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TWO HUNDRED TWENTIETH MEETING OF THE SECRETARIES

HELD AT MAC HQ AREA, KOREA

4 NOVEMBER 1960

MEMBERS PRESENT

UNITED NATIONS COMMAND

KOREAN PEOPLE'S ARMY
CHINESE PEOPLE'S VOLUNTEERS

LT COL ELDEEN H. KAUFFMAN USA COLONEL RIM GI JE, KPA

Meeting convened at 1030 hours

UNC:

At the direction of the Senior Member of our side, I have called this meeting to charge your side with a serious violation of the Armistice Agreement.

At approximately 1725 hours, Korean Standard Time, on 30 October 1960, personnel of your side located on WOLLAE-DO, without provocation, fired several rounds of artillery at a vessel of the United Nations Command side, which was at a position 38 degrees 00 minutes 30 seconds North, 124 degrees 44 minutes 15 seconds East.

This vessel was on a routine patrol mission. It was neither in, nor near the waters contiguous to the land area of your side. It made no hostile maneuver against your side. It fired no weapons until your side fired first.

The artillery of your side fired on this vessel at a time when it was less than 2 miles from PAENG YONG-DO, and more than 4½ miles from WOLLAE-DO.

I protest this unwarranted attack on a vessel of our side by personnel of your side.

I protest the continuing hostile acts perpetrated by your side in violation of the Armistice Agreement.

I demand that your side punish the personnel of your side, who were responsible for this gross violation of the

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Armistice Agreement. I further demand that you take appropriate steps without delay, to insure that these violations are stopped.

KPA/CPV:

Your last statement is a lie which can be told only by the villainous U.S. imperialists, who are habitually indulged in pillage and aggression, fraud and deceit.

You have apparently called this meeting in a precipitous and shameless attempt to cover up the grave piratic act committed by your side. You have the effrontery to give an entirely false picture of the situation, in an endeavor to shift to our side, its responsibility for the hostile act committed by the LST of your side intruding deep into the coastal waters of our side and to delude the world public.

Then, do you think you could cloak up the criminal act perpetrated by your side by slyly removing the sites of the incident to another spot?

However proficient a swindler you may be, you cannot distort the truth nor is the truth distorted.

The real state of the incident in which your side has recently infiltrated an LST into the coastal waters of our side, in violation of the Armistice Agreement, to commit hostile and provocative actions against our side is as follows:

On October 30, 1960, at approximately 1800 hours, our time, the LST number 609 of your side, appearing from the southwesterly direction, intruded into the coastal waters of our side in the vicinity of 38 degrees 01 minutes 12 seconds North, 124 degrees 47 minutes East, that is about 4 point 5 kilometers off WULNAIDO of our territory.

Having been on guard with vigilance over the coastal area at the nearby post, our personnel had several times given signal demanding the said naval craft of your side

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to depart immediately from the coastal waters of our side.

Instead of departing from our coastal waters, however, the LST of your side pertinaciously wormed her way closer and closer toward our coast.

Against this outright hostile action taken by your side's LST, had the coast guard personnel of our side no alternative but to take self-defense measures.

Thereupon, the LST of your side veered its course precipitiously and fled southwards.

This provocation by your side constitutes a serious and gross violation of the Armistice Agreement.

This is by no means the first occasion of such violation of the Armistice Agreement by your side.

During the 10 months of this year alone, armed vessels of your side have intruded into the coastal waters of our side on as many as 6 occasions to stage provocative attacks.

As you also are aware, your side dispatched its armed vessels to intrude into the coastal waters of our side in order to carry out hostile activities on January 19, May 4, July 19, July 22nd and 30.

Against them, our side lodged on each occasion, a vigorous protest with your side, and strongly demanded your side to take immediate steps to prevent the recurrence of similar hostile actions.

Instead of taking responsible action for compliance with the Armistice Agreement, your side signed itself, however, your side distorts the true facts of the case on each occasion as you have done today, while it took a position of actively fomenting aggressive acts rather than punishing the guilty in accordance with the Armistice Agreement.

It is due to the very position of your side aspiring for aggression and aggravation of tension, contrary to

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safeguarding of the armistice and its conversion into a lasting peace, that your side continues to follow the war policy for turning south Korea into a atomic base for its aggression in the Far East in wanton infringement of the Armistice Agreement.

At this time when your side, in gross violation of the Armistice Agreement, has illegally introduced into south Korea and openly fired there various new-type weapons such as atomic weapons and guided missiles, has extensively increased the manpower strength of the U.S. imperialist aggressive forces occupying south Korea, and has been raising without interruption various military hullabaloo of the provocative nature in the vicinity of the Military Demarcation Line, the case of the LST number 609 having intruded deep into the coastal waters of our side, goes to reveal the true face of the war maniacs who are more anxious to exacerbate tension than preserve peace in Korea and who endeavor with blood in their eyes to create an atmosphere necessary for preparations of another war of aggression.

Your side should cease at once such a rash piratic action. If your side continues its reckless acts of aggression in disregard of the repeated warnings from our side, your side should bear the full responsibilities for all consequences arising therefrom.

I have been instructed to lodge a vigorous protest with your side against the hostile act your side committed, by again dispatching its LST to intrude into the coastal waters of our side, in gross violation of the preamble and paragraphs 12, 15, and 17 of the Armistice Agreement.

I further demand that all personnel of your side who have committed the provocative, hostile act, by dispatching the LST to the coastal waters of our side, be severely

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punished in accordance with subparagraph 13e of the Armistice Agreement and that thorough-going steps be taken to prevent the recurrence of similar challenges in the future.

UNC:

Your voluminous propaganda statement is noted. The only truth contained in your statement is your admission of firing on our vessel which is in direct and serious violation of the Armistice Agreement. Your attempt to change the location of this incident and thus shift the blame to our side is unacceptable. It again becomes obvious that your side has little respect for the terms of the Armistice Agreement by your taking such an intransigent attitude on this matter. I demand that your side conduct a full investigation before you issue any statement concerning these charges.

KPA/CPV:

You are indulged in empty talks in order to cover up your own grave violations of the Armistice Agreement.

Our side has lodged a protest with your side against its violation of the Armistice Agreement and asked your side to stop it. Do you understand this is propaganda?

It is precisely your side that is engaged in propaganda.

However hard you may try to cover up its own criminal act, the established facts all the same trenchantly denounce you as the wanton violator of the Armistice Agreement, the provocator disturbing peace, and the aggressor running wild to step up its sinister scheme for unleashing another war against the Korean people.

As I have already mentioned, the LST Number 609 of your side perpetrated on October 30 last the provocative act of approaching the coast of our side closer and closer in defiance of the warning signals given several times by our

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side, telling it to depart immediately from the coastal waters of our side. Our personnel in the field could not look on with folded arms this plain provocation of the LST from your side, but had no alternative but to take self-defense measures to defend their country's territory and territorial waters.

The aggressor had turned upon our side in such a reckless manner as the puppy-dog does not fear a tiger, but he took to his heels panic-stricken at the self-defense measures taken by our side.

The aggressor was thwarted in his ill-advised provocative action.

Nevertheless, your side has adopted its customary method of deceit and fraud giving a false picture of the situation alleging that your LST had been fired upon by our side in international waters in an attempt to absolve itself even slightly from the responsibility for its own criminal act.

Whatever tactics your side may adopt in face of the irrefutable iron-clad facts, however, your side can not mislead fair public opinion, nor can it ever evade the responsibility for the October 30 incident.

The incessant dispatching, by your side, of its naval vessels to intrude into our side serves to show exactly the attitude and position of your side which is insincere in carrying out the Armistice Agreement.

If your side had dealt with matters with sincerity toward enforcement of the Armistice Agreement, just as our side does, such an incident as has occurred lately would never occur.

These piratic activities of your side occurring incessantly in disregard to the repeated warnings and protests from our side, are not only wilful provocations

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arranged in a planned way by the U.S. imperialist bellicose elements who are keen on aggravation of tensions as a component of the U.S. policy for launching another war, but they are also closely linked with the sinister scheme to suppress by the bayonet the south Korean people who are fighting for new government and a new life and to maintain even a bit longer the U.S. imperialist colonial regime which is tottering to its base.

It follows from this that the recent intrusion by the LST of your side into the coastal waters of our side presents not only a grave violation of the Armistice Agreement but also a vicious provocation designed to wreck peace in Korea.

Unless a halt be called to this kind of provocative actions of your side, which might bring about serious trouble, tension and war danger in Korea can not be eliminated, nor will it be possible to achieve Korea's peaceful unification, the main goal of the Korean Armistice.

Your side is obligated, in accordance with the requirement of the Armistice Agreement, to take instantaneous steps to stop such a provocative act as has been committed recently, severely punish all the personnel of your side who were involved in the recent incident, and report the results to the Military Armistice Commission.

This is an unavoidable duty for your side to perform as one of the signatories to the Armistice Agreement.

UNC:

Your further propaganda tirade is noted. You reaffirm your first statement that you fired on our vessel in violation of the Armistice Agreement.

Since you categorically refuse to investigate our charge, this is another violation of the Armistice Agreement. Let the record reflect that by your own statements and attitude

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here this morning you admit your side's guilt of our charges.

I go to another subject.

In keeping with the high regard the United Nations Command maintains for the Armistice Agreement, a thorough and careful investigation has been made of the alleged ground violations of 28 September 1960 and 4 October 1960 which your side charged at the 218th Secretarie's meeting. Results of that investigation has proven that both of these charges are without foundation. They are therefore denied.

Again in keeping with the United Nations Command's high regard for the terms of the Armistice Agreement a thorough investigation of the air violation alleged by your side to have occurred on 7 October 1960, and subsequently charged at the 218th Secretarie's meeting has been conducted. The results of this investigation show that an inadvertant overflight of your territory did occur on that date.

Action as required by the Armistice Agreement has been completed.

I have nothing further this morning; do you?

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Stop your shameless act of finding faults with our side which is faithful to the Armistice Agreement, as a thief crying out for a thief.

There is a saying in our country: QUOTE It is so preposterous as one feels it hard to breathe with one's nose clogged. And your behavior gives me the same impression.

Now that your side has committed the aggressive action in gross violation of the Armistice Agreement, shouldn't your side apologize to our side, severely punish all of its personnel involved in the incident, and take responsible steps without delay so as to prevent the recurrence of similar violations?

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As you have subjected by our side to the protest against the serious violation by your side of the Armistice Agreement and are at a loss for words, you have taken such a mean action as to beat a hasty retreat so as to escape the responsibility for it.

However desperately you may try to draw a veil over the true colors of the provocator, you can by no means explain away the recent hostile act of having infiltrated the LST into the coastal waters of our side, nor can you be freed from the responsibility for it.

Your side is seriously warned that if your side continues to perpetrate ill-advised aggressive acts in future as well, your side will bear the full responsibilities for all consequences arising therefrom.

Our side will continue to call your side to account until your side stops similar provocative acts as required by the Armistice Agreement.

It is an immovable fact that there were firings by your personnel at the civil police personnel of our side on September 28 and October 4.

These incidents constitute deliberate violations of the Armistice Agreement by your personnel who have a liking for firing at random in the Demilitarized Zone.

I once again demand of your side that your side conduct responsible investigations into the incidents so as not to allow any violation of the Armistice Agreement again in the Demilitarized Zone.

I warn your side that it should bear full responsibilities for all the consequences arising therefrom, in case such incidents will be let to recur by your side.

You have alleged that the air violation committed by the military aircraft of your side on October 7th was due to inadvertency. Then, do you mean to confess that pilots

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of your side are so inefficient as to be incapable of discerning clearly their flight course in broad daylight?

Do you believe that the robber who breaks into another's house could hoodwink anyone if he is disguised as a peddler or a beggar?

No amount of sophistries you may indulge in at this table, you can neither hide the premeditated and deliberate hostile act committed by your side against our side nor exempt yourselves from the responsibility for it.

I now have a statement to make on another violation of the Armistice Agreement committed recently by your side.

Around 1027 hours, our time, on October 31, 1960, one military airplane of your side which flew from the southern sea passed through the air space over the vicinity of BIAP-DO 37 degrees 41 minutes 00 seconds North, 124 degrees 05 minutes 30 seconds East and KIRIN-DO, 37 degrees 48 minutes 30 seconds North, 125 degrees 01 minutes 00 seconds East of our side and then flew away in the direction of PAIKRYUNG-DO of your side.

On November 2, 1960, at about 0945 hours, our time, two military jet aircraft of your side coming from the direction of CHANGDAN intruded into the air over DAIDUKSAN, 37 degrees 59 minutes 22 seconds North, 126 degrees 44 minutes 10 seconds East in the territory under the military control of our side, then veering southwest flew over the vicinity of JUNJAI-RI, 37 degrees 58 minutes 30 seconds North, 126 degrees 38 minutes 45 seconds East, YUNISAN, 37 degrees 60 minutes 15 seconds North, 126 degrees 38 minutes 15 seconds East and RYUNGJUNG-RI, 37 degrees 48 minutes 25 seconds North 126 degrees 31 minutes 40 seconds East in our territory and flew away in the direction of KIMPO of your side at about 0950 hours, our time.

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Simultaneously with the QUOTE large autumn atomic training maneuvers UNQUOTE staged recently around CHUNCHON and the frequent hostile acts of your side committed by dispatching lately its naval vessels to intrude into the coastal waters of our side, your side has recently dispatched its military aircraft to intrude into the airspace over our territory. It goes without saying that this is aimed at further activizing reconnaissance necessary for preparations of a new war against the Korean people.

This hostile action, executed by your side in a planned and deliberate way, constitute a flagrant violation of the preamble and paragraphs 12, 16, and 17 of the Armistice Agreement.

I have been directed to enter a stern protest with your side against the provocative, hostile acts it committed by again infiltrating in infringement of the Armistice Agreement, its military aircraft into the airspace over our territory in disregard of the repeated warnings and protests from our side, and I demand that your side severely punish in accordance with subparagraph 13e of the Armistice Agreement the prime movers who directed the recent hostile air intrusions and all of your personnel involved in it and that your side take thorough action instantly to prevent recurrence of similar hostile actions in the future.

UNC:

Your feeble attempt at humor by quoting sayings and analogies is noted. If it amuses you, continue.

Quite contrary to the unacceptable attitude displayed by you this morning, the United Nations Command will conduct a thorough investigation into the alleged air violations you have charged.

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Do you have anything further?

KPA/CPV:

If you feel incensed at the fact that you have been caught red-handed as robbers, go on doing so.

You have betrayed by your sophistry the true nature of the U.S. imperialists who are burglars on land and pirates at sea.

It is not an expression of any sincerity for your side to conduct investigation into its own violations of the Armistice Agreement, but it only means fulfillment by your side of the obligations which should be discharged by the violator of the Armistice Agreement and the criminal.

I demand that your side carry out a thorough investigation into those incidents, that your side severely punish those persons involved in accordance with the Armistice Agreement and that your side take responsible action to prevent a recurrence of similar incidents in the future.

That's all which I wanted to offer for the present.

UNC:

The United Nations Command condemns your side for these repeated instances of refusing to investigate violations charged by our side against the forces of your side.

Obviously, the lack of desire of your side to investigate a charge shows to the world that your side has little or no respect for the Armistice Agreement.

Contrary to your expressed clamor that your side upholds the spirit and the letter of the terms of the Armistice Agreement, your side continually demonstrates an attitude of perfidy and loathing for the due processes of upholding the Armistice Agreement. The United Nations Command is honest and faithful in its manner of upholding the terms of the Armistice Agreement in contrast to your side's open contempt.

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The actions of your side in refusing to investigate these charges betray your guilt in these matters. Since you have nothing further and I have nothing further, I consider this meeting recessed.

Meeting recessed at 1221 hours

(As UNC Assistant Secretary was leaving the Conference Room, KPA/CPV Secretary said, "I agree to your proposal to recess.")

Following UNC Advisory Group Members Attended:

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MEMBER

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Major Makonnen Assefa

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