

January 25, 1950 Telegram, Mao Zedong to Liu Shaoqi

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Summary:

Mao reports that they have completed a draft of the Sino-Soviet Treaty of Friendship, Alliance, and Mutual Assistance, as well as an agreement on Lushun, Dalian, and the Chinese Chanchun Railway.

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关于改订中苏条约 注意保密问题给中央的电报

(一九五〇年一月五日)

中央:

请注意两件事:(一)改订中苏条约等项问题在政务院 会议及政府委员会讨论时,请嘱到会人保守机密。(二) 周⁽¹⁾率十余人动身以前,或在旅途车上,应召集这些人宣 布纪律,不许乱说乱动,一切要听指挥。

毛泽东

一月五日下午九时

根据手稿刊印。

注 释

〔1〕 周,指周恩来。

[...]

Comrade [Liu] Shaoqi]:

(1) [Zhou] Enlai, Li [Fuchun], and others arrived here on 20 [January]. On 21 [January], the twelve of us participated in a meeting in commemoration of Lenin. On 22 [January], six of us, including Shi Zhe, had a discussion with Comrade Stalin and others, in order to settle the questions concerning principles and the working procedures. On 23 [January], Zhou [Enlai], Wang [Jiaxiang] and Li [Fuchun] had a discussion with Mikoyan, Vyshinskii, and Roshchin about several concrete issues. On 24 [January], we handed to Vyshinskii a draft of the Sino-Soviet Treaty of Friendship, Alliance, and Mutual Assistance worked out by us. We are now drafting a second document, that is, the agreement on Lushun, Dalian, and the Chinese Chanchun Railway, and, probably, the drafting can be finished today. We have also decided that we will make a third document, the Sino-Soviet barter agreement, ready in three days. All in all, our work is proceeding quite smoothly.

(2) Attached here is the draft of the Sino-Soviet Treaty of Friendship, Alliance and Mutual Assistance. Please ask the Central Committee to discuss it and report its opinions to me by telegraph. Please pay attention to keeping it from the outsiders.

Mao Zedong 5:00 a.m., 25 January [1950]

[...]