

To: all the courageous American soldiers that saved our country from the Communist Aggression.

Greetings! My name is Sunho Park. I am a Korean middle school student in the 8th grade. We have all learned that the US forces contributed greatly in rescuing South Korea. We were never told that the US sent forces several times larger than our own, or that 50,000 soldiers left their families to a foreign land, never to return home, and the countless heroic and selfless acts you did to save this country. As I learned of these facts, my appreciation and respect for the veterans increased. I realize that, as I write this letter, the fact that Korea has one of the largest and strongest economies in the world, to the fact that I am not working in a concentration camp or a farm, is all thanks to you brave soldiers, who assisted us 63 years ago.

I am positive that all citizens of Korea feel the same gratitude as I do. We simply haven't expressed through many means. The Korean War is often called the Forgotten War. However, I hope that the war is no longer forgotten, but remembered by us. We will always be out there, in gratitude and appreciation.

And feel free to visit Korea. Other veterans have visited, and have been amazed at the growth of our country. You will recall from your memories that you arrived from your





own airplane and marched on a dirt path. This time, you will arrive on Korean Airlines and come to Seoul on a high-tech bus. You will see the prosperous city, in all its glory, and the results of your effort during the war.

This letter is nothing compared to what all you have sacrificed and suffered, but I hope this letter becomes a small comfort to you, and I wish it has addressed at least a small portion of our country's gratitude as well.

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Sincerely,  
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