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FROM: CINCPE TOKYO JAPAN 3rd MACARTHUR
TO: DEPTAR WASH DC FOR JCS

MR: C 64159 23 SEP 50
Reference your JCS 92399.

I do not know precisely to what your message refers but I have no plans whatsoever except scrupulously to implement the directives which I have received. These directives envision support of the resolutions of the United Nations Security Council of 25 and 27 of June calling upon member governments to furnish "such assistance to the Republic of Korea as may be necessary to repel the armed attack and to restore international peace and security in the area" (JCS 84681). In view of the fact that the existing government of the Republic has never ceased to function and the position of the United States as stated in message 95117 of 7 July "Government of Republic of Korea is recognized by United States as responsible governing authority and only lawful government in Korea and is only Korean Government whose legality has been recognized by UN. Authority of government will be respected..." with the concurrence of the American Ambassador I plan to return President Rhee, his cabinet, senior members of the legislature, the United Nations Commission and perhaps others of similar official category to domicile in Seoul as soon as conditions there are sufficiently stable to permit reasonable security. This of course involves no reestablishment of a restoration of the existing government to its constitutional seat in order to facilitate the resumption of the civil process and to promote the prompt and effective restoration of law and order in areas liberated from enemy control. Such action is not only very much desired by the American Ambassador and all others concerned but appears to be implicit in my directives. If this is not desired by you please inform me without delay.

ACTION: JCS
INFORM: CHAP, CSA, CNO, DWT
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