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**Summary:**

Staggers clarifies that he never intended to monopolize the Korean trade and denied this when it was stated in a Washington, DC newspaper.

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MEMORANDUM (C) To Clarify

July 15, 1955

To: President Syngman Rhee

Re: Corporation Organized

I quote again from your letter of June 28th:

QUOTE. "my only interest being to correct you in your intentions to monopolize Korean trade." UNQUOTE.

Someone has misinformed you, for no such words were ever used by me. And, I never authorized anyone to use them for me.

As a matter-of-fact, when that statement came out here in Washington, I denied it and notified the paper responsible for it, that it was a deliberate manufactured false statement. Also, that I wanted a correction printed. They claimed it originated in Korea. No doubt it did, through some communistic channels.

Sincerely,

J.W.S.

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