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**Joint Communiqué (Draft), Proposed by Premier  
Zhou to British Charge d’Affaires Con O’Neill**

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**Summary:**

China's draft communique proposes that the US and China elevate their talks in Geneva to the ambassadorial level.

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## Draft Joint Communiqué

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After consultations, it has been agreed that China and the United States raise the consular level talks held during the last year at Geneva to the ambassadorial level in order to aid in settling the matter of repatriation of civilians who desire to return to their respective countries and to facilitate further discussions and settlement of certain other practical matters now at issue between the two sides. The first meeting of the ambassadorial representatives from the two sides will take place on 21 July 1955 at Geneva.