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As we are about to depart for Korea, it is indeed a pleasure for me to have this opportunity to say a few words to our Korean friends over the Voice of America. This is my third trip to the Republic of Korea. As you know, I am heading the delegation which will represent President Johnson at the inauguration of your esteemed President on July 1.

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I consider it a special privilege to be given the opportunity to come once again to a country whose people have shown to the world what can be accomplished through self-sacrifice, determination, and hard work. The accomplishments of the Korean people are well-known throughout the world, and your country today is looked upon as one of the fastest developing nations. You can be justly proud of the recognition and prestige which your nation has achieved. And, I would like to add, the American people share with you this pride in your achievements.

We look forward to being in Korea just a few hours from now. I am especially honored on this occasion to have been granted the privilege of representing the President of the United States and the American people in your country.

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MIS. Kim, Minister Chang, Minister Chyun

I am honored to head the President's delegation to the inauguration of President Park of the Republic of Korea.

While in Korea we shall attend the inaugural events and shall also meet with members of delegations of other nations.

We are especially pleased to have with us on this journey Mr. Sang Chin Lee, a graduate student at MIT who has not seen his family in Korea for the past six years.

We shall carry with us to Korea the friendship and good wishes of the people of America.

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