②韓国の要求と米国の回答



米英共同草案に対する韓国の修正要求を拒否することを伝える書簡

ラスク国務次官補から梁裕燦駐米韓国大使に宛てた書簡(控)

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資料概要

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竹島に関連した第2条a項に対する韓国の修正要求について、米国政府は、「残 念ながら同意できない」とした上で、要点を次のとおり説明している。

- ・対日平和条約において、日本が、1945年8月9日(ママ)のポッダム宣言の受諾に よって、同宣言が扱う地域に対する主権を正式又は最終的に放棄したとする理論 を採るべきだとは考えていない。
- ・竹島については、「朝鮮の一部として取り扱われたことが決してなく、1905年頃か ら日本の島根県隠岐島庁の管轄下にある。この島はかつて朝鮮によって領有権 の主張がなされたとは見られない」。
- ・パラン島の記載についての要求は取り下げられたものと理解する。

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内容見本

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your notes of July 19 and August 2, 1951 presenting certain requests for the consideration of the Government of the United States with regard to the draft treaty of peace with Japan.

With respect to the request of the Korean Government that Article 2(a) of the draft be revised to provide (text ommitted), the United States Government regrets that it is unable to concur in this proposed amendment. The United States Government does not feel that the Treaty should adopt the theory that Japan's acceptance of the Potsdam Declaration on August 9, 1945 constituted a formal or final renunciation of sovereignty by Japan over the areas dealt with in the Declaration. As regards the island of Dokdo, otherwise known as Takeshima or Liancourt Rocks, this normally uninhabited rock formation was according to our information never treated as part of Korea and, since about 1905, has been under the jurisdiction of the Oki Islands Branch Office of Shimane Prefecture of Japan. The island does not appear ever before to have been claimed by Korea. It is understood that the Korean Government's request that "Parando" be included among the islands named in the treaty as having been renounced by Japan has been withdrawn.

The United States Government agrees that the terms of paragraph (a) of Article 4 of the draft treaty are subject to misunderstanding and accordingly proposes, in order to meet the view of the Korean Government, to insert at the beginning of paragraph (a) the phrase, (text ommitted), and then to add a new paragraph (b) (text ommitted)

The Governme nt of United States regrets that it is unable to accept the Korean Government's amendment to Article 9 of the draft treaty. In view of the many national interests involved, any attempt to include in the treaty provisions governing fishing in high seas areas would indefinitely delay the treaty's conclusion. It is desired to point out, however, that the so-called MacArthur line will stand until the treaty comes into force, and that Korea, which obtains the benefit of Article 9, will have the opportunity of negotiating a fishing agreement with Japan prior to that date.

With respect to the Korean Government's desire to obtain the benefits of Article 15 (a) of the treaty, ...

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

For the Secretary of State:

Dean Rusk

日本語訳

(翻訳省略)

草案第二条a項につき、「日本は1945年8月9日に、韓国並び に、済州島、巨文島、欝陵島、独島及びパラン島を含む日本の 韓国併合以前に韓国の一部であった島に対するあらゆる権 利、権原及び請求権を放棄したことを確認する」と規定するよ う修正を求めるとの韓国の要請に関し、米国は、残念ながら、 この修正提案には同意できない。米国政府は、1945年8月9 日(ママ)の日本によるポツダム宣言受諾が、同宣言によって 扱われる地域に対する日本の正式かつ最終的な主権の放棄 となるとは見ていない。独島又は竹島ないしリアンクール岩と して知られる島に関しては、この通常無人である岩島は、我々 の情報によれば朝鮮の一部として取り扱われたことが決して なく、1905年頃から日本の島根県隠岐支庁の管轄下にある。 この島は、かつて朝鮮によって領有権の主張がなされたとは 見られない。

(翻訳省略)

Korea AUG 10 1950

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July 19 and August 2, 1951 presenting certain requests for the consideration of the Government of the United States with regard to the
draft treaty of peace with Japan.

With respect to the request of the Korean Government that Article 2(a) of the draft be revised to provide that Japan "confirms that it renounced on August 9, 1945, all right, title and claim to Korea and the islands which were part of Korea prior to its annexation by Japan, including the islands Quelpart, Port Hamilton, Dagelet, Dokdo and Parangdo," the United States Government regrets that it is unable to concur in this proposed amendment. The United States Government does not feel that the Treaty should adopt the theory that Japan's acceptance of the Potsdam Declaration on August 9, 1945 constituted a formal

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His Excellency

Dr. You Chan Yang,
Ambassador of Korea.

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or final renunciation of sovereignty by Japan over the areas dealt with in the Declaration. As regards the island of Bokdo, otherwise known as Takeshima or Liancourt Rocks, this normally uninhabited rock formation was according to our information never treated as part of Korea and, since about 1905, has been under the jurisdiction of the Oki Islands

Branch Office of Shimane Prefecture of Japan. The island does not appear ever before to have been claimed by Korea. It is understood that the Korean Government's request that "Parangdo" be included among the islands named in the treaty as having been renounced by Japan has been withdrawn.

The United States Government agrees that the terms of paragraph (a) of Article 4 of the draft treaty are subject to misunderstanding and accordingly proposes, in order to meet the view of the Korean Government, to insert at the beginning of paragraph (a) the phrase, "Subject to the provisions of paragraph (b) of this Article", and then to add a new paragraph (b) reading as follows:

(b) "Japan recognizes the validity of dispositions of property

of Japan and Japanese nationals made by or pursuant to

directives of United States Military Government in any of

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the areas referred to in Articles 2 and 3".

The present paragraph (b) of Article 4 becomes paragraph (c).

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With respect to the Korean Government's desire to obtain the benefits of Article 15(a) of the treaty, there would seem to be no necessity to oblige Japan to return the property of persons in Japan of Korean origin since such property was not sequestered or otherwise interfered with by the Japanese Government during the war. In view of the fact that such persons had the status of Japanese

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Japanese nationals it would not seem appropriate that they obtain compensation for damage to their property as a result of the war.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

For the Secretary of State:

Dean Rusk

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