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Summary:

A group of senior CCP officials outline how the Party can both plan for a "military resolution while striving to achieve a peaceful resolution" with regards to Taiwan.

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[To] Comrades [Deng] Xiaoping, Peng Zhen, [Yang] Shangkun, for transmittal to the Central Committee:

Last year, the Central Committee Taiwan Work Small Group held its 10th Session from December 16 through 23, at which it conveyed the Central Committee's approval of the work report to the Central Committee of the 9th Session of the Central Committee Taiwan Work Small Group. The work situation for the preceding half year principally involved some work directed at Chiang [Kai-shek; Jiang Jieshi], Chen [Cheng], and little Chiang [Ching-kuo; Jiang Jingguo]. Besides that (omitted), [we] invited Hong Kong and domestic [persons] connected with Taiwan to come to the capital and observe the ceremonies for National Day. The meeting also studied the situation in Taiwan, and discussed current and future work. Herewith is a report on the principal issues:

- (1) Before the spring presidential elections, the Chiang clique will be in a relatively difficult period. During this period we must pay close attention to, and study conditions on Taiwan, and intensify our work on the core of the Chiang clique, hastening its internal unity and resistance to the U.S. The work has been arranged as follows: [omitted]
- (2) According to the Central Committee analysis of the Taiwan issue, in the spirit of implementing long-term planning, we need to adopt a "walking with two legs" simultaneous dual policy of preparing for a military resolution while striving to achieve a peaceful resolution, and in our work to reclaim Taiwan, we should try to not be too impatient, but yet actively get things done. Existing relationships must be carefully managed and improved in quality. New leads should continue to be explored. At the same time, we need to pay attention to overall planning: plan your moves with an eye towards a future outcome. All relevant units should make specific arrangements for this year's work. Work on Chiang's naval, land and air forces, and influential groups in Taiwan should also be conducted, but in order to avoid arousing Chiang's suspicions, the work should implement [the policy of] uniting with Chiang to resist America, promoting Chiang's internal unity, and should be carried out secretly and according to a plan, as well as getting approved by the Central Committee.
- (3) Regarding the issue of specially amnestied war criminals, we should not make any immediate announcements; we should inform all localities that, for the present, we should not have war criminals make any broadcasts, communications or give talks directed at Taiwan. This is to be handled by the Propaganda Department.

For the time being there is also no urgency to use amnestied war criminals to carry out work towards Taiwan. The Public Security Ministry and the United Front Department will carry out investigations and research, and may use individuals who meet qualifications in the future.

Approval requested.

Luo Ruiqing, Xie Fuzhi, Xu Bing, Kong Yuan January 10, 1960