

Mao Zedong, Zhu De Telegram to Li Jishen and other democratic individuals

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Li Jishen, Shen Junru, Ma Xulun, Guo Moruo, Tan Pingshan, Peng Yimin, Zhang Bojun, Li Xijiu, Cai Tingkui, Zhou Jianren, Fu Dingyi, Zhang Naiwu, Li Dequan, Hu Yuzhi, Sha Qianli, Mao Dun, Zhu Xuefan, Chen Qiyou, Huang Zhensheng, Zhu Yun, Deng Chumin, Jian Bozan, Wang Shaozuo, Wu An, Xu Guangping, Chu Tuanan, Qiu Zhe, Han Zhaojun, Xu Baoju, Tian Han, Hong Shen, Hou Wailu, Shen Zaijiu, Huan Xiang, Yang Ze, Cao Mengjun, Li Wenyi, Luo Shuzhang, Liu Qingyang, Zhang Manjun, Shi Fuliang, Sun Qimeng, Yan Xinmin, Li Minxin, Mei Gongbin, Shen Zhiyuan, Zhou Ying, An E, Wu Maona, He Ju, Lin Yiyuan, Lai Yali, Kong Dechi, Yuan Zhen, Shen Qiang, Wang Yunru, and others.

Having read your telegram of February 1st, we are deeply moved. The liberation struggle of the Chinese nation and the Chinese people has persisted for over a hundred years, with countless martyrs shedding their blood across the vast land. The heroic spirit of the people, rising one after another, is evident. The victory in the current People's Liberation War is due to the fearlessness and unity of the entire people. Various democratic parties and organizations have risen together, united in their efforts. This unity has provided comprehensive support to the People's Liberation Army, leading to the complete isolation of the enemies of the people and ensuring the clarity of the outcome.

Now, with the remnants of the enemy still existing, they resort to cunning schemes. They seek respite, claiming it is for the sake of peace, and wait for foreign aid, calling it negotiations. They mouth the Eight Points, shield the war criminals, look to the United States, and move their feet towards Guangzhou. To achieve the final victory of the people's liberation struggle while the remnants of the enemy still exist, it is necessary for all democratic forces nationwide to unite in spirit and continue their efforts for genuine democratic peace.

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