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Summary:

The Xinhua Office in New Delhi reports that Nehru and Khrushchev broached the Sino-Indian border dispute in their recent talks.

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Xinhua Press Headquarters:

The Sino-Indian border issue was briefly raised during the Nehru-Khrushchev talks and Khrushchev took a non-interventionist stance. According to relevant individuals on the Soviet side, Nehru first brought up India's position and [expressed] the hope that Khrushchev would understand it. Khrushchev said he believed that the two brothers, China and India, would have sufficient wisdom to resolve this issue, and that it was unsuitable for the third brother-the Soviet Union-to interfere. Nehru stated to Khrushchev that he had already written a letter to Premier Zhou inviting him to meet for talks. Khrushchev said that the major international issues [of today] are headed toward resolution; I hope that the Sino-Indian border issue can also be resolved.

□Nehru and Khrushchev will continue talks in Calcutta on 1 March; Gao Liang will go to gain further understanding of the situation.

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