

Telegram concerning the deployment of the anti-countermeasures to the Shanghai Municipal Party Committee (January 21, 1951)

The Shanghai Municipal Party Committee also told Rao Chen:

Your comprehensive report on January 6th on November and December 1950 was transferred from the East China Bureau. It has been received. It is very good and very comforting. In this report, several central tasks in January and February of this year are mentioned, which is also good. It says that you are going to give counter-revolutionaries a powerful blow in mid-January, and I hope you will make careful reconnaissance arrangements for this. Set it up and move at the same time to make an accurate arrest. Then, the interrogation was cleaned up, and a large number of counter-revolutionaries who were really guilty of crimes were executed. In a big city like Shanghai, within one year of this year, I am afraid that one to two thousand people will need to be executed in order to solve the problem. It is necessary to execute three to five hundred people in the spring, to suppress the enemy flame, and to extend the people's morale. Under the direct leadership of the East China Bureau, please consider the situation and handle it properly. In Nanjing, the East China Bureau is requested to instruct the municipal party committee of the city to arrange the investigation and interrogation, and strive to execute one or two hundred of the most important reactionaries in the spring.

Mao Zedong