IMPORTANT NOTICE OF PEKING MUNICIPAL REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE Peking, Pei-ching Kung-jen, 17 May 1967

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- 1. Revolutionary masses must firmly carry out the instruction of Chairman Mao and the Party Central Committee about "grasping the revolution and stimulating production" and strive for a bumper harvest in both revolution and production.
- 2. Chairman Mao's instruction of carrying out struggle through reason and not by force or coercion must be carried out resolutely. Fighting, smashing things, looting, confiscation of property and arrests are strictly prohibited. The small number of people who incite others to struggle by force or coercion and those who are seriously guilty of beating up other people should be punished according to the proletarian law of the State.

Peking Garrison troops of the People's Liberation Army and representatives of the PLA have the power to handle problems of struggle by force or coercion, and all concerned must obey and must not refuse to carry out their suggestions.

- 3. Nobody is allowed to wreck State property, to use means of transport to facilitate participation in struggle by force or coercion, and to mobilize persons to take part in struggle by force or coercion in other units.
- 4. Chairman Mao's warning that "disregard of discipline and trends of anarchism existent in many places must be overcome without fail" must be observed and acted upon resolutely. Nobody is allowed to violate labor discipline or to be absent from work without reason. Effort must be made persistently to struggle against all phenomena of disturbing the revolution and the order of production.
- 5. Organs of the proletarian dictatorship should follow Chairman Mao's teachings, firmly support the proletarian revolutionaries, and shoulder the sacred responsibility of maintaining and consolidating the revolutionary order under the dictatorship of the proletariat, protecting State property and defending the great proletarian cultural revolution.
- 6. The Circular issued on 20 April by the CCP, Central Committee, the State Council, the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee, and the Cultural Revolution Group under the CCP Central Committee banning travel to other places to establish revolutionary ties must be enforced without fail. With the exception of those who have obtained special permission by the CCP Central Committee, all students and the masses of Peking who have gone to other parts of the country to establish revolutionary ties must immediately return to Peking. Students and the masses who have come from other parts of the country to establish revolutionary ties in Peking should likewise return where they have come from.

This notice is effective from the date of announcement, and concrete measures are to be taken by the Standing Committee of the Peking Municipal Revolutionary Committee.

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