June 13, 1951
Telegram from Mao Zedong to I.V. Stalin, via Roshchin

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Summary:
Response to Stalin’s telegram from the same day. Mao tells Stalin that Peng Dehuai needs Soviet advisers and gives some details about the current military situation in Korea.

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Russian

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SECOND MAIN ADMINISTRATION OF THE GENERAL STAFF OF THE
SOVIET ARMY

CIPHERED TELEGRAM No. 20772
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To Comrade FILIPPOV [Stalin]
To my [telegram] No. 2967 (vkh. No. 20757).
13.6.51 at 22:00 Beijing time I received the following telegram addressed to you
from MAO ZEDONG.

"To Comrade FILIPPOV.

I received your telegram of 13 June.

Today I received a telegram from Comrades GAO GANG and KIM IL SUNG. I
communicated our opinion on the question of an armistice to Comrade GAO
GANG in order for him to relay it to you and receive instructions from you. I won’t
write about it in detail here.

Comrade PENG DEHUAI very much needs Soviet advisers on strategy and
tactics. It would be desirable if you could send them as soon as possible.

With regard to the participation of eight fighter divisions in battles, in accordance
with your advice, I gave an order to the General Staff to draw up a plan. In
addition, I gave an order to Comrade PENG DEHUAI that our troops firmly hold
the line of defense at the second and third defensive lines and create a new
defensive line.

The position at the front in June will be such that our forces will be
comparatively weaker than those of the enemy. In July we will be stronger than
in June and in August we will be even stronger. We will be ready in August to
make a stronger blow to the enemy.

MAO ZEDONG
13.6.51"

ROSHCHIN

No. 2974
13.6.51

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