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# Soviet Telegram, Regarding Operation Plan from the Chief of Staff of the Chinese People's Liberation Army, Zhu De

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# **Summary:**

Telegram noting that a certain plan by General Zhu De for October has been received. Estimates the military support that it will require. Brian Murray questions the validity of the document in CWIHP Working Paper No. 12, where the document is published.

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#### Contents:

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Telegram, no date, no authority

We received from the Headquarters of the PLA General Zhu De's operation plan for October with great interest. It serves at the present time the subject of detailed discussion at our General Staff. But we still need some details and the Minister has therefore ordered you to leave immediately for General Zhu De and to bring back from him information about the quantity of troops which he intends for operation marked as Number 22.

The plan is acceptable, although we calculate that he would require no less than ten selected divisions with heavy artillery. It is necessary to keep the plan in strict secrecy. Telegraph the exact date of the commencing of the operation. Find out from Mao Zedong when he will be able to come to Moscow.

(The original with proper signature).