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Summary:

In a meeting with the Indonesian ambassador, Zhou Enlai emphasized that it was important that many countries would attend the second Asian-African conference and that China wanted the conference to bolster solidarity rather than be a place for argument.

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Content: The Premier's [Zhou Enlai] Discussion with the Indonesian Ambassadors on Convening the Second Afro-Asian Conference

To the [Chinese] Embassies in Egypt and Syria:

On 13 March, the Premier met the Indonesian Ambassador to discuss the convening of the Second Afro-Asian Conference. The Premier said at the time: approval should be sought for after the Kuala Lumpur countries bring forth suggestions and agreement from related countries is obtained. The premise for preparing for the Second Afro-Asian Conference is that all the countries that participated in the first conference can make it; and there must be even more countries. [Countries] such as Morocco and Tunisia. If the number of participating countries is very small then we would rather wait for a bit. Secondly, the Second Afro-Asian Conference is beneficial to solidarity; [we] do not want the conference to become a place for arguments. Special report.

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