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Telegram from Liu Shaoqi to Mao Zedong

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Summary:

Liu Shaoqi reports to Mao Zedong that the ethnic Korean officers have arrived to bring back the ethnic Koreans to Korea. To the request of the North Korean officers in bringing back the weapons ethnic Korean officers had used, Mao responds in the affirmative.

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CCP Central Committee cable

Mao Zedong:

There are 14,000 ethnic Korean officers and soldiers on duty in the 4th Field Army. Kim Il Sung has sent three representatives—with director of operations bureau of the Korean People's Army the general staff headquarters as head—to receive the ethnic Korean officers and soldiers. They asked to regroup these ethnic Korean troops into one division and direct-subordinate detachment. They have also asked to take all the equipment of the ethnic Korean soldiers including 12,000 rifles, 440 light machine guns, 189 heavy machine guns, 120 revolvers, 132 grenade launchers, seventy-two tank cannons, thirty-six 105-millimeter rockets launchers, and some ammunition. Comrade Lin Biao has agreed to let us meet this request. Please give instructions in regards to this issue.

Liu Shaoqi

January 22, 1950

I completely agree with meeting this request.

Mao Zedong

January 25, 1950