

July 18, 1967 Minutes of HSWP Politburo meeting held on 18 July 1967

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Summary:

The Polish Political Committee makes recommendations to hold talks in Moscow aimed at "harmonizing positions on this policy of the Communist Party of China" based upon a proposal from the International Department.

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STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL Prepared in 3 copies MINUTES of the Political Committee meeting held on 18 July 1967Agenda:[...][Page 2]7. Others [Page 8] 7. On the basis of the recommendation of the International Department: The Political Committee notes that the Polish comrades initiated that representatives of the six European fraternal Parties hold talks in Moscow aimed at harmonizing positions on the policy of the Communist Party of China, China's internal and international situation and development. The Political Committee has decided to inform the Soviet comrades, agree with the Polish proposal, and recommends that the meeting take place at the end of September or beginning of October. Our delegation to the meeting should be led by Comrade Frigyes Puja, and the list of delegates be approved by Comrade Zoltán Komócsin. [The Political Committee] endorses that, on the basis of our Party's position to date, the International Department work out a detailed analytical document on the internal and international policy of the Communist Party of China, and on the Chinese situation, which material should be forwarded to Comrade Zoltán Komócsin for approval. The material is to be regarded not as official Party position, but as the basis of our delegation's participation in talks. [Pages 101-102]HUNGARIAN SOCIALIST WORKERS' PARTY STRICTLY CONFIDENTIACENTRAL COMMITTEE INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT Prepared in 2 copies Budapest, 14 July 1967 PROPOSAL to the HSWP CC Secretariatto the Political CommitteeAn agreement was reached at the meeting in Moscow concerning an international conference of the Central Committee secretaries of the 6 European socialist countries, that it would be expedient to analyze some timely problems of principle and policy in preparation for the conference. The CPSU informed us via the Soviet ambassador in Budapest that in the spirit of the agreement, the Polish comrades proposed that the 6 Parties should harmonize their opinions on China. The Polish comrades proposed that the Parties should work out separately their positions on the policy of the Communist Party of China, on the internal and international situation of China, and on perspectives on Chinese development. Following this, representatives of the 6 Parties should meet in Moscow within the framework of a debate to harmonize their understandings. Delegations of 3-5 should represent the Parties at this conference. The CPSU concurs with the Polish comrades' proposal. We have consulted with the Polish comrades on their proposal. They informed us that they proposed the end of September for the date of the conference, and that the head of the Central Committee International Department will lead their delegation. We also consulted with the Czechoslovak comrades, who agree with the Polish initiative. They reported that the head of the Central Committee International Department or his deputy will lead their delegation and that 3-4 theoretical experts and two representatives of the International Department will take part in the delegation. On the basis of the above it is proposed that:a) the HSWP reports that it agrees with the Polish proposal;b) we propose that the conference should take place at the end of September or in early October;c) that the head of Central Committee International Department or his deputy should lead our delegation to the planned conference. The delegation members should be a theoretical expert on China and two representatives of the Central Committee International Department. Comrade Zoltán Komócsin should approve the list of delegates; d) on the basis of our position to date the International Department should work out detailed analytical material on the internal and international policy of the Communist Party of China and on the Chinese situation, and this material should be forwarded to Comrade Zoltán Komócsin for approval. Frigyes Puja