

# December 3, 1953 Letter, John W. Staggers to Syngman Rhee

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### **Summary:**

John W. Staggers remarks positively about Rhee's meeting with Chang Kai-shek and refers to Syngman Rhee's frustration with having Indian troops guarding Korean prisoners of war.

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The Honorable, Dr. Syngman Rhee President, Republic of Korea Seoul, Korea

Dear Dr. Rhee:

I note from the Daily Press that you had a conference with Generalissimo Chiang Kaj-shek. This meeting, in my judgment, will go down in history as the turning point in successfully combating Communism.

The American people are now beginning to realize and appreciate your worth in combating this evil.

I can appreciate your feeling in having Indian troops on Korean soil under the soverign Government of Korea exercising a military authority over Koreans. We do however, at times, find it necessary to keep our feelings and better judgment in a state of suspension until a more opportune time for the action that we know we must eventually take.

With kind personal regards to both you and Madame Rhee,

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