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Summary:

Young Kee briefs Minister Cho on the five year immigration agreement between Philippines and Indonesia, press editorials on PI-US relations, and interaction between Athletic Associations in China, Korea, and Philippines.

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Dear Mr. Minister:

The Philippines and Indonesia signed a five year immigration agreement to control border crossing and repatriation of illegal residents at Djakarta on July 4, 1956. Under the agreement, 27% of 6000 Indonesians in the Philippines and 27% of the estimated 300 Filipinos illegally residing in Indonesia could be deported. The provision applied to those who have been residing in the respective countries after Jan. 1, 1946.

Indian Health Minister Madame Rajkumari Amrit Kaur arrived here a few days ago to observe local health centers and medical schools. She was a disciple of the late Mahatma Gandhi and a close associate of Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru. She had been on a five week tour of U.S. upon invitation of several persons.

The Philippine editorials, with one exception, have been lavish on the praise of Vice President Nixon's assertion that the U.S. will always hold the Philippines in high esteem and dear in their hearts and that there could never be any fundamental difference between the two countries, which cannot be successfully settled on a conference table. One section of the press attacked the U.S. policy of taking the Philippines too much "for granted" and the negligible grant of U.S. aid given to the Philippines whereas more financial aid was given to the former enemy-Japan. In spite of the Two Billion Dollar aid poured into the Philippines following the liberation, the Philippines is wondering why large portions of foreign aid are allocated to Korea, Formosa and Vietnam.

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The local Chinese Y.M.C.A. extended an invitation to the Korean Amateur Athletic Association to send a men's basket ball team to Manila to engage in a series of games with the Chinese and Filipino teams. The sponsors agreed to pay the Korean team's air transportation from Hongkong to Manila and back, board and lodging and other incidental expenses incurred during their stay in Manila. The Chinese Y.M.C.A. was host to the Kyunggi Girls' High School basketball team last year.

We have been informed that the Korean Amateur Athletic Association, in cooperation with Dong-A Daily, extended an invitation to the Philippine Amateur Athletic Association to send a baseball team to Korea for a series of games to be played in Seoul and other

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places. The Dong-A Daily, sponsor of the Korean-Philippine baseball tournament, agreed to pay all the expenses of the Philippine baseball team, including their transportation to and from Korea and the lodging and hotel expenses.

Sincerely yours,

Young Kee Kim.
YOUNG KEE KIM

Copy to the President.