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Summary:

The short telegram concerns the Guinean reactions by North and South Korean declarations. The North Koreans visited the Guinea ambassador to inform him on the status of inter-Korean negotiations but the details were kept secret.

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In response to our inquiry, the second highest ranking official of the Korean embassy said no more than that the Guinean politicians welcomed the success of the [North-South] negotiations and the published declaration, but they did not express their opinion in public. [The North Koreans] took steps to achieve the publication of the declaration in the [Guinean] radio and press, but, due to the well-known local difficulties, this has not occurred yet.

The DRV ambassador told me that during the talks which led to the joint declaration, the deputy foreign minister of the DPRK had visited Conakry, and informed the Guinean government about the negotiations. His visit was kept secret, the fraternal ambassadors were not informed.

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