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Summary:

General Maxwell D. Taylor informs Rhee that General Claude B. Ferenbaugh has been appointed as Deputy Commanding General of the Far East and Eighth Army.

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EIGHTH UNITED STATES ARMY

OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL APO 343, Son Francisco, California

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Dear Mr. President:

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that President Eisenhower has announced the appointment of Major General Claude B. Ferenbaugh as Deputy Commanding General, Army Forces, Far East and Eighth Army. The President has nominated General Ferenbaugh to the rank of Lieutenant General, which he will assume upon confirmation by the Senate.

General Ferenbaugh is a distinguished soldier with an outstanding record of achievement through over thirty-five years of military service. During World War II, he was an assistant division commander in Europe and, as you will recall, commanded the 7th U. S. Infantry Division in Korea from January 1951 to December 1951. Additionally, he has served on the Department of the Army General Staff and has been Chief Infantry Inspector of the Army Ground Forces. He comes to Korea from the position of Chief of Staff of the U. S. Army Forces in Europe.

General Ferenbaugh will be my Deputy in Korea and as such will represent me during my temporary absences from Korea. Upon his arrival sometime in the latter part of December, General Collier will return to the command of I U. S. Corps (Group). I feel that we are most fortunate in obtaining an officer of General Ferenbaugh's ability and experience to reinforce the United Nations Command structure. I am sure that you will find him a warm friend and valiant supporter of Korea.

Respectfully,

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR General, U. S. Army

Commanding

His Excellency, Syngman Rhee President of the Republic of Korea Kyung Mu Dai Seoul, Korea