBJECT: Status of negotiations with ROK Government in connection with inspection of mails.

TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL.

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The Department would appreciate receiving a reply to its instruction A-220, May 11, 1956, requesting to be advised of the status of the Embassy's negotiations with the ROK Government for the discontinuance of unreasonable or arbitrary enforcement practices in the inspection of mail. The specific question in the instruction was whether the Embassy considered its negotiations with the Government have been completed and, if so, what the results of these negotiations are.

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November 18, 1959

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I have received your letter of November 4, 1959, in which you request that a report be obtained from the American Embassy at Seoul regarding the complaint of Mr. S. Sutton in his letter to you of October 12, that he has never been able to get a letter from sources in Korea, although one is apparently able to send parcels to needy places in Korea.

It is not clear from Mr. Sutton's letter whether he is referring to mail from north Korea or south Korea. Mail service, as well as parcel post service, is available only to the provinces comprising the Republic of Korea, i.e., provinces south of the thirty-eighth parallel of latitude. Mail or parcels addressed to post offices north of the thirty-eighth parallel will not be forwarded to destination but will be treated as undeliverable.

Before requesting the American Embassy to investigate the difficulties of which Mr. Sutton reports, it would be helpful if Mr. Sutton would furnish specific details concerning the letters which he states he has not received, such as the names of the mailers, the post offices at which they were mailed, the dates of mailing, and whether or not the letters were sent by registered mail. The Department is of the opinion that without this specific information, the Embassy would not be able to make a thorough investigation of this complaint.

Upon receipt of this information, the Department will be glad to request a report from the Embassy concerning this matter.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:

William B. Macomber, Jr.
Assistant Secretary

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The Honorable
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The Honorable Christian A. Herter
Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

It would be appreciated if you would arrange for a report from the American Embassy in Seoul regarding the subject of the attached letter to me from Mr. Sutton.

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Sincerely yours,

J. W. Fulbright
J. W. Fulbright
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Honorable J. William Fulbright
United States Senate
Washington D.C.

Dear Senator Fulbright:

Although one is able to- apparently- get food parcels through to needy places in Korea, I have never been able to get a letter from such sources. This has been the case for many months.

I regard this as indicating that mail is being stolen or stopped in South Korea. Possibly letters are stolen to get the postage stamps.

Can anything be learned about this condition in South Korea?

Yours truly

S. Sutton

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SUBJECT: ROK Request for Possible Use by United Nations Command of a Korean Vessel for Repair of Submarine Cables.

TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL

Repeat for Information: CINCREP, TOKYO FOR CINCUNC

Reference: Embassy Despatch 23 of July 23, 1956.

The Department of State agrees with the suggestion of the Embassy that CINCREP officials attempt to persuade the Government of the Republic of Korea that the acquisition or purchase of a submarine cable repair ship would be economically inadvisable in view of the submarine cable repair facilities already available in the area. The Department suggests that this persuasion be oral, if possible, and stress that even if a cable repair ship were procured by the Government of the Republic of Korea, the United Nations Command could not give any commitment to use this ship in preference to other ships already available. The Department of Defense concurs in this appraisal.

The Departments of State and Defense appreciate the problem raised in the penultimate sentence of the reference despatch, i.e., that the ROK request is motivated by the desire to bring to a head the question of ownership of the cables. If this point is raised directly by the ROK Government, the Department believes that you should state that this is a matter for diplomatic settlement between Japan and Korea and a problem regarding which the United States Government, other than lending its good offices to assist in concluding any settlement, could not interfere. The question of ownership of the cables also raises the related question of the rentals paid by the Far East Command to the Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Public Corporation for the full length of the cables. A settlement as to the midpoint of the cables to determine which portions are Japanese owned and which portions are Korean owned, also would establish those portions of the rentals which should go to the respective countries. Full details regarding present and past status, use of cables, and rental contracts are available at the Far East Command. (A separate message is being sent by the Department of the Army to obtain up-to-date information on these questions.)

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SUBJECT: ROKG Request that UN Command Utilize Korean Facilities for Repairing Submarine Cables in Seas Adjacent to Korea

Enclosed for such action, if any, the Department may deem appropriate is a reproducible copy of a letter, dated June 27, 1956, from the Director of the Political Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, requesting the Embassy's assistance in obtaining the agreement of the United Nations Command to utilize Korean facilities for repairing submarine cables in "adjacent seas of Korea". Receipt of the letter has been acknowledged.

It will be noted that the ROK Government is contemplating the purchase of a submarine-cable repair ship. In discussing this matter with officials of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, a cost figure of $6 million was mentioned and it was indicated that the ROK Government probably would not proceed with the purchase until it had been assured that the UN Command would agree to the utilization of Korean facilities in accordance with the Ministry's request.

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In view of the many ramifications involved, this matter was discussed with AFFE/8A and CINCREP (OEC) officials. It was learned from them that: (1) there currently are three submarine-cable repair ships in the Pacific and these are capable of servicing all submarine cables operative in the Pacific area; and, (2) the purchase of a submarine-cable repair vessel by the ROK would be most uneconomic in view of the limited use which could be made of it and the high cost ($2,000 - $3,000 per day) of operating such a vessel. The CINCREP officials suggested that, as representatives of CINCUNC and if so requested by the Embassy, they would be willing to pursue the matter with the ROK Government in an effort to persuade the interested officials of the inadvisability of proceeding with the action contemplated on grounds that it would be an uneconomic undertaking. The Embassy realizes, of course, the relationship of the question raised by the ROK Government in the enclosed letter to the problem of ownership of the Korean-Japanese submarine cables and believes that the ROK request may have been motivated primarily by a desire to force a settlement of the ownership question.

Action requested: It would be appreciated if the Department would instruct the Embassy as to what action, if any, it should take regarding this matter.

For the Ambassador:
Edwin M. Cronk
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First Secretary of Embassy

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June 27, 1956

Dear Mr. Cronk:

I wish to write you concerning submarine-cable repair service in adjacent seas of Korea. I understand this service has hitherto been provided by Japanese agencies upon request by the United Nations Command whenever necessities arose for the line under the use of the United Nations Forces.

We consider it important to have the United Nations Forces utilize Korean facilities as much as possible in this service. In this connection, the Government is now contemplating to purchase a submarine-cable repair ship. When it is made available, we should like for the United Nations Forces to utilize its service, especially in adjacent seas of Korea.

We will appreciate it if you would kindly assist us in securing a favorable consideration from the United Nations Command in this regard.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Dong Jo Kim
Director of Political Bureau
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Mr. Edwin M. Cronk
First Secretary
American Embassy
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MANFRED K. TOEPPEN
ENGINEER
POST OFFICE BOX 24726
LOS ANGELES 24, CALIFORNIA
GRanite[redacted] 7-4936

August 3, 1955

Mr. Francis Colt DeWolf,
Chief, Telecommunication Division,
Department of State,
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. DeWolf:

Thanks for your interest in my efforts to inform myself with respect to the Korean Government's request for a qualified common carrier communication's engineer; and for your kind offer to see that my professional resume gets to the governmental authority concerned with that matter.

For this purpose there are atteched two copies of each of two forms of resume. One form as used in qualifying before courts and commissions; the other form as often preferred by prospective clients or employers. I would appreciate it if you would bring either, or both, to the attention of the group handling this Korean matter.

The knowledge and experience summarized in the resume, I believe, shows my qualification to direct the planing, organizing and supervising of common carrier communication activities. At present there are no mayor commitments and I am available promptly for interview and assignment.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Manfred K. Toeppen

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Dear Mr. Toeppen:

I refer to your letter of August 3, 1955 concerning your interest in a position as common carrier communications engineer in the Republic of South Korea.

Your letter and one copy each of your resume are being forwarded to the International Cooperation Administration for attention. It has been ascertained informally that the Administration is interested in obtaining applications for positions as electronics engineers in connection with its projects in Korea.

Sincerely yours,

Francis Colt de Wolf
Chief
Telecommunications Division

Mr. Manfred L. Toeppen
Post Office Box 24726
Los Angeles 24, California

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REF : Deptel 770, April 25, 1957

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SUBJECT: Use of Korean Telegraphic Code for Identification of Korean Personalities (LOU)

The Department recently repeated to the Embassy (as Department's telegram 770 of April 25) telegram number 1181 from Singapore, reporting on the granting of transit visas to four members of a North Korean trade delegation.

The romanized spellings of the four names made it all but impossible to attempt correlation of them with information in the Embassy's biographic files.

This problem of the English spelling of Oriental names is, of course, a recurring problem in the Far East, equally troublesome with Chinese names as with Korean. However, positive identification would be far better assured if all Far Eastern posts could utilize telegraphic cable code numbers to supplement Korean (especially North Korean) names. To this end, the Embassy suggests for the Department's consideration the idea of making available to all Far Eastern posts a supply of the Korean Telegraphic Code Book, and asking these posts to utilize the character codes to the maximum practical extent. This practice would materially assist the Embassy, especially in respect to the difficult job of reporting on North Korean personalities and developments, and should not prove too difficult for those posts which are accustomed to dealing with Chinese characters.

For the Charge d'Affaires, ad interim:

Donald S. Macdonald
First Secretary of Embassy

Action Requested: The Department is requested to furnish copies of the foregoing despatch to Hong Kong, Manila, Saigon, Taipei, Tokyo, Djakarta, New Delhi, Singapore and Rangoon.

cc: JCDB
G-2, Eighth Army
Army Attache
Biographic Section

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Dear Mr. Rogers:

I acknowledge the receipt of your letter of January 6, 1956 requesting information regarding a permit to construct and operate a radio station in Korea. It is understood that it is desired to know whether a permit has been issued to V. Alex Bills or the Christian Radio Mission.

The Department is requesting the American Embassy at Seoul to inquire of the appropriate Korean authorities concerning the status of the request for the permit. When a reply is received, I shall be pleased to inform you.

Sincerely yours,

Thruston B. Morton
Assistant Secretary

The Honorable
Walter Rogers,
House of Representatives.

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Mr. Francis Colt DeWolf
Chief, Telecommunications Division
U. S. Department of State
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. DeWolf: noted in RM/R ac

In further reference to your telephone conversation with my secretary, Mr. Marlatt, I would appreciate it if you could get me some information regarding a permit to construct and operate a radio station in Korea.

The permit would have been issued either to V. Alex Bills or the Christian Radio Mission. It calls for the construction and operation of a 1000 watt long wave radio station at Pusan.

Sincerely yours,

Walter Rogers

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NO.: A-141 January 16, 1956

SUBJECT: Status of Permit to Construct Radio Station in Korea

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TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL.

Congressman Walter Rogers has inquired on behalf of some of his constituents concerning the status of an application for a permit to construct and operate a radio station in Korea. The permit would have been issued either to V. Alex Bills or the Christian Radio Mission. The inquiring group is understood to be a supporter of the Christian Radio Mission. The application is understood to call for the construction and operation of a 1000-watt long-wave radio station at Pusan.

It would be appreciated if the Embassy would consult the appropriate Korean authorities concerning the status of the application for this permit and inform the Department as soon as possible.

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February 29 1956

Dear Mr. Rogers:

I refer further to your letter of January 6, 1956 and to my reply of January 16, 1956 concerning your request for information regarding a permit to V. Alex Bills or the Christian Radio Mission to construct and operate a radio station in Korea.

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The Department has now received from the American Embassy in Seoul an answer to its inquiry. I quote the pertinent portions of that reply:

"An Embassy staff member called at the Airwaves Control Section of the Ministry of Communications on February 1, 1956 to ascertain the status of the application to construct and operate a radio station which the Department understood either V. Alex Bills or the Christian Radio Mission had filed with the Korean authorities. The official in charge of this section stated that two letters of enquiry had been received from the Christian Radio Mission, one of them many months ago. He claimed that both had been answered. As the last Ministry letter was sent out during December, it should by now have been received by the interested group.

"According to the Ministry official, the Christian Radio Mission was told that it could formally apply for permission to construct and operate a radio station in the Republic of Korea and that permission would probably be granted if the station's manager and operating personnel were to be Korean nationals. The Embassy attempted without much success to get an explanation of this requirement. Presumably, American 'advisors' would be permitted.

"It was learned that there are no printed forms to be used when applying for a radio station permit. As a courtesy to the Embassy one of the members of the staff of the Ministry copied the headings from an application previously received

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received by the Ministry which had contained all the required information. An Embassy local staff member has prepared a translation of this handwritten Korean document. The translation of the technical terms may be inaccurate and the Korean text should be used if there is doubt.

"A point which the Christian Radio Mission should not overlook is that the issuance of a permit to construct and operate a radio station by the Ministry of Communications would not carry with it approval to import the necessary equipment, or a waiver of customs duties, or permission for American personnel to reside in Korea. These matters would have to be taken up with the Commerce, Finance, and Foreign Affairs Ministries, respectively. In addition, the Office of Public Information (OPI), an agency in the executive branch of the government, is authorized to 'control' radio broadcasting. According to an informed source consulted by the Embassy, in the case of the only non-governmental radio station now operating in Korea the OPI has not yet required submission of detailed programs and scripts for pre-broadcast screening. The programs are monitored, however, and several times in the last year the station has been advised that something which has been broadcast was regarded as objectionable. (The station is supported by American churches and individuals. It has as its primary mission the conversion of Koreans to Christianity. It broadcasts sermons, music, lectures, news, drama, and English lessons, and makes every effort to avoid political and other controversial issues.)

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Enclosed is a copy of the translated application requirements referred to above and the Korean copy from which the translation was made. I trust that these documents and information will be of assistance to the prospective applicants.

Sincerely yours,

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Thruston B. Morton
Assistant Secretary

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Embassy Comment:

Reverend E. Otto De Camp, Director of the only private radio station in Korea, HLKY, The Christian Broadcasting Station, Seoul, is the source of the information about the OPI given above. He stated that he has reason to believe that the OPI does not favor the construction and operation of additional privately owned radio stations in the ROK. However, one foreign religious group has well-advanced plans to erect a station in the Inchon area. He believed that this group might secure a broadcasting license because it is sponsored by an influential Korean politician.

As for his own station, Rev. De Camp stated that the ROK authorities have not insisted that it be managed by Korean nationals. He is Director in both title and function. His assistant is an American also. Other employees are Korean. However the station is at least nominally operated by the Korean National Christian Council, in which, he states, all of the leading Christian churches and missions in Korea cooperate. This may be considered to be a Korean group and the station therefore not a foreign station.

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For the Charge d'Affaires a.i.

Edwin M. Cronk

Edwin M. Cronk
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(Translation of Application for Radio Station Permit)

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Applicant's Name:

Signature and Seal

TO: His Excellency, Minister of Communications

RE: Permit for Application to Install a Radio Transmitter for Broadcasting Purposes

As regards the above-captioned subject, in accordance with the regulations concerning Private Transmitters and according to the rulings as contained in Article 2 and attached documents, it is requested that a Permit be granted for installation of a Transmitter for broadcasting purposes.

A. Application for Broadcasting Installation Permit:

1. Purpose of Installation
2. Name of Applicant
3. Address
4. Title or Name of Installation
5. Broadcasting Region (area to be covered)
6. Broadcasting subjects or fields
7. Broadcasting time.

B. Engineering Plans:

1. Equipment Location: Studio location; broadcasting station location
2. Radiated Power at Antenna
3. Types of equipment (describe)
   a. Oscillator
   b. Buffer
   c. Audio Frequency Amplifier
   d. Modulation
   e. Power Amplifier
   f. Power Rectification
4. Aerial Lines and Ground Installation (describe)
5. Interior Components of Studio
6. Method of connection between studio and transmitter (open line, microwave, cable, etc.)

C. Schematic diagrams and layout plans.

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   - C. 音聲周波數部 Audio frequency
   - D. 變調部 Modulator
   - E. 電力增幅部 Power Amplifier
   - F. 電源部 Power Supply
4. 空中線及接地裝置 Antenna and Earth
5. 其の他關係事項內容

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SUBJECT: (2) Amateur Radio Communications in Korea

In reference despatch the Embassy informed the Department that the Government of the Republic of Korea was considering the withdrawal of its reservations to the International Telecommunications Agreement, and permitting certain amateur radio communication in Korea.

The Embassy has now received a communication from the Hon. YI Ung-jun (LEE Eung Joon), Minister of Communications of the Republic of Korea, addressed to the Ambassador, dated September 14, 1957, document No. CE-3038, which reads in translation as follows:

> Re: Amateur Wireless Enterprise
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A Thermofax copy of the Ministry's communication in the original Korean is attached as Enclosure 1.

Letter to Miss Morris - FCC
drafted by R. T. Block 10-22-57

For the Ambassador:
William G. Jones
First Secretary of Embassy

Enclosure:
1. Thermofax copy of Ministry's communication (M)

cc: G-2, Eighth Army
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TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.

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REF : Despatch 199 of September 17, 1957

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SUBJECT: (2) Amateur Radio Communications in Korea

In reference despatch the Embassy informed the Department that the Government of the Republic of Korea was considering the withdrawal of its reservations to the International Telecommunications Agreement, and permitting certain amateur radio communication in Korea.

✓ The Embassy has now received a communication from the Hon. YI Ung-jun (LEE Eung Joon), Minister of Communications of the Republic of Korea, addressed to the Ambassador, dated September 14, 1957, document No. CE-3038, which reads in translation as follows:

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REF : CA-4786, November 26, 1957

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SUBJECT: Request for Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS) Reports

The Embassy would appreciate receiving on a continuing basis one copy of the Foreign Broadcast Information Service's Daily Report of Foreign Radio Broadcasting (Official Use Only) covering the Far East --the first publication listed in the reference Department circular.

For the Chargé d'Affaires ad interim:

William G. Jones

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First Secretary of Embassy

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Dear Mr. Windes:

I acknowledge the receipt of your letter of May 27, 1958, concerning interference from station HLKA in Seoul, Korea, on 7935 kc.

A copy of your letter is being forwarded to the American Embassy in Seoul with a request that officials of the Korean Government be consulted with a view to elimination of the interference. When a reply is received from the Embassy, I shall be pleased to inform you.

Sincerely yours,

Francis Colt de Wolf
Chief
Telecommunications Division

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Mr. S. L. Windes,
Interior Department Representative,
Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee,
Department of the Interior,
Washington 25, D. C.

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May 27, 1958

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Mr. Francis Colt deWolf
Telecommunications Division
Department of State
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. deWolf:

We would appreciate any assistance you could give in resolving a radio interference case concerning station HLKA in Seoul, Korea on 7935 kc/s. A brief summary of the history of this interference case and the action taken to date is attached.

Station HLKA although operating in the broadcast service appears in the International Radio Frequency Record for FX class of service with 10A3 emission and Note 185 in Column 13. The frequency is shown as having been brought into use 16 May 1954. Note 185 states "The calculated protection to other assignments is lower than is considered desirable for certain hours, seasons or periods of solar activity. However, the probability of causing harmful interference is not sufficiently apparent to justify return of the notice and therefore a Satisfactory Finding with respect to No. 235 of the EARC Agreement is given subject to no harmful interference being caused in practice to assignments already recorded in the M.R.F.R. Such assignments bear in Column 2c a date which is in general earlier than the date recorded in Column 2c for this assignment."

Operations of the Government of the Trust Territory on the same frequency are listed for the Caroline, Marshall and Mariana Islands with 2c dates 17 October 1952 to 26 October 1953. The Trust Territory operation is in the fixed service in accordance with the world-wide allocation established by the International Radio Regulations (Atlantic City 1947).

Sincerely yours,

S. L. Windes

S. L. Windes
Interior Department Representative
Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee

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SUMMARY OF HLKA INTERFERENCE

February 12, 1958 - Trust Territory reports severe interference from station HLKA in Korea. Identification obtained only after a long period of interference because of the absence of call sign announcement. Portion of Trust Territory letter follows:

"During the past three to four years, we have encountered considerable and quite severe interference from a broadcast service on 7935 kc/s. Our attempts to identify the station or stations were defeated by the absence of call signs. At the time a station announcement was due, the modulation would be removed until the next program was cut in.

During recent months, an increase in signal strength indicated a decided increase in antenna output power or the installation of a directional antenna system. Too, program material has taken a definite turn toward American popular, semi-classical and classical music. Whereas previous interference was 'seasonal', it now constitutes a near full-time broadcast service throughout most of the Territory.

After repeated attempts to identify the station, we have established that the call used is HLKA. At times, the call sounds like XLKA. The predominant language is Korean, but we have been unable to establish definitely that the station is located in Korea. Programming of this station does not follow the usual style of Communist-dominated countries. Except for the language used, the casual listener would believe it is a domestic U. S. broadcast station."

February 21, 1958 - Army requested to assist in identifying and alleviating interference.

March 11, 1958 - Army (OCSIGO DA WASH DC) requested COMUSKOREA SEOUL KOREA to assist in alleviation of interference.

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March 19, 1958 - Army (COMUSK/SEOUL) reports "Liaison Officer indicated further action will be taken with Bureau of Information ROK which has operational control over HLKA Seoul. If further action deemed necessary recommend formal notification to the Republic of Korea be made thru appropriate US Government agency or thru International Telecommunications Unit".

March 26, 1958 - Trust Territory advised action will be taken with Bureau of Information, ROK in accord Army message March 19.

April 18, 1958 - Trust Territory reports reduction in interference during daylight hours, but interference during hours of darkness remain serious. Trust Territory use of the frequency includes emergency and medical service communications and on at least two occasions the interference was a serious detriment to safety of life and/or property.

May 26, 1958 - Trust Territory reports harmful interference (completely blocks frequency) continuing with times and dates as follow: 0700-1600Z, 19 May through 23 May 1958.

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NO.: A-200, June 4, 1958,

SUBJECT: Interference on 7935 kc from Seoul Broadcasting Station experienced by United States Pacific Trust Territory Stations.

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TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL

Attached is a copy of a letter dated May 27, 1958, from Mr. S. L. Windes of the Department of Interior concerning interference on 7935 kc from station HLKA Seoul. The letter is self-explanatory.

If the Korean station is operating in the broadcasting service, it is out of band and therefore operating contrary to the International Radio Regulations, 1947 when it causes interference. Even though it may be operating in the fixed service (FX class of station), the United States stations have priority because they are shown in the International Radio Frequency Record with an earlier date. It would be appreciated if the Embassy would consult the appropriate local officials with a view to elimination of this interference and would inform the Department of the results.

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Enclosure:

✓ Copy of letter dated
May 27 from Mr. S. L. Windes.

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FROM : AmEmbassy, SEOUL

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TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.

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SUBJECT: Radio Interference by Seoul Station HLKA

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This matter has been discussed with technicians of the Communications Division of OEC (USOM), who in turn have taken it up with officials of the ROK Radio Regulatory Bureau and station HLKA, Seoul.

Assurances have been received that corrective action has been taken, through a reduction of power, and that station HLKA will henceforth announce station identification in accordance with international regulations.

OEC Communications Division have offered to undertake to maintain a check. Their efforts would be facilitated if the Trust Territories were requested to report weekly, direct to Embassy Seoul, any interference or other regulatory infractions on the part of Seoul stations which are noted after June 25, 1958, making reference to this despatch.

For the Ambassador:

Windes
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Robert W. Tucker
First Secretary of Embassy

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NO.: A - 45, September 11, 1958

SUBJECT: Radio Interference by Seoul Station HLKA on 7935 Kc.

TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL PRIORITY.

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References: Embassy's despatch 819 of June 27, 1958 and Department's A-200 of June 4, 1958.

The Department has received a further complaint from the Department of the Interior concerning interference on 7935 kc from station HLKA, Seoul. Apparently a reduction in power was made but it gave little relief from the interference which has been more or less continuous between 0830 and 1600 GMT. The Interior Department states that it has substantially complied with the request to keep the Embassy informed as stated in the third paragraph of despatch 819.

It would be appreciated if the Embassy would consult with the appropriate authorities with a view to securing the elimination of this interference and inform the Department of the results.

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FROM: Seoul

TO: United States Information Agency

NO: TOUSI 56, September 12.

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Korean Broadcasting Service monitored, translated and wired entire text of President's Taiwan Straits speech within one hour of local reception. President's speech went on air in nationwide hookup in place of usual newscast from noon to 12:25 local time today, September 12. Korean State Council (comprising all Cabinet Ministers) interrupted meeting for 30 minutes to listen to President's address this afternoon KBS interviewing chiefs of local diplomatic missions for reactions.

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FOREIGN SERVICE DESPATCH

FROM : AmEmbassy, SEOUL

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DESP. NO.

TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.

September 25, 1958
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REF : Emb Despatch 819, June 27, 1958; Department Instructions A-200, June 4, 1958; and A-45, September 11, 1958.

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SUBJECT: Radio Interference by Seoul Station HLKA on 7935 Kc.

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As a result of the referenced communications and telegraphic requests from TERPACIS, the Embassy requested the OEC communications consultant, Mr. William L. Wardell, to take up with appropriate ROKG authorities the matter of continued radio interference by Station HLKA in the Trust Territories. As a result, the station's power was reduced to one kilowatt on August 30 and certain antenna changes were made. The Embassy requested TERPACIS to report daily performance commencing September 1.

The latest report received from TERPACIS, dated September 13, is as follows: "Refer HLKA 7935 KCBXS. No further reduction in interference. Due operation minimum, dispatch reporting discontinued pending further developments."

This message appears to imply that no further action is required at the present time. If this interpretation is erroneous, the Embassy will be pleased to receive further instructions.

It is the view of OEC technicians that no further substantial improvement can be expected until Station HLKA is assigned a new frequency; the station has requested this of the authorities in Geneva. The Department of the Interior might wish to take steps to expedite action on this request.

Copy sent to Interior

For the Charge' d'Affaires ad interim:

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Phoned to Mr. Windes of Interior
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First Secretary of Embassy

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NO.: A - 90, December 5, 1958

SUBJECT: Radio Interference by Seoul Station HLKA on 7935 Kc.

TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL.

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Reference is made to the third paragraph of Embassy No. 170 dated September 25, 1958, which states that the message received from TERPACIS, dated September 13, appears to imply that no further action is required to relieve the interference caused by HLKA on 7935 kc. The Department of the Interior has advised that this is not the case, in fact, the situation has been aggravated because of the propagation conditions of the winter season.

The despatch mentions that Station HLKA has requested the IFRB, Geneva to assign a new frequency to replace 7935 kc and remarks that the Department of the Interior might wish to take steps to expedite action in this request. The IFRB normally only considers frequency assignments notified by administrations and does not select or assign them. It may, however, have been requested to assist in this regard in this instance. The Department of the Interior has requested State Department to take the matter up with the IFRB. Before the Department can do this it is necessary to know the new frequency involved or the reference to the pertinent Korean correspondence with the IFRB. The Embassy is requested to obtain this information and advise the Department as soon as possible.

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Mr. Francis Colt de Wolf, Chief
Telecommunications Division
Department of State
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. de Wolf:

This is in reference to Foreign Service Dispatch 170 from AmEmbassy, Seoul September 25, 1958 concerning radio interference by Seoul station HLKA on 7935 kc/s.

The reference to "operation minimum" in this dispatch refers to a restriction on handling traffic over connecting facilities and does not mean that operations on the frequency have been reduced. Accordingly, further action is needed and, in fact, the situation has been aggravated because of the propagation conditions of the winter season.

The dispatch mentions that a new frequency assignment has been requested of the authorities in Geneva for station HLKA. We believe this to be the most practical solution of the problem. To the extent appropriate we would appreciate your confirming to the IFRB of the need for a new assignment for HLKA vice 7935 kc/s to eliminate harmful interference to stations of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands in view of the fact that even a reduction in power and antenna adjustments at HLKA did not result in significant improvement of the situation.

This Department, as well as the Government of the Trust Territory, appreciates your assistance in this matter and also the efforts of the OEC technicians in attempting to alleviate interference.

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Sincerely yours,

S. L. Windes

S. L. Windes
Interior Department Representative
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TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON. — December 19, 1958 DATE

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SUBJECT: Radio Interference by Seoul Station HLKA on 7935 Kc.

In view of the continued serious interference of Station HLKA with radio operations of the Trust Territory, as reported in the referenced Instruction, the Embassy has formally requested (see enclosure) the ROK Government to take immediate steps to have a new frequency assigned to Station HLKA.

It now appears that the Embassy was misinformed that a change in frequency had previously been requested of IFRB (last paragraph of Embassy Despatch 170). Therefore, it does not appear necessary for the Department to take the matter up with IFRB, at least at this time.

It is the Embassy's understanding that action can be taken by the ROK Radio Regulatory Bureau to effect this change without recourse to the Geneva authorities. This matter will be closely followed by the Embassy.

For the Ambassador:

Edwin M. Cronk
First Secretary of Embassy

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Enclosure: Copy of letter to Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Copy in 725 DMS 1-2-59

Called Mr Warden 1-2-59, but he is out until Monday. Called him 1-7-59. He has a copy of this. Copy will be sent at present. 1-7-59 EG

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Desp. No. 330
From Korea

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December 19, 1958.

Dear Mr. Minister:

Over the period of the past several months the Embassy has received notification of radio interference on the part of Radio Station HLKA, Seoul, operating on 7935 kilocycles. The interference has seriously hampered radio operations of the United States authorities in the Trust Territory, which includes the Caroline, Marshall, and Mariana Islands.

This matter has been taken up informally, on several occasions, with appropriate officials of the Republic of Korea Government, Station HLKA, and the ROK Radio Regulatory Bureau. As a corrective measure the station's power was reduced to one kilowatt on August 30, 1958, and certain antenna changes were made.

This action has failed, however, to eliminate the interference. In fact, the Department of State has been informed by the Department of the Interior that the situation has been aggravated because of the propagation conditions of the winter season.

It is the Embassy's understanding that the situation can be alleviated by assignment of a new frequency to Station HLKA. It would be appreciated if appropriate measures were taken to effect this change, in order to eliminate HLKA's broadcast interference.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Sam P. Gilstrap
Deputy Chief of Mission

The Honorable
Cho Chong-hwan,
Minister of Foreign Affairs,
Seoul.

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

February 17, 1959

Honorable William B. Macomber
Assistant Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill:

A former resident of my Congressional District, Mr. Tom Watson, Jr. now resides in Korea, operating Team Radio HLKX, in connection with The Evangelical Alliance Mission's work. He has written to me regarding the beaming of these broadcasts into places that have proven to be receptive and of their desire to increase the power of their station in order to reach a far greater area. To increase their power, they must file an application with the Republic of Korea Government, and also apply for permission to put their present 20,000 Watt transmitter on a short-wave frequency.

Enclosed is Mr. Watson's letter which I believe explains this situation and his desire for a letter which can be used in the application to the Korean Government.

I will greatly appreciate your having someone look over this letter and advise me as soon as possible, returning the letter to me.

Sincerely,

PAUL G. ROGERS, M. C.

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[redacted] LETTERS RECEIVED AT [redacted]
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(translated from Russian)

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Prokopevsk, Siberia

"Peace be unto you, dear brothers,

I am thankful for this great opportunity I have to visit with you by means of a letter. I count it A privilege to be accepted as your friend and to have this good neighborly relationship with you. I, as well as the rest of my peace loving brothers and sisters in my country, want to thank you for the messages presented in which you invite us to live in peace and love.

I wrote you two letters in the spring. I do not know why I have not received an answer to them (those). Apparently only a small percentage of letters sent from the United Nation actually are received by us through [redacted] Radio.

Ourban Dzun (Outer Mongolia)

"Dear Brothers,

We are listening to you often for which we thank you and God. I am a believer now and my family also. My neighbors are listening to your programs, and we wish you God's blessings to proclaim the gospel throughout the whole world. By spreading the Word of God you are turning men's thoughts from war and terrible destruction so that we might enjoy peace.

I have been wanting to write you to express my humble gratitude for what you are doing, from Alexander, husband; from my wife, 45 years old and daughter Katherine who is 23 years old. Our son Paul is 7 years old and also my son-in-law, nephews and all of my relatives.

Again I want to say that many people are listening to your programs.

Ossinniki, Siberia

"Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to let you know that at the present time we are wandering in the wilderness, and we do not have an opportunity to obtain spiritual food. We ask you to send us if at all possible, Bibles and song books in the Russian language.

Vladivostok, Siberia

"Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus,

Hearty greetings to you from all your listeners over the radio.

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(translated from Chinese)

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I have heard only a few hymns, sermons and stories. I [illegible] they are interesting and thought-provoking. What is [illegible] that while [illegible] there are many answers, among which [illegible] should [illegible] there are many answers, among which [illegible] Florida and [illegible] is, I think, is to give — [illegible] love and glory.. [illegible] I love to hear your stories and [illegible] in the evening [illegible] I live I cannot find this [illegible] and I did not know of it before. I hope, sir, that [illegible] introduce me to [illegible] or send me some.

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TEAM RADIO-KOREA
POST OFFICE BOX 16
INCHON, KOREA

TOM WATSON, JR.
Correspondent -- HLKX
TEAM Radio, APO 971
San Francisco, Calif.



"To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death . . ." —Luke 1:79

9 FEBRUARY 59

HONORABLE PAUL ROGERS
REPRESENTATIVE FROM FLORIDA
HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEAR PAUL,

I DOUBT IF YOU ARE ABLE TO KEEP VERY WELL INFORMED AS TO WHAT WE ARE DOING OUT HERE WITH RADIO STATION HLKX. WE ARE A LONG WAY AWAY AND COMMUNICATIONS LINES ARE DRAWN RATHER THIN. LET ME STATE BRIEFLY, THEREFORE, THAT WE ARE NOW BROADCASTING APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN HOURS A DAY USING ENGLISH, KOREAN, MANDARIN CHINESE AND RUSSIAN LANGUAGES WITH BROADCASTS THAT ARE DEDICATED MOSTLY TO THE BEAMING INTO THE COMMUNIST COUNTRIES OF THE CHRISTIAN GOSPEL IN AN EFFORT TO REACH THE ORDINARY RADIO RECEIVERS IN THE ORDINARY HOMES IN NORTH KOREA, CHINA, MANCHURIA AND SIBERIA. WE ARE BROADCASTING WITH 20,000 WATTS POWER ON A STANDARD BROADCAST BAND FREQUENCY. ESPECIALLY IN RESPONSE TO OUR RUSSIAN LANGUAGE BROADCASTS WHICH GO OUT NOW FOR FOUR HOURS EACH NIGHT, WE HAVE RECEIVED SOME REMARKABLE LETTERS FROM POINTS IN SIBERIA AS FAR AWAY AS 2200 MILES TO THE WEST OF US. THE PORT CITY OF VLADIVOSTOK IS ONLY 490 MILES TO THE SOUTH-EAST AND WE ALSO HAVE RECEIVED A NUMBER OF VERY ENCOURAGING LETTERS IN THE RUSSIAN LANGUAGE FROM THAT AREA. OTHER MAIL HAS COME TO US FROM JAPAN AND EVEN OKINAWA AND FORMOSA IN RESPONSE TO OUR ENGLISH LANGUAGE BROADCASTS AND ONLY ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO WE RECEIVED A LETTER FROM [redacted] ENCLOSED MOUNTAINS SOME 1000 MILES AWAY WHO HAD HEARD OUR MANDARIN CHINESE LANGUAGE AND SOMEHOW HAS MANAGED TO GET A LETTER OUT TO US THROUGH HONG KONG. FOR YOUR INFORMATION I AM ENCLOSING BRIEF EXCERPTS FROM SOME OF OUR RUSSIAN LETTERS.

SINCE OUR OPERATION HERE IS NOT UNDERWRITTEN BY ANY DENOMINATION OR GROUP OF CHURCHES WE MUST MAKE ADVANCES ON THE BASIS OF VOLUNTARY GIFTS THAT ARE RECEIVED. NOW, HOWEVER, WE ARE GREATLY DESIROUS OF INCREASING OUR POWER TO 50,000 WATTS IN ORDER TO REACH A FAR GREATER AREA OF THE COMMUNIST ORBIT ON THE ASIATIC MAINLAND. TO DO THIS WE MUST FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA GOVERNMENT ASKING THEIR CHOSEN CITIZENS MINISTRY TO AUTHORIZE US TO USE 50,000 WATTS POWER ON THE STANDARD BROADCAST BAND. IN ADDITION, WE WILL ALSO APPLY FOR PERMISSION TO PUT OUR PRESENT 20,000 WATT TRANSMITTER ON A SHORT WAVE FREQUENCY AND OPERATE THE TWO SIMULTANEOUSLY THUS REACHING A GREAT MANY MORE PEOPLE WITH OUR MESSAGE.

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IT IS NOT GOING TO BE EASY TO PERSUADE THE KOREAN GOVERNMENT TO GRANT US THIS PERMISSION. THEREFORE, IN PREPARING MY APPLICATION I DESIRE TO INCLUDE AS MANY ENDORSEMENTS AS POSSIBLE WHICH MAY HELP TO PERSUADE THEM TO VIEW FAVORABLY OUR APPLICATION. YOU WILL BE OF INESTIMABLE HELP TO ME IF YOU WILL ADVISE ME WHAT AGENCY OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MIGHT PROPERLY BE SUFFICIENTLY INTERESTED IN OUR ACTIVITY TO GIVE SUPPORT TO THIS APPLICATION BY GIVING US A LETTER WHICH CAN BE USED IN THE APPLICATION TO THE KOREAN GOVERNMENT. FURTHER, YOUR ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING SUCH A LETTER OR OTHER APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS FROM THIS AGENCY WOULD BE TREMENDOUSLY APPRECIATED IN THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE AT THE PRESENT FOR ME TO COME TO THE UNITED STATES.

IT MAY WELL BE THAT YOU WILL NEED MORE INFORMATION THAN THAT WHICH I HAVE GIVEN YOU, THEREFORE, I WILL BE DELIGHTED TO HEAR FROM YOU IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS AS REGARDS MY REQUEST. PERHAPS I SHOULD MENTION THAT THE UNITED STATES INFORMATION SERVICE HAS EXPRESSED A CONTINUED INTEREST IN OUR ACTIVITY HERE AND MAY POSSIBLY BE THE PROPER AGENCY TO APPROACH. FURTHER, WE OPERATE IN A LIAISON WITH THE RADIO AND AUDIOVISUAL ACTIVITY OF THE FAR EAST COMMAND.

THIS BRINGS WARMEST PERSONAL GREETINGS,

CORDIALLY YOURS,

TOM WATSON, JR.
DIRECTOR, HLKX

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March 6, 1959

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Dear Paul:

I have received your letter of February 17, 1959, with which you enclosed a letter dated February 9, 1959, from Mr. Tom Watson, Jr., of the Evangelical Alliance Mission, which operates HLKX, a non-sectarian broadcasting station in Korea. Since station HLKX hopes to increase its power from 20 Kw to 50 Kw, Mr. Watson is seeking the support of interested U. S. Government agencies for his organization's application to the Korean Government for permission to implement such an increase in power.

We have followed with interest the activities of the Evangelical Alliance Mission in Korea and, in 1956, officials of the Department discussed with Mr. Watson the establishment of station HLKX prior to its construction. At that time, Mr. Watson recognized the desirability of keeping such private operations free from association with the Government. The Department continues to believe that it would not be in the best interest of the United States to lend official support to such private activities and, regrets that it is unable to comply with Mr. Watson's request for a letter which might be used in support of an application to the Korean Government.

I appreciate your bringing this matter to my attention and am returning Mr. Watson's letter as you requested.

Sincerely yours,

William B. Macomber, Jr.
Assistant Secretary

Enclosure:

From Evangelical Alliance Mission dated February 9, 1959 with enclosure

The Honorable
Paul G. Rogers,
House of Representatives.

USIA/IBS
Mr. Jacobs (in substance)

EA - Mr. Lane
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FROM : Amembassy SEOUL

TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.

March 6, 1959
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REF : Emb Despatch 339, December 19, 1958

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SUBJECT: Radio Interference by Seoul Station HLKA on 7935 Kc.

The matter of interference of Station HLKA with radio operations of the Trust Territory has been pursued with appropriate agencies of the ROK Government.

The enclosed letter from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs advises 1) that as of February 20, 1958, Station HLKA has ceased broadcasting between the hours of 2030 and 2330 GMT, and 2) that the Ministry of Communications is taking steps to have a new frequency assigned to HLKA.

The Embassy is requesting TERPACIS to report the present situation with respect to interference on the part of HLKA, and will maintain appropriate follow-up on the matter of the change in frequency.

If any further action is required at this time, please advise.

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For the Ambassador:

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Phoned to Mellkenbach by Rut Tucker
3-20-59. No further action necessary
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Edwin M. Cronk
First Secretary of Embassy

Enclosure:

Letter from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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REPUBLIC OF KOREA

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

February 28, 1959

Dear Mr. Gilstrap:

With further reference to your letters of December 19, 1958 and January 28, 1959, concerning the radio interference of HLKA broadcasting over the radio operation of the United States in some part of the Trust Territory, I have the pleasure to inform you that as of 20th February 1959 the Office of Public Information has discontinued, as a provisional step, transmission of HLKA, operating on 7935 Kc/s, between 2030 and 2330 GMT, and also the Ministry of Communication is undertaking to change the frequency, in order to avoid the said interference.

The Ministry of Communication further informs that as the change of frequency involves procedures with the International Telecommunication Union the effective date of new frequency will be set sometime in the future.

I shall inform you again as soon as I am advised of the definite date effecting this change.

Yours sincerely,

/s/
Dong-jo Kim
Vice Minister

Mr. Sam P. Gilstrap
Deputy Chief of Mission
American Embassy, Seoul

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TOICA A-2877 of March 11, 1959 (page 4) indicates that the Engleman and Company team is actively helping the ROK Office of Public Information (OPI) plan for the erection of two powerful broadcasting stations (one of 50 KW and the other of 500 KW) under the company's ICA-financed contract for providing technical assistance in the radio field.

It is our understanding that the cost of the transmitting equipment is to be borne by the Korean Government and not by U. S. aid funds. However, in view of the high power of the proposed facilities, the Department would appreciate any background information the Embassy can provide concerning ROK plans for the project. The Embassy is also requested to submit its recommendations, after coordination with OEC and USIS, concerning the support the U. S. should appropriately give the OPI in constructing these stations, particularly with respect to the role of Engleman and Company.

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SUBJECT: Engleman & Co., Inc., Technical Assistance Contract to Aid ROK Office of Public Information

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As indicated in the referenced airgram, it is correct that an Engleman & Co., Inc. team of experts is currently assisting the ROK Office of Public Information (OPI) in making plans for the erection of two powerful broadcasting stations, one of 500 KW power and the other of 50 KW. Under its contract ICA-W-638 of July 22, 1958, with ICA, the Engleman team, consisting of a radio production specialist, a radio transmitter engineer, and a radio studio engineer, has been requested to assist the ROK Government in all phases of these projects, including site selection, specification of equipment and supervision of installation. On May 16, 1959, RCA and 14 other U.S., U.K. and West German firms submitted tenders for transmitting equipment for the 500 KW radio station against $700,000 in Korean Government-held foreign exchange allocated for the purpose.

The Tongjin promontory in South Chungchong Province has been selected as the general site area, and the medium wave frequency of 710 kilocycles assigned the ROK by the International Telecommunications Union and currently used by the Korean Broadcasting System has been designated for the new 500 KW transmitter. Mr. Albert A. Nicolay, Engleman's radio transmitter engineer, indicates that the station may become operational in about 18 months. A minimum additional outlay of $150,000 will probably be required. This money is not currently available to the OPI, which is already operating on deficit financing in excess of its governmental appropriation. The stated purpose of the 500 KW station is principally to cover North Korea with over-water directional beams. Its super-power will also be used to give better coverage in South Korea of the KBS First Program, as well as to reach Korean residents in Japan. The 50 KW transmitter, to be located in the vicinity of Pusan, is also intended to serve the Korean audience in Japan, in addition to giving improved coverage to the southern end of the Korean peninsula. The 500 KW transmitter can also be used to broadcast to mainland China across the Yellow Sea, although this has not been indicated to be a prime purpose of its construction. END UNCLASSIFIED.

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The ROK plan for the 500 and 50 KW transmitters, in addition to aggregate 350 KW output of the 17 stations (including relays) currently in the KBS chain, was formulated about two years ago by OH Chae Kyung, Director of the OPI until

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January of this year when he resigned and was replaced by Dr. CHUN C. Sung, the present Director.

Oh requested ICA assistance totalling about $1 million to add the two super-power transmitters to the KBS plant. OEC denied the request, but insisting on the need for the additional facilities, Oh went ahead regardless, obtaining President Rhee's approval to a ROK Government foreign exchange allocation to finance procurement of the equipment. Even after the decision was made, USIS-Seoul personnel took advantage of several opportunities to point out to Oh in frank conversations the apparent folly of increasing transmitter facilities in a country of 22 million people already served by 17 government, 3 private stations and 2 U.S. Army networks generating a combined output in excess of 400 KW as against a radio receiver per capita ratio of an estimated 1 to 100. USIS argued that the money involved could be put to better use in subsidizing the manufacture and distribution of low-cost battery receivers to the country-side. Nevertheless both Oh and Chun have persisted in the project for the two new transmitters, enlisting the technical services of the Engleman team.

It could be argued that since U.S. representatives in Seoul disapproved this project it is inconsistent to provide technical aid in carrying it out. On the other hand, since the Koreans could not be dissuaded, there is something to be said for having the Engleman team assist the OPI in doing it right. As the Department is aware (see A-90 of December 5, 1958, and related communications) the KBS and certain private stations have probably not been complying with International Telecommunications Union technical and station wave-length requirements for transmission. The Engleman team can and does assist the OPI in meeting the ITU standards. There may also be a possible use of the two new transmitters for Voice of America purposes. (USIS-Seoul is reporting on this fully in a separate communication to USIA).

On balance, the Embassy does not believe that withdrawing U.S. technical assistance for the construction of the two new broadcasting stations would serve a useful purpose at this late date. The Engleman team assistance can at least serve to assure technical correctness of the construction and compliance with ITU regulations. And much undoubtedly can be achieved in general improvement of KBS technical operations through Engleman & Co. experts' advice.

It appears that not a great deal has been accomplished to date by the radio production specialist of the Engleman team, largely because he is heavily handicapped by the language barrier. One of the principal reasons for including this specialist was, the Embassy was informed, the desire to make use of his services in introducing the type of programs and material of an educational nature which would advertise the ICA program and facilitate its implementation ("advice to farmers," etc.). OEC is endeavoring to make the work of this technician more productive. END CONFIDENTIAL.

For the Ambassador:

Clearances:
Mr. Arnold - USIS (in draft)
Mr. Gledhill - OEC (in draft)

Robert W. Tucker
First Secretary of Embassy

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United States Senate
Office of the Democratic Leader
Washington, D. C.

June 8, 1959

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Reply drafted 6/11/59 - FE/NA. P.M. Davenport. Encl. returned to writer.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a communication I have received from one of my constituents. I will appreciate your giving serious consideration to this problem, based on its merits.

Please let me have as prompt a reply as possible, returning the enclosure, in order that I can inform the writer.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson

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P. S. Please address reply to Lyndon B. Johnson, United States Senate, Washington, D. C. If additional information is required, please telephone Arthur C. Perry at CA 4-3121, extension 5141.

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U S SENATOR LYNDON JOHNSON, OFFICE OF MAJORITY LEADER

U S SENATE OFFICE WASH DC

WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR CONTACTING U S EMBASSY, SOUTH KOREA AND HAVE THEM REQUEST FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS, SOUTH KOREAN GOVERNMENT, A COPY OF RCA PROPOSAL TO SET UP 500,000 WATT RADIO STATION IN SOUTH KOREA.

ARTURO C GONZALEZ

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June 15, 1959

Dear Senator Johnson:

I refer to your communication of June 8, 1959 transmitting for the Department's consideration a request from Mr. Arturo C. Gonzalez of Del Rio, Texas that the United States Embassy in Seoul, Korea ask the Korean Ministry of Communications for a copy of the proposal of the Radio Corporation of America to set up a 500,000 watt radio transmitter in southern Korea. This subject was discussed with Mr. Perry of your office by telephone on June 10, 1959.

After careful consideration of Mr. Gonzalez's request we must reach the conclusion that it would be contrary to public policy for an agency of the United States Government to request a foreign government to furnish for the use of an American company information received from another American company. It is suggested that a more appropriate channel for the submission of Mr. Gonzalez's request would be directly to the Radio Corporation of America.

It is possible that we have misconstrued the nature of Mr. Gonzalez's request. If this is the case we should welcome further guidance. In any event, however, we shall be pleased to consider additional background information that may be available or further comments that you may have.

The enclosure to your letter is returned in response to your request.

Sincerely yours,

For the Acting Secretary of State:

William B. Macomber, Jr.
Assistant Secretary

Enclosure:
Copy of telegram from
Mr. Gonzalez.

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The Honorable
Lyndon B. Johnson,
United States Senate.

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SUBJECT: Amateur Radio Communications

The Ministry of Communications has confirmed that amateur radio operation in Korea is still forbidden and has stated that no relaxation of this ban is planned for the near future.

For the Ambassador:

Horace H. Smith

Horace H. Smith
Counselor of Embassy for Economic Affairs

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SUBJECT: Amateur Radio Communications

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TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL

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CA5900 of March 9, 1955 pointed out that under the terms of Article 42, Section 1. of the Radio Regulations appended to the International Telecommunications Convention, radio communications between amateur stations of different countries shall be forbidden if the administration of one of the countries concerned has notified the International Telecommunications Union that it objects to such radio communications. Information was requested as to whether Korea, among other countries, forbade amateur communications entirely or amateur communication with other countries. In its reply (despatch No. 224 of March 24, 1955) the Embassy reported that the Ministry of Communications had confirmed its prohibition of amateur radio operation in Korea and had stated that no relaxation of the ban was planned for the near future.

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The Department has recently been advised through other United States Government channels that the Republic of Korea plans to: (1) withdraw the ROK objection to amateur radio operation presently on file with the International Telecommunications Union, Geneva, Switzerland; (2) obtain additional monitoring and DF equipment for enforcement use, and (3) amend the Korean amateur radio code. The Embassy is requested to confirm or correct this advice at the earliest possible date.

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REF : Department Instruction A-24, July 30, 1957 995b.42 Enclosed SEP 19 1957

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SUBJECT: Amateur Radio Communications

Reference instruction stated that the Department had been advised, through other United States Government channels, that the Republic of Korea planned to withdraw its objection to standard amateur radio operation provisions of the International Telecommunications Union, to obtain equipment for enforcement of regulations, and to amend the Korean amateur radio code; and asked the Embassy to confirm this information.

An Embassy officer on August 20 called on the Director of the Bureau of International Relations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, to inquire about the status of amateur radio in Korea. The Director said that he would ask the Ministry of Communications, which was the responsible agency. The Embassy was informed by the Director on September 12 on an "off-the-record basis" that the Ministry of Communications had decided in principle to withdraw the ROK objection to amateur radio operation presently on file with the International Telecommunications Union, and to permit certain amateur radio operations on a strictly controlled basis within the Republic of Korea. The Director emphasized, however, that this was not an official statement, and that it would take some time longer for the Ministry of Communications to take formal action on the matter.

While the Embassy was investigating this subject, the Air Attache noticed in a July issue of a local U. S. Air Force base newspaper a report that Major Dominic A. BARTOL, USAF, Headquarters Squadron, 314th Air Base, had received an amateur radio operator's license from the ROK Ministry of Communications valid from July 9, 1957, to July 8, 1958. The report quoted Major Bartols as saying that "Applications for amateur privileges are now open to United Nations personnel and Korean nationals in accordance with Korean amateur radio regulations." The Foreign Ministry official, however, could not confirm this statement as official ROK policy. The Air Attache, in a letter of July 31, 1957, to the Minister of Communications, asked permission to engage in two-way civil radio communication from the Attache's aircraft, basing the request upon the precedent of Major Bartol's license. So far no reply has been received from the Minister.

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The Embassy will informally pursue this matter further from time to time until an official expression of policy can be obtained.

For the Ambassador:

William G. Jones

William G. Jones
First Secretary of Embassy

cc: Air Attache
G-2, Eighth Army

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Regarding Department telegram 254, See Embassy despatch 199.

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NO.: A-171 May 27, 1957

SUBJECT: Establishment of an Armed Forces Television Station in Seoul

TO: The American Embassy SEOUL, KOREA

The Department is informed that the Department of the Army has plans in advanced stage for the establishment of an Armed Forces television station in Seoul. The Department of the Army is currently informing the Commander in Chief, Far East (CINCFE) for action by the Armed Forces Far East Forward Headquarters of the Eighth Army at Seoul (AFFE/A8 Seoul) that the agreement of Korean authorities must be obtained for the frequencies to be used and for the type of program to be broadcast before the station will be established. CINCFE is being advised by the Department of the Army that the Department of State requests CINCFE (or AFFE/A8 Seoul) to coordinate the matter with the Embassy prior to making any approaches to the Korean authorities.

The Department's intention is that the Embassy be informed of this situation for decision, in its discretion, whether the approach to Korean officials should be made by or through the Embassy, or directly by AFFE/A8 Seoul. This point was made to Army officials in Washington who felt, however, that the request for CINCFE to coordinate with the Embassy would suffice to cover the matter.

The Department would appreciate the Embassy's report of any developments as they occur.

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NO.: A-178 June 5, 1957

SUBJECT: Establishment of an Armed Forces Television Station in Seoul

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TO: The American Embassy SEOUL, KOREA

The Department refers to its instruction No. A-171 of May 27, 1957 regarding the establishment of an Armed Forces television station in Seoul.

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There is enclosed, for the information of the Embassy, a copy of the communication dated May 29, 1957, with its attachments, sent by the Department of the Army to the Commander in Chief, Far East (CINCFE) concerning the action to be taken by CINCFE before final authorization for the station is granted. This communication is mentioned in the Department's instruction under reference.

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Memorandum of May 29 to CINCFE
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FROM: SEOUL

TO: Secretary of State

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REFERENCE: DEPT INSTRUCTIONS A-171 AND A-178.

EMBASSY HAS DISCUSSED SUBSTANCE REFERENCE INSTRUCTIONS WITH ACTION OFFICER EIGHTH ARMY. EIGHTH ARMY HAS NOT RPT NOT RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM CINCUNC AND THUS IN NO RPT NO POSITION TAKE ACTION. HOWEVER, UNDERSTAND ARMY NOTIFIED ROK GOVT SEPT. 1, 1956 IT PLANNED ESTABLISH TV RPT TV STATION ON TOP NAMSAN RPT NAMSAN MOUNTAIN SEOUL, AND STATION SCHEDULED BEGIN OPERATION SOON. NO RPT AGREEMENT SOUGHT ROK GOVT AT TIME SINCE UNC RPT UNC CONSIDERS IT HAS RIGHT ESTABLISH FREQUENCIES HERE JUST AS IN CASE RADIO CHANNELS FOR MILITARY USE.

CAN BE ARGUED TV RPT TV BROADCAST COMPARABLE ARMED FORCES RADIO AND THUS SUBJECT SAME TYPE ARRANGEMENTS VIS-A-VIS ROK. ON OTHER HAND, TV RPT TV STATION SEEMS FURTHER REMOVED FROM MILITARY OPERATION AND EMBASSY BELIEVES AGREEMENT WITH ROK DESIRABLE. EMBASSY BELIEVES ESTABLISHMENT SUCH STATION SHOULD BE PRESENTED AS PART MILITARY OPERATION (IN FACT WILL BE COMPETITOR ROK STATION) AND THEREFORE APPROACH ROK GOVT BE COORDINATED WITH EMBASSY BUT MADE BY AFFE/8TH ARMY.

EMBASSY CAN TAKE NO RPT NO FURTHER ACTION UNTIL EIGHTH ARMY INSTRUCTED BY CINCUNC.

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Embassy's 1102, June 29, coincided CINCFE Tokyo telegram to Army June 29 restating Army position ROK frequency agreement unnecessary establishment Army television station Seoul. Army position appears turn on frequency usage only, whereas Dept concerned recognition ROK rights on broader issues of political effects ROK relations, possible competition ROK television station, purpose of station, and program content, for which ROK approval desirable. Dept. not insistent written agreement; Army's message DA 926141 July 10 advised CUSCom Seoul, with Dept concurrence, that written agreement unnecessary with provisos military Seoul coordinate with Embassy, and ROK does not object installation.

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FROM: SEOUL

TO: **Secretary of State**

NO: 111, JULY 31, 5 PM

REFERENCE: DEPTEL 34 JULY 12.

CHIEF STAFF EIGHTH ARMY JULY 29 SENT LETTER WITH CONCURRENCE EMBASSY INFORMING ROK RPT ROK MINISTER COMMUNICATIONS ARMY TV RPT TV STATION REQUIRED BROADCAST TELECASTS AS RECEIVED INCLUDING ADVERTISEMENTS. IN EARLIER EXCHANGE MAY 15 AND JUNE 6 MINISTER HAD INDICATED HLKZ RPT HLKZ ALSO WANTED CHANNEL 3 AND INQUIRED POSSIBILITY UNITED STATES ARMY USING HIGHER FREQUENCY. EIGHTH ARMY REPLIED SUCH CHANGE WOULD BE COSTLY, DELAY INITIATING BROADCASTS, AND REDUCE TELEVISION COVERAGE IN FORWARD AREA TO UNACCEPTABLE LEVEL. NO FURTHER COMMUNICATION FROM MINISTRY COMMUNICATIONS. HOWEVER GOVERNMENT'S KOREAN REPUBLIC JULY 15 RAN EDITORIAL WELCOMING ARMY TELEVISION BROADCASTS (EMBASSY DESPATCH 43 JULY 19).

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FROM : AMEMBASSY, SEOUL

TO : THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.

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SUBJECT: Analysis of the Korean Press

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(NS) Attached herewith, for distribution within the Department, are twenty copies each of two documents respectively entitled "Information and Press Policies of the ROK Government" (Confidential); and "Political and Professional Structure of the Korean Press" (Official Use Only).

These reports, prepared by USIS press section, represent a complete revision and updating of a similar Korean press review issued a year ago, May 1, 1954, under the same title (then classified Limited Official Use and subsequently re-classified Official Use Only) which may now be destroyed.

USIS is effecting distribution of the studies to all elements of U. S. civilian agencies and military commands in Korea and Japan, and is forwarding separately another forty copies to USIA, with the request that that agency accomplish appropriate Washington distribution to all agencies except the Department of State.

For the Ambassador:

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : FE - Mr. Robertson

DATE: MAY 25 1959

FROM : NA - Mr. Bane

SUBJECT: Ambassador Yang's Letter to the Washington Post and Present State of Korean Journalism.

In my memorandum of May 22 on "Possible Items for Acting Secretary's Staff Meeting (Tab A), I stated that NA was undertaking to verify the quotation in Ambassador Yang's letter published in the Washington Post of May 22 (Tab B), which he attributed to Professor Arpan on the impressive progress being made toward improving Korean press standards. We now have verified that Professor Arpan was quoted in the April 27 edition of the Korean Republic and the Korean Times as having made this statement. According to both of these articles, Professor Arpan made these comments at the airport before he boarded his plane to leave Korea. While they cannot be verified by independent American sources, it appears that such remarks can be attributed to Professor Arpan.

In a confidential report submitted through USIA (Tab C), Professor Arpan was, however, very critical of the Korean press. He stated that the press of Korea is "terribly in need of discipline and a standard of ethical conduct." Truth is incidental to expediency, with a form of journalistic blackmail -- accepting money for keeping bad news out of the papers and for putting good news in -- accepted as a common practice. According to Professor Arpan, many businessmen, governmental officials, missionaries, etc. have expressed the opinion that they would welcome governmental regulation of the press in order to eliminate some of the press abuses.

Professor Arpan continues that, although the present license law prevents many more newspapers from coming into the field and keeps Communist publications out, it tends to preserve the status quo. He believes that there are too many papers at present with the result that none of them can make any money. In his opinion, without the license provisions some of the weaker papers would go out of business.

Professor Arpan expressed the hope that the United States can aid Korean journalism. He advocates the establishment of a School of Journalism at one of the Korean universities. Further steps that should be undertaken include a technical consultant for journalism under OEC or another administrative organization and the establishment of a thorough course in journalism conducted over a considerable period

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period of time which would provide a model for needed advice and guidance. In conclusion, he stated that there are quite a few editors and many young men who, aware of the problems of Korean journalism, should be encouraged to fight for their principles.

Attachments:

Tab A - Memorandum to Mr. Robertson of May 22.

Tab B - Article in Washington Post of May 22.

Tab C - Professor Arpan's observations on Korean press.

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TO: Secretary of State

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OPI March 17 suspended for indefinite period publication leading opposition newspaper with largest circulation any daily in Korea, DONG A ILBO (TWX 180305Z).

Two Chinese characters for "puppet" were used in an editorial on North Korea in March 17 issue. Typesetter accidentally inserted same characters in following editorial making it read "puppet ROK high authorities." Mistake was discovered and edition of 9000 copies destroyed with exception 200 which could not be recovered. DONG A ILBO executive informed Embassy one these got into hands Lt. Gen. Won Yong-Tuk who took it to President who then ordered OPI decrep suspension. DONG A ILBO had been outspoken in criticism of Won connection delivery seditious documents to six opposition Assemblymen. President had vigorously defended Won when Assembly demanded Minister Defense punish him (EMBTEL 1039, Tokyo 710).

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FROM: SEOUL

TO: Secretary of State

NO: 1051, MARCH 21, 3 P.M.

SENT PRIORITY TOKYO 718, REPEATED INFORMATION DEPARTMENT 1051.

I URGENTLY REQUEST AFFE APPROVAL STARS AND STRIPES SALE TO SELECTED SEOUL NEWSPAPERS 50 ROLLS NEWSPRINT 43 INCH SIZE AT PREVAILING MARKET PRICES FOR LOCAL HWAN CURRENCY. SELECTION BUYER WITH ADVICE U.S. INFORMATION SERVICE. SALE TO BE REPRESENTED AS NORMAL WAREHOUSE CLEARANCE SURPLUS NEWSPRINT STOCKS AS WAS DONE SIMILAR INSTANCE DURING HWAN-DOLLAR CONTROVERSY LAST AUTUMN.

CO SEOUL STARS AND STRIPES SAYS SUFFICIENT STOCK ON HAND AND CONCURS ADVISABILITY BUT ADDS PRESENT HWAN BALANCES ARE HIGH. REQUESTS AUTHORITY CONVERT WITH ARMY FINANCE OFFICER INTO DOLLARS ANY HWAN RECEIVED. IMPOSSIBLE BUYERS OBTAIN DOLLAR CREDITS WITHOUT APPROVAL BANK OF KOREA WHICH COULD STOP DEAL COLD.

SITUATION ARISES FROM ROK SUPPRESSION LEADING OPPOSITION NEWSPAPER TONG A ILBO LAST WEEK FOR ALLEGED DISRESPECT PRESIDENT RHEE OCCASIONED BY TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR IN TRANSPOSING TWO HEADLINES. BEST AVAILABLE INFORMATION IS THAT SUSPENSION MAY CONTINUE ANOTHER 10 DAYS. TONG A ILBO ADVISING SUBSCRIBERS MEANWHILE TO BUY OTHER OPPOSITION PAPERS UNTIL OWN PUBLICATION RESUMED. CIRCULATION OTHER PRO-U. S. PAPERS CONSEQUENTLY SKYROCKETING BUT THEESE PAPERS CONNOT OBTAIN SUFFICIENT NEWSPRINT HANDLE THIS INCREASE EXCEPT WITH ROK APPROVAL. NO RPT NO NEWSPRINT AVAILABLE OPEN MARKET. I CONSIDER IMPORTANT THESE PAPERS TAKE UP SLACK. REQUEST TELEGRAPHIC APPROVAL TO SEOUL STARS AND STRIPES SOONEST.

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FROM: SEOUL

TO: Secretary of State

NO: 1115, APRIL 8, 6 P.M.

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RE EMBTEL 1047 RPTD TOKYO 713.

WHEN TONG-A ILBO SUSPENDED MARCH 17 FOR TYPOGRAPHIC ERROR IN HEADLINE IT WAS GENERALLY SUPPOSED PAPER WOULD BE ALLOWED RESUME WITHIN WEEK. LATER WORD WENT OUT HONGKEE KARL, DIRECTOR, OPI INSISTED SUSPENSION MUST LAST AT LEAST TWO WEEKS IF IT WAS TO HAVE ANY DISCIPLINARY EFFECT. SUSPENSION NOW IN FOURTH WEEK AND NO SIGNS IT WILL BE LIFTED. CURRENT RUMOR IS OPI WILL PERMIT PAPER RESUME ON CONDITION CERTAIN DESIGNATED PERSONS ARE DISMISSED AND OTHERS NAMED BY OPI HIRED. IN MEANTIME SEVERAL PRINTERS WHO WORKED FOR TONG-A ILBO ARE STILL IN JAIL WHILE PROSECUTOR IS LOOKING INTO SITUATION TO DETERMINE IF CRIMINAL ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN. EDITOR AND SUB-EDITORS ARE STILL UNDER INTERMITTENT INTERROGATION BY NATIONAL POLICE AND PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE.

EMBASSY HAS STUDIED POSSIBILITY OF INFLUENCING GOVT TO PERMIT TONG-A ILBO RESUME PUBLICATION. I CONSIDER IT PREPOSTEROUS THAT GOVT SHOULD CONTINUE SUSPENSION OF RESPECTED NEWSPAPER, 35 YEARS OLD WITH CIRCULATION HUNDRED THOUSAND, PARTICULARLY SINCE SUSPENSION WAS ORDERED ON BASIS OF TYPOGRAPHIC ERROR WHICH APPEARED IN ABOUT TWO HUNDRED COPIES WHICH IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE FOR PUBLISHERS TO RECLAIM AFTER MISPRINT WAS DISCOVERED.

THERE ARE INTIMATIONS SUSPENSION INDEPENDENT KYONGHYANG SHINMUN MAY BE ORDERED, ALSO FOR HEADLINE ERROR. THIS PAPER PUBLISHED BY CHANG MYUN, FORMER KOREAN AMBASSADOR TO U.S. AND KOREA'S LEADING CATHOLIC LAYMAN.

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TONG-A ILBO RESUMED PUBLICATION APRIL 17 WITH PROMINENTLY BOXED APOLOGY EXPLAINING PUBLICATION ERROR WHICH LED TO 32 DAY SUSPENSION. PAPER ACKNOWLEDGED ERROR WAS "IMPOLITE" TO PRESIDENT AND APOLOGIZED TO AUTHORITIES AND KOREAN PEOPLE. ADDED THAT SUSPENSION HAD MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE APOLOGIZE SOONER. REFERRED TO SPECIAL INSTRUCTION FROM PRESIDENT RHEE WHICH HAD AUTHORIZED RESUMPTION PUBLICATION. ISSUE ALSO CONTAINED DETAILED ACCOUNT OF CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR HAD OCCURRED.

SEOUL DISTRICT PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE AMNOUNCED DISMAISSAL CASES AGAINST TONG-A ILBO'S EMPLOYEES EXPLAINING THAT INVESTIGATION INDICATED TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR NOT PREMEDITATED. HOWEVER FIRST ISSUE CARRIED NOTICE THAT KWON OH-CHUL, CHIEF NEWS EDITOR, AND KO CHAE-UK, EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, HAVE BEEN RELIEVED OF THEIR DUTIES, LATTER TO FUNCTION AS ADVISOR TO EDITORIEAL BOARD, THESE PERSONNEL CHANGES PRICE PAPER PAID FOR RESUMPTION PUBLICATION.

THREATENED SUSPENSION KYONGHYANG SHIMUN HAS APPARENTLY BLOWN OVER FOR PRESENT.

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Memorandum of Conversation

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DATE: June 22, 1955

SUBJECT: "Korean Republic" Editorial of June 18.

PARTICIPANTS: Yeu Chan Yang, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea
Dr. Cho Chung Whan, Vice Foreign Minister

Walter S. Robertson, Assistant Secretary
Robert J. G. McClurkin, Director, Office of Northeast Asian Affairs

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Mr. Robertson referred to an editorial and a cartoon which had appeared in the "Korean Republic" on June 18 in connection with the present discussions between representatives of the United States and the Republic of Korea. He said that he had been shocked to find that a newspaper which had an official connection with the Korean Government would carry statements which were as unfairly critical of the United States as anything which comes out of Peiping or Pyongyang. The United States is engaged in economic and military programs for Korea which are larger than those for any other country in the world. He himself is to appear before the House Appropriations Committee on Friday in support of these programs. If by some means the members of the Appropriations Committee were to get hold of this editorial from the "Korean Republic" and read it into the hearing, he would be horribly embarrassed and the prospects for appropriations would be severely damaged.

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Mr. Robertson asked Ambassador Yang who was responsible for the editorial policy of the "Korean Republic". Ambassador Yang said that it is an American — a Mr. Glenn, who is employed by the Korean Government. Mr. Robertson said that no matter who is responsible such material should not be allowed to appear. He is going to send Ambassador Yang a letter expressing his deep concern, and he urged the Ambassador to communicate this concern directly to President Rhee.

Ambassador Yang expressed general agreement with what Mr. Robertson had said and promised to communicate his views to President Rhee.

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Dear Chan:

My attention has been called to an editorial and a cartoon which appeared in the "Korean Republic" on June 18 and which bear upon the discussions with you and the other representatives of your Government which opened here on June 21. Here are three quotations from the editorial:

> "Some American aid administrators have tried to maintain that the open market rate is realistic but this is true only in the sense that the dollar can be used to drive the hwan out of existence, if that is what the United States wishes to do with its monetary power."
>
> "It is true the United States does not guarantee the value of the yen or of the Philippine peso but neither does it seek to destroy their value."
>
> "Finally we must point out that America has applied its economic ideas for eight years and failed.... It seems fair and reasonable that the United States should let us try out our own ideas for the salvation of our own country. All we seek is a chance."

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These quotations are representative of the spirit of the editorial and the cartoon. I particularly resent the implication in the second quotation that the United States is seeking to destroy the value of the hwan. Both you and your Government officials know how far from the truth this statement is. You also know how absurd it is to blame the American "economic ideas" for the fact that the Korean economy has not yet completely recovered from the devastation of three years of war.

I would

His Excellency
You Chan Yang,
Ambassador of the Republic of Korea.

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Department's attention invited concluding paragraph July 6 KOREA TIMES editorial (reprint from HANKUK ILBO) TWX'd 0170300Z, entitled "A Rate That Works."

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
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American Embassy,
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Dear Bob:

The events of the last two months have thrown us off the track on some of the plans we made earlier. Your letter of October 12 concerning Korean Republic editorials reminds me of one of them.

We decided some time ago that we would cut down on the transmission of these editorials but in the absence of a specific order they kept on going in while our attention was monopolized by other things. The instruction has, however, now been given and in the future material from the Korean Republic will not be TWXed excepting on the basis of a specific request from the Chief of the Political or Economic Section. As a rule this will only be done in connection with a telegram commenting on some particularly offensive piece of impudence.

Sincerely yours,

Carl

Carl W. Strom
Chargé d'Affaires a. i.

Robert J. G. McClurkin, Esquire,
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TO: The American Embassy, SEOUL

Although the Embassy has not replied to the Department's CA-2765 of October 6, 1955 regarding foreign press summaries, a survey of the interested Washington recipients of the Korean Daily Press Summary and the Proceedings of the National Assembly has recently been completed. On the basis of this survey, it is requested that the Embassy discontinue the present distribution of the above publications to Washington and initiate the following distribution by transmittal slip on a regular basis.

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TOKYO PASS CINCUNC.

Korean Republic editorial December 7 titled "The Last Straw" with cartoon showing Hungary's Kadar as dummy on knee ventriloquist USSR presents quick ROK reaction to Hungary's refusal permit United Nations Secretary-General Dag visit. Editorial asks how much longer civilized world and UN will wait before "getting up on its perfectly good hind legs and telling the unspeakable Russians off?" ... "It's going to have to be done" and soon. Paper suggests only possible course at this juncture is for free nations of UN to combine military potential for purpose enforcing UN's order for withdrawal USSR troops and for UN investigation of catastrophe in Hungary.

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SENT DEPARTMENT 609; REPEATED INFORMATION TOKYO 234.

TOKYO PASS CINCUNC, CG AFFE/ARMY EIGHT (REAR), COMNAVFE, FEAF, FIFTH AIR FORCE AND CAG.

KOREAN REPUBLIC EDITORIAL DECEMBER 28 (SEE TWX 280900Z) MAY PRESAGE INTENSIFIED ROK RPT ROK OUTPUT ANTI-JAPANESE SENTIMENTS.

AFTER FLURRY OF SOMEWHAT PLEASED AND HOPEFUL REACTIONS TO ISHIBASHI STATEMENTS DECEMBER 18, REFERRED TO BY ROKS AS HAVING INCLUDED EXPRESSION JAPANESE WILLINGNESS TO WITHDRAW CLAIMS TO KOREAN PROPERTY, ACCUSATION IS MADE IN EDITORIAL THAT "HAND OF FRIENDSHIP THAT HE APPEARED BE OFFERING KOREA" HAS BEEN PULLED BACK BY ISHIBASHI'S SUBSEQUENTLY REPORTED STATEMENT THAT CLAIMS AND KUBOTA STATEMENT SHOULD BE DISCUSSED AT CONFERENCE. "INDIAN GIVING" TAG USED.

AFTER REVIEW ROK VERSION JAPAN'S INTRANSIGENCE AND RENEWING CHARGE JAPANESE "GESTURES" ARE MADE FOR BENEFIT US, EDITORIAL CONCLUDES "OLD JAPAN...IS FAR FROM DEAD" AND ANNOUNCES "ALL THINGS CONSIDERED, KOREA SEEMS HAVE NO CHOICE OTHER THAN BEGIN TELLING---WIDELY AND FULL AS POSSIBLE---THE TRUTH ABOUT JAPAN."

UP DESPATCH OF DECEMBER 18 PUBLISHED HERE AND REPORTING ISHIBASHI'S REMARKS INCLUDED REFERENCE TO RENUNCIATION CLAIMS ONLY IN EXPRESSING DESIRE TO SEE "BOTH SIDES MAKE MUTUAL CONCESSIONS." UP DESPATCH DID REPORT ISHIBASHI AS SAYING JAPAN READY TO WITHDRAW KUBOTA STATEMENT.

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SUBJECT: Proposed Measure for Press Control and "Protection of the National Administration" in the Republic of Korea

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Summary

In response to mounting press and public criticism of the Administration and of the ruling Liberal Party since the 1956 presidential election campaign, Liberal Party leaders have been considering a "Bill Governing Temporary Measures to Protect the National Administration." The bill, which has not yet been introduced in the National Assembly, would raise penalties for various corrupt practices to Draconian levels; redefine or amplify definitions of certain crimes such as flight of property abroad or betrayal of State secrets; and provide penalties of imprisonment for publication of "false fact" which would impair "the fidelity or faith of an individual, juridical person or organization." As soon as the press publicized the proposal, it was widely criticized as endangering press freedom and giving the Administration a whip hand over its political opposition.

Assembly Speaker and Liberal Party Chairman YI Ki-bung on November 22 told reporters that he "could not support" the proposal; the Chief Justice forthrightly opposed it; and the Director of the Office of Public Information called for the press to impose its own controls upon itself. However, in December there were reports of a signature-collecting drive under official auspices in the provinces to demonstrate popular support for the proposed bill. Speaker Yi told the Ambassador on January 8 that he did not think the bill would be considered by the National Assembly, but nevertheless undertook to defend the measure as necessary in order to avoid disturbing the public. A possibility remains, therefore, that the Administration or the Liberal Party will persist in its endeavors to obtain stricter controls over the press as a means of combatting loss of popularity as the 1958 Assembly elections approach.

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2. Background

The National Intelligence Summary on Korea (Section 43, pp. 26-27) summarized the situation of the Korean press as of August, 1952, as follows: "The treatment of the press by the ROK Government has been both an obstacle to the development of a free and strong press and a factor tending to develop a consciousness of responsibilities and powers. The government, extremely sensitive to criticism and opposition, has attempted to smother the press or force it to support government actions. These efforts have met with only partial success. Even the direct controls exercised by the Rhee regime . . . have failed to eliminate widespread press criticism of the government . . . There has been constant pressure from U.S. officials for a more liberal government policy toward the press, a pressure which may have inhibited the government substantially in its attacks on the press . . ." In 1949, the Government utilized an old Japanese-sponsored law of the Yi Dynasty to suppress the Seoul Sinmun. Since then, there have been a series of specific instances of government or quasi-government pressure on the press, of which the two most recent examples were the month-long suspension of Tong'a Ilbo, the largest Korean newspaper and in effect the organ of the Opposition Democratic Party, in early 1955, and the partial destruction of the Mail Sinmun printing plant in Taegu by police-sponsored hoodlums, following the appearance of an editorial critical of the government, in September, 1955. The latter incident, in particular, provoked strong public reaction and considerable debate in the National Assembly; eventually the editor of the paper was acquitted of somewhat fantastic charges of subversion, and the persons responsible for the damage to the plant were given token punishment[1].

Although never so completely muzzled as they would have been under a complete police-state regime, the Korean newspapers gained new dimensions of freedom during the presidential election campaign of 1956, and since that time have continued to criticize the government, and even on occasion the President himself, in surprisingly frank terms. This new freedom has been a source of irritation to the President, and of embarrassment to the Liberal Party leaders. The President displayed his anger during a press conference in June, 1956[2]; and in September he gave a scolding to the newspaper correspondents, seemingly aiming in particular at the two principal Opposition organs, Tong'a Ilbo and Kyonghyang Sinmun[3]. Liberal Party leaders have privately expressed to Embassy officers their concern that constant press criticism of Administration mistakes -- which, they point out, is always more newsworthy than reports of Administration accomplishments -- will add to popular unrest and make more difficult the Government's task of economic and social reconstruction[4]

In part, such criticism of the attitude of the press is justified. As one responsible journalist pointed out,[5] a certain proportion of journalists are

1/ Newspaper and CIC reports and Embassy summaries of Assembly proceedings.
2/ Despatch #3
3/ Embassy officer's conversation with one of the reporters present, Sept. 24, 1956.
4/ Despatch #43
5/ Ibid

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little more than blackmailers, who print sensational stories to encourage sales and accept money from high officials to suppress other stories. Americans have personally suffered from irresponsible journalism, as in the McFadden case and the case of the Chonju Presbyterian Medical Center[1]. Professor Ellard of the Columbia School of Journalism remarked to a selected audience in October, 1955, that the Korean press was in somewhat the same level as the American press of a hundred years ago. However, the tremendous power of the newspapermen -- estimated by one source[2] as a second only to that of Cabinet Ministers and Assemblymen -- has introduced a new element of restraint upon the activities of Government and of government officials, by bringing into public view incidents of incompetence and dishonesty, and by giving the political opposition its chief means of carrying its appeal to the people.

3. The Bill

In early November, Independent and Opposition newspapers began to report that a bill was under consideration in Liberal Party and Government circles which would allow the Government to control the press in respect to reports affecting Government property, secrets, or prestige. Several newspapers on November 16 summarized the major provisions of the bill, which inter alia stipulated that "in case an article reporting false facts detrimental to the prestige of an individual or a juridical person has been carried in a publication, the writer and the editor involved shall be subject to penal servitude for not less than six months or /to/ have his qualifications suspended for not less than three years, and that in case such articles have been carried frequently, the publications involved may be suspended in accordance with the provisions of a Presidential decree." The bill also stipulates that "heavy penalty shall be imposed on those who may embezzle or illegally dispose of Government properties, those who may commit criminal acts affecting the secrets of the State and public buildings and those who may make false reports on properties."[3] A copy of the newspaper summary of the law is given in Enclosure 1.

P'yonghwa Sinmun (a pro-Government, but not Liberal Party, paper) on November 20 stated that on the previous day the leaders of the Liberal Party had expressed their willingness "to modify in part the provisions of the bill . . . to comply with public opinions." However, Assemblyman IM Hung-sun, Chief of the Liberal Party General Affairs Department, was quoted as saying, "You should not criticize the bill as a bad law on an unconditional basis but express constructive opinions as to what clauses should be modified." The paper concluded that "it is apparently an established policy of the Liberal Party to enact such a law."

On November 22, the Assembly press corps called on the Speaker of the National Assembly, YI KI-bung, who is also Chairman of the Liberal Party Central Committee, to present their resolution opposing the proposed bill.

1/ Despatch #184
2/ Despatch #43
3/ Korean Daily Press Translation Service, November 16, 1956, summarizing records in independent and opposition dailies.

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According to the opposition Tong'a Ilbo, Mr. Yi at that time said that "since the same bill has not been adopted by the Party on a formal basis, you need not worry too much about it," and, "I do not know what truth is contained in the bill, but I cannot support it."

Despite this statement, the reports of Hanguk Ilbo of December 5 and other papers tended to confirm rumors of a signature collecting drive in the provinces, to prove that the citizens of Korea wanted such a law. Hanguk Ilbo stated that a township chief in South Ch'ungch'ong Province (a Liberal Party strong-hold) had issued instructions to three village chiefs to begin a signature drive. There were other reports of similar official initiative. To date, however, there has been no official recognition in Seoul that "the will of the people" demands a press control law.

4. Reaction to Proposed Bill

As soon as the text of the proposed "Bill Governing Temporary Measures to Protect the National Administration" was published (November 16), all principal opposition and independent newspapers and even the pro-Government P'yonghwa Sinmun printed sharply critical editorials. Representatives of the Democratic and Progressive Parties and the non-Government Assemblymen's "Fighting Committee to Protect the People's Rights" issued statements condemning the proposal. Tong'a Ilbo ran critical articles by three notables, including Democratic Supreme Commissioner KWAK Sang-hun. Liberal Party leaders were evasive or non-committal, except for the cautiously critical statement of YI Ki-bung referred to above. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, according to Hanguk Ilbo of November 17, said that "The . . . bill . . . cannot become a law . . . The . . . bill, which tends to hamper the freedom of the press guaranteed by the Constitution, is meaningless . . . In my opinion we should rather enact a law which will step up the freedom of the press." This statement, if properly quoted, was a remarkably strong one for the Chief Justice to make. OH Chae-gyong, Director of the Office of Public Information, somewhat later took a position of implicit opposition in the course of budget hearings before the National Assembly's Budget and Audit Committee. As quoted by the Korea Times of December 18, Mr. Oh said that if the proposed bill were passed, he would "take action in accordance with the dictates of my conscience," and called for press men "to live up to a 'self-established canon of morality' of reporting only facts as they are, without tinge of distortion." This statement was in answer to an opposition Assemblyman's query as to whether press controls were necessary.

In general, the substance of the criticism (which centered on the "false reports" article) was that the bill would accomplish little that could not be done under existing laws; that it imposed unduly heavy penalties; that it was too vaguely worded; and that it was motivated by the desire of the Liberal Party to suppress criticism of its activities and throttle the political opposition in the light of the approaching National Assembly election. Newspapers also called attention to the fact that the archaic Kwangmu press control law (invoked in 1949, as mentioned above) had been repealed three years ago, and that the Administration previously had sought unsuccessfully to obtain a new press control law.

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The publisher of the conservative independent daily Choson Ilbo twice told an Embassy officer that he felt confident the proposed bill would not pass the Assembly, because the press could conduct an effective campaign against it, and because most Assemblymen would fear the political consequences of favoring such a measure.

A group of newspapermen in private conversation at dinner one evening in mid-December agreed that some sort of press code was needed in Korea. However, they were not optimistic as to the prospects for realization of an effective, self-imposed code in the near future. They seemed to feel that such a development, however desirable and necessary, would require four or five years.

On January 8, in the course of a private conversation with the Ambassador, Speaker Yi Ki-bung acknowledged that the Liberal Party was still considering the control measure. He argued at some length in defense of its necessity, pointing out that under existing economic and political condisions the Government and the Liberal Party could not possibly eliminate all sources of popular dissatisfaction, and implying that it was therefore necessary to minimize the growth of public dissatisfaction by controlling the present unrestricted dissemination of critical reports by the newspapers. The Ambassador informally expressed to the Speaker his opinion that although the control bill was commendable in its intent to raise the standard of official morality, it was unfortunate in terms of Korea's international prestige as a democratic nation that some of the bill's provisions could be interpreted as opening the way for sweeping Government control and censorship of the press. He said that although the Korean press was not perfect, it had made remarkable progress, and that further progress was more likely to be realized by a self-imposed code of journalistic ethics than by state controls and censorship. Moreover, publicity on improper official conduct might even assist the Government by making such conduct all the more unattractive. The Speaker finally seemed convinced of the validity of these arguments, and said that he doubted whether the control bill would actually be considered in the National Assembly.

Embassy Comment

The proposed "Bill Governing Temporary Measures to Protect the National Administration" is probably motivated in part by the President's anger at press criticism of his Government and Party, and in part by the annoyance and embarrassment of the Party leaders themselves, who find themselves harried at every turn by well-publicized instances of official misconduct, and who are fearful of a continuing decline in the general popularity of the Liberal Party which will endanger the Party's chances of securing the necessary Assembly majority in the 1958 elections. Although it is conceivable that Party leaders intended to go only far enough with the measure to frighten the press into a less critical attitude, or to demonstrate to the President the unpopularity of the bill, there are signs which point to a real determination to secure its passage, such as the comprehensive nature of the bill itself and the reported signature-collecting drive, a timeworn device for securing the outward appearance of a popular mandate. Despite the optimism of the newspaper publisher cited above,

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the Liberal Party's control over its present Assembly majority is probably strong enough to push the bill through if the President and his advisers are sufficiently anxious for it.

A press control law is hardly the appropriate device for elevating the standards of the press, particularly when the press has -- despite its obvious failings -- shown commendable progress in its very short history. Mr. Oh's suggestion of a self-imposed journalistic code, if the government could bring appropriate informal pressures for its adoption, would be vastly more effective in the long run. Moreover, police control of the press is not likely to produce the desired increase in popular support for the Liberal Party.

In addition to its implications for Korea, domestically and internationally, the proposed press control is likely to be of immediate concern to correspondents in Korea for American news agencies, because the Eighth Army has decided to withdraw its logistical support from them effective March 15, 1957. After that date, correspondents will have to use the facilities of the Ministry of Communications, and their despatches will be subject to inspection and even censorship by the Korean Government. Although it is doubtful whether American citizens would actually be tried and punished under a press control law in view of Korean sensitivity to foreign press reporting, it is quite possible that the Koreans who now act as correspondents for nearly all American news agencies might, even if not actually punished, be intimidated into a pro-Government reporting policy.

For the Ambassador:

William G. Jones

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First Secretary of Embassy

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Highlights of Proposed Bill Governing Temporary Measures to Protect the National Administration

Source: Korean Daily Press Translation Service, November 16, 1956

CHAPTER I. GENERAL RULES

Article 1. (Purpose). The purpose of this law is to ensure the sound operation of the national administration and enhance the fidelity of the people by severely punishing unjustifiable acts caused by all sorts of evils existing in the national administration and the walks of life of the people, thus contributing to the establishment of a national economy and the consummation of the unification of North and South Korea in the spirit of independence.

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CHAPTER III. CRIMES CONCERNING GOVERNMENT FINANCE

Article 8. (Escape of Government-owned Properties). Anyone who has moved the properties owned or managed by the Government to a foreign country or to North Korea for the purpose of effecting the escape of such properties shall shall be sentenced to death, life imprisonment or penal servitude for not less than five years and fined not less than 200,000 hwan.

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Article 12. (Transaction of those goods for which taxes are in arrears). Anyone who has transacted without a certificate proving the paying of taxes, those goods which can be transacted only after taxes have been paid in accordance with a law or decree, shall be subject to penal servitude for not less than six months, and those who have transferred them shall be fined a sum greater than their prices.

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Article 15. (Illegal arrests, detentions, announcement of those facts which are under suspicion and obstruction of elections). Anyone who has committed any of the criminal acts stipulated in Article 124, 26 or 128 of the Criminal Code shall be subject to penal servitude for not less than one year or shall have his qualifications suspended for not less than three years.

Article 16. (Bribery) Anyone who has committed the criminal acts stipulated in Article 129, 130 or 132 of the Criminal Code shall be subject to penal servitude for not less than three years or shall have his qualifications suspended for not less than five years.

Article 17. Anyone who has committed the criminal acts stipulated in Article 131 of the Criminal Code shall be sentenced to death, life imprisonment or penal servitude for not less than three years.

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Article 19. (Imposition of additional penalty on criminal acts committed by public officials in the course of execution of their official duties). In case a public official has committed a criminal act other than those stipulated in this chapter of this law by taking advantage of his official power, as far as one-half of the penalty involved shall be additionally imposed on the same crime (sic). It is provided, however, that in case a penalty is specifically provided for according to the status of public officials, the same provision shall be applied.

Article 20. (Delivery of bribes) Anyone who has committed the criminal acts stipulated in Article 133 of the Criminal Code shall be subject to penal servitude for not lessthan three years and fined not less than 100,000 hwan.

CHAPTER IV. CRIMINAL ACTS AFFECTING THE SECRETS OF THE STATE AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Article 23. (Acts) of espionage) Anyone who has committed the criminal acts stipulated in Article 98 of the Criminal Code shall be sentenced to death or life imprisonment.

Article 24. (Disclosure of official secrets) Anyone who has committed the criminal acts stipulated in Article 127 of the Criminal Code shall be subject to penal servitude for not less than one year or shall have his qualifications suspended for not less than three years.

Article 25. (Setting fire on or inundating of public buildings). Anyone who has committed the criminal acts stipulated in Article 165 or 178 of the Criminal Code shall be sentenced to death, life imprisonment or imprisonment for not less than six years.

CHAPTER V. CRIMINAL ACTS CONCERNING THE FIDELITY OF THE PEOPLE

Article 27. (Criminal acts concerning the currency, securities, postage stamps, documents and selas) Anyone who has committed the criminal acts stipulated in Articles 207 through 240 of the Criminal Code shall be sentenced to death, life imprisonment or imprisonment for not less than three years, and shall be fined a sum equivalent to three times as much as the profit made by the same act.

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Article 29. (False reports) In case a false fact has been carried /in a publication/ with the resultant impairment of the fidelity or faith of an individual, juridical person or an organization, the writer involved shall be subject to penal servitude for not less than six months or shall have his qualifications suspended for not less than three years. The same provisions shall also apply to the editor who was aware of the commission of the same act.

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The criminal acts stipulated in the foregoing itemmay be discussed against the expressed willof the victims involved.

Any periodical which has frequently carried the articles stipulated in Item 1 above may be suspended in accordance with the provisions of a presidential decree.

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Article 33. (Protection of public faith) Anyone who serves with an organ which executes national policies or performs [the function of] protecting public interests in accordance with the provisions of a presidential decree has promised to receive, or demanded, money or article or has committed an act of intimidation concerning his official duties or in connection with the good offices made by taking advantage of his position shall be subject to penal servitude for not less than 10 years or shall have his qualifications suspended for not less than five years.

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Ten copies of this review were forwarded to the United States Information Agency in Washington under cover of an Operations Memorandum by the United States Information Service on February 5, 1957.

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IN PARTICULARLY VITRIOLIC EDITORIAL TODAY KOREAN REPUBLIC ALLEGED JAPAN DONE NOTHING ASSIST FREE WORLD CAUSE SINCE REGAINING INDEPENDENCE, ON CONTRARY HAS: OBSTRUCTED ROK-JAPAN AGREEMENT; ENTERED CLOSE RELATIONS WITH SOVIETS; TRADED AND SOUGHT DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH RED CHINA, NORTH KOREA, AND NORTH VIETNAM; REFUSED OUTLAW COMMUNIST PARTY; CONDUCTED INTERNATIONAL CAMPAIGN AGAINST NUCLEAR WEAPONS, WHICH BASIS FREE WORLD SECURITY; EMBARRASSED US RPT US BY DEMANDING RETURN RYUKYUS; PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT VICIOUS ANTI-AMERICANISM; AND RESTORED MANY WORLD WAR 11 FASCISTS TO POLITICAL POWER.

EDITORIAL STATED US HAS OBLIGATED ITSELF AND FREE ASIA PREVENT REVIVAL JAPANESE AGGRESSION AND RECOMMENDED TIGHTENING AND STRICT ENFORCEMENT OF TRADE EMBARGO AGAINST COMMUNISTS AND CUTTING OFF JAPAN FROM FREE WORLD MARKETS "UNTIL IT PROVED--THROUGH CONCRETE ACTIONS--IT WILLING STAND WITH DEMOCRACIES."

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KOREAN REPUBLIC TODAY HEADLINED BERLIN INS RPT INS MAY 13 DISPATCH QUOTING "COMMUNIST DIPLOMATIC SOURCE EAST BERLIN" ON NORTH KOREAN BUILD-UP. STORY DESCRIBES TYPES CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS SUPPLIED NORTH KOREA BY EAST EUROPEAN SATELLITES, STATES SOVIET UNION HAS SUPPLIED ATOMIC ARTILLERY AND THAT NORTH KOREAN AIR FORCE EQUIPPED WITH MIG-17, MIG-19, AND IL-28 AIRCRAFT. INS STORY CARRIED GENERALLY BY KOREAN VERNACULAR PRESS.

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KOREAN REPUBLIC APPARENTLY REGARDED INS STORY MORE IMPORTANT IN TERMS CAMPAIGN FOR NEW WEAPONS THAN PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT WHICH NOT RPT NOT CARRIED. OTHER PAPERS WHICH WENT TO PRESS AFTER PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT ISSUED, KOREA TIMES, LATE EDITION CHOSUN ILBO AND HANGUK ILBO, CARRIED PRESIDENT'S OPI RPT, OPI STATEMENT.

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SUBJECT: Transmittal of Anti-Indian Editorial

The Embassy transmits a translation of the pro-government Korean language Seoul Sinmun's editorial of May 14, 1957, a typical illustration of anti-Indian commentary which periodically appears in the government-inspired press. The editorial, entitled "Plot of the Indian Government Finally Revealed," berates India for inhumane brutality in sending six anti-Communist Korean ex-POWs to North Korea and, citing a report that one of the returned ex-prisoners was sentenced to death for treason, contends that India has assisted the Communist executioners. In closing, the editorial charges that India, because of its pro-Communist policies, has not allowed those ex-POWs placed in its care freedom to select the countries in which they wish to reside and accordingly should be brought before the bar of international justice for violating the obligations it assumed under the terms of the 1953 Korean Armistice Agreement as a member of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission.

Although the Republic of Korea has long considered India to be a pro-Communist country, editorials denouncing India and Indian officials usually appear in the Korean press as an expression of ROK protest against some specific act or statement of the Indian Government. The Seoul Sinmun editorial, for example, is a continuation of a press attack that began after V. K. Krishna MENON, Indian Delegate to the United Nations, informally reported to the UN Main Political Committee on January 8, 1957, that of the 88 ex-POWs placed in Indian custody, 55 had been repatriated to Brazil, nine to Argentina, six to North Korea, and two to Communist China and that none of the remaining 16 expressed a desire to be sent to the ROK. The government-supported English language Korean Republic was the first paper to take up cudgels and editorially denounced India in its January 10 edition for repatriating the six ex-prisoners to North Korea. It likewise berated Menon for proposing that North Korea be allowed to participate in UN debates on the Korean question.1/

The POW issue again became the subject of press commentary when O Chae-gyong, Director of the Office of Public Information, stated on May 9 that the ROK "has received a shocking report that a former Korean War prisoner sent to North Korea by India has been sentenced to death by the Communist puppet regime at Pyongyang" and charged that "the Indian Government was as guilty as the

1/ Menon himself was the subject of a vitriolic Korean Republic editorial on January 28, 1957.

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Communist executioners and should be severely reprimanded by the United Nations, which was the trustee for the lives and protection of anti-Communist prisoners of the Korean War." On the same day, the Korean Republic editorially raked India over the coals for its "undeviating" support of the Soviet line and for its "farcical" lip service to democracy as well as for repatriating the six ex-POWs to North Korea. The cited Seoul Sinmun editorial was probably a follow-up attack pegged to May 14 press report that ROK Military Intelligence had identified the [redacted]er sentenced to death as one PAK [redacted]g-ho and were endeavoring to [redacted] reports that the five other ex-prisoners might have also been sentenced to death.

Attacks on Indian policy also appear in the Opposition press although in somewhat less vitriolic form. The Korean language Kyonghyang Sinmun's May 12 commentary on the report that one Indian returned ex-POW was sentenced to death, for example, also condemned India but in a more restrained manner. Kyonghyang felt that if the six ex-prisoners had elected to return to North Korea out of nostalgia for their homeland or for fear of Communist repraisals against their families, India was guilty of failure to exercise its responsibility of furnishing guidance to the young men who lacked the experience and wisdom necessary to see through the Communist blandishments. On the other hand, Kyonghyang continued, if the Indian Government advised the ex-POWs to return to North Korea in the interest of furthering its relationship with the Communist bloc, India was then guilty of the undemocratic act of sacrificing lives on the pretext of national policy. In either case, Kyonghyang considered India guilty of an irresponsible act and contended that the repatriation issue must be discussed by the UN. Such a debate, Kyonghyang felt, might open India's eyes to the true nature of Communism.

Other examples of Kyonghyang's anti-Indian editorials are its comments of January 23 and January 29. In the former editorial, Kyonghyang considered Nehru's neutral policy was endangering Indian independence because it fosters the growth of the Indian Communist Party, and opined that India's position on the Hungarian revolt question might indicate that the internal Indian Communist movement is now too strongly entrenched for Nehru to reverse his policies even if he becomes aware of the danger Communism presents to his country. In the latter editorial, Kyonghyang claimed that the forced annexation of Kashmir was a contradiction of Nehru's professions of championing Asian independence.

Still another example of Opposition anti-Indian editorial commentary is the March 11 edition of the Korean language Hanguk Ilbo. In this editorial, the Hanguk Ilbo protested Indian refusal to issue visas to the ROK Delegation attending the New Delhi conference of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions. Hanguk pointed out that India's refusal to issue the visas on the grounds that there was no diplomatic relationship between India and the ROK was unintelligible since India had issued the necessary visas to ROK delegates to a previous UNESCO conference held in India. Considering India's second reason for refusing the visas, i.e., fear of antagonizing Communist

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neighbors, Hanguk said that it was disappointing to learn that India was afraid of the Communist bloc and felt that the co-existance policy advocated by India in reality was nothing but a policy of flattery and subordination to the USSR.

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For the Ambassador:

William G. Jones

William G. Jones
First Secretary of Embassy

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Translation of Seoul Sinmun's May 14, 1956, editorial

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Plot of the Indian Government Finally Revealed
(May 14 issue of Seoul Sinmun)

We cannot help but resent the report that one of the six anti-Communist POWs whom the Indian Government had received and forcibly repatriated to the north Korea puppet regime was executed by the puppet regime. Such an act committed by the Indian Government was one of the international incidents of infringing upon human rights. The act could be regarded as an international plot, and should not be forgiven.

The Indian Government, however, insists that the prisoners themselves made the choice of going to north Korea. Did they really desire to go there? It is apparent that the Indian Government sacrificed our anti-Communist youth in order to flatter the Communist bloc. In the light of the following facts, it could be concluded that the Indian Government, taking advantage of its position as a member of the Neutral Nationals Repatriation Commission, had entered into this international plot with the Communist bloc because; (1) shortly after the prisoner's repatriation, he was executed; (2) the six prisoners had rejected repatriation to north Korea; (3) the many nations concerned were not informed of the repatriation; and (4) there is no concrete evidence to prove that the repatriation was voluntary.

We have cooly observed the various policies carried out by the Indian Government which has exposed its pro-Communist tendencies under the pretext of "neutralism." Therefore, the Indians and their Government should examine their attitude, instead of being absorbed in their own personal interest. Because, until immediately before the end of World War II she had long suffered from British colonial rule, India had seriously longed for independence and liberty; accordingly, India is in a position to reject any aggressive action or colonial rule. Korea also had long groaned under Japanese imperialistic rule, and has recently had its independence restored only in South Korea. In view of the similar positions of Korea and India, what India has done is to side with the puppet regime that has invaded south Korea, a policy which is against the idealogy of Ghandi, whom the Indians respect and admire. It is also learned that the other five prisoners might also have been punished on the charge of treason. Since we foresaw these facts when the 88 POWs were taken to India, we have strongly insisted that they should be accorded the right of free choice. Nevertheless, the Indian Government disregarded our insistence, consequently a prisoner was executed. Therefore, we cannot help but define the Indian Government as one which has disregarded international human rights, sided with Communist aggressors, and assisted the hangman. Therefore, we strongly contend that India should be subject to international impeachment.

In accordance with Article 4, Item 11 of the Armistice Agreement, those POWs who desire to be repatriated to neutral nations may choose their mode of livelihood as civilians and, in the case of those POWs who have chosen to go to appropriate neutral nations, the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission and the India Red Cross should accord them every convenience in making the necessary arrangements. Nevertheless, the Indian Government has again forcibly repatriated prisoners against their will to the Communist side without giving any advance explanation to the nations concerned. By this act, India has not only violated the

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Armistice Agreement, but has also forgotten its mission as a neutral nation. Furthermore, as this act is a treacherous one against the Free World, India should be called to account for the repatriation. We hereby with our 16 war allies, protest against the act committed by the Indian Government and urge that proper measures be taken to have the Indian Government reflect upon itself.

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KOREA TIMES JUNE 19 CARRIES EXCLUSIVE UNITED PRESS INTERVIEW PRESIDENT RHEE JUNE 18 CONCERNING DISARMAMENT. PRESIDENT RHEE REPORTEDLY SAID INTER ALIA "CANNOT BELIEVE U.S. AND OTHER FREE NATIONS WOULD BE SO NAIVE AS COMMIT SUICIDE THROUGH DISARMAMENT AGREEMENTS WITH COMMUNISTS. REDS WANT MAKE PROPAGANDA CAPITAL AND SPUR CO-EXISTENCE MOVEMENT. BUT SOVIETS NOT GOING DISARM AND U.S. AT LEAST SURELY NOT GOING ACCEPT FURTHER WORTHLESS COMMUNIST PROMISES WITH NO MACHINERY SEE THEY KEPT." OTHER VIEWS WERE (1) BELIEF ALL FREE COUNTRIES ULTIMATELY WILL RECOGNIZE NEED FIGHT COMMUNISTS, (2) KOREA MUST TRY TO MAKE TIME OF WAITING SHORT AS POSSIBLE AND BE READY INSTANT ACTION, (3) MODERN WEAPONS MUST BE BROUGHT SOUTH KOREA WITHOUT DELAY BALANCE COMMUNIST STRENGTH WHICH NOW CLOSE TO DECISIVE MILITARY PREPONDERANCE, AND (4) KOREA HOPEFUL MORAL SUASION RESTRAIN BRITISH FROM RELAXING TRADE EMBARGO AGAINST COMMUNISTS. KOREAN REPUBLIC REPORTS PRESS CONFERENCE ARMY CHIEF STAFF U CHAW-HUNG JUNE 18 CALLING IN U.S. QUICKLY INTRODUCE NUCLEAR AND OTHER MODERN WEAPONS KOREA AND NULLIFY ARMISTICE AGREEMENT "WHICH UTTERLY IGNORED BY OTHER SIDE."

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SUBJECT: Editorial in the Korean Republic

Attached, as of possible interest to the Departments of State and Commerce, is a recent editorial in the government-sponsored Korean Republic dealing with the subject of Japanese trade controls vis-a-vis Communist China. Although anti-Japanism is a favorite theme of the Republic, this editorial is one of the most vicious attacks against the "pro-Communist" policies of Japan which has appeared in recent weeks.

For the Ambassador:

Edwin M. Cronk
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The Korean Republic, July 18, 1957

Editorial: Sowing New Aggression

Japan has just announced its unilateral decision to engage in almost unlimited trade with Red China. Dropped from the so-called CHINCOM embargo list were 272 strategic items - including some rolling stock, motor vehicles, machine tools, mining machinery, internal combustion engines, and other heavy equipment needed in Red China's industrial and armaments program.

Action of the Japanese Government came as no surprise. Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi apparently received tacit U.S. approval for the embargo relaxation while in Washington recently, and Great Britain previously had made a similar announcement of intent to expand its Peiping trade.

Frankly, we are at a loss to understand how the United States can condone the assistance of the Communists by those who supposedly are committed to the defense of the Free World and of democracy. Only a few days ago, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles made a blistering attack upon the Red Chinese regime, and bluntly declared that the United States would neither recognize nor have any dealings with it. The Secretary was completely realistic about the evil intentions of the Peiping dictators, and he pledged that the United States will continue to stand on guard against further aggression in the Far East.

The American Government itself still prohibits all trade with Red China and has repeatedly declared that whatever others may do, it has no intention of permitting any relaxation of the embargo. Unfortunately, the firm stand of the United States will avail nothing toward the prevention of further Red Chinese aggression as long as other countries are free to send any and every type of goods to Peiping.

Why has Red China delayed reopening of the Korean War, the drive to take over the free half of Vietnam, and the attempted conquest of Formosa? Military authorities of the Free World are unanimously agreed that the reason is to be found in Red China's current industrial inability to wage a prolonged war. At the end of the Korean War, the Communist Chinese economy was close to the point of collapse. Industrial breakdowns had occurred in all the major manufacturing centers. Transportation was near a standstill, and famine stalked the land. Many Chinese authories say that the Peiping regime could not have survived another year of even stalemated war.

Even now, Red China is still hurting from the effects of the Korean War. But the acquisition of strategic goods and machinery from the Free World will quickly overcome such deficiencies and gravely increase the danger of renewed aggression anywhere in Asia. It will also free Soviet Russia from the obligation of supplying machinery to Peiping, and thereby step up the peril in the Middle East and Europe.

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With Japan operating as a free agent, there also is the prospect that trade will soon jump from strategic machinery to actual armaments. In their pro-Communist sympathies and their intense desire for trade at any price, the Japanese will not find it difficult to rationalize themselves into believing that tanks and guns and planes are no worse than the machines that build them. Having rebuilt its industrial machine on the profits of the Korean War, Japan apparently feels that another similar conflict will make it the dominant industrial--and perhaps political--power in this part of the World.

At the very least, Tokyo's CHINCOM relaxations have proved the hypocrisy of Mr. Kishi's Free World pledges of allegiance on the occasion of his American junket. He made a great show of supposed Japanese pro-Americanism, of democratic solidarity, and of alleged determination to stand against Communism. But no sooner does he get back to Japan than he sponsors a trade-with-enemy program that may destroy us all--including, although Mr. Kishi obviously does not think so--Japan itself. Japan must learn again, the hard way, that "as you sow, so shall you reap."

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SUBJECT: Transmittal of Taegu and Pusan Newspaper Reviews

The Embassy transmits for the information of the Department ten copies each of a recently compiled review of the daily newspapers published in the cities of Taegu, North Ch'ongch'ung Province, and Pusan, South Ch'ongch'ung Province. These lists were prepared by the United States Information Service, Seoul. Ten copies of these reviews were forwarded to the United States Information Agency in Washington under cover of an Operations Memorandum by the United States Information Service, Seoul, on November 19, 1957.

The two newspaper reviews list the four daily papers published in Taegu and the eight papers published in Pusan. The lists also include information concerning the circulation of the papers, the names of their respective publishers, wire service facilities available to the papers, and the editorial position and political affiliation of the papers in the two cities.

Ten copies of a similar USIS study regarding the fourteen daily papers published in Seoul were forwarded to the Department as an enclosure to Embassy despatch 325 of February 21, 1957.

For the Charge d'Affaires ad interim:

William G. Jones

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First Secretary of Embassy

Enclosures:

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Ten copies of the Pusan daily newspaper review

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SUBJECT: Brief History of Korean Journalism

The Embassy transmits, for the information of the Department, the text of an address by Mr. HONG Chong-in, Vice President and Acting Publisher of the influential independent daily newspaper Choson Ilbo, delivered in English before the Rotary Club of Seoul on January 8, 1958, "On Korean Journalism" (Enclosure 1). Mr. Hong is a leading figure in the journalistic profession in Korea, keenly interested in the development of a free and responsible press. His remarks on the subject can be considered authoritative.

Korea's first newspaper, according to Mr. Hong, was a combination government gazette and scholarly journal published by a government printing office in 1882. However, the first "truly modern" paper was the Tongnip Sinmun or The Independent, which first appeared on April 7, 1897. Its publisher was SO Jae-p'il (Philip JAISOHN), one of the "progressive" faction which had unsuccessfully plotted to overthrow the reactionary Korean government in 1884 and returned to influence following the Sino-Japanese War. So formed the Independence Club, composed of like-minded young men interested in reforming their nation, among whom was Syngman RHEE, the present President; The Independent expressed the views of this group, often in very frank language. It was eventually suppressed.

Several other newspapers emerged in the brief period of Korean independence between the Sino-Japanese and Russo-Japanese Wars. At the end of the latter conflict, a British subject named E. T. Bethell launched an anti-Japanese paper called Taehan Maeil Sinbo or Korea Daily News. Bethell's paper was finally closed by the British consular authorities, inasmuch as Britain was then in alliance with Japan.

Japanese supremacy over Korea "was established by virtue of Article 2 of the Treaty of Portsmouth" (a statement indirectly reminiscent of the fact that the United States is still regarded as partially responsible for the Japanese domination of Korea). Japanese control tightened after the abortive effort of the Emperor Kojong to appeal to the Hague Peace Conference of 1907; a newspaper control law promulgated in that year (later known as the Kwangmu Newspaper Law, which remained in force until 1952) together with a Public Security Law made a free press impossible, and forced the newspapers either to be mouthpieces of the Japanese regime or to cease publication.

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Some measure of press freedom, albeit severely circumscribed, re-emerged as a result of the Independence Movement of 1919 (which Mr. Hong associates with "President Wilson's advocacy of national self-determination"). The Japanese felt it expedient to modify their policy toward Korea, and in 1920 they licensed four Korean-language newspapers. Of these one, the Tonga Ilbo, belonged to the "nationalist camp"; another -- Mr. Hong's paper, the Choson Ilbo -- was first associated with the pro-Japanese group but soon afterwards switched to the nationalist side. In Mr. Hong's opinion, "these Korean-language newspapers appear to be the most precious prize we won for paying to the Japanese the blood and imprisonment of thousands of our compatriots."

The ascendency of militarism in Japan again changed her policy toward Korea to one of Japanization. Included in a series of measures to this end issued in August, 1940, was the closing of the two Nationalist newspapers above-described. "Thus we were again deprived of our mouthpiece, and our eyes were completely blinded for five years until the Liberation. The only Korean-language paper allowed to survive was the official organ of the Government General."

In reaction against these years of oppression, "tens of newspapers" sprang up in Korea following the Liberation of August, 1945, including several run by the Communists "for agitation and sabotage." Mr. Hong finds "partly justified" the question "frequently asked by our foreign friends -- 'Aren't there too many papers in Korea?' -- . . . especially when we consider the tremendous newsprint shortage in this country. But on the other hand, it must be argued that the existence of so many dailies, weeklies and magazines proves a need for so many outlets of public opinion, given the present condition of Korean society." He predicts, however, that lesser journals will eventually be forced out by competition, and "we shall have bigger and fewer papers in this country. In this sense, the development of newspapers can be said [to be] a barometer of social stabilization."

For the Ambassador:

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1. Text of address by Mr. HONG Chong-in to Seoul Rotary Club, January 8, 1957.

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On Korean Journalism

At the Luncheon Meeting of Seoul Rotary Club, January 8, 1957 by Chong-in HONG

Mr. Chairman and members:

I am very grateful for this opportunity to talk to you on the subject of Korean newspapers. To begin with, I must make it very clear that newspapers in Korea have only a brief history--a little more than 60 years--still it would be a tremendous task for anyone to try to "capsulize" their development because of the complexity of political and social factors.

Therefore, I beg your indulgence if I limit my talk to a brief narration of the Korean newspapers and their ebb and flow throughout the years. We have an old saying that "the attempt to draw a tiger ends up in a drawing of a cat." Here, I certainly would not dare to draw a tiger which is beyond my capability and because of the time it would take. However, I will do my best to draw a cat. And, I shall leave it up to you to enlarge the canvas into a roaring tiger.

As in America and Europe, the development of Korean newspapers is a faithful reflection of the political, social and cultural movements in this country. And it is no secret that Korean newspapers have played a leading role in these movements.

The history of Korea in the past 60 years is indeed a tumultuous one: it is a history of travail in which Korea regained her lost sovereignty but still must cope with the after-effects of the earlier struggles.

A characteristic of Korea's history is that the changes in her internal political situation have always been closely related to those of the Far East and in larger sense to those of the Western powers.

Maturing as they have in such a political milieu, Korean newspapers have not only tried to pin-point Korea's position but also at times they have fought, to carve out a new position for Korea, at the dear cost of blood and tears. These are the dominant features which have marked the life of the Korean newspapers since their birth.

The first newspaper in Korea made its appearance in 1882. It was called the Hansong Sunbo: Hansong is another name for Seoul, and Sunbo means a journal published every 10 days. Published every 10 days, this paper was printed in Chinese ideographs in the printing shop of a government office, the Pangmungwan or Enlightenment Bureau.

This paper functioned rather as a government gazette or a medium for publishing scholarly articles than as a newspaper. Later, it was expanded into a weekly, using both Chinese ideographs and the Korean alphabet, Hangul.

But, being a government sponsored publication, it had little appeal for the mass. Despite this failure, we must praise the motives behind the founding of the paper. A group of Koreans who had returned from a tour of Japan shortly

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after the opening up of Korea for foreign intercourse, realized that it was necessary to publish books and newspapers in order to reduce the illiteracy among the mass.

However, the advent of a truly modern newspaper in Korea was the publication of the Tongnip Sinmun, or "The Independent," on April 7, 1897. Many of you may remember that the Korean newspapers last April celebrated the 61st birthday of this great paper with Korea's first Newspaper Week.

This peppery little tabloid, published every other day, was more crusading and advocated national solidarity in the wake of foreign aggression. Using the Korean alphabet, which the paper hoped would be intelligible to the largest majority of readers, and English, the paper openly criticized the government for continuing to wallow in feudalism and corruption.

At this point in the history of Korean newspapers we meet SO Jae-p'il, or Philip Jaisohn, who started the Independent.

In 1884, SO and his friends KIM Ok-kyun and PAK Yong-hyo plotted a coup to eliminate the reactionary pro-Chinese figurehead cabinet. So was then a mere stripling of 19, but he bravely shouldered the burden of commanding the armed groups in the uprising. When the revolt ended in a fiasco, after three days in power, So, one of the few survivors, fled to Japan with his colleagues where next year he bade farewell to them to go to the United States.

After the Sino-Japanese War in 1894, the pro-Chinese reactionaries in the government were swept out of office. So returned to his fatherland with a completely new idea in his head--democracy--which he believed would solve the national crisis. But instead he found himself deep in a new situation--in place of the Chinese, both Japan and Russia were flapping their wings over this peninsula.

Soon after his return, So was appointed by the court as advisor to the Foreign Office. But his mind was set on one thing--to serve the people. Presently, he formed the famous Independence Club into which he drew the much-needed young leadership. And he also launched the Tongnip Sinmun.

During its infancy the organization was often accused of being a mere social club whose members were mostly of the leisured Yangban class. But as it gradually developed into a powerful forum for training young leaders of the country, American missionaries and diplomats began to take notice of the Club's activities. So was giving a voice to Korea and pouring out all its thoughts on the small surface of his tabloid.

The Korean court was then under the control of the conservatives, who were lending themselves to a Russian plot to subjugate Korea to Czarist Russia. At one point the Russians attempted to persuade the king to sell them plots in the southern ice-free harbors of Masan and Chinhae, which they wanted for permanent

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naval bases. So's paper immediately exposed the plan and saved the ports from Russian occupation.

Class government was another of So's enemies. Thus he organized the Kwanmin Kongdonghoe (General Assembly of the Government Officials and the People) which was renamed later as Manmin Kongdonghoe (General Assembly of All Classes). These were actually monster mass meetings. Cabinet ministers were often called before the mass meeting and were showered with a volley of demands to rectify the maladministration of the government.

And sometimes, the organization's voice carried as far as the King himself. Street demonstrations were also staged. So a political movement enlisting the masses was in the making. And it was only natural that before long So found himself the object of the conservative bureaucrats' hostility.

It is true that Dr. So's noble aim was not attained. But his abortive movement certainly fostered a spirit of independence among the people such as to be a matter of concern to the government. These alone are significant landmarks in Korean history, not to speak of the publication of the Independent.

About this time, newspapers mushroomed in Seoul. In the fall of 1896, Hwangsong Sinmun (Metropolitan Daily) and Chaeguk Sinmun (Imperial Daily) came into being.

These were followed by other newspapers, including the Maeil Sinmun (Daily News), Sisa Ch'onggan (Current Affairs) and Sangmu Chongbo (Commercial News).

Magazines were also being published in volume. Various bulletins were put out by groups of educators. All these newspapers and magazines were run by Koreans as patriotic endeavors.

Foreigners also took part in this surge of newspaper publishing. The most prominent was E. T. Bethell, a British subject whose sympathy for the moribund Yi Dynasty was then regarded as most profound. Furious over the insolence of the Japanese in Korea following their victory in the Russo-Japanese War of 1904-1905, he started the Taehan Maeil Sinbo, its English edition being known as the Korea Daily News. His editions were rife with bitter anti-Japanese criticism. During the years following the Japanese protectorate treaty in Korea, Bethell's papers were openly confiscated by Japanese authorities in Korea. Finally, his newspaper was closed down after he was sentenced to a heavy fine by a British consular court on account of publishing newspapers derogatory to British interests. Britain was then in alliance with Japan, and the Japanese Foreign Office requested stern measures against Bethell.

Bethell's paper was published in two different editions, one in Korean and one in English. Mr. YANG Ki-t'aek, who was the editor and a real force behind, was often questioned by the police. But since the publisher was a foreigner who enjoyed extra-territorial privilege, the Japanese couldn't interfere too far so the paper was able to continue.

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It is said that Bethell received much assistance from Emperor Kojong. The Taehan Maeil Sinbo of Bethell's was a paper which always encouraged the people. It was his paper that reported the suicide of Korea's secret envoy to the International Peace Convention at the Hague in June, 1907. I might add that it was ascertained by later historians that the death of the envoy was as a result of an operation and not a suicide. It was also his paper that reported the Japanese pressure on the Korean Emperor to conclude the protectorate treaty with Japan.

Around this time, the Japanese started publishing four or five Korean language newspapers. Obviously the Japanese foothold in Korea was becoming stronger and firmer.

Japanese supremacy over Korea was established by virtue of Article 2 of the Treaty of Portsmouth which was concluded in September 1905 between Czarist Russia and Japan, ending the Russo-Japanese War. An immediate by-product of this treaty was the so-called Second Protocol of October 17 of the same year, which the Japanese forced the Korean cabinet ministers to sign under the threat of the bayonet. Although this unilateral arrangement established a Japanese protectorate over Korea, Korea still maintained a semblance of sovereignty until 1907, three years before the formal declaration of annexation in 1910. When, in June 1907, two secret envoys of Emperor Kojong turned up at the Hague to make an appeal to the International Peace Convention against the Japanese-enforced protectorate "agreement of 1905," this personal gesture by the Emperor gave the Japanese the needed pretext to consolidate their control of Korea. Japan's drastic policy took the form of the so-called New Protocol of July 24, 1907, which placed all departments of internal administration under the control of the Japanese Resident-General and local Residents and other functionaries. Three days after the signing of the New Protocol, Emperor Kojong was forced to abdicate in favor of his son, who became Emperor Yonghi, also known as Sunjong, and who was to be the last king of Korea.

Law No. 1 promulgated by the new Japanese administration on the very same day of the Emperor's abdication was the Newspaper Law, later to be known as the Kwangmu Newspaper Law. Kwangmu is the name of the former emperor's era.

This notorious law consisted of 41 articles which were full of restrictions, prohibitions, and penal provisions, except seven articles which stipulated procedures for obtaining a license to publish a newspaper. By requiring prepublication censorship, this law was a big stick to suppress the Korean newspapers which fought against the Japanese encroachment. This law forced the Korean papers to choose either to become a mouthpiece for the Japanese or to close down for good. Moreover, our own government -- from 1948 until only recently when the law was repealed by the National Assembly -- invoked the provisions of this notorious law from time to time in order to suspend newspapers.

Law No. 2, promulgated two days after the Kwangmu Newspaper Law, was the Public Security Law, which restricted the freedom of association, of assembly, and even of residence. This law put the Koreans at the mercy of the Japanese

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police, and, coupled with the Newspaper Law, it put an end to the free press in Korea.

I am sure you all are familiar with the Independence Movement, which started with the Declaration of Korean Independence on March 1, 1919. The world-wide movement for peace and social reform after World War I engulfed the Korean peninsula; to the Koreans the new trend was symbolized by President Wilson's advocacy of national self-determination.

At two o'clock in the afternoon of March 1, 1919, in almost every city in Korea, the Declaration of Korean Independence was read aloud and street demonstrations started. This was a complete surprise for the Japanese, and this movement was the first of many nationalists movements which ensued in China and elsewhere in Asia.

The Japanese apparently thought it expedient at this stage to allow Koreans to have an outlet for their anger.

So, in 1920, the Japanese Government-General issued four licenses to publish Korean-language newspapers. Three went to pro-Japanese collaborators, and one to the Nationalist camp as a compromise. Tonga Ilbo, which is a great Opposition paper now, was the one which represented the Nationalist camp from the outset. One of the three, which belonged to the pro-Japanese group, but soon afterwards fell into the hands of the Nationalist camp, was the Choson Ilbo, of which I am the Editor.

In retrospect, these Korean language newspapers appear to be the most precious prize we won for paying to the Japanese the blood and imprisonment of thousands of our compatriots.

Needless to say, the newspapers had to operate under the above-mentioned newspaper law, but while before 1920 we had only an official organ of the colonial administration, we now had newspapers edited by patriots. The joy of reading your own papers and the inspiration you drew from these papers are not difficult to imagine.

The publishers, editors, and reporters who ran the Tonga Ilbo and the Choson Ilbo at this stage were without exception in their later twenties or early thirties. They were noble souls, men of caliber and talent, and, above everything else, men of courage.

Almost daily, censors ordered the expurgation of certain articles or certain sentences. Newspapers in those days were very often mutilated with white blanks which were more inspiring to the readers than the printed parts. A ban upon the sale of certain issues was the order of the day. Publication was suspended by the police for weeks and sometimes for months. Editors and reporters were frequently imprisoned. There was always financial trouble.

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Despite all these odds, the Nationalist papers flourished, and before long the pro-Japanese papers closed down. Korean-language newspapers were the wellspring of all political, social, and cultural movements. The Japanese at times tried to appease the Koreans with more licenses to publish newspapers and magazines. But they invariably became organs of the nationalist movement.

In a sense, the Independence Movement of March 1, 1919, which we call "Sam-il" (Three-one) Movement, was for the Koreans a rediscovery of self and opening of their eyes to wider horizons.

There was a religious revival movement. There were many-shaded social movements, new literary movements, and all sorts of cultural activities. Above all, an educational fever spread like wildfire among the common people. Newspapers were standard bearers and vanguards of this march for national regeneration and spiritual renascence.

However, towards the end of the thirties, militarism gained the upper hand in Japan and the Japanization policy was strengthened in Korea. In August 1940, one year before Pearl Harbor, the Japanese decreed that Koreans should change their surnames to the Japanese style, and at the same time closed down the Tonga Ilbo and the Choson Ilbo, which had been the citadel of Korean resistance.

Thus we were again deprived of our mouthpiece and our eyes were completely blinded for five years until the Liberation. The only Korean-language paper allowed to survive was the official organ of the Government-General.

It is not to be wondered at, then, that Korea saw tens of newspapers spring up after the Liberation in August, 1945. After many years under a policy of oppression and estrangement, Koreans wanted to say what they thought and to advocate what they thought was the best course to be adopted in building a new nation.

This chaotic period saw several newspapers run by the Communists for agitation and sabotage. But I will not go into details of the post-Liberation newspaperdom, but for one point---which is a question frequently asked by our foreign friends---"Aren't there too many papers in Korea?"

The doubt is partly justified, especially when we consider the tremendous newsprint shortage in this country. But on the other hand, it must be argued that the existence of so many dailies, weeklies and magazines proves a need for so many outlets of public opinion, given the present condition of Korean society.

I venture to predict, however, that as the society stabilizes, and as the physical facilities and editorial capacity of newspapers expand, lesser journals will be forced out of the competition, and we shall have bigger and fewer papers in this country. In this sense, the development of newspapers can be said [to be] a barometer of social stabilization.

Now, the most urgent problem for the Korean newspapers is the shortage and

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high cost of newsprint. On the international market it costs about 170 dollars a ton, but because we lack funds to buy in bulk, and because it has always been a seller's market, we have to pay twice as much as the international price.

The American ICA realizes this aspect of the problem and is trying to alleviate the situation by selling aid dollars to newspaper publishers to enable them to import newsprint directly. But we must admit that there is still much to be desired. If we can only solve the newsprint problem, we can divert about 170 dollars for every ton of newsprint we print, to the improvement of the editorial and mechanical facilities and to raising salaries for our reporters and printers. And, of course, this will result in a big stride forward in the march of democracy in this country.

I won't bore you any more with a long discussion on numerous problems we face. One of them is, as you know, the so-called "press provisions" in the new election law which was passed by the National Assembly at an extraordinary session on the night of the New Year's Day.

I personally would very much like to discuss it with you, but I won't take this subject up because not only is my time up, but also, it would spoil your digestion if I started an inevitably emotional argument.

In conclusion, I would like you to remember that the freedom of the press in the Republic of Korea was not won overnight. Were it not for the Allied victory over the totalitarian powers in 1945, we would not have it now. But we are even more indebted to the hundreds of thousands of compatriots and our Allies who sacrificed their blood to defend freedom for Koreans and for all mankind.

Thank You.

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SUBJECT: Request to Ascertain Interest in Obtaining Past Editions of Tonga Ilbo.

Korea's oldest and most famous newspaper, Tonga Ilbo, has recently announced that it intends to make available to the public every edition the paper has published since it was founded some thirty-eight years ago. The plan is to reproduce these editions and to bind them in convenient and easily manageable volumes, size 14 inches by 10½ inches. Starting from Volume One, which is now being printed and which will consist of the editions for April, May, and June of 1920, each volume will include editions for three months. After Volume One appears, Tonga Ilbo plans to produce, on a continuing basis, two consecutive volumes each month until the series is brought up to date. The cost of each volume will be 1,800 hwan, which at the current rate of exchange amounts to $3.60.

In view of the interesting history of Tonga Ilbo and the role it has played in Korea in recent times, the Embassy believes institutions such as the Library of Congress or centers of Asian studies of various universities may wish to have this series. The Department may, therefore, wish to inform these institutions, governmental or private, of the possibility of obtaining this series. Private institutions, of course, could make arrangements for purchase directly with Tonga Ilbo which is located at No. 139 Sejong No, Chong No Gu, Seoul.

For the Ambassador:
William G. Jones

William G. Jones
First Secretary of Embassy

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PROSECUTORS FEB 28 INDICTED KYONGHYANG SINMUN PRESIDENT HAN CHANG-U AND ACTING EDITOR-IN-CHIEF CHU YO-HAN FOR INSTIGATION INSURRECTION AND LIBEL. LATTER CHARGE STEMMED FROM KYONGHYANG JAN 11 EDITORIAL CHARGING SPEAKER YI HAD ADVISED DR. SCHOFIELD LEAVE KOREA BECAUSE SCHOFIELD HAD WRITTEN LETTER TO KOREA TIMES REGRETTING RECENT POLITICAL EVENTS. HAN NOT DETAINED AND GOVERNMENT HAS AS YET MADE NO RPT NO MOVE OBTAIN REQUIRED ASSEMBLY CONSENT DETENTION DP ASSEMBLYMAN CHU. JUSTICE MUNISTER TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER TODAY NO RPT NO INTENT ARREST CHU AND HAN AND SAID TRIAL BE CONDUCTED QUIETLY AND CAREFULLY. HE STATED GOVERNMENT WISHED USE THIS AS TEST CASE TO DECIDE PRECEDENT. EMBASSY OFFICER RESTATED CONCERN THAT CASE MIGHT BECOME MATTER INTEREST TO AMERICAN PRESS AND CREATE UNFORTUNATE REACTION ON HEELS ASSEMBLY CRISIS. OFFICER POINTED OUT CLOSING OF KYONGHYANG WOULD CERTAINLY HAVE SUCH EFFECT.

KIM YONG-SO, DHADER AND KYONGHYANG EXECUTIVE, TOLD EMBASSY FSL RPT FSL TODAY OPI RPT OPI [redacted] DIRECTOR CONG SONG-HI CHU SUGGESTED TO HAN FEB 28 THAT HE RESIGN. KIM SAID THAT FEELING AT KYONGHYANG NOW PAPER WILL NOT RPT NOT BE CLOSED DOWN IF GOVERNMENT CAN SAVE FACE BY OBTAINING HAN'S RESIGNATION, ADDED THAT HAN PREPARED RESIGN "IF NECESSARY."

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Memorandum of Conversation

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DATE: April 14, 1959

SUBJECT: Freedom of the Press in the ROK

(1) **PARTICIPANTS:** Mr. Pyo Wook Han, Minister, Embassy of Korea

Mr. David M. Bane, Deputy Director, Office of Northeast Asian Affairs

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In discussing the extent of freedom enjoyed by the press in the ROK, Minister Han underscored the Government's difficulties currently in preventing abuses of this freedom. He said that the political opposition in the ROK is proceeding on the assumption that any move by the Government against it can be characterized as a move to stifle political opposition in preparation for the 1960 presidential elections and thus generate international support, particularly from the press, for its position. Minister Han stated that the opposition newspaper Kyonghyang Sinmun had particularly sought to "bait" the ROK Government and to test its patience. In response to the question as to whether the ROK Government was now contemplating pursuing its indictment against the publisher of the Kyonghyang Sinmun, Minister Han stated that he was unaware of any intention on the part of the Government to do so at this time.

The importance of maintaining a free press in the ROK was emphasized to Minister Han and the point stressed that we hoped and assumed that the ROK Government would not take any action against the press which could be construed or interpreted as in any way lending credence to the recent allegations that the ROK Government was seeking to stifle the political opposition in the ROK in anticipation of the upcoming 1960 elections.

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Robertson called in Yang May 1 and expressed ~~xxxxxx~~ in strongest terms our most serious concern over ROKG closure Kyanghyang Sinmun. Stressed this would lead strongest possible criticism in US and foreign press to detriment ROK and advantage communists. Also this would lend credence earlier allegation ROKG seeking suppress opposition press FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES. Underscored suppression press not way correct abuses or distortions. Asked Yang to tell Rhee that he had been called to appear before Far East Subcommittee Senate Foreign Relations Committee May OF WHICH SENATOR GREEN Chairman at which time Senators expressed shock and gravest concern over ROKG action close newspaper, and asked Robertson to convey to Rhee.

FYI Yang said he sure Rhee did not want close paper and that he would send strongest possible wire to Rhee urging earliest corrective action. END FYI.

You are instructed see Rhee and express our gravest concern along foregoing lines.

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Memorandum of Conversation

DATE: May 1, 1959

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SUBJECT: Closure of the Kyonghyang Sinmun;
Status of Korean National, Mr. Byung Choll Koh

(3) PARTICIPANTS: Dr. You Chan Yang, Ambassador, Embassy of Korea

Mr. Walter S. Robertson, Assistant Secretary, Far Eastern Affairs
Mr. David M. Bane, Director, Office of Northeast Asian Affairs

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1. Closure of the Kyonghyang Sinmun.

Mr. Robertson said we had learned with surprise and concern that the Republic of Korea Government had closed down the second largest newspaper in Seoul, the Kyonghyang Sinmun. He said that he had been called that morning to appear before the Senate Foreign Relations Far East Subcommittee, of which Senator Green was chairman. The members of the Subcommittee are friends of the Korean Government and of President Rhee, Mr. Robertson said, yet they were shocked and concerned at the closure of this newspaper and had asked him to convey their concern to President Rhee. Mr. Robertson stressed that this action by the Korean Government would lead to the strongest possible criticism in the United States and foreign press to the detriment of the ROK Government and to the advantage of the Communists. He said that it would also lend credence to earlier allegations that the ROK Government was seeking to suppress the opposition press for political purposes. Mr. Robertson emphasized that freedom of the press is the bulwark of our democracy in the United States. He said that he was sure Ambassador Yang was only too well aware of the falsehoods and distortions which appeared in our own press at times. Nevertheless, occasional falsehoods and distortions are preferable to a controlled press. Mr. Robertson stressed that suppression of the press was not the way to correct abuses or distortions appearing in the press.

Mr. Robertson emphasized his concern over the impact this development would have on the growth of democracy in Korea. He said he did not know of any

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country which had made as much progress in democratic development in as short a period of time as the Republic of Korea. The Liberal Party, he said, had obtained the support of the majority of the Korean people. The fact that the Democratic Party had elected the Vice President and increased the number of their seats in the Assembly from 56 to 79 in the May 1958 elections shows that the Republic of Korea has an operating democratic system. He indicated, however, that it was difficult to maintain the position that Korea had a free and uncontrolled press when the leading opposition newspaper is closed by the Government.

Mr. Robertson asked Ambassador Yang to express to President Rhee our serious concern over the closure of the Kyonghyang Sinmun and to tell him that he had been called to appear before the Senate Subcommittee concerned with the Far East that morning and had been asked by them to convey their concern in this regard to President Rhee.

Ambassador Yang stated that he had written earlier to President Rhee concerning rumors that he had heard that the Kyonghyang Sinmun might be closed and that President Rhee had responded that he was unaware of any plan to close the Kyonghyang Sinmun. Ambassador Yang said that he was sure that President Rhee was not in agreement with this action. He said that he would send a strong wire to President Rhee, urging earliest corrective action and he asked Mr. Robertson to please withhold his judgment until he had heard from President Rhee. Ambassador Yang expressed his personal view in confidence that he was sorry to learn of the closure of the paper. However, the action had been taken and all that he could do would be to try to help correct the situation.

2. Status of Korean National Byung Choll Koh

Mr. Robertson said that he would like to ask Ambassador Yang about a Mr. Koh, a Korean national resident in Washington, who had been calling on various Senators and telling them that the ROK was a dictatorship, that the United States should cut off all aid to the ROK, and that he, Mr. Koh, is glad that Mr. Robertson is leaving his job because Mr. Robertson is a friend of President Rhee and Ambassador Yang and his departure from the Department will permit the United States to adopt a more realistic policy toward Korea.

Ambassador Yang said he knew Mr. Koh and that he personally thought Mr. Koh was slightly deranged. Mr. Koh tells everyone, Ambassador Yang said, that he is in constant touch with United States Senators and Congressmen and that he has recommended that they cut off all aid to the ROK Government. Mr. Koh, he said, had come to the United States about 1947 and had resided since that time in Washington, where he currently operates an antique shop on Connecticut Avenue. On the basis of his knowledge, Ambassador Yang said, he did not know how Mr. Koh was able to make a living. Mrs. Koh's family, he said, resided in Korea and when he was in Seoul recently he had inquired of Mrs. Koh's family about him. Ambassador Yang said that they took the position that they could not understand him and would not have anything to do with him. Mr. Koh's father is in the opposition Democratic Party and resides in the ROK.

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Mr. Koh has, Ambassador Yang said, posed on various occasions in Washington as a representative of the Korean Embassy as well as Purchasing Agent of the ROK Government, although he has had no such status at any time. Mr. Koh had said that Ambassador Yang had condemned the ROK Government in the course of a lecture given in New York City. However, Mr. Koh had had to admit later that this was untrue. At a charity party held recently to raise funds for the Pusan Charity Hospital, Mr. Koh had said that all money donated would be taken and kept by President Rhee and that the Pusan Hospital would never benefit from it. General Lemnitzer was present on this occasion and expressed annoyance at Mr. Koh's remarks. The latter had also in the past written letters to the Washington Post condemning the ROK Government. Ambassador Yang recalled that Mr. Koh had picketed the White House last December over passage of the National Security Law.

Continuing, Ambassador Yang stated that he made it a practice to invite all Koreans to the Independence Day celebration and pursuant to this practice had asked Mr. Koh to attend in the past. Ambassador Yang said he was later asked by some of his guests about the Mr. Koh who had circulated among the guests criticising the ROK Government. Ambassador Yang noted that Mr. Koh had been a Director of the Korean Methodist Church in Washington but that the church had seen fit to relieve him of this position recently. Ambassador Yang said that the Embassy's former Commercial Attaché, Mr. Park, who was perhaps Mr. Koh's closest friend in Washington, had told him that he had concluded that Mr. Koh was mentally unbalanced.

Ambassador Yang concluded by reiterating that he thought Mr. Koh was slightly unbalanced. Mr. Robertson said he appreciated receiving Ambassador Yang's personal views regarding Mr. Koh inasmuch as he was seeking to influence members of Congress and this information would be helpful to us in evaluating his views.

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QUOTE We are concerned by the report that the Government of the Republic of Korea has closed the Kyonghyang newspaper in Seoul, under provisions of US Military Government Ordinance 88 of 1946. We do not consider it appropriate for this government to pass judgment on the merits of this case, but we fully endorse Ambassador Dowling's statement of May 1 on this subject.

The Ambassador's statement reads as follows: QUOTE I do not wish to comment on the merits of the present case. I am impelled to say, however, that American public opinion has long held that suppression of the press is not a remedy for press errors. The intent of the American military government in promulgating Ordinance 88 in 1946 was clearly to curb Communist subversive propaganda which threatened Korean internal security at that time. UNQUOTE END QUOTE.

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EMBASSY RELEASING FOLLOWING STATEMENT RE VISIT EMBASSY OFFICERS TO OFFICE OPI DIRECTOR EVENING APRIL 30:

BEGIN TEXT: IN VIEW OF CONTRADICTORY REPORTS REGARDING VISIT OF AMERICAN EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVES TO OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION ON EVENING OF APRIL 30, THE AMERICAN EMBASSY DEEMS IT NECESSARY TO ANNOUNCE THAT FACTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

ON EVENING OF APRIL 30, INFORMATION WAS RECIEVED THAT POLICE HAD APPEARED AT OFFICES OF THE KYONGHYANG SINMUN, AND INFERENCE WAS THAT THIS NEWSPAPER'S LICENSE WAS TO BE REVOKED. AT THE DIRECTION OF AMBASSADOR, MR. BROOKS MCCLURE, ATTACHE OF EMBASSY, TELEPHONED TO DR. CHON SONG-CH'ON , DIRECTOR OF OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION, TO INQUIRE REGARDING THE NEWSPAPER. MR. MCCLURE WAS INFORMED THAT DR. CHON WAS NOT IN HIS OFFICE, BUT AT THE REQUEST OF AMBASSADOR HE NEVERTHELESS PROCEEDED TO THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION ACCOMPANIED BY MR. WILLIAM G. JONES, FIRST SECRETARY OF EMBASSY, TO MAKE FURTHER INQUIRY. IT WAS LEARNED THAT DR. CHON WAS IN HIS OFFICE BUT MESSRS. JONES AND MCCLURE WERE INFORMED BY HIS SECRETARY THAT DR. CHON "WAS TOO BUSY TO SEE THEM." AFTER SOME DISCUSSION WITH DR. CHON'S SECRETARY MESSRS. MCCLURE AND JONES DEPARTED WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO SEE DR. CHON RETURNED TO THE EMBASSY AND REPORTED TO AMBASSADOR.

ON MAY 1, AMBASSADOR SPOKE WITH VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS REGARDING MATTER, SAYING HE MUST PROTEST DR. CHON'S HAVING DECLINED TO RECEIVE HIS REPRESENTATIVES, AND POINTING OUT THAT THIS WAS CONTRARY TO THE CLOSE AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS WHICH EXIST

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RE EMBTEL 574.

PRESS QUERIED EMBASSY LAST NIGHT RE OPI DIRECTOR CHON'S REFUSAL TO SEE EMBASSY OFFICERS ON EVENING APRIL 30 AND WAS GIVEN FACTS OF CASE. EMBASSY ALSO ADMITTED CHON'S REFUSAL HAD BEEN BROUGHT TO ATTENTION FOREIGN MINSTRY.

IN PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY, CHON DEVOTED CONSIDERABLE TIME HIS ACCOUNT CIRCUMSTANCES VISIT EMBASSY OFFICERS MAKING POINT HE WAS BUSY AND ASKED OFFICERS WAIT AND DENIED HAD REFUSED TO SEE. CHON THEN STATED HE HAD ASKED HANGUK ILBO EITHER MAKE RETRACTION OR PUNISH REPORTER RESPONSIBLE FOR "FALSE REPORT" CONCERNING HIS REFUSAL SEE EMBASSY OFFICERS, EXPLAINING HE NOT PERSONALLY CONCERENED BUT REPORT DEALT WITH OFFICIAL OR DIPLOMATIC MATTER. CHON IMMEDIATELY, STRUCK FROM RECORD HIS STATEMENTS CONCERNING REQUEST TO HANGUK ILBO, ACCORDING ONE REPORTER PRESENT.

CHON'S STATEMENTS OBVIOUSLY INTENDED DISCREDIT EMBASSY CONFIRMATION FACTS OF CASE. MORE IMPORTANTLY, IT IS CRUDE ATTEMPT INTIMADE HANGUK ILBO, MOST OUTSPOKEN OF REMAINING SEOUL NEWSPAPERS. (CHOSUN ILBO AND TONGA ILBO ALSO CARRIED STORY, BUT WERE NOT MENTIONED BY CHON.)

BECAUSE OF THESE CONSIDERATIONS, AND SINCE BOTH MINISTER AND VICE MINISTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS EVADED FULL RESPONSE TO INQUIRIES AT MINISTER'S PRESS CONFERENCE THIS MORNING, I HAVE ISSUED PRESS RELEASE, TEXT OF WHICH GIVEN IN MY NEXT FOLLOWING TELEGRAM.

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RE DEPTEL 494.

AFTER TRYING VAINLY FROM NOON TO REACH VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, HE FINALLY TELEPHONED ME LATE LAST NIGHT AND I ASKED HIM TO CONVEY SENATORS' EXPRESSION OF CONCERN TO PRESIDENT RHEE AT CHINHAE. I ALSO SAID I WOULD WANT TO SEE PRESIDENT RHEE UPON HIS RETURN TO SEOUL MONDAY. KIM PROMISED TO COMMUNICATE WITH CHINHAE EARLY THIS MORNING.

IN COURSE OF CONVERSATION, I ASKED KIM IF HE HAD SEEN TELEGRAM FROM YANG REPORTING HIS CONVERSATION WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROBERTSON. VICE MINISTER SAID HE HAD NOT, ADDING THAT INSOFAR AS HE KNEW, NO MESSAGE HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM KOREAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON. I THEREUPON SUMMARIZED CONVERSATION AS GIVEN REFTEL, AND KIM SAID HE WOULD REPORT THIS ALSO TO PRESIDENT.

IN CONCLUSION, I TOLD HIM OF EMBASSY PRESS RELEASE (EMBTEL 581) WHICH I HAD ISSUED SOME HOURS EARLIER AFTER ATTEMPTS COMMUNICATE WITH HIM, WITH VIEW TO HIS ASSISTANCE IN CLARIFICATION CONFLICTING REPORTS, HAD FAILED. KIM COMMENTED THAT FOLLOWING MY TALK WITH HIM ON MAY 1 HE HAD DISCUSSED PROBLEM WITH CHON, BUT INFERRED THAT DISCUSSION HAD BEEN UNSATISFACTORY AND HAD LEFT PROBLEM OF CHON'S ATTITUDE UNRESOLVED.

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FROM: SEOUL

TO: **Secretary of State**

NO: 583, MAY 03, 1 PM

REFERENCE EMBASSY TELEGRAM 573.

AFTER APPARENT INITIAL SURPRISE, LEADERS BOTH MAJOR PARTIES ISSUED STATEMENTS ON GOVERNMENT ACTION CLOSE KYONGHYANG SINMUN. VICE PRESIDENT CHANG MYON MAY 1 DESCRIBED ACTION AS "TRAGIC" AND, TAKING ISSUE OSTENSIBLE JUSTIFICATION, COMMENTED MOVE PART LP PREPARATIONS FOR 1960 ELECTIONS. DP STATEMENT TOOK SIMILAR LINE, DREW PARALLEL WITH DECEMBER 24 CRISIS, AND EMPHASIZED PRESIDENT RHEE HAS BROKEN DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL PLEDGE GUARD FREEDOM SPEECH. INDIVIDUAL INDEPENDENT ASSEMBLYMEN JOINED DP IN CRITICISM GOVERNMENT'S ACTION, ALTHOUGH CHANG T'AEK-CHANG WITHHELD COMMENT. LIBERAL SPOKESMAN CHONG UN-GAP, HOWEVER, DEFENDED ACTION AS "REASONABLE MEASURE" TAKEN IN VIEW FAILURE PAPER "CONTRIBUTE TO COMMON GOOD" AND ITS PUBLICATION FALSE REPORTS.

EDITORIAL COMMENT DIVIDED ALONG PARTISAN LINES, WITH OPPOSITION PRESS STRONGLY CRITICAL. OPPOSITION TONGA ILBO SHARPLY QUESTIONED LEGAL BASIS ACTION AND, PARTICULARLY, CONSTITUTIONALITY MILITARY GOVERNMENT ORDINANCE; ALSO EMPHASIZED NO COURT ACTION YET ON ALLEGED VIOLATION LAW BY KYONGHYANG STAFF. TONGA CONCLUDED WITH OBSERVATION ANY GOVERNMENT AFRAID PUBLIC CRITICISM THEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES WEAKNESS. SIMILAR POSITION TAKEN BY INDEPENDENT KOREA TIMES-HANGUK ILBO WHICH ALSO SUGGESTED POSSIBILITY ACTION "SERVES AS PORTENT FOR REST NEWSPAPERS." PRO-GOVERNMENT PRESS, HOWEVER, TOOK POSITION ACTION PROMPTED BY KYONGHYANG'S TRANSGRESSION LIMITS FREEDOM SPEECH AND SEOUL SINMUN CONCLUDED CLOSING WILL ENCOURAGE MORE RESPONSIBLE ATTITUDE AMONG OTHER JOURNALS. AMBASSADOR'S STATEMENT (EMBTEL 574) CARRIED MAY 2 ONLY BY KOREAN LANGUAGE OPPOSITION AND INDEPENDENT PAPERS. VICE PRESIDENT CHANG TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER STATEMENT HELPFUL AND KYONGHYANG STAFF MEMBER MADE SIMILAR COMMENT, AS DID LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES US WIRE SERVICES.

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NO FORMAL ACTION AS YET BY KOREAN NEWPAPER EDITORS ASSOCIATION, ALTHOUGH SPECIAL CONVENTION PLANNED. KNEA PRESIDENT YI KWAN-KU, EDITOR-IN-CHIEF KYONGHYANG, DESCRIBED ACTION AS "TERRIBLE AND UNEXPECTED" AND QUESTIONED LEGALITY. KYONGHYANG STAFF MEMBER INFORMED EMBASSY OFFICER MAY 1 PAPER PLANS LEGAL ACTION EFFORT GET CLOSURE SUSPENDED PENDING APPEAL COURTS.

PARTY LEADERS APPEAR UNCERTAIN HOW ACTION WILL AFFECT CURRENT BIPARTISAN NEGOTIATIONS. OPPOSITION HAS CAUTIOUSLY AVOIDED ANY SPECULATION THIS POINT, ALTHOUGH "NEW" FACTION REPORTEDLY CONSIDERS PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVE GOVERNMENT'S ACTION IS ENCOURAGE FACTIONAL CONFLICT DP. LIBERAL MEMBERS "CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE" APPARENTLY NOT APPRISED ACTION IN ADVANCE. KYONGHYANG CASE DISCUSSED BRIEFLY MAY 1 SESSION COMMITTEE BUT OPPOSITION DID NOT MAKE SERIOUS ISSUE AT TIME; COMMITTEE IN RECESS TO MAY 4.

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TO: Secretary of State

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REFERENCE EMBASSY TELEGRAM 583

ROKG LEADEDS AND PRO-GOVERNMENT PRESS CONTINUING JUSTIFY ROKG ACTION CLOSING KYONGHYANG SINMUN. AT MAY 2 WEEKLY PRESS CONFERENCE, FONMIN CHO STATED ACTION "STRICTLY INTERNAL AFFAIR" WHICH WOULD CAUSE NEGATIVE REACTION ONLY IF "OUR SITUATION HERE NOT UNDERSTOOD," ADDED KYONGHYANG CLOSED "TO SECURE PUBLIC ORDER AND GENUINE FREEDOM OF PEOPLE." IN PRESS CONFERENCES MAY 1 AND 2, OPI DIRECTOR CHON, WHILE COMMENTING HE AGREED FULLY MY MAY 1 STATEMENT AS EXPRESSION "ACADEMIC PRINCIPLE," SAID THAT MILITARY GOVERNMENT ORDINANCE DEPITE ITS ORIGINS MUST BE APPLIED EQUALLY TO EVERYBODY AND REPORTEDLY ADDED "SOME FREINDLY NATIONS' EXCESSIVE WORRY OVER ITS APPLICATION" IS GROUNDLESS. KOREAN REPUBLIC MAY 4 CALLED CLOSING "OBJECT LESSON IN URGENT NECESSITY FOR GREATLY AUGMENTED PRESS RESPONSIBILITY" SINCE KYONGHYANG "OFFENDED DEEPLY AGAINST STATE AND PEOPLE AND WENT WELL BEYOND BOUNDS SAFETY," AND STATED OMINOUSLY "TOO MANY OTHER PAPERS HAVE ALSO BEEN COMING ALTOGETHER TOO CLOSE TO THOSE LIMITS." REPUBLIC INSISTED IT RESPONSIBILITY OTHER PAPERS SUPPORT GOVERNMENT'S ACTION WHICH "HAD NO POLITICAL MOTIVATION WHATSOEVER" AND CONCLUDED "IF THOSE WHO SEEK SELFISH AUGMENTATION OF INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP POWER PROPAGANDIZE OTHERWISE, THEY WILL BECOME ACCOMPLICES TO WRONGFUL PURPOSES THAT WERE INSPIRING KYONGHYANG SINMUN." SEOUL SINMUN MAY 3 WAS CRITICAL MY MAY 1 STATEMENT WHICH IT FEARED "MAY ENCOURAGE THOSE WHO UNCONDITIONALLY PUT UP RESISTANCE AGAI GOVERNMENT" TO JUSTIFY THEIR INTENSIFIED ANTI-GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES." WHILE THIS PRO-GOVERNMENT PAPER "INCLINED WELCOME STATEMENT AS FRIENDLY EXPRESSION SINCERE DESIRE ENCOURAGE DEVELOPMENT ROK," IT FEARED IT MAY "CAUSE UNUSUALLY STRONG REPERCUSSIONS" AND HOPED I AND OTHER FOREIGN DIPLOMATS WILL UNDERSTAND "THERE MANY SPECIAL AND DIFFERENT ASPECTS" IN ROK'S ANTI-COMMUNIST STRUGGLE.

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PAPER'S PUBLISHER HAS ALREADY PETITIONED OPI TO RESCIND BAN, ONE OF NUMEROUS STEPS (INCLUDING COURT ACTION DESCRIBED BY VICE PRESIDENT AND MOVE HAVE USE MG ORDINANCE DECLARED UNCONSTITUTIONAL) EMBASSY INFORMED IT PLANNING. AT TIME EMBASSY OFFICER VISIT VICE PRESIDENT, HE HOLDING DP POLICY CAUCUS WHICH APPARENTLY DISCUSSING STRATEGY IN LIGHT OF KYONGHYANG ISSUE. IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBASSY OFFICER SEOUL MAYOR HO CHONG EXPRESSED DEEP REGRET THAT ACTION HAD BEEN TAKEN AGAINST KYONGHYANG BUT EXPRESSED "HOPE" PRESIDENT RHEE AFTER RETURN TO SEOUL TOMORROW WOULD STRAIGHTEN SITUATION OUT.

EFFECT GOVERNMENT ACTION ON PROGRESS BIPARTISAN TALKS STILL UNCERTAIN. DP "NEW FACTION" REPORTEDLY INSISTED, IN VIEW KYONGHYANG CASE, MUST OBTAIN AMENDMENT NATIONAL SECURITY LAW. DP FLOOR LEADER YU CHIN-SAN STATED MAY 4 FONMIN CHO AND OPI DIRECTOR CHON WILL BE SUMMONED TO NATIONAL ASSEMBLY WHEN IT REOPENS IF KYONGHYANG ACTION NOT REVERSED, AND DP PLANNING INTRODUCE NON-CONFIDENCE MOTION AGAINST THEM. PRESS SPECULATING DP MAY FIND ITSELF IN EMBARRASSING POSITION IF IT TRIES BRING UP MATTER, SINCE THIS COULD BE CONSTRUED AS DP RECOGNITION ASSEMBLY "NORMALIZED."

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KYONGHYANG SINMUN CLOSURE CONTINUING AROUSE PARTISAN COMMENT IN ROK PRESS AND POLITICAL CIRCLES. LP'S SEGE ILBO LAUNCHED VIRULENT ATTACKS TODAY ON EMBASSY'S ALLEGED INTERFERENCE IN KOREAN DOMESTIC AFFAIRS, CONTRASTED ITS "UNCOMMONLY GREAT INTEREST" IN CLOSURE KYONGHYANG WITH "SCANT CONCERN OVER FACT KOREAN YOUTHS FREQUENTLY KILLED BY MISUSE FIREARMS BY AMERICAN SERVICEMEN," AND STATED THAT UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES "WE CANNOT HELP WORRYING WHETHER A CRACK MIGHT BE CAUSED IN OUR FRIENDSHIP FOR THE UNITED STATES." PRO-GOVERNMENT SEOUL SINMUN CRITICIZED THE USE OF KYONGHYANG "FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES RATHER THAN RELIGIOUS OBJECTIVES," AND SAID FAULT WAS THAT OF FEW WHO MANGAGED PAPER NOT THAT OF CHURCH. INDEPENDENT HANGUK ILBO/KOREA TIMES CONTINUED HAMMER AT ILLEGAILITY USE MILITARY GOVERNMENT ORDINANCE.

DP SPOKESMAN TOLD PRESS YESTERDAY PARTY HAD DECIDED AT CAUCUS WAGE "ALL-OUT" STRUGGLE BOTH IN AND OUT OF ASSEMBLY AGAINST CLOSURE AND CALLED CASE "CLEAR MANIFESTATION ATTITUDE LP AND ADMINISTRATION TOWARD OPPOSITION."

SPOKESMAN ADDED CASE HAS NO DIRECT BEARING BIPARTISAN TALKS BUT INDIRECTLY CLOSELY CONNECTED WITH IT. CLOSURE ALSO PROTESTED IN STATEMENT CATHOLIC BISHOP NO, WHO DECLARED PAPER HAD NOT DEVIATED FROM IDEALS OF CATHOLICISM OR CONCENTRATED ON PUBLISHING STORIES UNDERMINING GOVERNMENT AND SAID MISSION OF PRESS IN MAKING IMPARTIAL CRITICISM AND REPORTING FACTS NOT CONTRARY CATHOLIC SPIRIT.

KYONGHYANG SINMUN TODAY FILED ADMINISTRATIVE LITIGATION TO OBTAIN "TEMPORARY SUSPENSION" GOVERNMENT ORDER CANCELLING REGISTRATION. KIM YONG-SON, KYONGHYANG EXECUTIVE, TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER HE PESSIMISTIC OUTCOME THIS MOVE AS TERMS 2 OF 3 HIGH COURT JUDGES WHO EXPECTED HEAR CASE EXPIRE NEXT YEAR AND THEY UNLIKELY MAKE

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MOVE WHICH MIGHT JEOPARDIZE THEIR REAPPOINTMENT.

ALL LEADING SEOUL DAILIES EXCEPT SEOUL SINMUN AND SEGE ILBO CARRIED NEW YORK TIMES EDITORIAL QUESTIONING WISDOM CLOSURE.

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A few factual news stories have also appeared. Department would be interested in knowing extent to which current ROK scene is being covered by foreign news correspondents.

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RE EMBTEL 587, 593.

IN FIRST PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED STATEMENT ON MATTER SINCE CLOSURE KYONGHYANG SINMUN APRIL 30, PRESIDENT RHEE REPORTEDLY TOLD STATE COUNCIL YESTERDAY GOVERNMENT'S ACTION APPROPRIATE "IF TAKEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW" PRESS REPORTS THAT RHEE AT SAME MEETING REJECTED PROFERRED RESIGNATION OPI DIRECTOR CHON THOUGH CHON DENIED THIS, HE REPORTEDLY RETURNED FROM KYONGMUDAE MEETING IN GOOD SPIRITS.

LOCAL OPPOSITION TO CLOSURE CONTINUING. DP CENTRAL STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLVED YESTERDAY FORM PERMANENT COMMITTEE AGAINST SUPPRESSION "FREE PRESS" WHICH DP SPOKESMAN SAID WILL ORGANIZE "NATION-WIDE FRONT BOTH IN AND OUTSIDE ASSEMBLY." MOST REMAINING PRO-OPPOSITION AND INDEPENDENT PAPERS CONTINUE RAP GOVERNMENT ACTION. INDEPENDENT HANGUK ILBO TODAY APPEALED TO GOVERNMENT RECOMMEND PRESIDENT RHEE REVOKE CANCELLATION KYONGHYANG'S LICENSE ON GROUNDS ACTION TAKEN WITHOUT CAREFUL CABINET STUDY, HAD NO LEGAL BASIS, AND HAD PRODUCED STRONGLY ADVERSE DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL REACTION. HANGUK SAID PRESIDENT'S STATE COUNCIL REMARK NOT EXPRESSION SUPPORT GOVERNMENT ACTION SINCE HE HAD NOT ACTUALLY CONCLUDED ACTION "TAKEN IN ACCORDANCE LAW." TONGA ILBO BLASTED KOREAN REPUBLIC'S MAY 4 EDITORIAL (EMBTEL 587) FOR "BLACKMAILING" OTHER PAPERS WITH THREATS THEY WOULD SUFFER SAME FATE AS KYONGHHANG AFD FOR SUPPORTING PRESS LICENSING SYSTEM. THIS OMINOUS REPUBLIC EDITORIAL ALSO STRONGLY CRITICIZED BY INDEPENDENT CHSON ILBO WHICH HAD HITHERTO LAGGED BEHIND HANGUK AND TONGA IN TAKING ISSUE WITH GOVERNMENT POSITION.

MAY 6 REPUBLIC, APPARENTLY TRYING SMOOTHE OVER EFFECT PRODUCED BY EARLIER SEIGE ILBO AND SEOUL SINMUN CRITICISM, EMBASSY (EMBTELS 59[illegible]

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(EMBTELS 593,587), STATE IT "TOTALLY UNTRUE" ROK RESENTS AMERICAN INTEREST. REPUBLIC ASSERTED " OUR CONFIDENCE HAS NEVER WAVERED THAT AS A DEMOCRATIC COUNTRY, AMERICA WILL NEVER TRY INTERVENE IN KOREAN DOMESTIC CONCERN," AND SAID SOONER "FEW MINOR DIFFERENCES" FORGOTTEN, THE BETTER. REPUBLIC TODAY REPEATED FAMILIAR GOVERNMENT ARGUMENT JUSTIFYING LEGALITY USE MILITARY GOVERNMENT ORDINANCE.

APPELATE COURT HAS NOT YET TAKEN ACTION KYONGHYANG SUIT OBTAIN TEMPORARY SUSPENSION LICENSE CANCELLATION. SEOUL DISTRICT COURT TRIAL O IM-YONG, KYONGHYANG REPORTER ACCUSED VIOLATION NATIONAL SECURITY LAW, POSTPONED FROM MAY 6 TO MAY 20.

DESPITE HANGUK ILBO'S REASONING, PRESIDENT'S COMMENT TO STATE COUNCIL AND HIS REPORTED REJECTION CHON RESIGNATION LIKELY STIFFEN GOVERNMENT'S DEFENSE ITS ACTION. NEVERTHELESS, BEST HOPE FOR REVOCATION CANCELLATION STILL APPEARS LIE IN PRESSURE INTERNATIONAL OPINION WHICH MIGHT PERSUADE RHEE REVERSE CLOSURE ACTION. ROKG REPORTEDLY CONTINUING WATCH FOREIGN REACTION CAREFULLY, BUT SO FAR APPEARS NOT PARTICULARLY DISTURBED. FOREIGN MINISTRY POSSIBLE CONCERNED OVER INTEMPERATE TONE SETGE MAY 5 EDITORIAL, SUBSTANCE WHICH REPORTED BY AP MAY 6, AND HAS REQUESTED COPY EMBASSY TRANSLATION.

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EMBASSY KNOWS OF ONLY ONE FOREIGN NEWS CORRESPONDENT COVERING KYONGHYANG STORY: GENE KRAMER AP TOKYO BUREAU ARRIVED SEOUL MAY 2.

IN VIEW IMPORTANCE THIS DEVELOPMENT IN TERMS US INTERESTS AND IN RELATION GENERAL PROBLEM PRESS FREEDOM, EMBASSY DISAPPOINTED AT FAILURE REPRESENTATIVES AMERICAN PRESS BASED TOKYO GIVE GREATER AID MORE DIRECT ATTENTION THIS STORY. EMBASSY ALSO PUZZLED LACK RESPONSE ON PART US PRESS. AMPLE EVIDENCE ROKG EXPECTED MUCH STRONGER ADVERSE REACTION INTERNATIONAL OPINION, AND RECENT INDICATIONS SUGGEST DEFINITE RELAXATION THIS APPREHENSION. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE PROMPT FORWARDING ANY US EDITORIAL COMMENT SINCE THIS MOST USEFUL IN DISCUSSIONS THIS PROBLEM WITH LEADERS GOVERNMENT AND LIBERAL PARTY.

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RE EMBTEL 603

I HAD A LONG TALK TODAY WITH MINISTERS OF HOME AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE AND VICE MINISTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS AT THEIR REQUEST RE CLOSURE KYONGHYANG SINMUN. VICE MINISTER MADE CLEAR HE HAD OPPOSED CLOSURE FROM BEGINNING AND ARGUED, ALBEIT SOMEWHAT MILDLY, FOR REVERSAL OF DECISION. MINISTER OF JUSTICE IN COURSE OF DISCUSSION INTIMATED HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE GOVERNMENT REVERSE DECISION AS MATTER GRACE AND FAVOR BUT ONLY AFTER COURT HAD DECIDED IN FAVOR OF LEGALITY GOVERNMENT ACTION; THIS COURT ACTION HE SAID COULD NOT BE CONCLUDED EARLIER THAN SIX WEEKS TO THREE MONTHS. HOME MINISTER ON THE OTHER HAND APPEARED ADAMANT IN VIEW THAT GOVERNMENT ACTION WAS WARRANTED, THAT KOREAN PRESS MUST BE STRICTLY CONTROLLED AND THAT THERE COULD BE NO RETREAT FROM GOVERNMENT POSITION.

I REFUSED TO BE DRAWN INTO ANY DEBATE ON GOVERNMENT ACTION FROM DOMESTIC POINT OF VIEW, EXCEPT TO COMMENT THAT PERHAPS THERE WAS DIFFERENCE IN US AND KOREAN PHILOSOPHY RE PRESS FREEDOM, BUT INSTEAD STRESSED INTERNATIONAL REPERCUSSIONS WHICH PRESS SUPPRESSION WOULD HAVE FOR ROK GOVERNMENT. I POINTED OUT THAT WHILE IMMEDIATE SHARP REACTION, SUCH AS WE HAD SEEN RE DECEMBER 24 NATIONAL ASSEMBLY INCIDENT MIGHT NOT BE OBSERVED ON PART AMERICAN PRESS, LONG TERM DISADVANTAGES FOR KOREA MIGHT BE EVEN MORE SERIOUS.

IT WAS EVIDENT, HOWEVER, THAT MINISTERS HAVE SO FAR BEEN REASSURED BY LACK OF EDITORIAL REACTION IN US.

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QUOTE DR. RHEE'S MUZZLE

No amount of soft soap from Seoul can obliterate the fact that the Korean government of Syngman Rhee has embarked upon a campaign of suppression of political opposition and press freedom. The closing of Kyungyang Shinmum, a leading opposition newspaper, is not exactly a surprise but it demonstrates boldly the authoritarian bent of the regime. Ambassador Dowling had extra reason to protest the action because the Rhee government invoked an old statute from days of the American military government for a purpose which plainly was not intended.

If this were an isolated incident, conceivably there might be some extenuation. But ever since the strong-arm passage of the INNERQUOTE national security INNERQUOTE law last December along with other measures designed to insure Dr. Rhee's ~~reelection~~ reelection,

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the government has made obvious efforts to intimidate the Democratic Party opposition and to persecute newspaper critics. Kyungyang Shinmyn is a newspaper supported by Catholic sources and which in turn supports the Democratic (and Catholic) Vice President of Korea, John Myun Chang, who has no real job because the Rhee government has never let the Senate be organized. It is absurb to contend that the newspaper threatens security and gives aid and comfort to the enemy, unless the Rhee government considers the enemy to be the Democratic opposition rather than the Communists. Americans ought to know what kind of totalitarian tactics their dollars are supporting. UNQUOTE

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FROM: SEOUL

TO: **Secretary of State**

NO: 621, MAY 11, 6 PM

STRONG OPPOSITION TO CLOSURE KYONGHYANG SINMUN CONTINUING ON PART DP, KOREAN NEWSPAPER EDITORS' ASSOCIATION, LEGAL CIRCLES, AND INTELLECTUALS. DP COMMITTEE AGAINST SUPPRESSION FREE PRESS MAY 8 DECLARED "THERE CAN BE NO DEMOCRACY WITHOUT FREE PRESS" AND REPORTEDLY PLANNING (1) REQUEST NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION CIVIL RIGHTS SPONSOR POPULAR RALLY AGAINST PRESS SUPPRESSION AND (2) HOLD PUBLIC LECTURE ON "PRESS FREEDOM." DP EXPECTED RAISE KYONGHYANG ISSUE IN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. KNEA SPECIAL CONVENTION MAY 9 DECIDED APPEAL TO RHEE REVOKE CANCELLATION KYONGHYANG LICENSE AND SUBMIT APPEAL TO ASSEMBLY FOR SCRAPPING MILITARY GOVERNMENT ORDINANCE 88. KOREAN BAR ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION SAME DAY REPORTEDLY CALLED KYONGHYANG CLOSURE INFRINGEMENT PRESS FREEDOM, PLANNED STUDY DETERMINE WHETHER USMG ORDINANCE 88 CONSTITUTIONAL. THIRTY-THREE LEADING WRITERS MAY 8 ALSO JOINED IN DENUNCIATION GOVERNMENT ACTION. NO DOUBT GENERAL PUBLIC AND MANY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SHARE ABOVE INDIGNATION OVER CLOSURE KYONGHYANG.
PRO-GOVERNMENT PAPERS AS EXPECTED DEFENDING CLOSURE KYONGHYANG AND GIVING CONSIDERABLE PLAY THEME "US INTERFERENCE IN KOREAN DOMESTIC AFFAIRS." IN LENGTHY EDITORIAL MAY 9 SEOUL SINMUN QUESTIONED PROPRIETY AMBASSADOR'S MAY 1 AND MAY 2 STATEMENTS AND DCM'S MAY 6 ROTARY CLUB SPEECH. PRO-GOVERNMENT PAPER ASKED WHETHER SERIES OF STATEMENTS REPRESENTED "DELIBERATE ACT INDIRECTLY INFLUENCE ROKG" OR JUST WELL-INTENTIONED FAILURE UNDERSTAND SITUATION, SAID AMBASSADOR MISTAKEN IN HIS INTERPRETATION ORIGINAL PURPOSE ORDINANCE 88, CONCLUDED WITH HOPE EMBASSY OFFICERS WILL REPRESENT USG IN MORE PROPER WAY. SEOUL SINMUN FOLLOWING DAY ASKED VARIOUS OBSERVERS--HEAVILY WEIGHTED FAVOR GOVERNMENT--(COMMENT ON AMBASSADOR'S TWO STATEMENTS, FOUND WITH EXCEPTION SOME OPPOSITION MEMBERS THEY THOUGHT HE "CREATED IMPRESSION OF FOREIGN INTERVENTION IN DOMESTIC AFFAIRS OF COUNTRY AND SUGGESTED THE MOTIVE OF EMBASSY" IN ATTEMPTING DEFEND KYONGHYANG. SEOUL SINMUN ALSO

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CLAIMED MOST THESE OBSERVERS THOUGHT PROTEST AGAINST CHON REFUSAL MEET EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVES "UNREASONABLE SOPHISTRY." LP'S SEGE ILBO MAY 10 REGRETTED DCM'S "NARROWMINDEDNESS" IN COMPARING KOREAN SITUATION WITH MCCARTHYISM.

INDEPENDENT HANGUK ILBO, (MAY 9) HOWEVER, CALLED DCM'S SPEECH SINCERE WARNING AND PRO-OPPOSITION TONGA ILBO MAY 11 URGED ROKG HEED RATHER THAN CRITICIZE INTERNATIONAL REACTION. TONGA POINTED OUT ACTIONS SUCH AS CLOSURE KYONGHYANG SINMUN COULD GIVE FRIENDLY NATIONS BAD IMPRESSION KOREA LEADING TO "GRAVE EFFECT ON THEIR POLICIES TOWARD ROK," AND STATED PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF ANY COUNTRY HAD RIGHT EXPRESS THEIR CONCERN OVER KOREAN ISSUES.

WASHINGTON POST MAY 9 EDITORIAL CARRIED IN ALL EXCEPT PRO-GOVERNMENT PAPERS.

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Pro-Government Seoul Sinmun continuing run frequent editorials on ROK-US relations. Commenting on Secretary Robertson's May 11 testimony before Senate Foreign Relations Committee (only major Seoul paper do so) newspaper May 14 stated "aid for under-developed nations to help eliminate Communist threat is absolutely necessary" and argued that "so long as purpose American aid is combat Communism and our national efforts are devoted to exterminating Communist puppets, internal issues or political issues should become secondary issues." Turning to Kyonghyang Sinmun matter, Seoul Sinmun remarked that "Mr. Robertson allegedly pointed out that the issue involving the closure of Kyonghyang should not be linked with American aid for Korea" and concluded that "while paying our respects to the sagacious judgment of Mr. Robertson, we should like to point out that his statement should serve as a warning to those domestic statesmen who are inclined to capitalize on the issue."

Seoul Sinmun also only major Seoul paper to comment to date on Senate address Senator Humphrey which it said based on misunderstanding. This theme "misunderstanding" has recently been featured in pro-Government papers' critical editorials on Embassy's attitude toward Kyonghyang closure and other events.

Both Seoul Sinmun and LP's Sege Ilbo carried Armed Forces Day editorials stressing continuing close relations between US and ROK and ROK's gratitude to American Armed Forces. Both editorials appear attempts smoothe over American feelings which ROKG may have felt were ruffled by recent editorials these two papers charging "US intervention in Korean domestic affairs" and Embassy's "failure understand" Korean political developments.

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TO: Secretary of State

NO: 752, June 26

Seoul appelate court this afternoon handed down favorable ruling on Kyonghyang Shinmun's appeal for temporary cancellation of OPI revocation its license to publish. Paper expects publish tomorrow.

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Your 752.

Department expects press inquiry here tomorrow re AP ticker from Seoul June 26 to effect that following Seoul Appellate Court injunction allowing Kyonghyang Sinmun resume publication pending final court decision, ROK Government withdrew earlier order QUOTE suspending UNQUOTE publication and decreed QUOTE revocation UNQUOTE of license. Since Department understood original OPI action April 30 was to cancel Kyonghyang Sinmun publishing license, would priority appreciate/clarification as to current legal status this case and nature of Government action.

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FROM: SEOUL

TO: Secretary of State

NO: 754, JUNE 27, 3 P.M.

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RE EMBTEL 752

FOLLOWING COURT DECISION ENJOINING GOVERNMENT CANCELLATION KYONGHYANG LICENSE TO PUBLISH, OPI (1) "WITHDREW" CANCELLATION ORDER AND (2) ISSUED NEW ORDER AT 10:15 LAST NIGHT "SUSPENDING" PAPER'S LICENSE. ACTION FOLLOWED AFTERNOON MEETING STATE COUNCIL. IT APPEARS BE TECHNICALLY LEGAL MANEUVER DESIGNED TAKE ADVANTAGE SEOUL APPELLATE COURT'S FINDING THAT "CANCELLATION ORDER WITHOUT TAKING STEP OF SUSPENDING LICENSE" WAS TOO SEVERE. (COURT HAD RULED THAT EVEN THOUGH PAPER HAD IN TWO CASES COMMITTED "VIOLATIONS OF LAW" UNDER MILITARY GOVERNMENT ORDINANCE 88, KYONGHYANG'S "BRILLIANT" 13-YEAR ANTI-COMMUNIST RECORD HAD TO BE CONSIDERED. IT ALSO FOUND THAT THERE WAS AN URGENT NEED FOR AN ARRANGEMENT PREVENT UNRECOVERABLE LOSS OR DAMAGE TO PAPER.)

OPI MOVE HAS EFFECT OF SETTING ASIDE ALL KYONGHYANG'S PREVIOUS LEGAL ACTION TO REGAIN PUBLISHING LICENSE, AND PAPER WHICH PRINTED BUT WAS UNABLE TO DISTRIBUTE THIS MORNING'S EDITION. MUST START ALL OVER AGAIN TO CONTEST THIS NEW MEASURE. IT PLANNING FILE NEW SUITS SEOUL APPELLATE COURT JUNE 29.

COURT'S ACTION SEEMS TO HAVE TAKEN GOVERNMENT AND LP LEADERS SURPRISE AND PROMPT COUNTER-ACTION APPEARS INDICATE GOVERNME DETERMINATION KEEP PAPER CLOSED.

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DATE: JUN 30 1959

TO : FE - Mr. Parsons

FROM : NA - Mr. Bane

SUBJECT: Kyonghyang Newspaper Case -- Round Two.

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On June 26, the Seoul Appellate Court enjoined the ROK Government's cancellation (by an OPI order of April 30) of the Kyonghyang newspaper's license to publish. The court found that, although the paper had committed two violations of Military Government Ordinance 88, the Kyonghyang's brilliant thirteen-year record of anti-Communism had to be taken into consideration. The court also found that arrangements to prevent unrecoverable loss or damage to the paper were urgently needed and concluded that the Government's cancellation order, without first suspending the newspaper's license, was too severe.

Shortly after the court's decision was announced, the OPI withdrew its previous cancellation order and issued a new order "suspending" the paper's license. This move has had the effect of setting aside all previous legal efforts by the paper to regain its publishing license. The Kyonghyang is now planning to file another suit against this latest OPI measure in the Seoul Appellate Court immediately.

The court's action appears to represent a show of independence and to have taken the Government and the Liberal Party by surprise. Embassy Seoul comments that the prompt OPI counteraction appears to indicate that the Government is determined to keep the paper closed.

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SUBJECT: Foreign Press Summaries

In the Reference Instruction the Embassy was requested to make a brief survey of (1) press summaries produced by the mission itself and (2) press summaries produced outside the mission which are available to it.

I. The Embassy has contracted with a private Korean individual for the production of a daily press summary. Items which are to be translated for the summary are selected each morning by an Embassy Officer assigned to the Political Section from a list of newspaper articles and editorials submitted by the contractor, and the completed product is received at the Embassy no later than 3:30 p.m. the same day. The summary comprises a list of (1) all major news stories, (2) other stories of interest to the Embassy, and (3) titles of editorials appearing in six Seoul newspapers. This list is followed by complete translations of all news stories selected by the responsible Embassy Officer and summary translations (1/2 to 3/4 length) of selected editorials.

Specific information requested in the Instruction is as follows:

1. Title: Korean Daily Press Translation Service
2. Language: English, translated from the Korean language press
3. Frequency: Daily, including Sunday
4. Producer: Mr. RHEE Sang-kon, Korean national
5. Format: Mimeographed, usually approximately 20 pages
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II. As far as the Embassy has been able to ascertain, the only other press summary prepared in Seoul is produced by a United States Army agency. This daily summary, called "News Highlights," is translated, hectographed, and distributed to military organizations in the Seoul Area Command. Two courtesy copies are provided the Embassy. "News Highlights" is considerably briefer and less complete than the Embassy's summary, and the Embassy has not felt that it would be advantageous to supply copies to the Department or to other U. S. Government agencies.

For the Ambassador,

Donald L. Ranard

Donald L. Ranard
First Secretary of Embassy

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SEOUL APPELLATE COURT THIS MORNING REJECTED KYONGHYANG SINMUN'S REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY INJUNCTION AGAINST GOVERNMENT'S JUNE TWENTY-SIX ORDER SUSPENDING PAPER'S PUBLISHING LICENSE. KYONGHYANG OFFICIALS STILL STUDYING LENGTHY TEXT DECISION. THEY NOT YET ABLE COMMENT ON WHETHER COURT ACTION INDICATES SAME JUDGES WILL ALSO TURN DOWN KYONGHYANG'S APPEAL CALLING ON COURT RULE GOVERNMENT MOVE ILLEGAL AND IMPROPER. RULING THIS "PRIMARY CASE" EXPECTED SEPTEMBER 8, EMBASSY WILL COMMENT LATER UPON ANALYSIS TODAY'S COURT DECISION.

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SEOUL APPELLATE COURT THIS MORNING TURNED DOWN KYONGHYANG SINMUN APPEAL CALLING ON IT RULE ILLEGAL AND IMPROPER GOVERNMENT'S JUNE 26 ORDER SUSPENDING PAPER'S PUBLISHING LICENSE. DECISION HAD BEEN CONSIDERED ALMOST FOREGONE CONCLUSION FOLLOWING COURT'S AUGUST 29 REJECTION OPPOSITION PAPER'S CALL FOR TEMPORARY INJUNCTION AGAINST GOVERNMENT ACTION. KYONGHYANG OFFICIAL INFORMED EMBASSY PAPER WOULD APPEAL TODAY'S RULING TO SUPREME COURT. UNLIKELY, HOWEVER, HIGHEST COURT WILL HAND DOWN DECISION BEFORE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

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September 25, 1959

Dear Mr. Fulton:

Your letter of September 14 inquiring about the closure and current status of the Hyesohyang newspaper in Seoul was received on September 21 and referred to us for reply. The enclosed memorandum provides a summary of the pertinent facts of the case to date as we know them.

In addition to the events described in the enclosed memorandum, I think you should bear in mind that immediately after the closure of the newspaper Ambassador Dowling issued a public statement in Seoul which said in part "... American public opinion has long held that suppression of the press is not a remedy for press errors ...". Also on May 2 the State Department's spokesman fully endorsed Ambassador Dowling's position on this matter. On the same day the then Assistant Secretary for Far Eastern Affairs, Mr. Walter S. Robertson, before the Far East Subcommittee of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, discussed this question among other things. This Subcommittee's analysis covers many old and current other recent political developments in the Republic of Korea and generally and unsympathetically comprises to wider acceptance of the Korean Government, with here and in Seoul by the importance of which.

While we consider it inappropriate and unwise for our Government to attempt to dictate to a friendly foreign government and ally concerning matters which are essentially its domestic affairs, we nevertheless will continue to exert our influence and counsel with the Korean Government on this matter as judiciously and constructively as possible.

I am certain you will appreciate that as pending concrete and [illegible] your background information and are not intended for publication or release outside to the Department of State.

In your letter you mentioned that you were considering bringing this matter up through the United Nations. I cannot think that you would wish to discuss the question with our United Nations delegation until [illegible] taking any steps in this direction as the problem has many ramifications.

If we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

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The Honorable
James S. Fulton,
House of Representatives.

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THE KYONGHYANG NEWSPAPER -- ITS CLOSURE AND SUBSEQUENT DEVELOPMENTS

On April 30, 1959, the Republic of Korea (ROK) Office of Public Information (OPI) cancelled the publishing license of the Kyonghyang Sinmun under a provision of United States Military Government Ordinance No. 88 of 1946. (Article 100 of the ROK Constitution states, "Existing laws and administrative orders shall be in effect to the extent that they do not conflict with this Constitution", and in practice many laws and ordinances pre-dating the establishment of the Republic are apparently still valid in the ROK.)

An OPI release issued soon thereafter cited five offenses by the paper and stated that it had "deviated from the lofty ideals and stand of Catholicism", had concentrated on criticisms of the Government and distorted facts, and had failed to correct its errors although "repeatedly advised to do so." The OPI also stated that Bishop Ro, the Chairman of the newspaper's sponsoring foundation, had failed to comply with a "public pledge" to replace the paper's publisher and reorganize its editorial staff.

The publishers of the paper promptly instituted legal action in the Korean courts to have the Government's action voided. On June 26, the Seoul Appellate Court enjoined the ROK Government's cancellation order and found that, although the paper had committed two violations of the United States Military Government Ordinance No. 88, the Kyonghyang's "brilliant" 13-year record of anti-Communism had to be taken into consideration. The court concluded that the Government's cancellation order, without first suspending the newspaper's license, was too severe. Later the same day the OPI withdrew its previous cancellation order and issued a new order "suspending" the paper's license. This move had the effect of setting aside all previous legal efforts by the paper to regain its publishing license, and the publishers promptly filed another suit seeking to set aside the suspension order.

On August 29 the Seoul Appellate Court rejected the Kyonghyang's request for a temporary injunction against the suspension order, and on September 8 the same court turned down the paper's primary case claiming the Government's June 26 order was illegal and improper. The newspaper is understood to be appealing the entire case to the Korean Supreme Court. The highest court is not, however, expected to rule on the case until some time next year.

The Kyonghyang Sinmun is not a diocesan newspaper, but is owned by a foundation of Catholic laymen. The paper is widely considered by Koreans to be politically disposed in favor of Vice President Chang Myon, a Catholic and opposition party leader. At the time it was closed, it was estimated to have the second largest circulation of any paper in south Korea.

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The attached communication is submitted for your consideration, and to ask that the request made therein be complied with, if possible.

If you will advise me of your action in this matter and have the letter returned to me with your reply, I will appreciate it.

Letter and enclosures, if any, microfilmed by RMJR

Very truly yours,

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Mr. Howard J. Belser, P.E. (DC)
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Dear Belser:

The copy of the Korea Times for 20 August 1959 which you sent to me has been received, and I have promptly contacted Bishop John J. Wright, the Bishop of the Pittsburgh Diocese, regarding the shutting down by the Republic of Korea Government of Korea's catholic newspaper, "The Kyung Hyang Shin Moon."

I have advised him that I am interested in correcting any injustice of this kind, and have requested information as to the present status of the matter.

In addition, I have asked the U. S. Department of State for a prompt check on the situation, and I am planning to take the matter up through the United Nations, where I have been appointed by the President as a U. S. Delegate.

Sincerely,

James G. Fulton

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