

1950

Speeches/Documents

Title: Letter from Zhou Enlai to Mao Zedong and Liu Shaoqi

Author: Zhou

Date: 29 October
1950

Source: Jianguo yilai Zhou Enlai wengao (Zhou Enlai's Manuscripts since the Founding of the PRC), vol. 3, Zhonggong zhongyang wenxian yanjiushi (CPC Central Historical Documents Research Office) and Zhongyang dang'anguan (Central Archives), eds., (Beijing: Zhongyang wenxian chubanshe, 2008), p.427. Translated by Jingxia Yang and Douglas Stiffler.]
<http://digitalarchive.wilsoncenter.org/document/114219>

Description: Zhou Enlai informs Mao Zedong and Liu Shaoqi on agreements made with the Soviet side regarding pilots and air defenses at Andong. Andong former province lies on the Yalu river

Chairman and Vice-Chairman Liu:

1. Today, [I] talked with Comrade Zakharov, etc. He told me that the Soviet side has agreed to dispatch Soviet pilots to fly jet planes to Andong to take charge of air defense. And [they] can go several li beyond the Chinese border, but must learn several watchwords in Chinese for liaison. Therefore, [they] can move from Shenyang to Andong around the 10th of next month.

2. This evening, see off the persons in charge of the air division that used to be in Shanghai and give them the Chairman's certificate of merit. According to him, there is no problem to move Jet [Fighter] Aviation Group One (10 people) from Shanghai. An agreement has been reached with Zakharov that only ten people will be taken from Shanghai to examine the air defenses at Andong. This is ten people fewer than originally planned.

Zhou Enlai

Night of 29 October