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PROVISIONAL SUMMARY RECORD OF THE THIRD SESSION

Held at Admiral's Quarters, Chinhae, Korea on Wednesday, 16 June 1954, at 9:30 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN Mr. Lee Young P.,

The Republic of Korea

PRESIDING OFFICER Mr. Ku Chin-Kanc

The Republic of China

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lee Young P. of the Republic of Korea at 9:30 A.M.

Mr. Phra R. Nides, chief delegate of Thailand, moved that a place of honor be prepared for President Symmon Rhee and that he be invited to attend as many of the Conference sessions as he can.

Mr. Jose M, Hernandez, Chief delegate of the Philippines, seconded the motion. Mr. Ku Chin Kang, Chief delegate of China, supported the motion with the understanding that the Conference is of the people, and that President Rhee 's views would be welcomed in informal discussions. Mr. Nides of Thailand concurred. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Lee of the Republic of Korea said there would be no further mimeographing of the full minutes provided no delegation objected.

There was no objection.

At Mr. Lee's request, Mr. Ku of China, one of the seven Vice-Chairman, took over as presiding officer.

The Conference then resumed the series of addresses by spokesmen for the various delegations.

The first of today's addresses was by Mr. Yan Tin Sinc, Chief Delegate of Hongkong, (The text of Mr. Yan's address will be available later.)

The second speaker was Mr. Whang Sung Soo of Korea. He briefly reviewed the course of communist aggression against Korea, and said the Communists are waiting to attack again. Korea has pleaded itself to unify the country or die, he said and hopes that the unity of free Asia will help make such unification possible.

The third speaker was Mrs. Lee Chien, Chief Delegate of Macao. She drew attention to the fact that Macao is a window through which free people can see what the Communists are doing, and the Communists can

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look out at the Free World. Mrs. Lee declared that Communism is losing ground rapidly, not only in Macao but in Mainland China proper. She urged blocking of the loopholes through which the Communists are getting strategic materials. There is new hope for a united Asian front against the enemy as the result of this Conference, she said.

The fourth speaker was Jose M. Hernandez, Chief Delegate of the Philippines. Mr. Hernandez declared that military operations, and social and economic reforms, have virtually liquidated Communism in the Philippines. Those who are left are only wandering marauders—poorly organized and demoralized. "Communism is on the run in the Philippines mainly because of our abiding fiath in God," he said. He also praised the role of Pres.

Magsaysay, in fighting the Communists and in encouraging Philippines.

democracy. He concluded with an appeal: "Long live Asia for freedom."

The fifth speaker was Tsai Chang, Chief Delegate of Ryukyu. He reviewed Ryukyu's fight for independence and expressed hope of support for a free and independent country.

The sixth speaker was Rhra R. Nides, Chief Delegate of Thai. Mr. Mides paid tribute to President Rhee's strong fight against Communism, and to the great courage of the Korean people. He said there are no Communists in Thailand and no underground. He said he believes that a Thailand united with other free Asian nations can summon strength sufficient to turn back the enemy. He urged action against the Communists first, then talk. "Do it or die," he said. "If you do it you won't die. How to do it? We must do it in a team. We can do it in this, moment if we are joined, do it with courage. Asia for all the free world and all the free world for Asia."

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The seventh and final speaker was Nauyen Van Tam, Chief Delegate of Vietnam. He said there were two elements in the growth of the Vietnam. Communist movement: nationalism and the fight against the class system. He said nationalism was directed against the French. He reviewed the Vietnam fight against the Chinese Red supported rebels, and said that reforms are in progress to unite all the Vietnamese peoples. He expressed confidence that free world action can save Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.