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John W. Staggers informs Syngman Rhee about his public perception in the American media.

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

Dear Dr. Rhee:

A few lines to let you know that the attitude of the American people, and by American people I mean the masses, have had a complete right-about face toward you.

You are now referred to as "The Great Statesman who stood alone against Communism at a time that the world was about to desert him."

The newspapers, magazine articles and conversation are unquestionably firm in their praise of the stand which you took on the Armistice.

Your time will not permit me to say more, but, you know what my personal feelings are.

With kind personal regards to both you and Madame Rhee,

I am

Sincerely yours,

J. W. Stagg

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