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Dear Mr. Chung,

On behalf of the Secretary-General, I would like to thank you for your letter of 12 August 2010, inviting him to "the 60th Joint-Memorial Ceremony for the No Gun Ri Victims and Memorial Tower Unveiling Ceremony", to be held on 10 November 2010 in the No Gun Ri International Peace Park in Yeongdong-gun.

The Secretary-General appreciates your kind invitation. Unfortunately, I have to inform you that prior commitments will preclude him from traveling to Yeongdong-gun to participate in this event. Nonetheless, allow me to take this opportunity to convey his best wishes for a successful event.

Yours sincerely,


Vijay Nambiar
Chef de Cabinet

Mr. Chung Koo-do
Chairman
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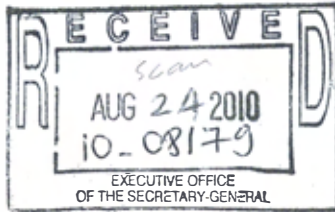
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I'm sure that you are well aware of that this year marks the 60th anniversary of the Korean War and the No Gun Ri Incident at the same time. The No Gun Ri Incident refers to an incident where innocent civilians were massacred by the U.S. soldiers (as part of the U.N. forces), during five days from July 25, 1950 till July 29, 1950, near Nogun-ri area in Hwanggan-myeon, Yeongdong-gun, Chungcheongbuk-do, in central

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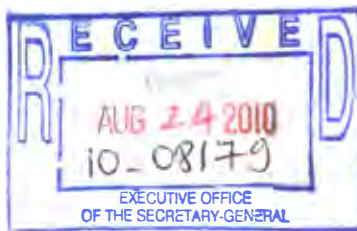
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South Korea. Unfortunately, the U.S. soldiers, who participated in the Korean War as part of the U.N. forces, killed hundreds of innocent civilians by aerial strikes and machine guns.

Back in 2000, both the U.S. and Korean governments conducted the fact-finding investigation into this incident for about one year. As the investigation result came out, the former U.S. president, Bill Clinton published an official statement, expressing 'Deep Regret' toward the No Gun Ri victims and the rest of South Korean people. Since then, the No Gun Ri incident has been known as one of the symbolic cases that represent the significance of human rights and peace. For these reasons, world-famous broadcasting companies such as BBC, ABC, NBC and Dutch TV aired special documentaries regarding the No Gun Ri incident and the AP reporting team won the Pulitzer Prize for their investigative reporting into the No Gun Ri incident in 2002.

The Korean National Assembly, for its part, enacted the No Gun Ri Special Act to restore and promote the No Gun Ri victims' human rights and honor in March, 2004. In addition, based on the No Gun Ri Special Act, it also established 『The Committee for Investigation of No Gun Ri Victims and Restoration of Their Honor (to be chaired by Prime Minister) in an effort to observe and promote the No Gun Ri incident from the perspective of human rights and peace. In 2005, you were a member of this committee as Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade and I was also appointed as a civilian committee member.

The Korean government set aside about 20 billion won to establish the No Gun Ri International Peace Park at the incident site (132,240 m²/ about 40,000 pyeong). On top of the Memorial Tower, the No Gun Ri International Peace Park will house 'Education Center for International Peace' and 'Outdoor Peace Music Hall' which are currently under construction.

The No Gun Ri International Peace Foundation has also a future vision to establish 'Peace University' dedicated to resolving conflicts between nations and to studying and promoting peace near the No Gun Ri International Peace Park. Therefore, I strongly believe that the No Gun Ri International Peace Park will become a mecca of the worldwide movement for human rights and peace in the not too distant future.

U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon!

While G-20 Seoul Summit is to be held on November 11, 2010 in Korea, the 60th Joint-Memorial Ceremony for the No Gun Ri victims is scheduled to take place around the same time (The date for the

Memorial Ceremony – November 10, 2010 – can be adjusted to your schedule). If you can participate in our memorial ceremony during your stay in Korea, ‘the 60th Joint-Memorial Ceremony for the No Gun Ri Victims and Memorial Tower Unveiling Ceremony’ will become all the more meaningful.

The Korean peninsula is still not free from the scars of the Korean War. It is my firm belief that this year’s memorial ceremony will become a very significant event through which we can pray together to prevent any war from occurring on the Korean peninsula again and the international community can learn the importance of peace.

It is my understanding that you, as U.N. Secretary-General, are in charge of operating the U.N. forces. Besides, it is the U.N. forces that fought for Korean people’s freedom and peace during the Korean War. In that sense, your participation in the 60th No Gun Ri Memorial Ceremony and your keen attention will bring a good opportunity for the U.N. forces to win trust from the international community.

The No Gun Ri victims and their bereaved families had to suffer from their wounds and scars for the last 60 years. I sincerely hope that their wounded hearts can be healed and they can see historical reconciliation and peace as the Hiroshima and Nagasaki victims did.

I am pretty sure that your hands are tied up with busy schedules, especially right before the G-20 Seoul Summit. Thus, I sincerely seek your warm heart to participate in the 60th Memorial Ceremony for the No Gun Ri Victims despite your busy schedule when you come to Korea for the G-20 Seoul Summit.

Then, I wish all the best for you and the United Nations.

August 7, 2010



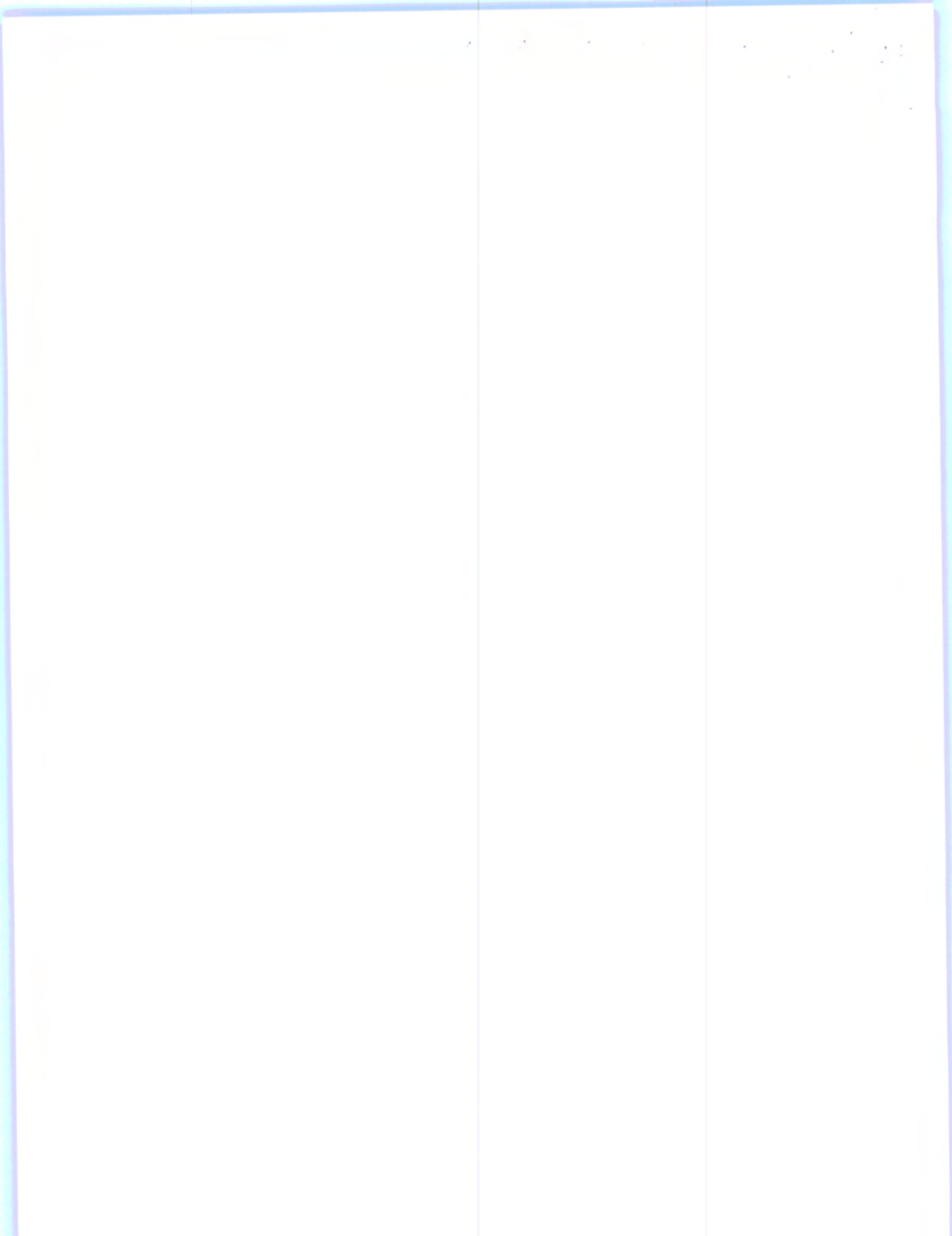
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The 60th Memorial Ceremony for the No Gun Ri Victims

1. Event Outline

- Time: November 10, 2010 (Wed), 10:00 AM
- Place: Commemoration Plaza at No Gun Ri International Peace Park
- Host: Committee for No Gun Ri Victims Memorial Ceremony (Chairman: Governor)
- Supervision: Operation Committee for No Gun Ri Victims Memorial Ceremony (Chairman of Peace Foundation)
- Participants: About 5000
 - No Gun Ri Victims and Heads of Various Organizations
 - Local Residents, Specially Invited Foreign Guests
 - Members of National Assembly, Members of Provincial Assembly, VIPs from Home and Abroad
- Orchestra Members: 76
 - Orchestra (76): MBC Orchestra
- Program Order

- ① Opening
- ② Pledge of Allegiance ----- Play (MBC Orchestra)
- ③ National Anthem (1) ----- All Participants
- ④ Silent Tribute to Deceased Patriots and No Gun Ri Victims ----- Tribute Song (MBC Orchestra)
- ⑤ Flower Offering & Incense Burning ----- Guest of Honor, UN Secretary-General
- ⑥ Progress Report ----- Operation Committee Chairman (Foundation Chairman)
- ⑦ Keynote Speech ----- Chungcheongbuk-do Governor
- ⑧ Greetings from Representative of Bereaved Families ----- Chairman of Bereaved Family Members

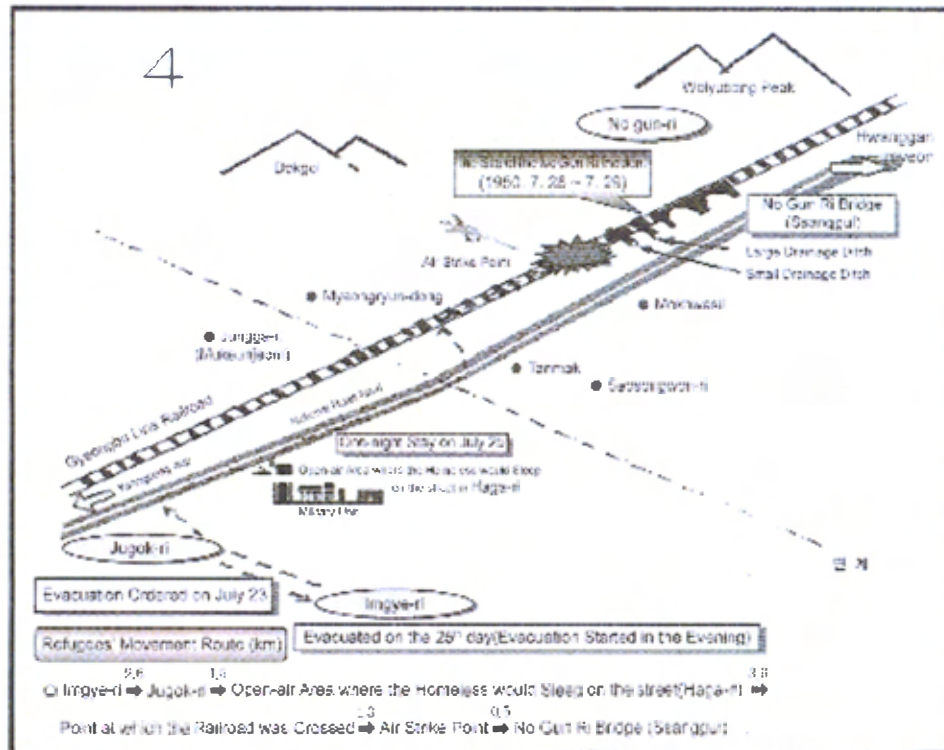


- ⑨ Commemoration Song -----Singer
- ⑩ Commemoration Address ----- UN Secretary-General
- ⑪ Memorial Address ----- Guest of Honor
- ⑫ Closing

• Time Framework

Time	Program Order	Contents	Notes
09:55	Entrance of Guest of Honor		
10:00	Opening		
10:04	Pledge of Allegiance		
	Salute to National Flag	Salute Song	* All Rise
	National Anthem in Unison (1)	National Anthem	
	Silent Tribute to Deceased Patriots and No Gun Ri Victims	Tribute Song	* Be Seated after Silent Tribute
10:10	Flower Offering & Incense Burning		Guest of Honor, UN Secretary- General
10:14	Progress Report		Operation Committee Chairman
10:18	Keynote Speech		Chungcheongbuk-do Governor
10:22	Greetings from Representative of Bereaved Families		Chairman of Bereaved Family Members
10:23	Commemoration Song		Singer
10:30	Commemoration Address		UN Secretary-General
10:40	Memorial Address		Guest of Honor
10:40	Closing		

◆ What is No Gun Ri Incident ?



The No Gun Ri Incident refers to an incident where 226 refugees who were fleeing along the Gyeongbu railroad were killed by the air strikes and machine guns of the U.S. soldiers (as part of the U.N. forces), during five days from July 25, 1950 till July 29, 1950, in the vicinities of Nogun-ri, Hwanggan-myeon and Haga-ri, Yeongdong-eup, Yeongdong-gun, Chungcheongbuk-do.

◀ Outline ▶

- Time : 1950. 7.25 ~ 7. 29 (5 Days)
- Place: Along the Gyeongbu railroad at Nogun-ri, Hwanggan-myeon (225 Km from Seoul)
- Number of Victims: 226 (Death 150, Missing 13, Disabled 63)
- Incident Development
 - 7. 23 Noon : Evacuation order to Jugok-ri villagers (Jugok-ri → Imgye-ri)
 - 7. 25 Evening : U.S. soldiers led refugees (about 500 ~ 600) who were flocked in Imgye-ri
 - 7. 25 Night : U.S. soldiers ordered refugees to sleep out by the stream in Haga-ri, Yeongdong-eup
 - 7. 26 Noon : Refugees were led onto the railroad and killed by the U.S. soldiers' air strikes and rifle shootings
 - 7.26~7.29 : U.S. soldiers shot at refugees who were forced to stay inside the Twin Bridge

◆ Project Progress to Establish No Gun Ri International Peace Park

□ Project Outline

- Location: Mt. 62 Ilwon, Nogun-ri, Hwanggan-myeon, Yeongdon-gun, Chungcheongbuk-do
- Size of Park & Project Period: 132,240 m²/ 2005-2010(6 years)
- Total Expenses: 19.1 billion won (Peace Park Establishment 15 billion/ Land Purchase 2.5 billion/ Miscellaneous 16 billion won)
- Main Facilities: Memorial Tower, International Peace Memorial, Education Center for International Peace, Park Facilities, etc.

□ Progress History

- '05. 4. 30: Confirmed Location (Land) for Commemoration Project
- '06. 11. 9: Established Master Plans for No Gun Ri Peace Park
- '08. 3. 26: Concluded Service Contract for Park Establishment
- '09. 5. 6: Began Sculpture Installation
- '10. 3. 5: Began Peace Memorial Construction

□ Budget

- International Peace Memorial: 4.2 billion won (Construction 2.7 billion, Exhibition 1.5 billion won), 1,509 m² (First Basement Level/ Two Stories High)
- Education Center for International Peace: 3.2 billion won (Construction 2.5 billion, Information Technology 0.1 billion, Electronic System 0.4 billion, Fire-fighting 0.2 billion won)
- Memorial Tower & Sculptures: 1.2 billion won (Memorial Tower 0.9 billion, Sculptures 0.3 billion won)

□ Budget Spending

Year	Total Budget	'06	'07	'08	'09	'10	Notes
Total	19.1 billion won	3 billion	5.6 billion	0.5 billion	3.5 billion	2.0 billion	₩