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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

Love

February 19, 1985

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

FROM:

GASTON J. SIGUR Hate

SUBJECT:

President's Thank You Letter to President Chun

of South Korea for Birthday Greetings

Attached at Tab I is a memo from you to John Hilboldt advising him that the NSC approves the text of the President's letter to President Chun of South Korea thanking him for his birthday greetings.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you forward Tab I to John Hilboldt.

Approve	Disapprove	

Attachments:

Tab I

Kimmitt memo to Hilboldt

Tab A President's letter and background papers

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN E. HILBOLDT

FROM:

ROBERT M. KIMMITT

SUBJECT:

President's Thank You Letter to President Chun

of South Korea for Birthday Greetings

The NSC has reviewed the proposed Presidential letter to President Chun of South Korea (Tab A) and approves the text.

Attachment:

Tab A President's letter and background papers

February 9, 1985

Dear Mr. President:

I want to express my sincere thanks to you and Mrs. Chun for your kind remembrance of my birthday. The magnificent floral arrangement, which I received through Ambassador Lew, added a splendid touch to the occasion. I am truly grateful to you and all the Korean people for your heartfelt good wishes.

Nancy and I growly look forward to welcoming you and Mrs. Chun to the White House. Please know that you have our warm regards.

Sincerely, RR

His Excellency Chun Doo Hwan President of the Republic of Korea Seoul

P.S. Thank you, too, for the fine red ginseng.

whcc: His Excellency
Byong Hion Lew
Ambassador of Korea

Add to env.:

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DISPATCH THRU STATE VIA NSC.



EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA WASHINGTON, D. C.

KAM 85/12

The Ambassador of the Republic of Korea presents his compliments to His Excellency the Secretary of State and has the honor to convey the enclosed cable message from His Excellency Chun Doo Hwan, President of the Republic of Korea, addressed to His Excellency Ronald W. Reagan, President of the United States of America.

The Ambassador of the Republic of Korea would be grateful if the Secretary of State would be kind enough to forward the aforementioned message to its high destination.

The Ambassador of the Republic of Korea avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary of State the assurances of his highest consideration.

Washington, D.C.

February 5, 1985

Enclosure: As stated



Seoul, Korea February 6, 1985

HIS EXCELLENCY
RONALD W. REAGAN
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

294758

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

ON THIS HAPPY ANNIVERSARY OF YOUR BIRTH, MRS. CHUN AND I,
JOINED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, WISH TO SEND YOU
AND YOUR BELOVED FAMILY OUR HEARTFELT CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST
WISHES FOR MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE DAY.

I AM CERTAIN THAT YOUR BIRTHDAY THIS YEAR DAYS AFTER YOUR AUSPICIOUS PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION ADDS AN EXTRA NOTE OF JOY AND HAPPINESS TO THE OCCASION.

LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING WITH YOU SOON IN WASHINGTON,
D.C., MRS. CHUN AND I WISH YOU A LONG LIFE, GOOD HEALTH,
PERSONAL HAPPINESS AND THE PROSPERITY OF YOUR GREAT NATION.

SINCERELY,

CHUN DOO HWAN
PRESIDENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF KOREA

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

Love

March 11, 1985

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

FROM:

GASTON J. SIGUR

SUBJECT:

Coffee for Mrs. Chun of Korea Hosted by

Mrs. Reagan

Attached at Tab I is a memo from you to Nick Platt informing him of the coffee Mrs. Reagan will give for Mrs. Chun on Friday, April 26 at 11:00 a.m.

Bill Martin concurs.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign your memo to Nick Platt at Tab I.

Approve	Disapprove
approve	DISAPPIOVE

Attachments:

Tab I Kimmitt memo to Platt

Tab II Rosebush memo to Kimmitt

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

MEMORANDUM FOR NICHOLAS PLATT

Executive Secretary Department of State

SUBJECT:

Coffee for Mrs. Chun of Korea Hosted by Mrs.

Reagan

Mrs. Reagan's staff has entered on her schedule for Friday, April 26 at 11:00 a.m., a private coffee with Mrs. Chun.

Robert M. Kimmitt Executive Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 7, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

FROM:

JAMES S. ROSEBUSHO

SUBJECT:

Coffee for Mrs. Chun Hosted by

Mrs. Reagan

We have entered on Mrs. Reagan's schedule for Friday, April 26 at 11:00 a.m. a private coffee with Mrs. Chun of Korea. Please notify all parties.

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

March 25, 1985

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. McFARLANE

FROM:

GASTON J. SIGUR

SUBJECT:

Bowie Kuhn's Trip Report to Korea

Attached at Tab B is a letter to the President from Mr. Bowie Kuhn who visited Korea recently. Mr. Kuhn hand-carried a letter from President Reagan to President Chun dealing with the subject of making baseball a gold medal sport at the 1988 Olympics in Seoul.

State has drafted a reply to Mr. Kuhn from the President, which is at Tab A.

Speechwriters concur.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you forward Tab I to the President.

Approve	Disapprove

Attachments:

Tab I McFarlane memo to President

Tab A President's ltr to Kuhn
Tab B Kuhn's ltr to President

Tab C President Chun's ltr of 2/25/85

Tab II State memo

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

ROBERT C. McFARLANE

SUBJECT:

Bowie Kuhn's Trip Report to Korea

Issue

Response to Bowie Kuhn's letter of February 21, 1985 (Tab B).

Facts

Mr. Kuhn hand-carried a letter from you to President Chun Doo Hwan, on his recent visit to Korea, dealing with the subject of making baseball a gold medal sport at the 1988 Olympics in Seoul. He is now writing you, advising of the outcome of his visit (Tab B).

Discussion

Mr. Kuhn asks that you continue to encourage Korean President Chun to make baseball a gold medal sport at the 1988 Olympics in Seoul. In President Chun's response to you (Tab C) he wrote that making baseball a gold medal sport for the 1988 Games seems impossible under Olympic rules. The Olympic Charter requires that all gold medal sports be determined six years in advance of the first Olympic at which they will be introduced, and that no exceptions are permitted. The host country, with the concurrence of the International Olympic Committee, may choose two sports from the list of recommended sports as demonstration sports. President Chun wrote that the Seoul Olympic Organizing Committee is now studying favorably the question of adopting baseball as a demonstration sport instead of a gold medal sport for the Olympic Games.

State Department has drafted a reply for your signature, which is at Tab A.

Recommendation

OK No

____ That you sign your letter to Bowie Kuhn at Tab A.

Attachments:

Tab A Your letter to Mr. Kuhn

Tab B Mr. Kuhn's letter to you

Tab C President Chun's ltr of 2/25/85

Prepared by: Gaston Sigur

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Dear Bowie:

Thanks for your letter of February 21, in which you reported on your trip to Korea and your efforts to enlist South Korean officials' support for making baseball a gold medal sport in the 1988 Olympics.

I have since received a reply from President Chun, dated February 25, to my letter of February 2, which you transmitted to President Chun. President Chun writes that the gold medal sports for the 1988 Games were decided in May 1982 under the rules of the Olympic Charter, and that it is his understanding that the decision is final and unalterable. President Chun added, however, that he took consolation in the fact that the Seoul Olympic Organizing Committee is now studying favorably the question of adopting baseball as a demonstration sport for the 1988 Games.

So, baseball apparently will not be made a gold medal sport at the Seoul Olympics, and I regret that, but I hope that it can be made a demonstration sport at Seoul and that it will become a gold medal sport as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bowie Kuhn Willkie Farr & Gallagher One Citicorp Center New York, N.Y.

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BRENT W. WHITE

CHARLES I. KINGSON

ARTHUR D. KOWALOFF

Dear Mr. President:

On Monday, February 11th, I delivered your letter of February 2nd addressed to President Chun Doo Hwan of the Republic of Korea (copy attached). While I had originally been scheduled to see President Chun personally, I was advised that his pre-election involvements had unfortunately made that impossible and I was requested to see Minister of Sports Lee Yong-Ho. I did present the letter to Mr. Lee who received it most graciously, assuring that President Chun would give it every consideration.

Mr. Lee also gave a special luncheon on Monday for me, Peter O'Malley of the Los Angeles Dodgers and amateur baseball leaders who were gathered in Seoul. During the meetings with Mr. Lee, he advised us that the baseball

Olympic prospects were clouded somewhat by the strong interest which his Government also has in seeing taekwondo (martial arts) adopted as an Olympic sport. We judge his personal view to be that baseball, taekwondo and badminton (also very popular in Korea) should be "demonstration" sports in 1988.

Since baseball was an enormously successful demonstration sport at Los Angeles last year, the consensus of baseball people is that it plainly merits gold medal status in 1988.
Without President Chun's support, that cannot be accomplished.

Thus, we can only urge that you continue to use your good offices with President Chun.

For this and all of your past efforts on behalf of baseball, we are deeply appreciative.

I should add that Commissioner Peter
Ueberroth joins enthusiasticallly in the sentiments
expressed in this letter.

Sincerely yours,

Bowie K Kuhn

President Ronald Reagan The White House

BKK/cb



President of the Republic of Korea

(Translation)

25 February 1985

Dear President Reagan,

I received with great pleasure your kind letter of February 2, 1985 which Mr. Bowie K. Kuhn, former American Baseball Commissioner, delivered to me through the Ministry of Sports. I regret that I was unable to receive Mr. Kuhn and his party personally because of my tight schedule during his visit in my country.

Personally, I fully agree with you that baseball with its growing international popularity deserves to be adopted as a gold medal sport for the 1988 Olympic Games. As you may be aware, however, I am told that the official programme relating to the gold medal sports for the 1988 Olympic Games has already been decided as early as in May, 1982, six years before the opening of the Games, in accordance with the rules of the Olympic Charter. I am also told that the decision is final and unalterable.

However, I take some consolation from the fact that the Seoul Olympic Organizing Committee is now studying favorably the question of adopting baseball as a demonstration sport instead of a gold medal sport for the Olympic Games. I will follow this matter with continued interest.

I take this opportunity to express again my sincere gratitude for your personal interest shown to the Seoul Olympic Games.

His Excellency
Ronald W. Reagan
President of the
United States of America

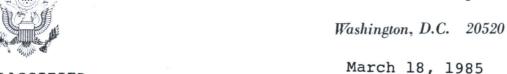
Looking forward to meeting with you soon in Washington D.C., I wish you continued good health and every success in the years ahead.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Chun Doo Hwan

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United States Department of State



MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ROBERT C. MCFARLANE THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: Draft Reply to Bowie Kuhn's Letter to President Reagan

Attached is a draft reply to Mr. Bowie Kuhn's letter to President Reagan requesting that the President continue to use his good offices with Korean President Chun to make baseball a gold medal sport at the 1988 Olympics in Seoul.

The somewhat complicated background: Mr. Kuhn hand-carried a letter from President Reagan to President Chun on this subject when Mr. Kuhn visited Korea recently. In President Chun's reply (copy attached) to President Reagan, President Chun wrote that making baseball a gold medal sport for the 1988 Games seems impossible under Olympic rules.

The Counselor's office confirms that the Olympic Charter requires that all gold medal sports be determined six years in advance of the first Olympic at which they will be introduced and that no exceptions are permitted. The host country, with the concurrence of the International Olympic Committee, may choose two sports from the list of recommended sports as demonstration sports.

We are deferring the forwarding to you of a draft response from President Reagan to President Chun on this subject pending Mr. Kuhn's response to the President's reply to Mr. Kuhn.

> Nicholas Platt Executive Secretary

Attachments:

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- Proposed letter to Mr. Kuhn.
- 2. Copy of President Chun's reply to President Reagan.

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