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Summary:

Keeping with the duties of UNCURK, members will be forming teams and traveling to various provinces to observe the results of the elections.

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Seoul, 22 April 1971

Dear Mr. Narasimhan,

The U.N. Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea held a preparatory session today in order to study and approve administrative arrangements related to its task of observing—the presidential election on 27 April 1971.

The session was presided over by the Representative of Australia, Ambassador A.H. Loomes who, in his opening speech, outlined the duties and responsibilities of the Commission to observe the elections in the Republic of Korea in accordance with its mandate from the General Assembly. There was also a general discussion regarding the present election mood in the country, the nationwide campaigns conducted mainly by the two major political parties, the issues put forward by the presidential candidates and the students' demonstrations.

The Commission approved the final composition of its nine observation teams to be despatched to the various provinces and agreed to reconvene on the 29th of April following the announcement of the initial results of the presidential election. It was also agreed that members should refrain from making any public comments or press statements with regard to the conduct of the election during their observation tours. The Commission's press release on the conduct of the election will be made public after the final results of the election are available.

With warmest personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

Josher Kugher Zouheir Kuzbari

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