

SPEECH BY THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AT RECEPTION TO WELCOME OFFICERS AND MEN OF DAE DONG AND MAK DONG AT DEWAN TUNKU ABDUL RAHMAN, KUALA LUMPUR ON 4TH FEBRUARY, 1964

I am very happy to welcome the Commander of the Cruise Training Task Element of the Republic of Korea Navy, Commodore Kim Sang Kil, the Officers and men of the DAE DONG and MAK DONG to Malaysia and to say how pleased we are to have them visit us.

This is the first goodwill visit by ships of the Republic of Korea Navy to Malaysia and therefore it is a very significant occasion.

Malaysia as you all know, is a young nation. In Malaya, you will see many signs of the development which we have been able to make since the end of the Emergency Operations against the communist terrorists in this country. The same rapid development is now planned for the new state forming Malaysia, Sabah, Sarawak and Singapore. While maintaining peace, prosperity and progress amongst our multi-racial society, the country at the same time spares no efforts to further better understanding and cooperation with other friendly countries like Korea.

We have a young and expanding Navy, as yet small in size but efficient. The international situation does not permit our ships to pay a return visit to your country at present, but I hope that this will be possible in due course.

I hope all of you have a very enjoyable stay here and to remind you of your visit it gives me great pleasure to present to you, Commodore Kim Sang Kil, this crest of Malaysia.