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**Letter No. 74 from the President (Syngman Rhee) to  
Minister Duk Shin Choi**

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**Summary:**

President Rhee briefly responds to Choi's previous report on Korean publications in South Vietnam.

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To : Minister Duk Shin Choi

From: The President

Thank you for your Report No. 45 dated June 27th and for the enclosures received with it.

We certainly have to keep up counteracting Japanese propaganda and I cannot see why you should not fill the many requests about your weekly publication. The cost would not be any higher if you were to mimeograph several hundred sheets more and distribute them. For that purpose you may need one more local employee and additional expenses for postage but I do not think that will cost a tremendous amount.

In order to relieve you from the work I advise you to leave out the Seoul edition which I believe is the business of the Vietnamese Legation here to publicize their country and concentrate more on the Saigon edition.

With regard to setting up an Information Service Center I have asked the Foreign Ministry for their opinion particularly with respect to the expenses involved. I was advised that for budgetary reason they cannot set up an agency at this time as suggested by you; therefore I strongly urge you to drop the Seoul edition and use the money spent on the issuance of that paper on the Saigon edition. As I mentioned above you may need to print more copies and that will mean more expenses for paper and postage but I do not think that will amount to much. Please let me have your reaction to my suggestion.

I am very glad that you entertained some of the important officials at our Legation and I know all these activities will help a great deal.