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The Chinese Communists have banned all gossip and rumors concerning the bombing of the North Korean power plants. High-ranking Chinese Communists believe that the American bombing was an attempt to strike a bargain for peace and silence criticism of the American Government at home. The Chinese will continue to cooperate closely with Moscow, maintain a peaceful attitude and seek a favorable cease fire. They will not be tempted into reckless action by American irritations.

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