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**Letter, Mr. and Mrs. Warren L. Chaffin and Jay. T.  
McCamic to Syngman Rhee**

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**Summary:**

The authors write to assure Rhee that he enjoys their highest support.

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The Honorable Syngman Rhee,  
President, Republic of Korea,  
Seoul, South Korea

Dear Mr. President:

We would like you to know that there is an un-organized private opinion in this country not represented by the leaders and the men writing editorials who are so busily justifying and explaining the stand taken against you.

The undersigned are a housewife, a lawyer, and a business man. Individually we have talked with the hairdresser, our friends, the man who works in the yard, a cleaning woman, some college girls, and some boys in the service. Without exception the consensus is that the only world leader showing either courage or common sense, is yourself.

We believe the American people respond in their hearts to the stand you have taken and applaud your direct action in releasing prisoners who should never have been imprisoned. We are appalled at the pressure being brought to bear upon you and wonder why that singleness of purpose could not have been swung into action against Russia instead, and long since.

We believe that the peace proposed is without honor, does not face reality, and presages only greater carnage to come.

Yours most sincerely,

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