

Comments on the Report Regarding Public Security Forces Construction
(October 5, 1950)

Please have Nie and Luo coordinate with the responsible comrades of the Central Bureaus to discuss and resolve this matter in person. Report the results to me.

Mao Zedong

October 5

Background Notes:

1. This document includes Mao Zedong's comments on a report submitted by Luo Ruiqing, Minister of Public Security of the Central People's Government, on October 5, 1950.
 - Mao's comments address two specific points in Luo's report:
 1. A request for the Central Government to consider forming an additional Public Security Division to be stationed in North China or Northeast China.
 2. A suggestion to promptly form the already-approved Public Security Forces, ensuring their quality, and discussing this issue with Central Bureau leaders during their meetings in Beijing.
2. Nie refers to Nie Rongzhen, who was then serving as Acting Chief of Staff of the Military Commission of the Central People's Government.
3. Summary of Luo Ruiqing's Report:
 - The nationwide regular Public Security Forces were initially planned to include 180,000 personnel, organized into 21 Public Security Divisions and one Public Security Guard Division, totaling 22 divisions.
 - To date, 11 divisions and 1 regiment had been formed, with 9 divisions and 2 regiments yet to be organized, along with 1 Railway Public Security Command.
 - Luo emphasized that the approved forces should be promptly assembled for training and gradual assumption of internal defense tasks.
 - Based on Mao's earlier guidance in March regarding the importance of quality over quantity in Public Security Forces, Luo suggested allocating mid-tier troops with relatively better composition when forming these units.
 - Additionally, Luo requested consideration for forming an extra division for North or Northeast China.

Mao's Conclusion:

- Approves forming an additional Public Security Division.
- Suggests resolving specific details through direct discussions with key leaders.