

• 딤 장군, 제주도 고문치사 사건에 답변(1948. 4. 17)

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MAIN COMMITTEE

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE FOURTH MEETING

Dak Soe Palace, Seoul
Saturday, 17 April 1948, at 10:30 a.m.

Chairman: Mr. R. LUNA (Philippine Republic)

<u>Present:</u>	Australia	Mr. JACKSON
	Canada	Mr. PATTERSON
	China	Mr. SEOTU
	El Salvador	Mr. VALLE
	France	Mr. PAUL-BONCOUR and Mr. MANET
	India	Mr. SINGH
	Syria	Mr. MUGHIR

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA (document A/AC.19/SC.4/Agenda 4)

The agenda was adopted.

INTERVIEW WITH MAJOR GENERAL W.F. DEAN, MILITARY GOVERNOR

At the invitation of the Chairman, General Dean, Military Governor, took his place at the Committee table.

As a member of Group Number One, he also wanted to call the attention of General Dean to the fact that the Korean Police were sometimes reverting to methods inherited from the

Japanese, and he referred to two deaths of Koreans, which had occurred during interrogations by the local police on the Island of Cheju-do. His observation group knew of such deaths only through open and sincere statement of the American Adviser, to whom he was glad to pay a tribute. But, he was wondering whether such methods were used on the Island as retaliation against the killings of police people, or if they were still in use in the whole of South Korea, in spite of the efforts that seemed to have been made by the United States Military authorities to stop them.

In any case, there clearly was no justification for such criminal acts, the generalization of which would be highly detrimental to the conclusions of the Commission regarding the free atmosphere for elections.

General DEAN, Military Governor, stated that one of the deaths had occurred on 6 March, was investigated, and had been referred for trial to a Military Court.

An investigation of the second case is now being made. If the investigation reveals the conditions alleged, the guilty parties will likewise be tried by Military Court.

It has always been the concern of the United States authorities to prevent such practices.

It is indeed probable, as suggested by the delegate from

Syria, that the wanton killing of so many police and police families, by members of the South Korean Labor Party, on the Island of Cheju-do, influenced the police in these particular cases to take such harsh measures upon capturing some of the culprits. However, such action on the part of the police will not be tolerated. Personnel transfers have been effected and instructions to that effect reiterated.

· 제주도에서 발생한 폭력사태 상보(1948. 4. 28)

28 April 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. PETRUS J. SCHMIDT
Principal Secretary
UNTCOK

SUBJECT: Anti-Registration Activities.

Transmitted herewith is a summary of all violence in South Korea, most of which was directed against the existing government by those groups opposed to elections. Inclosure No. 1 is a police report of violence during the period of 7 February/18 April 1948. Since statistics alone do not show a full picture, Inclosure No. 2 has been added to give details of some of the more important incidents. Inclosure No. 2, however, covers only the period from 29 March to 20 April 1948. Some of the incidents shown in Inclosure No. 2 do not appear in the tabulation due to the different sources of information involved.

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1. Total of activities
(Tabular Form).
2. Total of activities.

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