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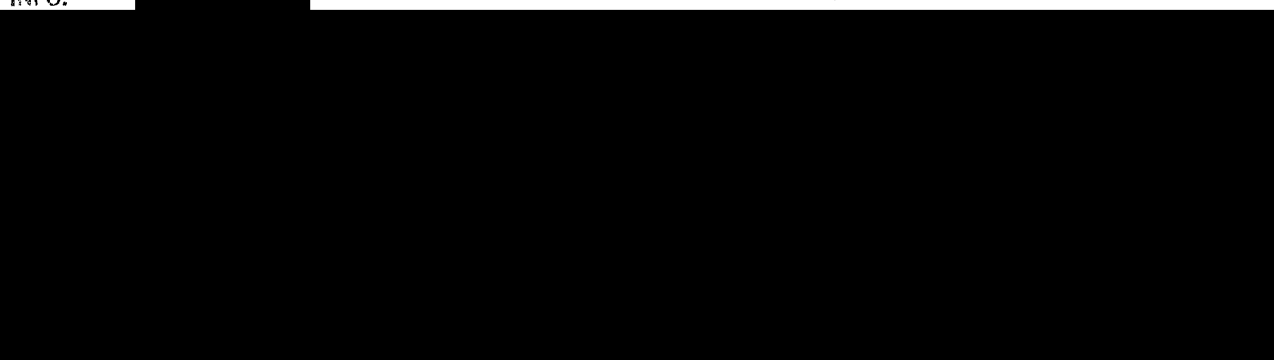
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1. Whether military operations will be continued after the liberation of Taiwan and Tibet is the principal issue between top-level Chinese Communist Party leaders and the Party rank and file. The lower ranks are not absolutely opposed to foreign war, but they believe that a third world war is not likely to come and they look forward to a period of relaxation after the conquest of Taiwan and Tibet. Leaders feel, however, that another war is inevitable and that Communist China must ally herself with the Soviet Union.
2. The CCP leaders have attempted to convince the lower ranks that they, too, desire peace after the fall of Taiwan and Tibet.

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