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Title: Chairman Mao appeals for unity in building a people's capital

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Description:.

At the conference of delegates of all fields in Peiping this afternoon, Chinese Communist Party Chairman Mao Tsetung made a short and concise speech.

He congratulated the conference for its success and expressed hope that all cities in the nation will promptly hold similar conferences, reinforce the links between the government and the people, aid the government in all items of construction work, overcome the difficulties, and thereby prepare the conditions for a popularly elected people's congress.

Chairman Mao said:

As soon as the conditions are ripe, the people's delegates conference, in its present form, will perform the functions of the people's congress, serve as the city's supreme organ of power, and elect a city government. Judging from conditions in Peiping, this probably can be done in a few months. The advantages are many, and I hope the delegates will intensify the preparations.

Chairman Mao appealed to all the people of Peiping, except the Kuomintang reactionary remnants and the concealed secret service elements, to unite and struggle to overcome the difficulties and build a people's capital.