



Dear National Intelligence Service,

We are delegation of the International Association of Democratic Lawyers (IADL) and Confederation of Lawyers of Asia and Pacific (COLAP) for the fact-finding mission of the waitress case in 2016. We consist of three lawyers from the different countries, Niloufer Bhagwat (India), Micòl Savia (Italy), Jun Sasamoto (Japan).

We already sent you a letter dated on August 14th for demanding a meeting with us regarding this case. Your reply is only to say that the investigation is underway of the National Human Rights Commission and it is hard to accept our request.

We are pleased to receive from you, but are not satisfied with your response. So we send a letter for the second time. The schedule of our fact finding is 1) Preparatory investigation in May 2019, 2) Investigation in Seoul from August 25 to 30, 3) Investigation in Pyongyang from August 31 to September 5, 4) Final report at the end of September, 5) submission to the UN Human Rights Council. Please response again by September 15th to our request as follows:

We have already conducted the fact-finding mission for four days in Seoul, in which we heard voices why the governmental organization doesn't cooperate with our investigation for seeking the truth. The waitress case has been covered media many times and taken up in the United Nations Human Rights Council and human rights bodies.

The National Intelligence Service is deeply concerned with this case when the 12 waitresses reached Seoul in April 2016. After they are released from the defector detention center, some of them said to the media that they didn't know where they were heading when they depart from Malaysia. It is doubtful of their free will to going to Seoul.

Since 2016 the president of ROK changed from Park Geun-hye to Moon Jae-in, we would like to know whether there is any possibility to change the opinion of the your organization.

Our fact-finding mission is very interested in this point. Please reply again to our request by September 15th with sending to our mail address (junsasamoto@gmail.com) and contact person's email address.

We request you to have a meeting again, otherwise reply to our question as follows:



1, while the 12 waitresses are in the defector detention center, they said they have entered Seoul with their free will in 2016?

2, Why have the waitresses changed their attitude from the free will to against the will after the release from the defector detention center?

3, Did you direct the manager as a South Korean agent to obtain intelligence information from North Korea and to abduct the waitresses?

If you ignore our request by September 15th, it will allow us to consider that the doubt that the waitresses were forced to confess that they entered Seoul with their free will will deepen.

Sincerely Yours,

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