

## **AKS Meeting at the House of Commons**

I was very excited and very much looking forward to attending the Anglo Korean meeting at the House Commons ever since it was announced in the AKS future events. I was wondering whether it could be possible to witness both the South and North Korean ambassadors sitting together in the same building, to speak openly and represent their political views. Yes it was possible.

On Thursday, 26th March 2009 at the House of Commons, this historical day happened. Not only was I impressed to hear from both Korean ambassadors and the British ambassador's speech, I was very surprised to see so many people attending the meeting; the largest number of people I have ever witnessed. The atmosphere in the room was nervous to begin with and was full of expectation and joy. I personally tried hard not to miss a single word from all the speakers. My dream came true to talk to people from North Korea face to face after the meeting. Yes, we spoke the same language. We could put aside all the differences. I long to visit North Korea and to see my father's birth place Pyongyang!

It was also a historical day for the Anglo Korean Society. I feel that Great Britain will contribute greatly towards our unification in the future. I enjoyed all those stories of the North Korean Football team by Frank Cook M.P. I want to say "thank you" to those who supported and helped we Koreans, when they were in a foreign land.

I would like to join with everyone to express my thanks to Sylvia Park who always work very hard and enjoys her role. Always successfully, especially arranging this event. It must have been very sensitive and difficult.

Well our dream will turn to vision and our vision will come to reality. We read "people perish where there is no vision" That's why it was a historical day for all Koreans and to those who love that land and its people.

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