

Several Decisions on Ethnic Affairs

(Promulgated by the Central People's Government Administration Council on February 5, 1951)

The Administrative Council of the Central People's Government successively listened to the report of the chairman of the Central Ethnic Affairs Commission Li Weihai on the participation of representatives of various ethnic groups in the National Day, and the summary report of the head of the Central Ethnic Visiting Group Shen Junru on the visit to the ethnic minorities in Northwest China and studied them. After reading various reports on the visits to various ethnic groups in the Southwest by the head of the Central Ethnic Group, Liu Geping, etc., we made the following decision:

(1) The military and political committees (people's governments) of the major administrative regions must guide the people's governments of the relevant provinces, cities, and administrative offices to conscientiously implement the policies and systems of ethnic regional city autonomy and ethnic democratic coalition governments, and report the implementation experience to the Government Administration Council at any time, those who must ask for instructions in advance should ask the Government Administration Council for instructions.

(2) The military and political commissions (people's governments) of all major administrative regions shall instruct the people's governments of all relevant provinces, municipalities, and administrative departments to carry out in a planned manner the trial program for cultivating minority nationality cadres promulgated by the Executive Council in 1950, and periodically inspect the progress of this work and report to the Government Administrative Council once every six months. The Central Institute for Nationalities, the military and political commissions of the northwest, southwest, and central and southern regions, and the nationalities colleges run by the Provincial People's Government must implement the plan according to the plan and report to the Administrative Council.

(3) The Government Affairs Council will hold three professional conferences on the health, education and trade of ethnic minorities at an appropriate time in the second half of this year, and instruct the Culture and Education Committee and the Financial and Economic Committee of the Government Affairs Council to guide the Central Ministry of Health, Education and Trade to start preparation, and instruct the Central Ethnic Affairs Commission to assist in carrying it out. Relevant departments such as the Ministry of Agriculture and the Ministry of Culture must also send representatives to participate.

(4) Instruct all committees, ministries, committees, institutes, agencies, and banks of the Central People's Government to pay attention to the establishment of business related to ethnic affairs.

(5) Establish an Ethnic Language Research Steering Committee within the Culture and Education Committee of the Government Administration Council to guide and organize the research work on the minority languages, help the ethnic groups who have no written characters to create their own characters, and help the ethnic groups with incomplete characters to gradually enrich their characters.

(6) Expand the number of members of the Central Ethnic Affairs Commission, instruct the Central Ethnic Affairs Commission to submit proposals for supplementing the list, and prepare to convene an expanded meeting of the Central Ethnic Affairs Commission in the second half of this year to review and sum up the experience of implementing regional ethnic autonomy and the national democratic coalition government.