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**Letter from the President (Syngman Rhee) to
Minister Duk Shin Choi**

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TO: Minister Duk Shin Choi

FROM: The President

We have received this morning from the Foreign Ministry a revised tentative program for the visit of the President of Viet-Nam. The suggestions in your Special Report No. 054-C were given consideration and in deference to the President's desire for a full night of rest after his long journey the State Dinner at Kyung Mu Dai has been scheduled for Thursday, 19 September.

Your cable Number 14 was received this morning. With regard to the suggestion that the farewell call be moved to September 21 to allow the President to plan an earlier departure time, a farewell call at Kyung Mu Dai has tentatively been scheduled for 2:50 p.m. on 21 September.

We could not establish if this request in your cable implied that the President and Mrs. Rhee would not be expected to attend the Dinner to be given by President Ngo Dinh Diem, but assumed that they would be included in this Dinner and since it did not seem appropriate for the President to pay a farewell visit to Kyung Mu Dai and then entertain President and Mrs. Rhee at Dinner, the dinner to be given by President Ngo Dinh Diem has been rescheduled for Friday, 20 September. Please let us know by cable if these revisions in the program for the President's visit will be acceptable.

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