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**Letter No. 21 from Tai Ha Yiu [Yu Tae-ha] of the
Korean Mission in Japan to President Syngman Rhee**

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Summary:

Yu briefs President Rhee on the reception held at the American Embassy and a meeting with Sawada Renzo regarding the amended Korean proposal.

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KOREAN MISSION IN JAPAN

Tokyo, July 4, 1957

No. 21TO : His Excellency
The President

FROM : Tai Ha Yiu

At the reception held at the American Embassy on the occasion of July 4, I met Prime Minister Kishi who came to Tokyo to attend the reception. He inquired of His Excellency's health and stated that as soon as his rest period is over he would set a date for a meeting with us.

I also met Sawada Renzo who told me that he returned to Tokyo together with Kishi and was thoroughly briefed on the amended Korean proposal which he did not think was too difficult to handle. He stated however that since he was not in a position to say it could be settled, he would first discuss the matter with some of his influential friends and do his best to see that the Korean proposal is accepted. He added that with both sides having made so much efforts as to have already exchanged draft memorandums, it would be a big tragedy if they were to be broken off.

I told Sawada that I was of the same opinion; that our Foreign Ministry made a maximum concession and that Amb. Sawada should see that the Japanese side accept our draft proposal.