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## Paul's Summary (transcribed)

On July 4th, a 19-year old Marine corporal **opened fire** on his fellow soldiers, killing four young men and wounding one. The shooter was only identified by his surname Kim. Kim and his suspected accomplice confessed that they could not bear the **organized bullying** and **physical abuse** by their comrades. For a country where **military service is mandatory** for all young men, many parents and future soldiers were horrified to hear the news and even more fearful of the **compulsory service**.

Officially the military strictly prohibits beatings, **physical and verbal harassment, bullying**, and sexual abuse. Therefore recent events have sparked criticism over a **lack of discipline** within the military since it seems abuse is still prevalent **in the barracks**. An open debate was organized by Defense Minister Kim Kwan-jin to discuss how to better stamp out **physical and verbal abuse**. Military officials and civilian experts reviewed anti-abuse measures including even dissolving units where physical or mental abuse runs rampant.

Many believe these new measures would only act as a **slap on the wrist** and that the government needs to **take a harder look at the root of the problem**. Since military service is required of all Korean men, it is inevitable that many recruits do not wish to serve and are unwilling to conform. While some may defend that this type of hazing is a necessary evil to **maintain order and instill strength of mind**, Defense Minister Kim may have said it best when he declared, "Abuses hurt not only their bodies, but also their minds. Those who destroy others' bodies and minds through abusive acts are criminals. I regard them as a criminal act."

## Key Words

1. 조직적인 따돌림 organized bullying
2. (군대 내) 구타, 가혹행위 physical abuse
3. 병영, 내무반 barracks
4. 군 복무는 의무다 military service is compulsory(mandatory)
5. 군기가 빠짐 lack of discipline
6. 군대가다 go to the military, be drafted (징병되는 경우), enlist in the army (자발적으로 지원하는 경우)
7. 제대하다 be honorably discharged
8. 고무신 거꾸로 신다 my girlfriend broke my heart when I was on duty, my girlfriend cheated on me when I was serving in the military
9. 훈련병, 이병, 일병, 상병, 병장 recruit, private, private first class, corporal, sergeant
10. 군기가 필요하다 need to use physical discipline, (officers or superiors) need to keep their men in line

## More Key Words

1. 난사하다 open fire
2. 솜방망이 처벌 a slap on the wrist
3. 근본적인 원인을 직시하다 take a harder look at the root of the problem
4. 탈영하다 go AWOL