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<NUM>001</NUM>
<SLANG>CH</SLANG>
<TLANG>EN</TLANG>
<TITLE>The President of South Africa -- Nelson Mandela</TITLE>
<DESC>
Retrieve reports on background and administration of Mandela, the president of South Africa.
</DESC>
<NARR>
Nelson Mandela, the president of South Africa, is the well-known prisoner of conscience in South Africa. He had struggled for promotion of human rights and political participation for a long time. Related contents include Mandela's background, administration, the meaning of running for office, comments from all circles, and what he did after winning the election. Campaigns before the election, surveys, and conjectures will be regarded as irrelevant.
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<CONC>
South Africa, President, Nelson Mandela, election, policy
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<TOPIC>
<NUM>002</NUM>
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<TITLE>December 12, Coup in South Korea</TITLE>
<DESC>
Find reports of the event of Dec. 12, Coup in South Korea and the verdict that comes from the legal process.
</DESC>
<NARR>
After the Dec. 12 Coup, Chun Doo Hwan came into power in Feb of 1981. Related contents include what the Dec. 12 coup is, the verdict, the punishment, people who are involved in the result of the judgment, their reactions and the coup’s effects on the government and the general public in South Korea.
</NARR>
<CONC>
South Korea, Dec. 12 Coup, history, President, military, coup, arrest
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<TOPIC>
<NUM>003</NUM>
<SLANG>CH</SLANG>
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<TITLE>Appeal of Comfort Women</TITLE>
<DESC>
Retrieve comfort women’s accusing, compensation, related news reports or disputes in various countries.
</DESC>
</TOPIC>
The related contents include charges made by comfort women in various countries, compensations which they asked, the verdict from the country which is being accused, domestic comments, popular opinions on this issue, and related dispute, etc. A case of a certain comfort woman (like the introduction of a certain comfort woman and biography, etc.) will be regarded as irrelevant.

Comfort women, sexual slavery, Japan, indemnify, verdict, appeal, accuse

Retrieve recent developments of South Korea’s automobile industry.

Automobile industry is an important thrust of South Korea’s Economy. Some Korean automobile corporations are also leading companies in the world. Related contents include the evolution of South Korea’s automobile industry, recent developments, state of import and export, sales volume in Asian market, South Korea’s superiority in developing car industry, its background and future trend. If documents only describe the introduction, advertisements or exhibition of certain automobile company, they will be regarded as irrelevant.

South Korea, car industry, automobile industry, development of industries, Asia, yields, marketing

Find restrictions on North Korea’s nuclear weapon and related reports.

The nuclear weapons of North Korea are severe threats to Asian countries and America. The related countries have made a temptation to reach a conclusion to reduce the danger and the threat. Related contents include what kind of common understanding reached by United States, Japan and South Korea, what restrictions will be taken, the influence of this treaty on safety of north-east Asia, and North Korea’s
reactions. If the documents only describe nuclear weapons in other countries or the present equipment of nuclear weapons in North Korea, they will be regarded as irrelevant.

</NARR>

</CONC>

United States, Japan, South Korea, summit meeting, development of nuclear weapons, Non-Proliferation Treaty of Nuclear Weapons (NPT), treaty, North Korea

</CONC>

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<TOPIC>
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<TITLE>Liner Caught Fire in South Korea</TITLE>
<DESC>
Retrieve the whole story of the incident of cruise ship on fire in South Korea

</DESC>

<NARR>
Sightseeing by liners is welcome. However, people do not pay much attention to the safety of taking a liner. A liner caught fire in South Korea in 1994. Related contents include the ins and outs of the incident, the cause of catching fire, list of deaths and injuries, compensation for victims, comments from all circles, etc. What influence has this incident made on tourism of South Korea? How did government officials explain and handle this incident? If the documents only describe the tourism of South Korea or liner commercials, they will be regarded as irrelevant.

</NARR>

</CONC>

South Korea, liner, fire, death, the cause of the fire, shipwreck, sightseeing

</CONC>

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<TOPIC>
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<TITLE>North-South Korea Economic Interchange</TITLE>
<DESC>
Find the developments of North-South Korean Economic Interchange

</DESC>

<NARR>
South Korea and North Korea have been enemies for a long time. Recently, the economic interchange between both sides has been increasing. Related contents include past economic interchange of North-South Korea, recent proceedings from two sides, key points, items, measures, restrictions and ways to interchange. What effects would be made on North-South Korea relations after opening up? What are experts’ comments? Even if a document were only about the interchange of certain enterprises, it would be still relevant.

</NARR>

</CONC>
South Korea, policy of finance and economics, international interchange, trade, business, investment, economical analysis, Korean unification issues, enterprises, North Korea
</CONC>
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<TOPIC>
<NUM>008</NUM>
<SLANG>CH</SLANG>
<TLANG>EN</TLANG>
<TITLE>South Korea Congress Passes Three Laws Governing Elections</TITLE>
<DESC>
Retrieve three electoral laws passed by Congress in South Korea.
</DESC>
<NARR>
The purpose of electoral laws is to confine the behaviors in elections. The Congress of South Korea passes three laws. Related contents include the meaning of concluding the electoral law, its objective, the subject matter, the process of drawing up the law, and the range that the law applies to. If the documents only describe someone’s violation of the law, they will be regarded as irrelevant.
</NARR>
<CONC>
South Korea, Congress, electoral law, law-making, politics, reformation, election, vote
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<TOPIC>
<NUM>009</NUM>
<SLANG>CLEF</SLANG>
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<TITLE>Israel and Jordan Peace Treaty</TITLE>
<DESC> Find reports citing the names of the main negotiators of the Middle East peace treaty between Israel and Jordan and also documents giving detailed information on the treaty.
</DESC>
<NARR>A peace treaty was signed between Israel and Jordan on 26 October 1994 opening up new possibilities for diplomatic relations between the two countries. Relevant documents will give details of the treaty and/or will name the principal people involved in the negotiations.
</NARR>
<CONC>
Middle East Peace, Peace Treaty, Israel, Jordan, Diplomatic Relations, Negotiations
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<TOPIC>
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<TITLE>Fall in Japanese Car Exports</TITLE>
<DESC>Documents will report on the decrease in cars exported by Japan.
</DESC>
<NARR>Documents reporting the fall in car exports from Japan in general or the
decrease in car imports from Japan by a particular country or area are relevant. The
decrease can be measured in terms of numbers of cars exported by or financial losses
of the Japanese car industry. Documents that do not give some kind of figures to
measure the fall in exports are not relevant.
</NARR>
<CONC>
Japan Car, Car Exports, Fall, Decrease, Financial Losses, Car Industry
</CONC>
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<TOPIC>
<NUM>011</NUM>
<SLANG>CLEF</SLANG>
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<TITLE>Genes and Diseases</TITLE>
<DESC>What genes have been identified that are the source of or contribute to the
cause of diseases or developmental disorders in human beings?
</DESC>
<NARR>A document that identifies a gene or reports that a gene has been discovered
that is the source of any type of disease, syndrome, behavioral or developmental
disorder in humans is relevant. Any document that reports the discovery of a defective
gene that causes problems in humans is relevant, but reports of diseases and disorders
that are caused by the absence of a gene are not relevant.
</NARR>
<CONC>
Gene, Disease, Disorder, Humans Syndrome, Defective Gene, Absence of a gene
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<TOPIC>
<NUM>012</NUM>
<SLANG>CLEF</SLANG>
<TLANG>EN</TLANG>
<TITLE>Death of Kim Il Sung</TITLE>
<DESC>Find documents giving biographical information on Kim Il Sung, the
president of North Korea, who died in 1994.
</DESC>
<NARR>Documents written after he passed away in 1994 that provide any kind of
biographical information on Kim Il Sung or that give some history of his political
activities are relevant. Documents written before his death reporting current events in
which Kim Il Sung was involved are not relevant.
</NARR>
<CONC>
Kim Il Sung, North Korea, Death, Biographical Information, Political Activities
</CONC>
</TOPIC>
<TOPIC>
<NUM>013</NUM>
<SLANG JA</SLANG>
<TLANG EN</TLANG>
<TITLE>anticancer drugs</TITLE>
<DESC>
Documents will report any information relating to new anticancer drugs.
</DESC>
<NARR>
Documents describing the name, developer or effect of a new anticancer drug that has potential treatment for cancer are relevant. Discussion of effectiveness of anticancer drugs developed in several years ago, for example Maruyama vaccine, is also relevant.
</NARR>
<CONC>
Anticancer drug, vaccine, Maruyama
</CONC>
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<TOPIC>
<NUM>014</NUM>
<SLANG JA</SLANG>
<TLANG EN</TLANG>
<TITLE>home-use computer game machines</TITLE>
<DESC>
What products of home-use computer game machines have developed?
</DESC>
<NARR>
Documents describing the name, specification, performance or price of home-use computer game machines developed in each country is relevant. Documents describing technical aspects of the machine and hardware are also relevant.
</NARR>
<CONC>
Home-use computer game, specification, performance, price
</CONC>
</TOPIC>

<TOPIC>
<NUM>015</NUM>
<SLANG JA</SLANG>
<TLANG EN</TLANG>
<TITLE>Palestinian self-rule</TITLE>
<DESC>
Documents will report an accord on Palestinian self-rule signed by Mr. Rabin and Mr. Arafat.
</DESC>
<NARR>
Documents describing a historic accord that gave Palestinians autonomy in the Gaza Strip and Jericho, signed by Israeli Prime Minister Rabin and PLO leader Arafat on
May 1994, are relevant. Also, documents describe the influence of the accord on the world.

Palestine self-rule, Gaza Strip, Jericho, Rabin, Arafat, autonomy

Documents will report an alternative consumption tax proposed by Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa.

Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa in Japan proposed a new consumption tax of 7%, also known as “national welfare tax,” in order to prepare for the coming aging society. However, the proposal was abandoned immediately, and it forced Mr. Hosokawa out of office. Documents describing the new tax are relevant. Discussion on income and residential tax cuts with introduction of national welfare tax, and economic effects of the tax, are also relevant.

Documents will report any information related to copyright protection in the multimedia age.

Find documents describing copyright laws, and moves of official agencies responsible for copyright protection of music, movies, books, or other copyrighted products. Documents containing copyright services such as copyright clearance centers or cases of piracy are also relevant.
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  <NUM>018</NUM>
  <SLANG>KR</SLANG>
  <TLANG>EN</TLANG>
  <TITLE>Overseas Construction Work</TITLE>
  <DESC>
To retrieve documents about Korean construction companies' sales activities overseas, with contract goals, the name of the contract work, the contract amount, and details of the construction work.
  </DESC>
  <NARR>
Documents are being sought to understand the situation of Korean construction companies' expansion overseas. Relevant documents include the contract goal for overseas construction work, the name of the construction work, the contract amount, and the details of the work. Documents can be relevant without the specific name of a Korean construction company. If a document simply asserts the importance of overseas expansion, it is irrelevant.
  </NARR>
  <CONC>
Construction, construction companies, construction work, overseas expansion, contract amount, construction contract, contracting business
  </CONC>
</TOPIC>

<TOPIC>
  <NUM>019</NUM>
  <SLANG>KR</SLANG>
  <TLANG>EN</TLANG>
  <TITLE>Civil Engineering and Construction Work</TITLE>
  <DESC>
What are the types of absurdities occur in civil engineering work for roads, bridges, and construction work for buildings, houses?
  </DESC>
  <NARR>
Relevant documents should have a report on absurdities, corruptions, and insolvencies that occurred in civil engineering works for roads, bridges, and harbor construction, and construction work for houses, apartments, and buildings, with the details of the work and at least one of the following: absurdities, corruptions, and insolvencies. If a document mentions absurdities or corruptions indirectly without details, it is partially relevant.
  </NARR>
  <CONC>
Civil engineering, construction work, insolvency, absurdities, illegality, venality
  </CONC>
</TOPIC>

<TOPIC>
  <NUM>020</NUM>
  <SLANG>KR</SLANG>
  <TLANG>EN</TLANG>
  <TITLE>The Third NTCIR Workshop, Sep.2001 - Oct. 2002</TITLE>
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<TITLE>Uruguay Round</TITLE>
<DESC>
Retrieve documents about economic trends and corresponding policies caused by the Uruguay Round settlement.
</DESC>
<NARR>
Documents to be retrieved deal with new trends or changes in world economy or in Korean economy as the Uruguay Round, the 8th multi-national talks of GATT, settled. Documents including explanations of economic changes or new trends and corresponding policies are relevant. If a document expresses the policies too vaguely or generally, it is partially relevant. Documents containing a report on the settlement of the Uruguay Round alone are not relevant.
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WTO, UR, GATT, Uruguay Round
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<TOPIC>
<NUM>021</NUM>
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<TITLE>Mobile Communications</TITLE>
<DESC>
We are looking for documents about the Korean government and company positions and activities within the mobile communication business.
</DESC>
<NARR>
When there exists fierce competitions among companies to get a contract for mobile communication business, the Korean government's role is critically important in modulating competitions among the companies while presenting its public goal. By the same token, companies face difficulties in satisfying their own business goals and the conditions given by the government at that same time. In this context, relevant documents include regulations and laws about mobile communications business; ways companies can participate in the business, positions, or publicizing activities of participating companies and the government. Documents not directly mentioning regulations or participations of companies but revealing them indirectly are partially relevant. Documents with some statistics about the mobile communications business alone are irrelevant.
</NARR>
<CONC>
Mobile communications, government, companies, telecommunication business, participating companies, mobile communications business
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<TOPIC>
<NUM>022</NUM>
<SLANG>KR</SLANG>
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<TITLE>Launching into Distribution Business</TITLE>
<DESC>
To retrieve documents that introduces business details of Korean large corporations or foreign corporations that have entered the Korean distribution market.
</DESC>
<NARR>
As product distribution becomes more and more important and the Korean distribution market gets expanded, domestic large corporations and foreign companies are actively participating in this business. In this context, documents describing business plans, business operation methods, or business details of these corporations are relevant. Even if a document were only about domestic or foreign companies alone, it would be still relevant.
</NARR>
<CONC>
Distribution market, foreign companies, large corporations, business details
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<TOPIC>
<NUM>023</NUM>
<SLANG>KR</SLANG>
<TLANG>EN</TLANG>
<TITLE>Government's Reactions to Environmental Pollutions</TITLE>
<DESC>
Documents introduce Korean government's policies or projects to face environmental problems.
</DESC>
<NARR>
Relevant documents introducing government organizations' or public corporations' preventive actions for environmental problems, or government's environmental policies or projects being conducted to jointly face the environmental problems that can't be solved with efforts made by the Korean government alone. If a document has nothing to do with the government's responses or stopgaps, it is not relevant.
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<CONC>
Environmental problems, environmental protection, preservation of environments, environmental pollution, cooperation for environmental issues, restrictions for environmental issues, pollution, contamination, ozone layer, green house effect, GR, green round, ecological systems, waste materials, water pollution, ocean pollution, air pollutions, soil pollution
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<TOPIC>
<NUM>024</NUM>
<SLANG>KR</SLANG>
<TLANG>EN</TLANG>
<TITLE>Trade</TITLE>
<DESC>
To find documents about types of trade cooperation among countries and their mutual
confrontations after the cold war.
</DESC>
</NARR>
The world economy has established a new order in the midst of regionalism and
globalism, which are two main streams at the post-Cold War era. In this context, we
are looking for documents about reinforcement of trade regulations or establishment
of a variety of cooperative systems among countries in order to accomplish mutual
cooperaion and confrontation. Relevant documents include economic cooperation
among countries, economic council, investment security treaties or introduce
contention among countries due to trade frictions and trade retaliations caused by
trade regulations and protection of one's own economy. Documents dealing with
cooperation only or confrontation only are also relevant. Documents describing trade
policies of a country are not relevant.
</NARR>
</CONC>
Regionalism, globalism, trade restrictions, economic cooperation, economic council,
cooperative business, protective trade, trade friction, free trade, bloc, trade
environment, investment security
</CONC>

<TOPIC>
<NUM>025</NUM>
<SLANG>KR</SLANG>
<TLANG>EN</TLANG>
<TITLE>Exchange of Go (Baduk) Game Activities</TITLE>
<DESC>
How active are exchanges of Go games among Korea, Taiwan, and Japan?
</DESC>
</NARR>
Interests lie in exchanges of Go game activities among Korea, Taiwan, and Japan.
Documents about international Go game contests and their results are relevant.
Documents about contests between any two of the three countries are also relevant. If
a document does not contain anything about a contest but explains histories and
backgrounds of the Go game with two or more countries mentioned, it is relevant.
Documents about a contest with a single country or histories and background of the
Go game in a single country are irrelevant.
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</CONC>
The go game, Baduk
</CONC>

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<NUM>026</NUM>
<SLANG>KR</SLANG>
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<TITLE>Industry Trends</TITLE>
<DESC>
The influence of the incremental value of Yen on the industries of neighboring Asian
Relevant documents should describe the impact of the raised value of the Japanese currency, Yen, on manufacturing, sales, imports, and exports of products in automobile, textile, petrochemical and machine products. At least two of the areas should be mentioned.

Relevant documents should describe North Korea’s plans or details for trades with countries other than South Korea, such as loans and invitation of foreign investment. Documents addressing political relationships only are not relevant.

Talks with North Korea, talks between North Korea and USA, economic collaborations between North Korea and USA, trades with North Korea

Relevant documents should include reports on Kim Jung Il’s speeches or activities after the death of Kim Il Sung, the president of North Korea, or contain predictions on future relationships between Kim Jung Il and political powers.

Chairman Kim, North Korea, Kim Il Sung, Kim Jung Il, death of Kim Il Sung
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<NUM>029</NUM>
<SLANG>KR</SLANG>
<TLANG>EN</TLANG>
<TITLE>Agricultural and Marine Products</TITLE>
<DESC>
Price changes in agricultural and marine products due to sudden changes in weather
</DESC>
<NARR>
Documents on the changes in agricultural and marine products due to weather changes are being sought. Relevant documents should include specific product names, price ranges, changes in supplies and demands.
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<CONC>
Agricultural products, marine products, farm products, aquatic products, farming, fisheries, markets for agricultural and marine products
</CONC>
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<TOPIC>
<NUM>030</NUM>
<SLANG>KR</SLANG>
<TLANG>EN</TLANG>
<TITLE>APEC and Taiwan</TITLE>
<DESC>
Reports on Taiwan officials’ participation in APEC and its diplomatic achievements
</DESC>
<NARR>
Relevant documents should describe Taiwan’s participation in APEC meetings or report on meetings between Taiwan’s representatives and Korean or Japanese representatives in APEC. Documents that include discussion about Taiwan in APEC alone are partially relevant.
</NARR>
<CONC>
APEC, Taiwan, Korea, Japan, Taiwanese representatives
</CONC>
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