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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Congressional Affairs

THROUGH:  DD/House Affairs

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FROM:

1. The GAO is examining the justification for the U.S. military presence in South Korea. As part of their investigation, the GAO asked to meet with CIA analysts to discuss the military situation on the peninsula and requested seven related publications.

2. DI/OEA reviewed the request (attached) to determine whether they could provide a briefing.  D/OEA, has asked that we decline this request. Given the current analytical resource constraints, the Korean Branch could not respond to this request. Further, he believes that the GAO investigators would gather their best military assessments from analysts at the Department of Defense.

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3. As you know, the Agency provides only oral briefings to the GAO, not documents.

4. With your permission, we will decline this briefing request.

*Politely!*

- Approve the "decline"
- Disapprove the briefing

*Refer them to DIA.*

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