Ambassador Ni [Zhiliang]:

[I] have received the telegrams from [October] 2 and [October] 3. Based on the current situation, our military officer observation group should not go south of the 38th Parallel. They should be divided into two groups: one group should examine the situation(s) near Pyongyang and the Pyongyang-Andong [Dandong] line and the Pyongyang-Ji'an line. The other group should examine the situation(s) along the Pyongyang-Wonsan line and the Wonsan-Cheongjin line and in the northern mountain area. For the situation(s) between the Pyongyang –Wonsan line and the 38th Parallel, [you] may also examine briefly, if possible, without going deeper. Three large trucks and one medium sized truck will be allocated by the Northeast.

Zhou Enlai

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