

Telegram from Stalin to Mao Zedong about supplies of Soviet equipment in PRC

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To Comrade Mao Zedong

I have received your telegram of November 29 regarding the supply of platforms, tanks, equipment, and materials. Your request will be satisfied by us. However, it is difficult to deliver all the requested equipment and materials in the first quarter. Due to the need to give our factories additional orders, which requires some time to move earlier given tasks, we set the following terms for the manufacture and delivery of the equipment and materials you requested:

1. 12 thousand tons of rolled products will be delivered in January, February and March 1951 evenly by month;
2. 10 thousand tons of bridge spans - within five months before June 1;
3. 300 railway 50-ton tanks, 200 railway 50-ton platforms, 10 pieces of steam 45-ton cranes, and 10 com ramp plies - in January, February, March, and April;
4. 6 mobile power plants and 80 dump trucks - in January;
5. 2 steam boilers - in January and February.

The rest of the equipment will be delivered by May 1.

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