

Forwarding the comments from the Party Committee of the Western Sichuan District regarding the experience of organizing non-party democratic individuals to participate in land reform

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To the Central Bureaus of East China, Central South, Southwest, Northwest, North China, and their respective branch bureaus, provincial committees, district party committees, major city committees, and local committees:

Apart from the necessity of collaborating with democratic individuals from various democratic parties in the work of resisting US aggression and aiding Korea, it goes without saying that in the tasks of land reform and suppression of counter-revolutionaries, it is also imperative to involve democratic individuals from various democratic parties, the more the better. Please plan accordingly to organize several batches of members from various democratic parties, democratic individuals, professors, teachers, and capitalists to visit or participate in the work in rural areas during the summer, autumn, and winter of this year. As long as they are willing to go, they should be welcomed. Do not be afraid of their participation, do not treat them with suspicion, because they are not reactionaries. Whether good or bad, let them see for themselves, let them discuss and freely express their opinions. There are only benefits and no harm in doing so. As for the work of suppressing counter-revolutionaries in urban areas, it is even more important to involve them. The entire population of the city should discuss the work of suppressing counter-revolutionaries, and everyone should pay attention to dealing with counter-revolutionaries.

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