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MOSCOW, FEBRUARY FOURTH (HSINHUA) -- FOLLOWING IS

THE FULL TEXT OF THE SPEECH BY KANG SHENG, ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL BUREAU OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CHINA, AT THE CONFERENCE OF THE POLITICAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE MEMBER STATES OF THE WARSAW TREATY ON FEBRUARY FOURTH.

COMRADE CHAIRMAN, DEAR COMRADES:

IN THE CAPACITY OF AN OBSERVER OF THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA, I HAVE THE HONOUR TO ATTEND THE REGULAR CONFERENCE OF THE POLITICAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE MEMBER STATES OF THE WARSAW TREATY. WE ARE CONVINCED THAT THE CONVENING OF THE CONFERENCE WILL MAKE NEW CONTRIBUTIONS TO FURTHER RELAXING THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION, AND TO ENCOURAGING THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD IN THEIR STRUGGLE AGAINST ARMS EXPANSION AND WAR PREPARATIONS AND FOR A LASTING PEACE. WE WISH THE CONFERENCE SUCCESS.

THE CURRENT INTERNATIONAL SITUATION IS CONTINUING TO DEVELOP IN A DIRECTION FAVOURABLE TO PEACE. THERE HAVE APPEARED CERTAIN TENDENCIES TOWARD RELAXATION IN THE INTERNATIONAL TENSION CREATED BY IMPERIALISM. COMRADE NIKITA KHRUSHCHOV MADE A SUCCESSFUL VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES. PROMPTED BY THE SOVIET UNIONS FOREIGN POLICY OF PEACE AND THE PEACE-LOVING PEOPLE AND COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD, AN EAST-WEST SUMMIT CONFERENCE WILL SOON BE CONVENED. AS TO THE DISARMAMENT QUESTION, CERTAIN PROCEDURAL AGREEMENTS HAVE BEEN REACHED.

THE CHINESE PEOPLE AND PEACE-LOVING PEOPLE AND COUNTRIES THE
WORLD OVER ALL REJOICE OVER ALL THIS. THE EMERGENCE OF
SUCH A SITUATION IS NOT ACCIDENTAL. THIS IS THE RESULT OF
REPEATED STRUGGLES

BY THE SOCIALIST FORCES, THE NATIONAL REVOLUTIONARY FORCES AND THE
FORCES OF PEACE AND DEMOCRACY AGAINST THE IMPERIALIST WAR FORCES
IN RESULT OF THE EAST WIND PREVAILING OVER THE WEST WIND. *

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PEOPLE STRENGTH AND THE STRONG UNITY OF THE SOCIALIST
CAMP HEADED BY THE SOVIET UNION AND ITS DISTINGUISHED AND EFFECTIVE
EFFORTS IN THE CAUSE OF PEACE ARE THE DECISIVE FACTORS FOR THE
TENDENCY TOWARD RELAXATION IN THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION. WE ARE
HAPPY TO SEE THAT THE TEMPO OF CONSTRUCTION IN ALL THE SOCIALIST
COUNTRIES IS ACCELERATING AND THE MATERIAL STRENGTH IS GREATLY
INCREASING. PARTICULARLY IN CARRYING OUT ITS ENORMOUS SEVEN-YEAR
PLAN, THE SOVIET UNION HAS SCORED BRILLIANT ACHIEVEMENTS. THE
SOVIET SUCCESS IN REPEATED LAUNCHING OF MAN-MADE EARTH SATELLITES
AND COSMIC ROCKETS MARKS THE FACT THAT IN THE MOST IMPORTANT
FIELDS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, THE SOVIET UNION HAS LEFT THE
UNITED STATES FAR BEHIND. THE BALANCE OF FORCES INTERNATIONALLY
HAS UNDERGONE A FURTHER, HUGE CHANGE FAVOURABLE TO PEACE AND
SOCIALISM WHICH GREATLY STRENGTHENS THE WILL TO STRUGGLE AND
CONFIDENCE IN VICTORY OF THE PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. *

THE UNSWERVING STRUGGLE CARRIED OUT BY THE POWERFUL WORLD
FORCES OF PEACE HAS MADE THE U.S. IMPERIALIST POLICIES OF "POSITION
OF STRENGTH" AND "BRINK TO 87,5 SUFFER REPEATED SETBACKS. THE
UNITED STATES IS NOT ONLY INCREASINGLY ISOLATED DAY BY DAY
POLITICALLY AND MILITARILY, ITS FORCES ARE WIDELY DISPERSED
AND NEW WEAPONS ARE LAGGING BEHIND, BUT ALSO ECONOMICALLY,
IT IS IN AN EVER MORE DIFFICULT SITUATION. UNDER THIS CIRCUMSTANCE,
PARTICULARLY
UNDER THE PRESSURE OF THE STRONG DESIRE FOR PEACE OF

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RULING CIRCLES HAD TO MAKE SOME PEACE GESTURES. OF COURSE IT IS BETTER TO TALK ABOUT PEACE THAN TO TALK ABOUT WAR. NEVERTHELESS, EVEN THE U.S. RULING CIRCLES DID NOT TRY TO HIDE THE FACT THAT THEIR CHANGE IN THE WAY OF DOING THINGS WAS AIMED AT NUMBING THE FIGHTING SPIRIT OF THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD BY MEANS OF THE "STRATEGY TO WIN VICTORY BY PEACE", WRECKING THE UNITY OF THE PEACE FORCES OF THE WORLD, DISMEMBERING THE SOCIALIST CAMP, AND THEY ARE EVEN DREAMING OF A "PEACEFUL EVOLUTION" IN THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES. SUCH WILD ATTEMPTS BY THE U.S. RULING CIRCLES CERTAINLY CAN NOT BE REALISED. WHILE BEING COMPELLED TO MAKE CERTAIN PEACE GESTURES, THE U.S. RULING CIRCLES ARE STILL CARRYING OUT INTENSIVELY ARMS EXPANSION AND WAR PREPARATIONS, EXPANDING VIGOROUSLY THEIR INTER-CONTINENTAL MISSILES PROGRAMME, SETTING UP AND EXPANDING MISSILE BASES IN VARIOUS PLACES, CLAIMING TO BE READY AT ANY TIME TO RESUME NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS, AND ACTIVELY TRYING TO PATCH UP AND STRENGTHEN MILITARY BLOCS IN AN ATTEMPT TO GAIN TIME TO IMPROVE ITS INFERIOR MILITARY POSITION. '

RECENTLY, U.S. PRESIDENT EISENHOWER'S STATE OF THE UNION MESSAGE GAVE THE CLEAREST INDICATION THAT THE UNITED STATES NEW TRICKS ARE AIMED AT GAINING PRECISELY WHAT IT FAILED TO OBTAIN BY ITS OLD TRICKS. THE ACTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES FULLY PROVE THAT ITS IMPERIALIST NATURE CANNOT BE CHANGED. AMERICAN IMPERIALISM IS STILL THE PRINCIPAL ENEMY OF WORLD PEACE. ALL THOSE IN THE WORLD SINCERELY WORKING FOR PEACE MUST MAINTAIN VIGILANCE AGAINST U.S. DOUBLE-DEALING. IF OUR SOCIALIST CAMP AND THE PEOPLE OF ALL COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD CONTINUE TO STRENGTHEN UNITY, CONTINUE TO FORTIFY OUR STRENGTH AND THOROUGHLY CRUSH ALL THE INTRIGUES AND SCHEMES OF THE ENEMY

OF PEACE, THE UNITED STATES

PUSHED EVER FURTHER

BACK AND EVEN BE CHECKED, AND THE CAUSE IN DEFENCE OF PEACE WILL WIN GREATER VICTORY. '

GENERAL DISARMAMENT IS AN IMPORTANT QUESTION AT PRESENT IN THE DEFENCE OF WORLD PEACE. SINCE WORLD WAR TWO, THE SOVIET UNION HAS REPEATEDLY MADE POSITIVE PROPOSALS FOR DISARMAMENT, THE BANNING OF ATOMIC WEAPONS AND THE ENDING OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS. THE SOVIET UNION AND OTHER SOCIALIST COUNTRIES HAVE, ON THEIR OWN INITIATIVE, REDUCED THEIR ARMED FORCES. NOT LONG AGO, THE SOVIET UNION PROPOSED GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT AT THE U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY. IT THEN ADOPTED A RESOLUTION AT A SUPREME SOVIET SESSION AGAIN UNILATERALLY TO SLASH ITS ARMED FORCES BY ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND MEN. THESE FACTS CONVINCINGLY SHOW THE SINCERITY OF THE SOVIET UNION AND OTHER SOCIALIST COUNTRIES FOR PEACE AND CONFIDENCE IN THEIR OWN STRENGTH. '

ALTHOUGH U.S. IMPERIALISM DARES NOT OPPOSE DISARMAMENT VERBALLY, IT HAS ALWAYS IN FACT UNDERMINED GENERAL DISARMAMENT. WHENEVER CERTAIN U.S. PROPOSALS WERE ACCEPTED BY THE SOVIET UNION, THE U.S. ALWAYS FOUND NEW PRETEXTS TO RETREAT FROM ITS ORIGINAL POSITION, CREATING ALL KINDS OF DIFFICULTIES AND IN EVERY WAY PREVENTING THE REACHING OF AGREEMENT ON THE DISARMAMENT QUESTION. U.S. MOVES PROVE THAT IT WILL NOT GIVE UP THE POLICY OF ARMS RACE. THEREFORE, THE STRUGGLE FOR GENERAL DISARMAMENT IS A LONG-TERM AND COMPLICATED STRUGGLE BETWEEN US AND IMPERIALISM. '

THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND THE CHINESE PEOPLE HAVE ALWAYS ADVOCATED GENERAL DISARMAMENT, AND ACTIVELY SUPPORTED THE PROPOSALS CONCERNING DISARMAMENT OF THE SOVIET UNION AND OTHER

TO AGREEMENT WITH THE WESTERN POWERS ON THE CONCLUSION OF A GERMAN PEACE TREATY AND ON ENDING THE OCCUPATION REGIME IN WEST BERLIN, THE SOVIET UNION HAS MADE MANY CONCESSIONS, WHEREAS THE WESTERN POWERS HAVE MADE NO APPROPRIATE RESPONSE. THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE WILL STEADFASTLY SUPPORT THE BASIC STAND TAKEN BY THE SOVIET UNION AND THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC ON THE SOLUTION OF THE GERMAN QUESTION, AND THE STRUGGLE OF THE GERMAN PEOPLE FOR THEIR NATIONAL REUNIFICATION ON THE BASIS OF PEACE AND DEMOCRACY.

WHILE MAKING INTENSIFIED EFFORTS TO REARM WEST GERMANY, U.S. IMPERIALISM IS REVIVING JAPANESE MILITARISM IN THE EAST, AND HAS SIGNED A JAPANESE-U.S. MILITARY ALLIANCE TREATY WITH THE KISHI GOVERNMENT, ITS CLOSE FOLLOWER. THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT HAS MADE A STATEMENT STRONGLY CONDEMNING THIS ACTION OF THE U.S. AND JAPANESE REACTIONARIES WHICH THREATENS THE PEACE AND SECURITY OF ASIA. THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT, TOO, HAS SENT A MEMORANDUM TO THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT, POINTING OUT THAT THE TREATY SERIOUSLY ENDANGERS THE INTERESTS OF THE SOVIET UNION, CHINA AND MANY OTHER COUNTRIES IN THE ASIAN AND PACIFIC REGION. THE PEOPLE OF ALL LANDS, INCLUDING THE JAPANESE PEOPLE, STAND UNANIMOUSLY AGAINST THIS FURTHER STEP OF MILITARY COLLUSION BETWEEN THE U.S. AND JAPANESE REACTIONARIES.

THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE HOLD THAT WEST GERMANY AND JAPAN, WHICH ARE SUPPORTED ENERGETICALLY BY U.S. IMPERIALISM, HAVE BECOME TWO SOURCES OF SERIOUS WAR DANGER. ALL PEACE-LOVING PEOPLES AND COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD MUST MAINTAIN HIGH VIGILANCE AGAINST THIS, AND, BY MAKING EVERY KIND OF EFFORT, HOLD IN CHECK THE MILITARISM OF THESE TWO COUNTRIES AS THE SABOTEUR OF PEACE.

IN OTHER PARTS OF ASIA, U.S. IMPERIALISM IS ALSO CONTINUING TO CREATE INTERNATIONAL TENSION. THE CHINESE PEOPLES VOLUNTEERS WITHDREW VOLUNTARILY FROM KOREA LONG AGO, BUT THE U.S. FORCES ARE STILL INSISTING ON REMAINING IN SOUTH KOREA AND ARE TRYING HARD TO OBSTRUCT KOREAS PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION. THE UNITED STATES SUPPORTED THE REACTIONARY FORCES IN LAOS, UNDERMINED THE GENEVA AGREEMENTS AND THE VIENTIANE AGREEMENTS AND PROVOKED CIVIL WAR IN LAOS. AT THE SINO-AMERICAN AMBASSADORIAL TALKS, CHINA HAS BEEN PERSISTENTLY ADVOCATING THE PRINCIPLE OF SETTLING THE DISPUTES BETWEEN CHINA AND THE UNITED STATES BY MEANS OF PEACEFUL NEGOTIATIONS AND NOT RESORTING TO FORCE OR THREAT BY FORCE. BUT THE UNITED STATES HAS ALL ALONG REFUSED TO REACH AGREEMENT WITH CHINA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PRINCIPLE AND HAS BEEN OCCUPYING UNTIL NOW OUR TERRITORY OF TAIWAN. THE U.S. NAVY AND AIR FORCE HAVE BEEN CONSTANTLY MAKING MILITARY PROVOCATIONS AGAINST OUR COUNTRY DESPITE REPEATED WARNINGS. THEREFORE, THE CHINESE PEOPLE AND ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD MUST UNITE STILL MORE CLOSELY AND RESOLUTELY SMASH THE U.S. SCHEME FOR NEW WAR AND AGGRESSION IN ASIA. '

THE FOREIGN POLICY OF OUR SOCIALIST COUNTRIES HAS ADHERED TO THE PRINCIPLE OF PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE AMONG COUNTRIES OF DIFFERENT SOCIAL SYSTEMS. WE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES WILL NEVER ENCROACH UPON OTHERS, BUT NEITHER WILL WE TOLERATE ENCROACHMENT BY OTHERS. LENIN SAID THAT TO ACHIEVE PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE, NO OBSTACLE WOULD COME FROM THE SOVIET SIDE. OBSTACLES COULD COME ONLY FROM IMPERIALISM, FROM THE SIDE OF AMERICAN (AS WELL AS ANY OTHER) CAPITALISTS.

WE WILL CONTINUE TO ADHERE TO LENINS PRINCIPLE OF PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE. OUR EFFORTS TO CARRY OUT THIS PRINCIPLE HAVE WON THE SUPPORT OF INCREASING NUMBERS OF PEOPLE. BUT IF THE IMPERIALIST REACTIONARIES MISTAKE THIS FOR AN EXPRESSION OF OUR WEAKNESS AND DARE TO IMPOSE WAR ON US, THEN THEY WILL ONLY BE INVITING THEIR OWN DESTRUCTION. '

THE CHINESE PEOPLE SYMPATHISE WITH AND SUPPORT THE NATIONAL, DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT OF THE PEOPLES OF ASIA, AFRICA, AND THE LATIN AMERICA AND STRIVE TO HAVE LONG TERM FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH THE NATIONALIST COUNTRIES IN ASIA AND AFRICA ON THE BASIS OF THE FIVE PRINCIPLES OF PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE INITIATED BY OUR COUNTRY TOGETHER WITH INDIA AND BURMA. THE IMPERIALISTS, IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THEIR ULTERIOR MOTIVES, HAVE TRIED BY EVERY MEANS TO UNDERMINE OUR UNITY WITH THESE COUNTRIES. ONE OF THEIR MAJOR TACTICS TO UNDERMINE THIS UNITY IS TO USE THE BORDER ISSUE OR THE OVERSEAS CHINESE ISSUE, WHICH ARE LEGACIES OF HISTORY, TO SOW DISCORD AND CREATE ANTI-CHINA SCHEMES, IN AN ATTEMPT TO ISOLATE CHINA. THE REACTIONARY FORCES OF CERTAIN ASIAN COUNTRIES ALSO MAKE USE OF THESE ISSUES TO TRY TO UNDERMINE THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF THESE COUNTRIES AND THE CHINESE PEOPLE, IN AN ATTEMPT TO USE THE ANTI-CHINA CAMPAIGN TO DIVERT THE ATTENTION OF THE PEOPLE OF THESE COUNTRIES FROM DOMESTIC QUESTIONS AND TO CREATE PRETEXTS FOR SUPPRESSING THE DEMOCRATIC, PROGRESSIVE FORCES IN THEIR OWN COUNTRIES. IN OUR RELATIONS WITH CERTAIN NATIONALIST COUNTRIES, THERE MAY APPEAR A SMALL PATCH OF DARK CLOUDS, BUT THE SUN CANNOT BE OVERSHADOWED FOR LONG AND FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN OUR PEOPLE AND THE PEOPLE OF THESE COUNTRIES WILL BE MAINTAINED AND DEVELOPED. '

RECENTLY, THE INDONESIAN AND CHINESE GOVERNMENTS EXCHANGED THE INSTRUMENTS OF RATIFICATION OF THE TREATY CONCERNING THE QUESTION OF DUAL NATIONALITY, SET UP A JOINT COMMITTEE TO IMPLEMENT THE TREATY AND STARTED TALKS ON QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE RETURN OF OVERSEAS CHINESE TO THEIR COUNTRY. OVERALL SETTLEMENT OF THE OVERSEAS CHINESE QUESTION STILL NEEDS A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME AND MAY STILL GO THROUGH SOME UPS AND DOWNS. BUT, IF BOTH SIDES VALUE THEIR FRIENDSHIP, PERSIST IN PEACEFUL CONSULTATIONS AND SERIOUSLY CARRY OUT THE AGREEMENTS ALREADY REACHED, THE OVERSEAS CHINESE QUESTION CAN BE SOLVED JUSTLY AND REASONABLY. '

CHINA AND BURMA HAVE ALWAYS HAD FRIENDLY RELATIONS. RECENTLY, BURMESE PRIME MINISTER NE WIN VISITED CHINA AND SIGNED WITH THE CHINESE PREMIER THE SINO-BURMESE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL NON-AGGRESSION AND AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS ON THE BOUNDARY QUESTION. THIS NOT ONLY SIGNIFIES THAT THE FRIENDLY RELATIONS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES HAVE ENTERED A NEW STAGE, BUT ALSO SETS A NEW EXAMPLE FOR THE FRIENDLY SOLIDARITY OF AFRO-ASIAN COUNTRIES. THE ~~SINO-BURMESE BORDER QUESTION IS A COMPLICATED ONE LEFT BY~~ HISTORY. THE IMPERIALIST REACTIONARIES USED THIS QUESTION TO SOW DISSENSION AND CAUSE DIVISION. BUT THE GOVERNMENTS OF CHINA AND BURMA BOTH SINCERELY DESIRE PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP. THEREFORE, THE TWO PARTIES WERE ABLE TO REACH AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE SPEEDILY AND PAVE THE WAY FOR OVERALL, THOROUGH SETTLEMENT OF THIS QUESTION. THE SINO-BURMESE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL NON-AGGRESSION IS STRIKING PROOF THAT THE FIVE PRINCIPLES OF PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE NOT ONLY ARE NOT "OUTDATED" OR "DEAD" AS CERTAIN REACTIONARY ELEMENTS AND WAR INSTIGATORS IN THE WORLD, ALLEGED BUT, ON THE CONTRARY, ARE SHOWING TO AN EVER GREATER EXTENT THEIR GREAT VITALITY.

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THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY AND THE CHINESE PEOPLE HAVE ALWAYS TAKEN AS THEIR SACRED INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATION THE SAFEGUARDING OF THE UNITY OF THE SOCIALIST CAMP HEADED BY THE SOVIET UNION. THEY ALWAYS REGARD AN ATTACK AGAINST ANY SOCIALIST COUNTRY BY THE IMPERIALISTS AND REACTIONARIES AS AN ATTACK AGAINST CHINA. THEY HAVE ALWAYS CONSIDERED THAT THE MODERN REVISIONISTS OF YUGOSLAVIA ARE RENEGADES TO THE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT, THAT REVISIONISM IS THE MAIN DANGER IN THE PRESENT COMMUNIST MOVEMENT AND THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO WAGE A RESOLUTE STRUGGLE AGAINST REVISIONISM. THIS STAND OF OURS IS FIRM AND UNSHAKABLE. IN THE CAUSE OF WORKING FOR PEACE AND SOCIALISM, WE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES WILL SURELY EXTEND MORE SUPPORT AND HELP TO EACH OTHER. AS LONG AS THE SOCIALIST CAMP IS UNITED, THE UNITY OF THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD HAS A FIRM NUCLEUS AND THE VICTORY OF OUR CAUSE IS RELIABLY GUARANTEED.

THE PRESENT SITUATION IS EXTREMELY FAVOURABLE TO US.
LET US HOLD ALOFT THE BANNER OF PEACE, THE BANNER OF SOCIALISM AND COMMUNISM AND MARCH VICTORIOUSLY TOWARD OUR GREAT GOAL
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