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Summary:

Hu and Nakasone discuss the state of relations between North and South Korea, and prospects for enhanced ties between the ROK and China.

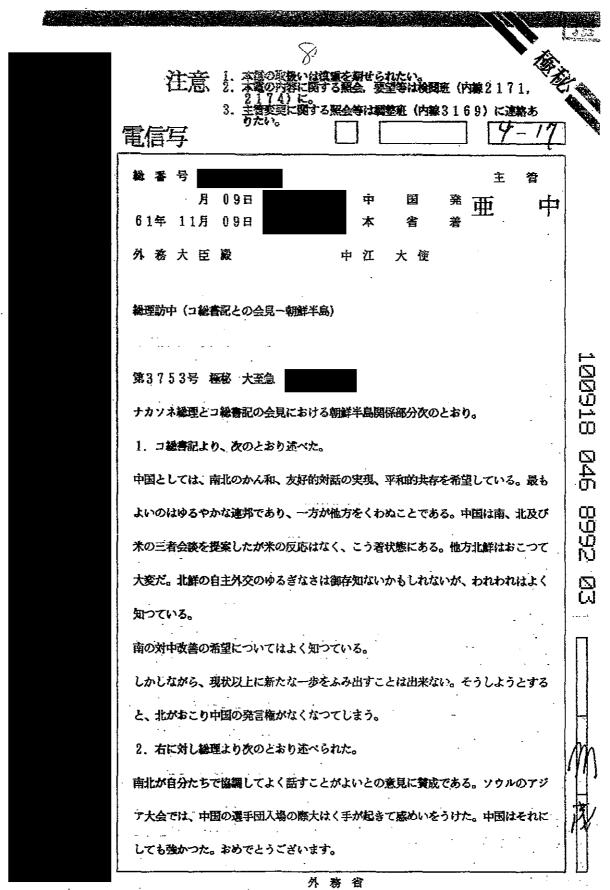
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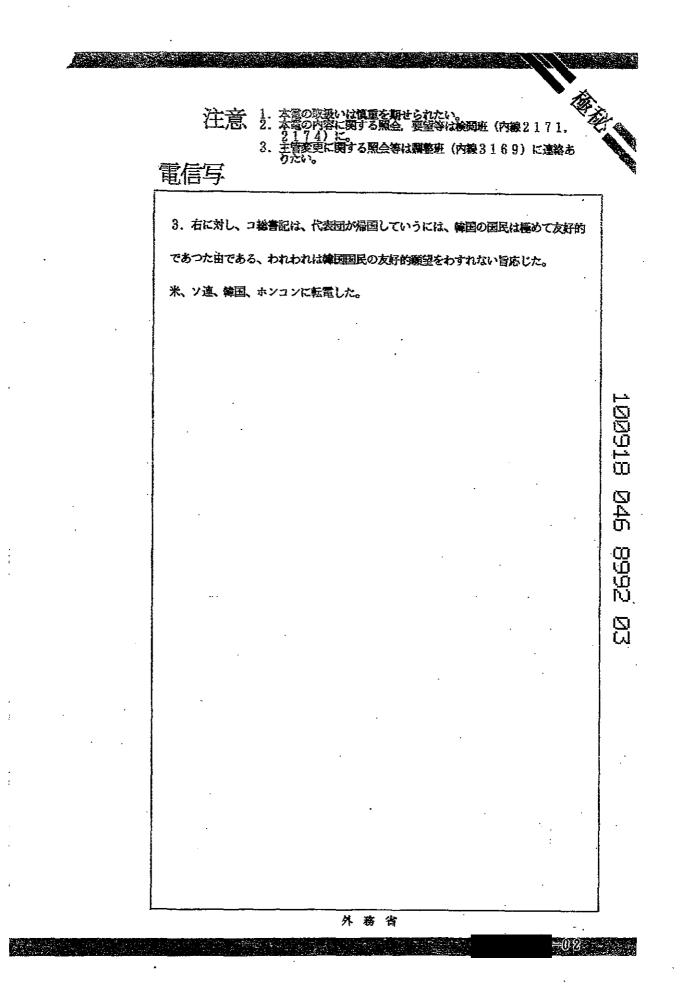
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The part of the meeting between Prime Minister Nakasone and General Secretary Hu concerning the Korean Peninsula was as follows:

1. General Secretary Hu said the following:

China hopes for the North and the South to achieve an easing of tensions, friendly dialogue, and peaceful coexistence. The best thing would be a loose confederation, in which neither side would defeat the other. China proposed three-party talks among the North, the South, and the United States, but the United States has not responded and the situation is one of stalemate. North Korea, for its part, was terribly angry. Perhaps you know about the unwavering existence of North Korea's independent diplomacy. We know it well.

We are well aware of the South's hope for improved relations with China.

However, at present we can take no new step. If we were to attempt to do so, the North would become angry and China would cease to have a say.

2. In response to the above, the Prime Minister said the following:

I approve of the opinion that it would be good for the South and the North themselves to cooperate and talk together. I was impressed by the tremendous applause for the Chinese athletic delegation when they entered the stadium at the Asian Games in Seoul. Be that as it may, China was strong. Congratulations.

3[In response to the above, General Secretary Hu remarked that the delegation on returning to China said that that it was because the Republic of Korea's people were so friendly. He replied: We will not forget the desire for friendship of the Republic of Korea's people.

Relayed to [Embassies in] the United States, Soviet Union, Republic of Korea, and Hong Kong.