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Summary:

China and North Korea arrange for North Korean aid to be shipped to North Vietnam through China.

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To the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Foreign Economic Liaison Committee:

[North] Korea has already designated its Foreign Economic Administration to handle transportation issues involving the engineering projects that [North] Korea is assisting [North] Vietnam with.

Han Ho-jin, the Director of the Export Trading Company within [North] Korea's Foreign Economic Administration, met with Counselor Liu Xiaotao on the 25th [of September 1965]. In late September or early October, 2,000 tons of construction materials to aid Vietnam (including automobiles and other equipment), or about 80 train cars, will be delivered to Vietnam through China in three or four batches. Of this, about 25 train cars (automobiles will take up 23 train cars, while other materials will take up 2 cars) are ready and can be shipped immediately. The [North] Korean side hopes that [we can] ensure that these military supplies are transported on time, the same as when 52 train cars were shipped earlier. Are you [the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Foreign Economic Liaison Committee] in agreement to shipping [these items] immediately? Please cable back.

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