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# WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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Subject: Writers concerning the meeting with President Chun Doo Hwan of the Republic of Korea

## ROUTE TO:

## ACTION

## DISPOSITION

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A - Appropriate Action  
C - Comment/Recommendation  
D - Draft Response  
F - Furnish Fact Sheet  
to be used as Enclosure

I - Info Copy Only/No Action Necessary  
R - Direct Reply w/Copy  
S - For Signature  
X - Interim Reply

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES  
TRADE REPRESENTATIVE  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
WASHINGTON  
20506

April 29, 1985

MEMORANDUM

TO: SALLY KELLEY  
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

FROM: MaryAnne Beatty

SUBJECT: White Referral # 311401

The subject correspondence, identical Congressional letter to the President regarding tobacco, was directed to USTR for direct reply. Senator Melcher wrote directly to Ambassador Brock. I am attached a copy of our reply to him.

Attachment

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REFERRAL

APRIL 26, 1985

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TO: UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE, OFFICE OF  
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ACTION REQUESTED:  
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DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 311401

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED APRIL 19, 1985

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: MR. JOHN MELCHER  
UNITED STATES SENATE  
WASHINGTON DC 20510

SUBJECT: URGES YOU TO RAISE THE ISSUE OF KOREA'S  
RESTRICTIVE TOBACCO TRADE POLICY WITH  
PRESIDENT CHUN.

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN  
TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE  
UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

RETURN CORRESPONDENCE, WORKSHEET AND COPY OF RESPONSE  
(OR DRAFT) TO:  
AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 91, THE WHITE HOUSE

SALLY KELLEY  
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE  
WASHINGTON  
20506

April 24, 1985

The Honorable John Melcher  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

**APR 25 1985**

Dear John:

Thank you for providing me with a copy of the letter you sent to the President urging that the issue of Korean trade restrictions on tobacco products be raised with President Chun Doo Hwan of South Korea.

On several occasions in the past, I have raised with the Koreans our concerns regarding the trade restrictions placed on U.S. cigarettes. In the meetings with the economic officials accompanying President Chun this month, we plan to reiterate the necessity for liberalizing trade in cigarettes.

We also intend to hold discussions with Korean officials in May-June regarding market access. Our objective will be to get the Koreans to commit to begin liberalizing their market access restrictions. Please be assured that cigarettes are a top priority for these discussions. We feel strongly about the need for Korea to open its market, and we will press very hard for such liberalization.

We appreciate knowing of your interest in this matter.

Very truly yours,

~~SIGNED~~  
WILLIAM E. BROCK

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April 23, 1985

Dear Senator Melcher:

Thank you for your April 19 letter to the President expressing your concern over South Korea's trade restrictions on tobacco products and urging that this issue be discussed with President Chun Doo Hwan of South Korea.

We appreciate receiving your comments in this regard and will be conveying your recommendation to the President. In addition, I have asked President Reagan's trade and foreign policy advisers to review your letter. In the interim, let me assure you that your views will be kept in mind during preparation for discussions with President Chun Doo Hwan.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

M. B. Oglesby, Jr.  
Assistant to the President

The Honorable John Melcher  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

cc: w/copy of inc to Bill Maroni, Cong Affrs,  
USTR - for DIRECT response

cc: w/copy of inc to Will Ball, Cong Affrs,  
State - FYI

MBO:KRJ:hlb

# United States Senate

April 19, 1985

*OK  
this is a letter from  
J. Melcher  
4/20/85*

The Honorable William E. Brock  
United States Trade Representative  
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative  
Winder Building  
604 17th Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20504

Dear Sir:

I thought you would be interested in seeing the enclosed copy of a letter I recently sent to the President of the United States regarding the question of Korean barriers to U.S. trade in agricultural products.

I have also forwarded copies to The Honorable Malcolm Baldrige, The Honorable George P. Schultz, and His Excellency Byong Hion Lew.

Sincerely,

*John Melcher*

Enclosure



## United States Senate

April 19, 1985

The President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I understand that you will be meeting soon with President Chun Doo Hwan of the Republic of Korea. I wish you well in your talks with him and his delegation. The friendship of our two peoples, born in mutual sacrifice in the 1950's, is very important to both nations.

However, in any friendship there arise occasional differences which, if not talked out, can grow all out of proportion and endanger an alliance in ways neither partner desires nor would welcome. A present example of such a difference is the restrictions Korea places in the path of American companies seeking to compete in the South Korean tobacco market.

I must state that Montana, while an important agricultural state, is not a "tobacco" state. However, as a friend of American agriculture and the American farmer, I feel compelled to speak out against any restrictions placed by U.S. trading partners against the importation of the products of U.S. farms.

I have been informed that through a series of tariff and non-tariff barriers, including criminal possession sanctions, Korea effectively keeps U.S. cigarettes, tobacco leaf stocks and other tobacco products out. A 100% ad valorem duty, a state run tobacco distribution and wholesale monopoly and even criminal fines for the possession of a U.S. cigarette by a Korean national are but some of the tools used to deprive American companies of any shot at the Korean market.

Mr. President, at a time of fiscal constraint, it does not behoove an ally of the United States, particularly one seeking even closer cooperation and interdependency, to brand ordinary U.S. goods criminal contraband.

The President  
April 19, 1985  
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I hope you will raise this important issue with President Chun. In particular, you might suggest the following:

- \* an agreement in principal regarding the importation of U.S. leaf products
- \* a relaxation of criminal laws against possession of U.S. cigarettes by a Korean citizen
- \* an expansion of the number of Korean retail outlets allowed to sell U.S. brands, particularly in large metropolitan areas such as Seoul and Pusan, and
- \* consideration of licensing and joint venture arrangements allowing Korean manufacture of U.S. brands with quality U.S. leaf.

Again, let me stress that as a representative of an agricultural state, I am upset whenever I see our friends and allies engage in trade practices that have the effect of restricting markets for our agricultural production. I will appreciate you and your staff raising this subject with President Chun and his delegation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "John Melcher". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large, prominent "J" and "M".

cc: The Honorable Malcolm Baldrige  
Secretary of Commerce

The Honorable George P. Schultz  
Secretary of State

The Honorable William E. Brock  
United States Trade Representative

His Excellency Byong Hion Lew  
Embassy of the Republic of Korea

(ROHRBACHER)

The President has been  
APRIL 26, 1985

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President's Remarks:

PRESIDENT CHUN OF KOREA  
DEPARTURE STATEMENT

PRESIDENT CHUN WAS THE FIRST HEAD OF  
STATE TO VISIT DURING MY PRESIDENCY.

IT WAS MY PLEASURE TO MEET WITH HIM AGAIN  
TODAY FOR A USEFUL DISCUSSION OF  
INTERNATIONAL AND BILATERAL ISSUES.

THE TIES LINKING THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND  
THE UNITED STATES ARE MANY AND STRONG.

OUR SECURITY TIES — WHICH I REAFFIRMED  
TODAY — REMAIN A LYNCH-PIN OF PEACE IN  
NORTHEAST ASIA.

I VIVIDLY RECALL STANDING AT THE KOREAN  
DEMILITARIZED ZONE 17 MONTHS AGO.  
PERHAPS NOWHERE IN THE WORLD IS THE CONTRAST  
BETWEEN OUR SHARED DEMOCRATIC VALUES AND  
COMMUNISM CLEARER THAN IT IS THERE ON THE  
D.M.Z. AND NOWHERE IS IT CLEARER THAT  
STRENGTH IS THE SUREST PATH TO PEACE.

IN REFERENCE TO HIS COUNTRY'S SECURITY,  
PRESIDENT CHUN AND I SHARE CONCERN ABOUT THE  
CONTINUING FORWARD DEPLOYMENT OF  
NORTH KOREAN FORCES TOWARD THE DEMILITARIZED  
ZONE. WE AGREED THAT THIS DEPLOYMENT  
HEIGHTENS THE NEED FOR VIGILANCE ON OUR  
PART.

THE TWO KOREAS TODAY STAND APART,  
BUT THIS MAY NOT ALWAYS BE SO,  
AND WE PRAY IT WILL NOT BE.

I EXPRESSED SUPPORT, TO PRESIDENT CHUN,  
FOR THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA'S CREATIVE  
APPROACH IN ENGAGING NORTH KOREA IN DIRECT  
TALKS. WE SHARE THE CONVICTION THAT THE KEY  
TO REDUCING TENSION LIES IN DIRECT DIALOGUE  
BETWEEN THE PARTIES.

THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA IS A GROWING  
ECONOMIC POWER, AND PRESIDENT CHUN AND I  
DISCUSSED THE CONTRIBUTION THAT ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT MAKES TO STABILITY AND SECURITY  
ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA.

PRESIDENT CHUN AND I AGREED ON THE NEED TO  
DEFEND AND EXPAND THE FREE MARKET IN OUR OWN  
RELATIONSHIP AND MULTILATERALLY.

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I EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE STEPS KOREA  
HAS ALREADY TAKEN IN THIS REGARD,  
AND WE AGREED TO INTENSIFY THE CLOSE  
CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN OUR GOVERNMENTS.

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PRESIDENT CHUN EXPLAINED THE STEPS HIS  
GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN TO FURTHER PROMOTE  
FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY. I WELCOMED THE  
CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS THAT HAS ALREADY BEEN  
MADE AND EXPRESSED CONTINUING SUPPORT FOR  
SUCH STEPS, WHICH ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE  
ATTAINMENT OF POLITICAL PROGRESS.

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I REITERATED OUR SUPPORT FOR PRESIDENT  
CHUN'S COMMITMENT TO A PEACEFUL TRANSFER OF  
POWER AT THE END OF HIS TERM IN 1988.

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PRESIDENT CHUN ALSO DISCUSSED ANOTHER  
EVENT OF MOMENTOUS IMPORTANCE WHICH IS  
COMING TO KOREA IN 1988,  
THE SEOUL OLYMPICS.

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I EXPRESSED OUR COMPLETE SUPPORT FOR SEOUL AS THE OLYMPIC SITE AND OFFERED TO SHARE OUR EXPERIENCE FROM THE 1984 OLYMPICS TO HELP MAKE IT THE BEST EVER.

THE UNITED STATES AND KOREA ENJOY AN ESPECIALLY WARM RELATIONSHIP, AND THAT WAS REFLECTED IN OUR TALKS HERE TODAY.

WE AGREED THAT IN ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL U.S./KOREAN SECURITY CONSULTATIVE MEETING, THE TWO GOVERNMENTS SHOULD INTENSIFY THEIR CONSULTATIONS ON POLITICAL MATTERS IN NORTHEAST ASIA.

THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. CHUN WILL BE STOPPING IN HAWAII ON THEIR WAY BACK TO KOREA. NANCY AND I WISH THEM A SAFE AND PLEASANT JOURNEY HOME. WE SEND WITH THEM GREETINGS TO OUR FRIENDS, THE KOREAN PEOPLE.

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(Rohrabacher/BE)

April 25, 1985

3:00 p.m.



PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: PRESIDENT CHUN OF KOREA  
DEPARTURE STATEMENT  
FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 1985

President Chun was the first state visitor of my Presidency. It was my pleasure to meet with him again today for a useful discussion of international and bilateral issues. The ties linking the Republic of Korea and the United States are many and strong. Our security ties -- which I reaffirmed today -- remain a lynch-pin of peace in Northeast Asia.

I vividly recall standing at the Korean Demilitarized Zone 16 months ago; perhaps nowhere in the world is the contrast between our shared democratic values and communism clearer than it is there on the D.M.Z. And nowhere is it clearer that strength is the surest path to peace.

In reference to his country's security, President Chun and I share concern about the continuing forward deployment of North Korean forces toward the Demilitarized Zone. We agreed that this deployment heightens the need for vigilance on our part.

The two Koreas today stand apart, but this may not always be so, and we pray it will not be.

I expressed support, to President Chun, for the Republic of Korea's creative approach in engaging North Korea in direct talks. We share the conviction that the key to reducing tension lies in direct dialogue between the parties.

The Republic of Korea is a growing commercial power, and President Chun and I discussed the contribution that economic development is making to stability and security on the Korean

Peninsula. We agreed on the need to defend and expand open markets and free exchange in our own relationship and in concert with our other trading partners. I expressed appreciation for the steps Korea has taken in this area. We agreed to work in close cooperation in preparation for our bilateral economic consultations this summer.

On the political side, we discussed the steps the Republic of Korea has taken to move toward a more open system, this in preparation for a "peaceful transfer of power" at the end of President Chun's term in 1988. I expressed our continuing support for such steps, which, with moderation on all sides, should help Korea attain political progress commensurate with its remarkable economic growth.

President Chun also discussed another event of momentous importance which is coming to Korea in 1988: the Seoul Olympics. I expressed our complete support for Seoul as the Olympic site and offered to share our experience from the 1984 Olympics to help make it the best ever.

The United States and Korea enjoy an especially warm relationship, and that was reflected in our talks here today. We agreed that in addition to the annual U.S./Korean security consultative meeting, the two governments should intensify their consultations on political matters in Northeast Asia.

The President and Mrs. Chun will be stopping in Hawaii on their way back to Korea. Nancy and I wish them a safe and pleasant journey home. We send with them greetings to our friends, the Korean people.

# WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 4/25/85 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: NA

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: PRESIDENT CHUN OF KOREA DEPARTURE STATEMENT  
(4/25 - NSC revision of 4/25 3:00 pm draft)

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**REMARKS:**

This revision just arrived from NSC.

**RESPONSE:**

David L. Chew  
Staff Secretary  
Ext. 2702

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: PRESIDENT CHUN OF KOREA  
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(4/24/85 4:00 p.m. draft)

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REMARKS:  
Any problem?

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*(based on discussions  
with Koreans after  
VP  
dinner)*

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: PRESIDENT CHUN OF KOREA  
DEPARTURE STATEMENT  
FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 1985

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President Chun was the first state visitor of my Presidency. It was my pleasure to meet with him again today for a useful discussion of international and bilateral issues. The ties linking the Republic of Korea and the United States are many and strong. Our security ties -- which I reaffirmed today -- remain a lynch-pin of peace in Northeast Asia.

I vividly recall standing at the Korean Demilitarized Zone 16 months ago; perhaps nowhere in the world is the contrast between our shared democratic values and communism clearer than it is there on the D.M.Z. And nowhere is it clearer that strength is the surest path to peace.

In reference to his country's security, President Chun and I share concern about the continuing forward deployment of North Korean forces toward the Demilitarized Zone. We agreed that this deployment heightens the need for vigilance on our part.

The two Koreas today stand apart, but this may not always be so, and we pray it will not be.

I expressed support, to President Chun, for the Republic of Korea's creative approach in engaging North Korea in direct talks. We share the conviction that the key to reducing tension lies in direct dialogue between the parties.

The Republic of Korea is a growing economic power, and President Chun and I discussed the contribution that economic development makes to stability and security on the Korean Peninsula. President Chun and I agreed on the need to defend

and expand the free market in our own relationship and multilaterally. I expressed appreciation for the steps Korea has already taken in this regard, and we agreed to intensify the close consultations between our Governments.

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on the agenda when you meet with President Chun Doo  
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S/S 8513782.

Date MAY 21 1985

For: Mr. Robert C. McFarlane  
National Security Council  
The White House

Reference:

To: President Reagan From: Senator Alan Cranston

Date: 4/25/85 Subject: letter urges the President  
to place the issue of human rights high on the agenda when he  
meets with Korean President Chun Doo Hwan.

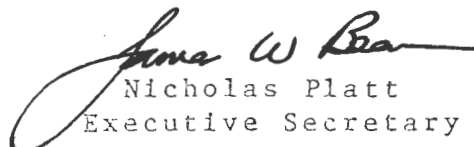
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- X An information copy of a direct reply is attached.
- \_\_\_\_\_ We believe no response is necessary for the reason  
cited below.
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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Senator Cranston:

I have been asked to reply to your letter to President Reagan of April 25, in which you requested that the President stress to President Chun Doo Hwan, during the latter's visit to Washington April 25-27, the importance that Americans attach to human rights progress in the Republic of Korea.

As has been the case in the past year or so, encouraging political and human rights developments have continued to occur in recent months in the Republic of Korea. The National Assembly election on February 12, in which a new opposition party supported by Messrs. Kim Dae Jung and Kim Young Sam won second place, came at the end of perhaps the most open political campaign in South Korean history. On March 6, Messrs. Kim Dae Jung and Kim Young Sam, along with the remaining twelve others who continued to be affected, were freed from a statutory ban on their involvement in politics. Mr. Kim Dae Jung was also allowed freedom of movement effective the same day. Because of Mr. Kim's 1980 conviction, however, he remains legally ineligible to vote, join a political party, or run for office. The Department of State has publicly welcomed the lifting of various restrictions and expressed the hope that the remaining restrictions will be lifted as soon as possible.

The overall political and human rights situation as reflected in these events was certainly an important topic of the President visit. As President Reagan said in the press statement he read at the conclusion of the meeting with President Chun, "I welcomed the considerable progress that has already been made and expressed continuing support for such steps...and reiterated our support for President Chun's commitment to a peaceful transfer of power at the end of his term in 1988."

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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William L. Ball, III  
Assistant Secretary

Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs

The Honorable  
Alan Cranston,  
United States Senate.



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MEDIA: LETTER, DATED APRIL 25, 1985

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: THE HONORABLE ALAN CRANSTON  
UNITED STATES SENATE  
WASHINGTON DC 20510

SUBJECT: URGES YOU TO PLACE THE ISSUE OF HUMAN RIGHTS  
HIGH ON THE AGENDA WHEN YOU MEET WITH  
PRESIDENT CHUN DOO HWAN OF KOREA.

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN  
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SALLY KELLEY  
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

May 1, 1985

Dear Senator Cranston:

Thank you for your April 25 letter to the President recommending that the issue of human rights be included in the discussions with President Chun Doo Hwan.

We appreciate receiving your thoughts on items that should be raised with President Chun of South Korea. Please know that I have shared your letter with the appropriate Administration advisers to ensure that you are brought up-to-date on the discussion that took place during President Chun's visit here last Friday. I am certain that you will be hearing further in the near future.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

M. B. Oglesby, Jr.  
Assistant to the President

The Honorable Alan Cranston  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

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## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

April 25, 1985

Honorable Ronald Reagan  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear Mr. President,

I am writing with regard to the visit of South Korean President Chun Doo Hwan to Washington.

It is important and appropriate that the United States reaffirm our strong commitment to South Korea's freedom and security during President Chun's second state visit. As a long-time friend and staunch ally, the United States should express continuing support for the Republic of South Korea, but this commitment must not be restricted to the protection of territory from external threats. Internal stability and security are just as important, if not more so. The United States must also explicitly express strong support for an improvement in the fundamental human rights of all South Korean citizens.

I urge you to place the issue of human rights high on your agenda when you meet with President Chun. It is vital that you impress upon him the importance Americans attach to South Korea's human rights policy. I urge you to do all you can to convince President Chun that it is in his country's long-term national security interests to reinstate fair and free election laws, to restore freedom of the press and freedom of assembly, to release all prisoners of conscience and to cease arbitrary round-up of student human rights activists. In addition, I ask that you press for the full restoration of civil and political rights to Kim Dae Jung. The United States and South Korea enjoy a strong and close relationship, and these democratic reforms would serve to help further strengthen the important ties between our two peoples.

Thank you for your consideration of my earnest appeal.

With best regards,

Cordially,

  
Alan Cranston



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THE AMBASSADOR OF KOREA  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

April 27, 1985

Mrs. Reagan  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mrs. Reagan:

I would like to express my deep appreciation for the successful visit of President and Mrs. Chun Doo Hwan to your great country. The visit reaffirmed the strong ties of friendship and cooperation between Korea and the United States. Mrs. Chun also asked me to convey her personal thanks for the opportunity to renew her friendship with you.

At the request of Mrs. Chun, I am sending a sampling of ginseng products. As Mrs. Chun mentioned in your conversation yesterday, there are ginseng products which are specially prepared in a convenient form for travelling, and Mrs. Chun wanted to make some of these products available to you and the President before your trip to Europe.

Please accept our best wishes for a most successful European trip.

Sincerely,

*B. A. Lew*

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THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
SEOUL, KOREA

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Dear Mr. Regan:

I wish to convey to you my sincere thanks for the warm hospitality accorded to us during President Chun's visit to the United States of America.

It was a great pleasure for me to meet with you during my stay in Washington, D.C. which was a truly rewarding experience.

I am pleased that President Chun's visit to Washington, D.C. was a great success and contributed to the further development of the excellent partnership between our two traditional allies bound by deepened understanding and expanded cooperation.

Sincerely,

  
Won-Kyung Lee

The Honorable  
Donald Regan  
Chief of Staff and  
Assistant to the President  
The White House



