Directive of the Central Committee Regarding the Treatment of Cadres Dismissed or Removed from Their Posts Pending Investigation During the "Three-Anti" Campaign

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During the "Three-Anti" campaign, various localities have removed a number of cadres from their posts—individuals guilty of corruption, moral degeneration, suppressing democracy, or obstructing the movement. In more serious cases, these individuals have been dismissed, placed under investigation, or even arrested and prosecuted. Such actions are entirely necessary. However, despite being removed from their positions or placed under investigation, these individuals continue to enjoy their former privileges: they remain in their original living quarters, continue to receive special or high-standard meal service, retain access to internal Party documents, and continue to attend Party cadre meetings. While the rest of the comrades are fully occupied with the "Three-Anti" campaign, these individuals—far from reflecting on their own errors—use the opportunity to wander about freely. Some even continue to travel by car and are accompanied by security guards, spending their days in complete idleness and ease. Certain high-ranking cadres who have been arrested and prosecuted are even housed in specially prepared quarters, where they continue to receive special or high-standard meals—effectively being treated as if they were merely on a break. This state of affairs not only dampens the enthusiasm of the masses for the "Three-Anti" campaign and emboldens these wrongdoers, but it also undermines the dignity of Party discipline and national law. This situation has arisen because some leading comrades harbor a sense of regret over the removal of these individuals, reasoning that because they are "capable," "experienced," "veteran cadres," or have "contributed to the revolution in the past," they still deserve to be well-cared for in their daily lives—even though they have broken the law.

It must be pointed out that adopting such an indulgent and accommodating attitude toward individuals who have been removed from their posts, suspended pending investigation, or arrested and prosecuted, is a manifestation of "Rightist" thinking within the Party’s cadre policy. Such an approach detaches these individuals from the masses—both within and outside the Party. This "Rightist" thinking must be resolutely overcome. In order to uphold Party discipline and state law, to reform those who have committed errors, and to educate the entire Party and the people of the nation, the following regulations are hereby established:

I. Cadres who have been removed from their posts or suspended pending investigation shall be immediately transferred away from their original work units to a designated location (such as a guesthouse). Personnel shall be assigned to provide them with education, requiring them to earnestly reflect upon their errors while awaiting a final decision from the organization. They are not permitted to move about freely until the organization has reached a formal resolution regarding their cases.

II. For any cadre removed from their post or suspended pending investigation due to corruption, all previous perquisites and entitlements shall be immediately revoked until their cases are resolved:

1. They shall not attend Party cadre meetings, nor shall they be permitted to read internal Party documents.

2. All previously issued documents, operational statistics, reference books, military maps, work plans, and similar materials must be fully recovered.

3. All previously issued weapons, ammunition, and binoculars, as well as any publicly owned radios or cameras, must be immediately recovered.

4. The provision of personal guards, communications staff, and orderlies shall be terminated.

5. The use of previously assigned automobiles, horses, or other means of transport shall be revoked.

6. In the case of female cadres removed from their posts, the provision of hired nannies for their children shall be terminated; however, the employment of a wet nurse may be retained, and childcare allowances shall continue to be provided.

7. With the exception of disability benefits—which shall continue to be paid—the standard of living provisions for those removed from their posts shall be reduced by one grade. For those suspended pending investigation, regardless of their previous status, their provisions shall be adjusted to the "general mess" (standard communal ration) level. For those under a salary-based system, salary payments shall be suspended, and only food provisions for the individual shall be supplied. Regardless of whether an individual is under the salary system or the supply system, subsidies may be granted at the discretion of the authorities in the event of illness;

8. For those removed from their posts pending investigation: if they were originally under the supply system, any subsidies previously received by their family members shall continue to be issued; if they were originally under the salary system, any genuine hardships faced by their family members shall be addressed through social relief measures.

III. Any individual arrested and brought to justice shall have all badges, insignia, and identification documents previously worn or held by them confiscated. Upon admission to a prison, they shall be issued prison attire and treated in the same manner as ordinary inmates; no special treatment of any kind shall be permitted.

IV. For any individual removed from their position due to ineffective leadership in the "Three-Anti" campaign, or suspended from duty pending investigation on suspicion of corruption, their original political privileges shall be revoked. However, their material living conditions (such as salary and mess arrangements) may remain unchanged for the time being, pending a final determination once the facts of the case have been clarified.