Order on the Implementation of the Planned Acquisition and Planned Supply of Cotton Cloths

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In order to ensure that cotton cloth can be produced and distributed according to the national plan, further ban market speculation, and consolidate price stability, it was decided that starting from September 15, 1954, the planned purchase of cotton cloth (referred to as unified purchase) and Planned supply (referred to as unified sales). The implementation method is as follows:

- 1. From the date of the announcement of the planned acquisition and planned supply of cotton cloth, all state-owned and cooperatives. Machine-yarn cotton fabrics and machine-yarn hand-spun interwoven cotton fabrics produced by public-private partnerships, private weaving factories, printing and dyeing factories, and handicrafts are all purchased and sold by the state-owned China Hua Gauze Company, and may not be sold on their own. In areas where China Hua Gauze Co., Ltd. has not established an organization, this unified purchase and sales work shall be entrusted by China Hua Gauze Company to other state-run commercial institutions or supply and marketing cooperatives to handle.
- 2. All existing cotton fabrics required for the production turnover of the weaving and cotton fabric reproduction industries shall be registered and managed by the local industrial and commercial administrative department.
- 3. Cotton cloth woven entirely by hand-spun yarn will be purchased by China Hua Gauze Co., Ltd. through the supply and marketing cooperative, and will be gradually included in the scope of planned acquisition and planned supply. Within a certain area, hand-spinning weavers and consumers are allowed to make a small amount of direct exchange.

- 4. All cotton cloth and cotton cloth replicas included in the planned supply scope of the Ministry of Commerce of the Central People's Government, regardless of the color, variety and quality, shall be supplied by division, quantitative and voucher supply throughout the country, and the planned supply shall be implemented. However, in remote areas with particularly sparse population and inconvenient transportation, the implementation may be suspended with the approval of the people's government of the province or autonomous region.
- 5. The quantitative supply of cloth for people's consumption across the country should be based on the resources of cotton cloth and the different purchasing power levels of the people in different regions, within the range of the control figures for each region stipulated by the Ministry of Commerce of the Central People's Government. Government specific regulations.
- 6. Industrial fabrics, replica industrial fabrics, boaters, fishermen and other production fabrics, according to their normal production and usage requirements, are approved by the local industry and commerce administrative department, and are supplied and managed by China Hua Gauze Company.
- 7. For various special needs of the people, such as new life, marriage, death and disasters, the necessary supplies should be provided under the principle of promoting economy.

Eight, cloth purchase certificate, not allowed to buy and sell speculation.

9. Private cotton cloth wholesalers shall not continue to operate the wholesale and trafficking business of cotton cloth, and all existing cotton cloth shall be purchased by China Hua Gauze Company. People's governments at all levels should actively guide the employees of cotton cloth wholesalers to change their jobs; those who cannot change jobs should be placed by China Hua Gauze Company and supply and marketing cooperatives under the leadership of the local people's government.

All private retailers, existing cotton cloth and cotton cloth replicas belonging to the planned supply scope shall register with the local people's government industrial and commercial administrative cadres and sell them in accordance with the planned supply regulations. State-run business, through state-capitalist distribution, agency sales, etc., supplies cotton and cotton replicas to private retailers and traders dealing in cotton cloth and cotton cloth replicas as planned, manages their retail prices and commodity quality, and urges them to strive to improve their business operations., serving consumers.

10. After the planned supply of cotton cloth, all state-run retail stores, cooperative retail stores, and state-capitalist retail stores and traders shall all sell at the retail price set by the commercial administrative department of the local people's government.

11. The people's governments of all provinces, autonomous regions and municipalities directly under the Central Government can formulate management measures according to local conditions in accordance with this order, and conduct regular supervision and inspection; speculators and counter-revolutionaries who disrupt the planned purchase and supply of cotton cloth shall be punished according to law.

Premier Zhou Enlai September 14, 1954