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**Summary, Zhou Enlai's presentation at a meeting of the
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Summary:

Zhou Enlai states that under the current situation the communist side should make concessions on the Laos and Cambodia questions so that the conference will continue. Additionally he sees the key issue in the negotiation now is whether to acknowledge that there are Vietnamese troops in the two countries.

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Under the current circumstances, our side should make some concession on the Laos and Cambodia questions in accordance with our established policies, so that the conference will continue, and that the ways through which agreements can be achieved will be identified. The key issue in the negotiation now is whether to acknowledge that there are Vietnamese troops in the two countries. Therefore it is appropriate [for our side] to use the concession of acknowledging the existence of Vietnamese troops in Laos and Cambodia to exchange for compensation on the issue of dividing zones in Vietnam.