

**June 13, 1951**

**Ciphered Telegram No. 20772, Roshchin to Comrade  
Filippov [Stalin], containing a Message from Mao  
Zedong**

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**Summary:**

Response to Stalin's telegram from the same day. Mao tells Stalin that Peng Dehuai needs Soviet advisers and gives some details about the current military situation in Korea.

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Russian

**Contents:**

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SECOND MAIN ADMINISTRATION OF THE GENERAL STAFF OF THE SOVIET ARMY

CIPHERED TELEGRAM No. 20772

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From BEIJING

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To Comrade FILIPPOV [Stalin]

To my [telegram] No. 2967 (vkh. No. 20757).

13.6.51 at 22:00 Beijing time I received the following telegram addressed to you from MAO ZEDONG.

"To Comrade FILIPPOV.

I received your telegram of 13 June.

Today I received a telegram from Comrades GAO GANG and KIM IL SUNG. I communicated our opinion on the question of an armistice to Comrade GAO GANG in order for him to relay it to you and receive instructions from you. I won't write about it in detail here.

Comrade PENG DEHUI very much needs Soviet advisers on strategy and tactics. It would be desirable if you could send them as soon as possible.

With regard to the participation of eight fighter divisions in battles, in accordance with your advice, I gave an order to the General Staff to draw up a plan. In addition, I gave an order to Comrade PENG DEHUI that our troops firmly hold the line of defense at the second and third defensive lines and create a new defensive line.

The position at the front in June will be such that our forces will be comparatively weaker than those of the enemy. In July we will be stronger than in June and in August we will be even stronger. We will be ready in August to make a stronger blow to the enemy.

MAO ZEDONG

13.6.51"

ROSHCHIN

No. 2974

13.6.51

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