

Wen Shizhen.^[1]

The cable dated the 13th [of December] was received.^[2]

Please convey to Foreign Minister Pak Heon-yong [Pak Hon Yong] that my government approves of the appointment of Ri Ju-yeong [Ri Ju Yong] as the ambassador of [North] Korea to Chhina.

Zhou Enlai

15 December

^[1] Wen Shizhen was then the chief representative of the Northeast People's Government Business Delegation in North Korea

^[2] This refers to the telegram sent by Wen Shizhen to Zhou Enlai as well as Gao Gang (Chairman of the Northeast People's Government) and Li Fuchun (Vice Chairman of the Northeast People's Government) on December 13, 1949. In the cable [Wen] said: "the Korean Government has decided to dispatch Ri Ju-yeon to become the first ambassador to China, and requests the approval of our government." The telegram also introduced Ri Ju-yeon's resumé.