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Description: . Telegram from Stalin to Beijing advising that they send a representative to Korea.

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[Send] only by landline

[BEIJING], to the Soviet Ambassador

Inform Mao Zedong that the Korean comrades are complaining that there is no Chinese representative in Korea. It would be good to send a representative sooner in order to have communications and to more quickly decide questions if, of course, Mao Zedong considers it appropriate to have ties with Korea.

Filippov

8 July 1950

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Remark

ambassador, Ni Zhiliang, was still in China because of illness.

Chen Jiakang was head of a delegation. The Intelligence Department of the Central Military Commission was responsible for selecting five experienced and capable people from its military attache[attaché] training class to form the group. These people would all assume embassy titles but serve as military observers. The embassy's main task was to serve as a liaison between the Chinese and North Korean Communists, maintaining close consultation with Kim Il Sung and keeping Beijing informed of latest developments there. Chai and his colleagues left Beijing on the night of July 8 and arrived in Pyongyang two days later when the Chinese Embassy was officially opened. Kim Il Sung received the Chinese officials immediately, informing them that the fighting at the front was going well...

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