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**Letter, Prime Minister Baek Du-jin to General
Maxwell D. Taylor**

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Summary:

Baek Du-jin requests that the Chosun Hotel be returned to the Ministry of Transportation as soon as possible.

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OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER
REPUBLIC OF KOREASeoul, Korea
11 January 1954

Dear General Taylor,

Thank you for your prompt reply of 10 January 1954 regarding the evacuation of the Chosun Hotel and your statement that you will be glad to implement any more satisfactory arrangement that can be worked out.

General Van Fleet when he was here promised he would hand over the Chosun Hotel at the earliest possible date. You yourself, I understand, made a similar promise to His Excellency the President. Government very badly needs the Chosun Hotel and I thus trust you will be able to meet these promises and hand back these premises to the Minister of Transportation.

I omitted to enclose with my letter of 9 January a copy of my communication to Mr. Wood. I now attach this for your information.

With highest esteem,

Yours sincerely,

Paik, Too Chin
Prime Minister
Republic of KoreaGeneral Maxwell D. Taylor
Commanding General
Eighth United States Army Headquarters
Seoul.