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Summary:

Huang Zhen and Nikita Khrushchev briefly discuss Sino-Soviet relations, Sino-Indian relations, and Soviet-Indonesian relations during a visit by Khrushchev to Jakarta.

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[To] The Foreign Ministry:

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In accordance with directives, arrangements were made through the Soviet Embassy for a meeting between Ambassador Huang and Comrade Khrushchev on 29 February at 5 p.m. Ambassador Huang arrived punctually and waited for half an hour (Khrushchev was holding a press conference originally scheduled to end at 5 p.m., which was extended by half an hour due to excess of questions by reporters); Khrushchev was exhausted after the press conference, but rather than taking any rest, he returned to his room to put on a suit jacket and immediately received Ambassador Huang (he had worn only a shirt to the press conference). [Soviet Foreign Minister] Gromyko was also in attendance. The conversation proceeded as follows:

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Ambassador: Last night Radio Beijing broadcast Premier Zhou's response to Nehru's letter; he accepted Nehru's invitation and will go to New Delhi in April.

Khrushchev: I personally welcome the Chinese government's decision very much. This decision is not only good for China, it's good for the entire socialist camp-especially progressive forces in India; the progressive forces in India have been trying for a long time to sweep away obstacles to resolve the dispute. I'll definitely bring up the matter to Nehru when I see him tomorrow-he should be happy about this decision.

Ambassador: Nehru should be satisfied.

Khrushchev: This decision fully demonstrated the Chinese government's good intentions.

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