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my dear chol soo,

just got back from stockton. i must write a story for tuesday's paper. it was great to see you even for a few seconds in the courtroom. i am proud of you. keep your faith and keep cool, regardless of how much they try to make you angry.

that's one lesson i have learned in the past few weeks. and today too. they try to provoke you by harassing you and putting up so many unnecedsary obstacles. today, they tried to keep us from seeing you. i am proud of our halmoni. they are not coward. they are tough, my friend. they were angry when they were turned away from the courtroom, but they are strong--much much stronger than younger people. they are with you. they touched me kg ddeply. we should be angry with what they have tried to do, but we shouldn't let anger control us. in many ways, in your tragedies, you have brought out the best in us koreans so we can help g each other instead of fighting each other.

and i have come to appreciate so many young asians who are fighting for your cause: how beautfiul they are*! ranko was there. so was jay yoo, although he must study for the exam. elaine kim was there. gail whang is another great strong and mature fighter for justice. these women are much much stronger than we men are. in these past fewxwgekskxixhaxexmgixsaxmamxxgxeaixkaxeamxwemeaxxiaixhixtge, mixeexxgxaxexkimx fews, i have notices many koreans who didn't speak to each other are speaking each other and working together. that's great. jan sunwoo is another good fighter for justice. he is the son of your favotie g author. by the way, dr. riiu enjoyed reading his book and i will be reading it soon. it's a great book, he says.

i am very very happy after seeing so many korean people coming out to fight for justice. in a way you xxg have inspired them. for that i am deeply grateful to you. we have many years to fight to reach our goal of restoring justice in your case. this is, as i keep saying, a long journey. we must travel together. we must keep our sanity and cool. by the way, i have grown more appreciative of tauman. his petition is a classic. it's great work. by the way i had a brief chat with papas in his private chamber this morning. he sed xxx that when he asked prison authorities

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~~if you posed~~ any security problem, they told him ABSOLUTELY NOT. SO THE JUDGE knows ~~ha~~ have baused no problem. that's good.

you

CHOL SOO, I am not stopping here. i have the gut-feeling that your case is being more and more understood by more koreans as days go by. THE ONLY WAY TO FIGHT THIS ~~XMSM IMMS~~ INJUSTICE IS TO UNITE. IF WE KOREAN AMERICANS UNITE ~~IN ONE~~ PURPOSE, I AM ~~KNMXIEX~~ CONFIDENTX WE WILL BE ABLE TO BRING JUSTICE IN YOUR ~~CASE.~~ THIS IS NOT A PERSONAL CASE. THIS IS AN ISSUE AFFECTING ALL KOREANS IN THIS COUNTRY, THEIR CHILDREN AND THEIR CHILDREN'S CHILDREN. BECAUSE YOU ARE OUR ~~MM~~ OWN SON. I BELIEVE THE KROEANS WHO ARE ACTIVE IN YOUR CASE INSTINCTIVELY FEEL IT AND BELIEVE IT. AND I DONT SEE WHY OTHER KOREANS DONT FEEL THE SAME WAY. IT TAKES TIME TO CONVINCE THEM. BUT WE WILL.

JUDGE PAPAS sounded like he might send the case to sacramento, but at the same time he PROMISED TO take a DAMN GOOD LOOK at your petition. he is an old fashioned man. he is proud of america and old virtues. ~~ixhuxxihat~~ he says he has many asian friends who grew up with him. ~~he sounds~~ like a wise shrewd judge. he doesn't give away any hint of what he is going to do. but tauman seems very hopeful the judge will grant a hearing. IF THAT HAPPENS, THAT'S A BIG BREAKTHROUGH. LET's hope so. but even if he turns down, ~~wa~~ our fight has just begun. we will go through to the highest court of the land. when jay yoo comes back, we will have a big fight~~xtm~~ ahead. yang has done quite a bit. he used to be a ~~mm~~ timid person, but he is all fired up. we must ~~i~~ foster manym many leaders.

o, i love that tiny dr. ~~xinxax~~ ryoo. he thinks of you all the time. he got a $50 traffic ticket for speeding en route to your place. ~~ha~~ ha , ha , ha. he sed he was thinking of you and as a result was speeding.

...o, ~~mx~~ the way, the korean newspapermen from san francisoc all came to the rally. that's something. they are becoming involved.

don't worry. ~~ixtxihe~~ i suspect they are opening my mail to you. i dont care if they ooen, let them. ~~ixhavexsaidxnothingxxixam gaingxtoxtalkxwithxxxers~~ i suppose they can do anything they want to. keep cool, my friend. yrs in korea, k.w.

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