

CC Directive on Temporarily Halting the “Three-Anti” and “Five-Anti” Campaigns at Lower Administrative Levels

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To: All Central Bureaus, and through them to sub-bureaus, provincial, municipal, regional party committees, and prefectural committees:

1. Except for individual cases of pilot trials by provincial or prefectural committees, the “Three-Anti” campaign in counties, districts, and townships is to be postponed until after spring plowing, to avoid disorder. This instruction has already been issued earlier.
2. The “Five-Anti” campaign targeting capitalist elements in counties, districts, and townships must not be carried out for the time being. Where it has already begun, it must be halted immediately. The timing and method for such efforts will be decided later by the Central Committee.
3. In medium-sized cities such as Siping, Yingkou, Shijiazhuang, Xinxiang, Suzhou, Ningbo, Yichang, Hengyang, Jiangmen, Wuzhou, Baoji, Hanzhong, Ziliujing, and Zunyi, decisions about when and how to launch the “Five-Anti” campaign against capitalist elements must be strictly reviewed and approved individually by Central Bureaus, sub-bureaus, provincial and regional party committees, based on the Central Committee’s instructions dated February 15, to avoid confusion.

Central Committee

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