

July 19, 1961

Your Excellency,

I have the honor to present to Your Excellency, at the instruction of my Government, the following requests for the consideration of the Department of State with regard to the recent revised draft of the Japanese Peace Treaty.

1. My Government requests that the word "renounces" in Paragraph a, Article Number 2, should be replaced by "confirms that it renounced on August 9, 1945, all right, title and claim to Korea and the islands which were part of Korea prior to its annexation by Japan, including the islands Quelpart, Port Hamilton, Dagelet, Dokdo and Parangdo."

2. As to Paragraph a, Article Number 4, in the proposed Japanese Peace Treaty, my Government wishes to point out that the provision in Paragraph A, Article 4, does not affect the legal transfer of vested properties in Korea to the Republic of Korea through decision by the Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces in the Pacific following the defeat of Japan confirmed three years later in the Economic and Financial Agreement between the Republic of Korea and the United States Military Government in Korea, of September 11, 1948.

3. With reference to Article 9, my Government wishes to insert the following at the end of Article 9 of the proposed Peace Treaty, "Pending the conclusion of such agreements existing realities such as the MacArthur Line will remain in effect."

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

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