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OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

15 Oct 85

Memo For Dr. Gaston Sigur

Gaston,

I found this interesting. Plus ca change. Plus c'est la meme chose.

Richard L. Armitage

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

Love

October 15, 1985

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM F. MARTIN

FROM:

GASTON J. SIGUR

SUBJECT:

Request for Presidential Meeting with Shinyong

Lho, Prime Minister of Korea

Prime Minister Shinyong Lho of Korea has written asking for an appointment with the President (Tab II). He sent me a similar letter.

Lho is a good friend of ours, former Foreign Minister, former head of the NSP and now Prime Minister. While the position of Prime Minister holds little de facto power, Lho continues to be very helpful to us and especially to our ambassador, Dixie Walker, in keeping us en courant on Blue House politics and thinking.

I believe that a five-minute photo op meeting with the President would be a good thing to arrange. It will give Lho added prestige with President Chun which is to our benefit.

Johnathan Miller concurs.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you forward the Schedule Proposal to Fred Ryan at Tab I.

Approve	Disapprove

Attachments:

Tab I Schedule Proposal
Tab II Lho ltr to McFarlane

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

TO: FREDERICK J. RYAN, Director

Presidential Appointments and Scheduling

FROM: WILLIAM F. MARTIN

REQUEST: Meeting with Prime Minister Shinyong Lho of

Korea

PURPOSE: To accept personal greetings from President

Chun Doo Hwan and to reinforce the U.S.

commitment to Korea's security.

BACKGROUND: Prime Minister Lho has been Foreign Minister,

head of Korea's security apparatus and now holds the largely ceremonial post of Prime Minister. He is a good friend of ours and is very helpful to our ambassador in Seoul. His prestige with President Chun and within the ROK would be greatly enhanced if he were able

to meet briefly with the President.

PREVIOUS

PARTICIPATION: None

DATE & TIME: October 28, 29, 30

DURATION: 5 minutes

LOCATION: Oval Office

PARTICIPANTS: The President, The Vice President, Prime Min-

ister Lho, Korean Ambassador, Donald Regan,

Robert C. McFarlane, Gaston Sigur

OUTLINE OF EVENTS: Photo opportunity

REMARKS REQUIRED: Welcome and re-statement of security commit-

ment to Korea.

MEDIA COVERAGE: Photo opportunity

PROPOSED "PHOTO": The President and Prime Minister Lho

standing.

RECOMMENDED BY: Robert C. McFarlane

OPPOSED BY: None

PRIME MINISTER REPUBLIC OF KOREA

September 24, 1985

Dear Mr. McFarlane:

It is with a great pleasure that I visit Washington, D.C. in late October after addressing the General Assembly of the United Nations in New York on the occasion of its 40th anniversary.

Four years have passed since I visited Washington, D.C. in my capacity as Minister of Foreign Affairs in 1981. It is, therefore, with a sense of greater expectation that I am visiting Washington, D.C. this time, both as Prime Minister and Special Envoy of the President of the Republic of Korea.

In particular, I am looking forward to meeting with you and having a valuable exchange of views on matters of mutual interest and concern between our two countries.

In addition, it is my fervent hope that I will be able to meet with President Reagan and convey a special message of President Chun Doo Hwan. I am fully aware that President Reagan's schedule will be extremely tight since heads of states and government leaders from all over the world will be visiting the United States during that time. If my call on President Reagan could be realized, brief as it may be, it will be the most rewarding part of my visit which I trust will contribute greatly to the further strengthening of friendly ties between our two allies.

Your cooperation and assistance to this end will be greatly appreciated.

Looking forward to meeting with you soon, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Shinyong Lho

The Hon. Robert C. McFarlane
Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs
The White House
Washington, D.C.
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