

May 14, 1950 Ciphered Telegram No. 8600, Vyshinsky to Mao Zedong

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Summary:

The cable contains Stalin's personal response to Mao's 13 May telegram. Using the code-name "Filippov," Stalin confirms his agreement with the North Korean proposal to "move toward reunification," contingent on Beijing's agreement.

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Для Мао-Дзе-Дуна.

"Тов. Мао-Дзе-Дун !

В беседе с корейскими товарищами филиппов и его друзья высказали мнение, что в силу изменившейся международной обстановки они согласны с предложением корейцев приступить к об"единению. При этом было оговорено, что вопрос должен быть решен окончательно китайскими и корейскими товарищами совместно, а в случае несогласия китайских товарищей решение вопроса должно быть отложено до нового обсуждения. Подробности беседы могут рассказать Вам корейские товарищи.

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"Cde. Mao Zedong!

In a conversation with the Korean comrades Filippov [Stalin] and his friends expressed the opinion, that, in light of the changed international situation, they agree with the proposal of the Koreans to move toward reunification [pristupit k obiednineniiu]. In this regard a qualification was made [pri etom bilo ogovoreno], that the question should be decided finally by the Chinese and Korean comrades together, and in case of disagreement by the Chinese comrades the decision on the question should be postponed until a new discussion. The Korean comrades can tell you the details of the conversation.

Filippov [Stalin]."

Telegraph the fulfillment [ispolneniie telegraf'te]. VYSHINSKY

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