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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

July 31, 1986

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR RODNEY B. MCDANIEL

FROM: JAMES A. KELLY

SUBJECT: State's Draft Report on S.Res. 392

I have reviewed State's draft report on S.Res. 392, "Expressing the sense of the Senate that the people of the Republic of Korea should be allowed to petition for a constitutional amendment to allow for the direct election of their President" (Tab A) and concur.

Sable concurs.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you forward Tab I to OMB.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Attachments:

Tab I McDaniel memo to Peterson
Tab A OMB memo w/attachment

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

MEMORANDUM FOR RONALD K. PETERSON
Office of Management and Budget

FROM: RODNEY B. MCDANIEL

SUBJECT: State's Draft Report on S.Res. 392

NSC has reviewed State's draft report on S.Res. 392, "Expressing the sense of the Senate that the people of the Republic of Korea should be allowed to petition for a constitutional amendment to allow for the direct election of their President" (Tab A) and concurs.

Attachment:
Tab A OMB memo w/attachment



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

July 29, 1986

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SPECIAL

LEGISLATIVE REFERRAL MEMORANDUM

TO: Legislative Liaison Officer -
National Security Council
Department of Justice (Perkins 633-2113)

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SUBJECT: State's draft report on S.Res. 392, "Expressing the sense of the Senate that the people of the Republic of Korea should be allowed to petition for a constitutional amendment to allow for the direct election of their President."

The Office of Management and Budget requests the views of your agency on the above subject before advising on its relationship to the program of the President, in accordance with OMB Circular A-19.

A response to this request for your views is needed no later than THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 1986.

Questions should be referred to SUE THAU/ANNETTE ROONEY (395-7300), the legislative analyst in this office.

Ronald K. Peterson
RONALD K. PETERSON FOR
Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Enclosures

CC:



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for the opportunity to review Senate Resolution 392. We appreciate the interest in further political progress in the Republic of Korea expressed in the Resolution, but we cannot agree with the Resolution's description of the current Korean political situation or with its recommendations for United States Government action.

While we appreciate the Resolution's intention to express "the sense of the Senate that the people of the Republic of Korea should be allowed to petition for a constitutional amendment to allow for the direct election of their President," the Korean people are in fact already permitted to petition for a direct presidential election. The Korean government initially opposed the petition campaign announced by the main opposition New Korea Democratic Party (NKDP) on February 12, 1986, but President Chun Doo Hwan, in a meeting with opposition and ruling party leaders February 24, indicated that his government would no longer oppose the campaign. Since then, the NKDP has held a number of public rallies in support of the petition campaign and has opened branch offices throughout the country to solicit signatures for the petition. We made known our own position on February 13, the day after the NKDP began the petition campaign, when the Department Spokesman stated that we believe that the right of citizens to petition their government is a basic democratic principle.

In a move which we have welcomed, President Chun announced on April 30 his willingness to accept constitutional revision before he steps down in March 1988 if the political parties in the National Assembly could agree on the substance of constitutional revision. The ruling and main opposition parties have since agreed in principle to establish a National Assembly special committee on the constitution during the current special session of the National Assembly.

It has been the policy of the United States Government to encourage all parties in Korea to engage in such dialogue in a spirit of compromise for the sake of lasting democratic progress. As part of this effort, the American Ambassador in Seoul and his staff are in close contact with all major Korean

The Honorable
Richard G. Lugar,
Chairman,
Committee on Foreign Relations,
United States Senate.

political elements. Secretary Shultz, during his visit to Seoul May 7-8, met with President Chun and the leaders of the ruling and opposition parties, including NKDP President Lee Min Woo. Secretary Shultz also met NKDP President Lee the following week in Washington during President Lee's visit here.

We believe the current vigorous dialogue among the ruling and opposition parties in the Republic of Korea is in itself an expression of democracy, and we hope that it will set the stage for further political progress in Korea. We will continue our efforts to encourage such dialogue, but believe that the ultimate success of democratization in Korea rests with the Koreans themselves.

We appreciate this chance to make known our views on Senate Resolution 392. Please contact me if I can be of assistance.

The Office of Management and Budget advises that from the standpoint of the Administration's program there is no objection to the submission of this report.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

J. Edward Fox
Assistant Secretary
Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs