

Moscow, Nov. 12, 1923.

Dear comrade:

We have received your letter of 5th instant and we are glad that you arrived at Holland without any trouble.

We have not seen comrade Joffe and he is living with us but very sick.

Yesterday we had a talk with comrade Sklinsky, that has settled the question on military plan. He emphasised on the political work in China itself and said that during the period of political work we have to \*\*Expreparation\*\*xwork\*\*xon prepare for the military work. Therefore he proposed to send three to seven comrades of high military standing to the Akadamy of the staff and to open a branch in the lower military school for the trusted comrades of number of thirty to fifty. This will be the results of our mission.

As to thexmeetingxof the commission of the Comintern, comrade Voitinsky has informed us about the change of comrade Bouharin in stead of com. Radek. But the commission has not met as yet. Before our going we must see com. Bouharin.

We have decided to go on 22nd instant. Concerning your going to China, before we leave Moscow we will let you know.

Chantaly will write letter to Sima find out how she is living there. Her sister has come to us and informed us about that Sima likes to come to Moscow but she cannot come owing to the lack of room for her.

With greetings to you and to your wife and boys.

yours sincerely,

Chreing Kai seh