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President Rhee comments on the press publication in Philippines about Korea.

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To Minister Young Kee Kim

From the President

Your report No. 84 and copy letter to Acting Minister Cho of 30 May have been received, and I would like to thank you for them.

I am very pleased to note that the Philippines Herald has reproduced my biography as part of a series of articles of leaders in Asia, and also that this paper printed an article on Korea's History and Culture. If you require any other information and writings on Korea which the paper may wish to print, we will be only too pleased to make them available to you.

I noted your request of the Acting Foreign Minister for a dollar allocation for Miss Soyoung Lee's travelling expenses, and understand that she left for Manila on 6 June.

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Before despatching the above, I received yesterday your report No. 85 with copy report to the Acting Foreign Minister of 8 June and the schedule for the Korean Navy Training Cruise's visit to Manila. I noted also the editorial from the Philippines Herald about SEATO and other newspaper cuttings which include an article 'Korean prospects' about the NNSC.

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As you are no doubt aware, all members of the NNSC have now moved to the demilitarized zone to which area their activities will be restricted henceforth. I am pleased to observe that the local press has again provided some publicity for Korea and has given wide space to the visit of our Navy. You will no doubt be very busy during their three-day visit.

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