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Telegram, Mao Zedong to Ho Chi Minh

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Summary:

Mao informs Ho Chi Minh that he should not be concerned by the Chinese bombardment of Jinmen Island, as "the Americans are afraid of fighting a war."

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关于台湾局势等问题 复胡志明^{〔1〕}的电报

（一九五八年九月十日）

胡主席同志：

九月八日来信〔2〕收到，谢谢你。

我认为：

（甲）美国人怕打仗，就目前说，很少可能大打起来；

（乙）贵国似可以照常工作。

毛 泽 东

1958年9月10日

根据手稿刊印。

注 释

〔1〕 胡志明，当时任越南劳动党中央委员会主席、越南民主共和国主席。

〔2〕 指胡志明一九五八年九月八日给毛泽东的电报。电报说：鉴于台湾情况之紧张，美帝态度之顽固，请您告诉我们：（甲）可能不可能发生美华战争？（乙）我们越南应该有什么准备？

[...]

Comrade Chairman Ho [Chi Minh]:

Your letter of 8 September [1958] has been received. Thank you.

I believe that: (1) the Americans are afraid of fighting a war. As far as the current situation is concerned, it is highly unlikely that a big war will break out; and (2) it seems to me that the business in your country should go on as usual.

Mao Zedong

10 September 1958

[...]