

**March 3, 1977**

**Telegram from the Secretary of State to the  
American Embassy in Seoul, 'Approach to Pakistanis  
on US-North Korean Contacts'**

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**Summary:**

Stern reported that acting Foreign Minister Yoon was aware of NK-Pakistani-US communications. He reassured Yoon that the president policy of not holding discussions with North Koreans without participation of ROK had not changed.

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AS PART OF ANOTHER MEETING REQUESTED BY ME (SEE SEPTEL), I TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENSURE THAT ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER YOON WAS AWARE OF NK-PAKISTANI-US COMMUNICATIONS. SINCE HE HAD BEEN BRIFFED BY BLUE HOUSE ON SUBSTANCE OF THE AMBASSADOR'S CONVERSATION WITH THE PRESIDENT, YOON WAS AWARE OF THE EXCHANGES. HE TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO REEMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE UNITED STATES MAINTAINING PRESENT POLICY OF NOT HOLDING DISCUSSIONS WITH NORTH KOREANS WITHOUT PARTICIPATION OF ROK. ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER INDICATED THAT ANY BILATERAL NK-US CONVERSATIONS WOULD BE VIEWED AS A VERY SERIOUS MATTER BY HIS GOVERNMENT. I REASSURED YOON THAT OUR POLICY HAD NOT CHANGED.  
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