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His Excellency
Mr. Roh Tae-Woo
President
of the Republic of Korea
Seoul

Mr. President,

It is with great satisfaction that I have learned about the Korea Air Force's decision to include in the final evaluation the trainer aircraft PC-9 produced by Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. of Switzerland.

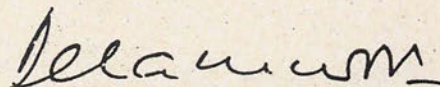
Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. has been developing and producing effective and reliable aviation products for over 50 years. Today, over one thousand trainer aircraft are in use in 25 countries throughout all five continents, accounting for more than 2 million hours of flying time. The PC-9 aircraft's training benefits and operational efficiency are highly appreciated worldwide. It has also achieved a favourable qualification during the official Korean Air Force evaluation. The Swiss Air Force is currently using 40 PC-9 from Pilatus to the fullest benefit of the Air Force and its pilots. As a former Minister for Defence, I may add that these aircraft have constituted a basic element in the formation of our Air Force elite for decades. Pilatus has proven to be a reliable and competent partner not only for Switzerland but also worldwide. The company is not subsidised by the Swiss government and owns its worldwide reputation and competitiveness solely to its outstanding quality and reliability.

As we have been able to state with last year's economic mission to Korea, my government as well as the private sector are strongly committed to promoting and enhancing economic relations between our two countries. The awarding of the contract to Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. would therefore not only mean a most valuable acquisition for the Korean Air Force, but also a significant contribution to our bilateral trade relations and it would add a new element in our cooperation, to the benefit of both sides.

With my best personal wishes, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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- Herrn Generalsekretär Corbat
- Frau Humbel
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