

**September 20, 1954**  
**Letter, Secretary to President Rhee to General  
Maxwell D. Taylor**

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**Summary:**

While Syngman Rhee was fishing at the Han river, a small aircraft flew very low over the boat.

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Dear General Taylor:

I have been asked to report an incident which occurred Sunday afternoon, September 19, while the President was fishing on the Han River.

About 3:40 p.m. the President's fishing boat was anchored in the middle of the Han River between the Carney Bridge and the pumping station. Suddenly a small aircraft appeared and swooped very low over the boat, flying just a few feet above the water. It circled twice flying close to the boat at an altitude lower than the bridge level. The airplane was an L-19, Number 01368.

The President, and especially his security staff, were quite disturbed because of the apparent unconcern of the pilot for the comfort and safety of the passengers of the boat, and therefore our office is reporting the incident to you.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to the President

General Maxwell D. Taylor, USA  
Commanding General  
Eighth United States Army  
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