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### **Letter, General Maxwell D. Taylor to President Syngman Rhee**

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#### **Summary:**

General Maxwell D. Taylor reports a successful meeting on the return of non-repatriated prisoners of war.

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President Syngman Rhee  
Kyung Mu Dai  
Seoul

Dear Mr. President:

On the afternoon of 9 January, I held a conference which included Admiral Sohn, Ambassador Young, Ambassador Briggs, and General Paik, for the purpose of explaining our plan for the return of the non-repatriated Prisoners of War from the Demilitarized Zone, and their subsequent disposition.

I am gratified to report that all representatives expressed their concurrence with the arrangements which are being made. I am sure that Admiral Sohn is prepared to present the plan to you, as am I, if you so desire.

Meanwhile, I feel confident that we can execute the plan without difficulty provided the prisoners are orderly and cooperate with us. I shall be most grateful to receive your help and that of your officials, in creating a calm atmosphere of confidence conducive to the successful execution of this important operation.

With warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR  
General, U. S. Army  
Commanding