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### **Note on the Relations between China and Poland**

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#### **Summary:**

The Prime Ministers of both Poland and China wish to thank one another, and note that Poland can learn from China about the need for stability in forming socialism in their country. Though the Chinese have always been seen as sympathetic, some of their actions, however, do not always yield such positive results

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The PRC ambassador to Warsaw, Li Zewang, paid me a visit. He asked to be received in an urgent manner. The purpose of the visit was to pass on congratulations to Poland's Prime Minister W. Jaruzelski from the Prime Minister of China Zhao Zhiyang. While expressing my thanks, I informed the ambassador about the situation in our country, stressing the groundbreaking significance of the decisions made at the VIII CC PUWP Plenum and the session of the Upper House. I stressed that we opposed any events instigated by reactionary forces in the West, as well as any other activities which were to weaken the ties bonding Poland with the USSR and socialist countries. I pointed out that these were some of the elements contained in some of the speeches of Chinese leaders in the past. Ambassador Li reiterated the PRC's official position, that is, that Poland's problems should be resolved by the Polish nation itself without any outside intervention. He stated that China's party, government, and the people are following with sympathy the efforts, which are aimed to stabilize our country, since they [Chinese] know from their own experiences that one cannot build socialism if there is no stability and unity. He expressed his wish that the existing differences in the opinions of our countries regarding concrete problems won't have any bearing on the development of our mutual relations. While referring to my assessment of the Chinese actions regarding Poland, he stated that the Chinese government had always been sympathetic to us, but sometimes the results of actions differ from intentions. Ambassador Li stressed that the party, the government, and the Chinese nation are also facing enormous difficulties and tasks. They are convinced, however, that these problems will be resolved by the Chinese themselves. Rec'd by Comrade Kania, Jaruzelski, Czyrek...