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1. (U) CTRY: REPUBLIC OF KOREA (KS)
2. (U) TITLE: IMPOSITION OF MARTIAL LAW (ML) (U)
3. (U) DATE OF INFO: 800518
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6. (U) SOURCE: A ROKG ADMINISTRATOR.

7. [REDACTED] SUMMARY: THIS REPORT TRANSMITS INFORMATION WHICH GIVES AN INSIGHT INTO THE EXTRAORDINARY CABINET MEETING CHAIRED BY PM ((SHIN)) ON 17 MAY 80, AT WHICH TOTAL ML WAS IMPOSED.

8A. [REDACTED]

SOURCE INDICATED THE MEETING TOOK LESS THAN 20 MINUTES. FROM THE TIME THEY LEFT THEIR CAR IN FRONT OF THE MAIN CAPITAL BUILDING, MOVED THROUGH SECURITY AND THEN UP TO THE CONFERENCE ROOM, RECEIVED AN EXPLANATION AS TO WHAT WAS WANTED, GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO SIGN THE DOCUMENT WHICH WAS PREPARED AND AWAITING SIGNATURE, AND RETURNED TO THE CAR WAS APPROXIMATELY 20 MINUTES. SOURCE OBSERVED THAT IN ORDER TO GET TO THE CONFERENCE ROOM BEING USED, PARTICIPANTS HAD TO USE HALLWAYS LINED WITH ARMED SOLDIERS. SOURCE FELT THIS HAD AN OVERLY OMINOUS EFFECT ON THE PROCEEDINGS. IT WAS APPARENT A FEW OF THE MINISTERS WERE FEARFUL THAT THEY MIGHT BE ARRESTED. AT LEAST ONE EXPRESSED SUCH FEARS PRIVATELY AFTER THE EXPERIENCE WAS OVER.

8B. [REDACTED] THIS REPORT REFLECTS THE STRONG HANDED WAY THE ARMY AND THE PM HANDLED THE MEETING AT WHICH TOTAL ML WAS APPROVED.

9. (U) PROJ NO: N/A

10. (U) COLL MGMT CODES: AB

11. (U) SPEC INST: DIRC-NO.

12. (U) PREP BY: [REDACTED]

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