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Summary:

Young P. Lee objects to Japan attending a meeting of the Asian Peoples' Anti-Communist League.

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Central Liaison Office

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Mr. Yong P. Lee, Chairman of the Asian People's Anti-Communist League, today issued the following statement.

"Recently, as Chairman of the Asian People's Anti-Communist League,
I was asked by several newsraper correspondents if an invitation to
attend the coming Tairei meetings was being extended to Japan.

"No such invitation has been extended. The question of membership in the league, is a matter to be decided by all of the members, and it is quite probable that the subject will be discussed at the coming meeting. There is a feeling among many of the present members, however, that invitations should be extended only to representatives of countries which have definitely aligned themselves with the Free World, and there exists some doubt concerning Japan's attitude toward the menace of International Communism.

"I cannot, of course, speak for all of the members of the League.

But the course of wisdom would seem to indicate the need for extreme caution and careful study before expanding, by invitation, the present membership of the Asian People's Anti-Communist League."