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Special Services Mission,
HQ 8th Army,
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Subject:- Mr Danny Kaye - Private and Personal Correspondence.

1. Attached is a purely personal letter from Brigadier WGH Pike DSO who was acting Divisional Commander 1 Commonwealth Division during the period when Mr Danny Kaye visited the Division and stayed at the HQ with Brigadier Pike.

2. It would be very much appreciated if you could arrange for the attached letter to be delivered personally to Mr Danny Kaye.

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BMRA,
1 Comwel Div.

Headquarters
1st Commonwealth Division
Korea
11 November 1951

My dear Danny Kaye

First of all, I do want to thank you again on behalf of the whole Commonwealth Division for coming to see us and for the brilliant performance you gave. There is no need for me to tell you what a great success it was. The audience told you that far better than any words of mine can do.

The second thing I do want to tell you is how much I personally enjoyed having you here. I am not speaking so much of your performance, greatly though I too enjoyed it, but it was so nice having you as a person. You were here at what proved to be rather a difficult time. Through a sharp little battle, it wasn't either a very big or a very important one, but

it was my first (and perhaps last!) one commanding a Division. Somehow the responsibility is more difficult when you are answering for someone else and the lives of so many brave soldiers depend on your doing the right thing. Some guests would have been an additional worry but in your case it was the reverse. Though you did not and obviously could not say or do much to help, I sensed a tremendous sympathy in you. I knew somehow that you understood ~~and~~ what I was going through and it was a great help. I thought I would just like to tell you this and to thank you for it.

I hope the rest of your tour is going well but I am sure it is. Please remember me very kindly to the rest of your party and

particularly to Sammy who is only two obviously a hundred per cent of yours!

My best wishes and three of us all will always be with you in your great mission of entertaining the world and making it laugh.

Yours very sincerely

William Pike.