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Instructions from the CCP Central Committee on Handling the Issue of Ethnic Koreans in the Northeast Going to Korea

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Summary:
The CCP Central Committee emphasizes the CCP's solidarity with the Korean Workers' Party and instructs Provincial Committees to quickly approve requests for ethnic Koreans to travel to North Korea.

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[To] the Northeast Bureau, Jilin, Heilongjiang, and Liaoning Provincial Committees, the North China Bureau and the Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region Party Committee:

1. As the international revisionists line up with the imperialists and reactionaries to oppose China and the world’s people, the Korean [Workers’] Party is standing firmly with us. We are loyal comrades in arms, and the relations between our two countries are excellent—it is [a relationship] of mutual assistance. Therefore, when we handle issues related to [North] Korea, we should take them seriously. We must handle these issues well and we cannot make mistakes. The counties and districts and foreign affairs, public security, border defense and customs work units where ethnic Koreans and Korean immigrants live should strengthen education about proletarian internationalism and Sino-Korean friendship.

2. If ethnic Koreans have social relations with [North] Korea and they have applied to participate in the development of [North] Korea, then in general we should allow them to move and reside in [North] Korea. We will not make additional restrictions. As for the [North] Korean nationals who requested to return to [North] Korea, we will approve each of these requests.

3. Regarding the [North] Korean request for travel authorizations for family members who are related to officers of the Korean People’s Army and who are also Chinese nationals or residents in China: we should actively implement the instructions from the State Council’s Foreign Affairs Telegram 182. Quickly go through the procedures so that they [the family members] can take their trip as soon as possible.

Please report back immediately on the current situation and [any] existing issues.

Central Committee

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