

January 09, 1949 Cable, Mao to Stalin

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Summary:

Mao announces that he is ready to visit Moscow.

Original Language:

Russian

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"Comrade Stalin!

The meeting of the CCP CC Politburo, conducted recently, is over.

I am ready to come to you.

To cut back the time I hope that you will send planes to Shijiazhuang—two planes, best if four-engine ones.

Planes may arrive on any of the three days—18, 19, 20 of this month to Shijiazhuang.

If you believe that there is not enough time for technical preparation one can postpone by several days. You decide yourself the concrete day of the planes' arrival and let me know.

For security reasons it is desirable that the planes arrive in the aforementioned place early in the morning.

21 people are coming with me.

Mao Zedong. 9.1.49."

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