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Title: 10 terms proposed by the CPC Southwest Bureau for peace negotiations with the local government of Tibet

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Description:. CPC Central Committee approves

The 10 terms are as the follows:

- 1. The Tibetan people unite to drive the British and US imperialist forces out of Tibet, and return to the big family of the motherland—the People's Republic of China.
- 2. Practicing national regional autonomy in Tibet.
- 3. Various existing political systems in Tibet remain unchanged; there will be no change with regard to the position and power of the 14th Dalai Lama and officials at various levels remain in their original office.
- 4. Practicing religious freedom, protecting lamaseries, and respecting the Tibetan people's religious belief and their habits.
- 5. Effecting no changes to the existing military system of Tibet whose army becomes part of the PRC national defense armed forces.
- 6. Developing Tibet's national language and writing, and school education.
- 7. Developing Tibet's agriculture, animal husbandry, industry and commerce, and improving the life of the people.
- 8. The Tibetan people and Tibetan leaders consult to decide on various kinds of reforms in Tibet in the light of the will of the Tibetan people.
- 9. All officials who were pro-British, pro-US and pro-Kuomintang in the past continue to remain in their original office and their past behavior will be forgiven, so long as they stop having ties with the British and US imperialists, and the Kuomintang, and engage in no sabotage and resistance.
- 10. The PLA enters Tibet to consolidate national defense. The PLA observes the above policies and their expenses will be covered totally by the Central People's Government. The PLA pays fairly for what they buy.