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REQUEST FOR INCLUSION OF A SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM IN THE AGENDA
OF THE FORTY-THIRD SESSION

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

Letter dated 9 August 1988 from the representatives of Canada,
Colombia, Costa Rica, Japan, Liberia, Sierra Leone and the
United States of America to the United Nations addressed to
the Secretary-General

We have the honour to request, in accordance with rule 14 of the rules of procedure, the inclusion in the agenda of the forty-third session of the General Assembly of a supplementary item entitled, "Fortieth anniversary of the establishment of the Government of the Republic of Korea".

An explanatory memorandum is enclosed herewith in accordance with rule 20 of the rules of procedure.

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ANNEX

Explanatory memorandum

1. This year marks the fortieth anniversary of the establishment of the Government of the Republic of Korea. It came into being on 15 August 1948 with the effective involvement of the United Nations.
2. Throughout the 40 years since, the Republic of Korea has endeavoured, in conformity with the purposes and principles of the United Nations, to play a constructive role in the international pursuit of peace and security and human progress. It is also in this spirit that the Republic of Korea has been intensively preparing itself to help enhance friendship and harmony among members of the world community as it hosts the XXIV Olympiad in Seoul this year.
3. The Republic of Korea is ever more willing to resolve inter-Korean problems through dialogue and national reconciliation. It would be appropriate, on this special anniversary, for the forty-third session of the General Assembly to hear in its plenary meeting addresses by the representatives of the Republic of Korea and other interested participants.
4. In view of the nature of this item, it is requested that the item be allocated to the plenary. Also in keeping with the purpose of the inscription of this item, which is not meant to revive a debate on the Korean question, no substantive resolution is proposed under the item.
