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Decision of 28 August 1951

280. Telegram of Comrade Mao Zedong of 27 August (No. 4279)

To adopt the attached draft answer of Comrade Filippov to Comrade Mao Zedong.

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TO KRASOVSKY

For transmission to MAO ZEDONG

"Comrade Mao Zedong!

We received your telegram of August 27.

We agree with your evaluation of the present condition of the negotiations in Kaeseong and with your line on the necessity of getting a satisfactory answer on the question of the incident provoked by the Americans to pressure the Chinese-Korean side. As before, with regard to this we will proceed from the fact that the Americans have greater need to continue the negotiations.

We do not see the use in inviting, according to your initiative, representatives of neutral states to participate in the negotiations as monitors and witnesses during the present period of negotiations. The negative side of this proposal is that the Americans will view it as [an indication] that the Chinese-Korean side has more need quickly to reach an agreement about an armistice than do the Americans. If you are of such an opinion on this question, then you must communicate this to Comrade Kim Il Sung.

FILIPPOV [Stalin]."

[The telegram was sent to Beijing on August 29.]