

1951

Meetings

Dates of Meeting:

05-10-1951

Type of Meeting:

Enlarged Politburo

Place of Meeting:

Beijing

Attendance:

Mao did not participate in the meeting, but he endorsed the measures proposed collectively by the Politburo. Deng Xiaoping

Major Agenda Items:

proposing five measures to reduce government spending.

Speeches/Reports:**Other Decisions and/or Actions:****Remarks:**

1. Sensing that financial difficulties might undermine the CCP's effort in the Korean War (1950-53) and domestic consolidation, Mao took action and introduced san fan
2. For Mao's endorsement, see Mao's telegram to Stalin on 14 November 1951
3. he no longer participated in Politburo meetings regularly. Instead, he defined the general direction of the party, while the Politburo meeting would work out details of implementation. Without participating in the meeting, Mao managed the party's business using memos. He demanded that reports to be sent to him, and his subsequent comments on those reports had the full power of any CCP official resolution.