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**Letter, to General Maxwell D. Taylor Regarding
American Employees**

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Summary:

American employees of the Republic of Korea are not receiving promised logistical support from the Eighth Army.

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Dear General Taylor:

You may recall that we have an agreement of long standing for Eighth Army logistical support of American employees of the Republic of Korea. This applies to Miss Gail Rowe, Dr. William A. Glenn, Mr. John Wilson Gaddis, Mr. O. P. H. King, and Mr. Stanley Kiefer.

The arrangement worked smoothly for a long time, but within the last few weeks the consultants have been denied logistical privileges, subjected to embarrassment, and otherwise treated as though they are attempting to use rights to which they are not entitled.

Questions of billeting arose. Then the right to APO privileges was temporarily denied. Outgoing mail was refused, and we are still fearful that incoming mail is being held up or returned. The whole APO matter still appears to be unsettled, although all the employees mentioned above have submitted the forms requested.

This morning two of the consultants, Dr. Glenn and Mr. Gaddis, were told at the 21st Finance that under orders of Colonel Fowler they do not have the right to the use of MPC and that their checks cannot be cashed. As you know, such a policy inevitably would mean their imminent departure, since they could not even eat at Army-supported establishments.

I trust that all this is the result of misunderstandings, and that you can clear the matter up promptly. I shall appreciate your letting me know what has been done just as soon as possible.

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I should like to remind you that these persons are of inestimable value to both the Republic of Korea and the United States. Their loss would be irreparable for both countries.

Sincerely yours,

General Maxwell D. Taylor
Commanding General
8th United States Army
Yong San