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**Letter, General Maxwell D. Taylor to Prime Minister
Baek Du-jin**

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Summary:

General Maxwell D. Taylor attaches a copy of his letter sent November 11 informing the Prime Minister about the need to retain use of the Chosun Hotel.

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Office of the Commanding General
APO 301 c/o Pm, San Francisco, California

10 January 1954

Honorable Paik Too Chin
Prime Minister
Republic of Korea

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I should like to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 9 January, referring to the retention of the Chosen Hotel for the use of the Economic Coordinator's Staff. As you point out, this headquarters had hoped to evacuate the property at an early date, as the Chief of Staff indicated to you in his letter of 26 August. However, as early as 7 November; I reported to you the probable need to retain the Chosen Hotel. The subsequent inability to find another solution to Mr. Wood's housing requirements has now made the retention of the Chosen necessary and has resulted in my letter to you of 2 January. I am attaching a copy of my letter to you of 7 November, which may have been overlooked in reviewing this issue.

Meanwhile, if, upon Mr. Wood's return, a more satisfactory arrangement can be worked out, I shall be very glad to assist in its implementation.

With warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
General, U. S. Army
Commanding