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POLITBURO of the CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY

STANDING COMMITTEE (IN RANK ORDER)



Mao Tse-tung
Chairman, CCP-CC



Chou En-lai
Vice Chairman, CCP-CC;
Premier, State Council



Wang Hung-wen
Vice Chairman, CCP-CC;
Vice Chairman, MC;
Secretary, Shanghai CCP;
Vice Chairman, Shanghai MRC



K'ang Sheng
Vice Chairman, CCP-CC



Yeh Chien-ying
Vice Chairman, CCP-CC;
Minister of National Defense;
Vice Chairman, MC



Teng Hsiao-p'ing
Vice Chairman, CCP-CC;
Vice Premier, State Council;
Vice Chairman, MC;
Chief of Staff, PLA



Chu Te
Chairman, NPC



Chang Ch'un-ch'iao
Vice Premier, State Council;
Director, GPD, PLA;
1st Secretary, Shanghai CCP;
Chairman, Shanghai MRC

FULL MEMBERS



Ch'en Hsi-lien
Vice Premier, State Council;
Commander, Peking MR



Ch'en Yung-kuei
Vice Premier, State Council;
Secretary, Shensi CCP;
Vice Chairman, Shensi PRC



Chi Teng-kuei
Vice Premier, State Council;
1st Political Commissar,
Peking MR



Chiang Ch'ing
Wife of Mao Tse-tung



Hui Shih-yu
Commander, Canton MR



Hua Kuo-feng
Vice Premier, State Council;
Minister of Public Security



Ni Chih-fu
Vice Chairman, Peking MRC;
Chairman, Peking Trade
Union Council



Sai-fu-ting
1st Secretary, Sinkiang CCP;
Chairman, Sinkiang PRC;
1st Political Commissar, Sinkiang MR



Li Hsien-nien
Vice Premier, State Council



Li Te-sheng
Commander, Shenyang MR



Liu Po-ch'eng
Vice Chairman, NPC



Wang Tung-hsing
Director, General Office,
CCP-CC



Wei Kuo-ch'ing
1st Secretary, Kwangtung CCP;
Chairman, Kwangtung PRC;
1st Political Commissar,
Canton MR



Wu Te
1st Secretary, Peking CCP;
Chairman, Peking MRC;
2nd Political Commissar,
Peking MR



Yao Wen-yuan
2nd Secretary, Shanghai CCP;
Vice Chairman, Shanghai MRC



Su Chen-hua
Deputy Commander, Navy



Wu Kuei-hsien
Vice Premier, State Council;
Secretary, Shensi CCP

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This chart identifies members of the Politburo of the Chinese Communist Party Central Committee. With the exception of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, who joined the Politburo in mid-January 1974, all the members were elected during the 1st Plenary Session of the 10th CCP-CC on 30 August 1973. Since the latter date, Teng Hsiao-p'ing has replaced Li Te-sheng as a Vice Chairman of the CCP-CC and member of the Standing Committee (January 1975) and Tung P'ing has died (April 1975). All persons on this chart are full members of the CCP-CC.

Abbreviations:
CCP- Chinese Communist Party
CCP-CC- Chinese Communist Party Central Committee
GPD- General Political Department
MC- Military Commission, CCP-CC
MR- Military Region

MRC- Municipal Revolutionary Committee
NPC- National People's Congress
PLA- People's Liberation Army
PRC- Provincial Revolutionary Committee

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MAO Tse-tung
(3029/3419/2639)

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

毛泽东

Chairman, and Member,
Standing Committee,
Politburo, Chinese
Communist Party Central
Committee



Addressed as:
Mr. Chairman

Mao Tse-tung, 81, a founder of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP), became a Politburo member in 1932 and Chairman of the Central Committee in 1935. Despite precarious health, Mao retains a dominant voice in Peking, and his name gives authority to major domestic and international political initiatives. In addition, he meets with selected visiting foreigners; during the first 10 months of 1975, he met 15 visiting groups including that headed by Secretary of State Henry Kissinger in October.

Meetings with Mao are almost invariably arranged on short notice. Despite physical weakness--

Parkinson's disease--Mao remains lucid, highly opinionated and well informed about world events. His comments, delivered in a barely audible tone, require the combined interpretative skills of two officials.

The charismatic Mao achieved his present position after many years of struggle both before and after the Communists won the civil war in 1949. He has made ample use of various suppressive movements and purges to rid the CCP of opponents. His latest efforts, the Cultural Revolution (1966-69) and the purge of former Defense Minister Lin Piao and his followers (1971), secured Mao's political position but left a legacy of divisiveness that still plagues China.

Mao is married to Politburo member Chiang Ch'ing, his fourth wife.

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CHOU En-lai
(Phonetic: joe)
(0719/1869/0171)

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

周恩来

Premier, State Council;
Vice Chairman and Member,
Standing Committee, Polit-
buro, Chinese Communist
Party Central Committee



Addressed as:
Mr. Premier

Chou En-lai, 77, has been Premier of the People's Republic of China since 1949 and, as ranking vice chairman of the Central Committee and a member of the Standing Committee of the Politburo, he is the second-ranking Chinese Communist Party leader. Until early 1974 he was the most active of the collective party leadership. Since then, hospitalized by at least one heart attack, episodes of congestive heart failure [REDACTED] Chou has relinquished most of his official duties to a group of Vice Premiers headed by Teng Hsiao-p'ing. Chou probably retains his influence in policy matters and, until early September 1975, met with visitors. His failure to meet with important visitors to Peking, including Secretary of State Henry Kissinger in October, suggests that his physical condition has deteriorated.

A diplomat and statesman, Chou has excelled in foreign affairs. By temperament more an administrator than a theoretician, he is a suave, urbane pragmatist who has proved his competence and durability in more than 40 years of service to the party. Critics of his moderate approaches to China's economic and political development have consistently failed to damage his political stature.

Chou speaks Russian, English and some French, and fragmentary German and Japanese. Officially, he converses in Chinese with the aid of an interpreter. Chou is married to Teng Ying-ch'ao, a Central Committee member. They have no children.

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TENG Hsiao-p'ing
(Phonetic: dung)
(6772/1420/1627)

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

邓小平

Vice Premier, State Council; Member, Standing Committee, Politburo

Addressed as:
Mr. Vice Premier



Teng Hsiao-p'ing, 71, the second highest ranking victim of the Cultural Revolution (1966-69), reentered public life as a Vice Premier in April 1973. He was elected to the 10th Chinese Communist Party (CCP) Central Committee in August 1973 and to the Politburo in January 1974. In January 1975 he was named a vice chairman of the Central Committee, a member of the Standing Committee of the Politburo, and Chief of Staff of the People's Liberation Army and was confirmed as the leading Vice Premier of the State Council. Teng appears to have assumed most of Premier Chou En-lai's duties in domestic and international affairs and is currently the leading candidate to succeed the ailing Premier. Teng took the leading role in discussions with US Secretary of State Henry Kissinger during the latter's visit to China in October 1975 and is likely to do so during President Ford's visit.

After studying in the USSR in 1925, Teng held an impressive array of political and governmental posts. He first became a Vice Premier in 1952 and a member of the Politburo in 1954. Representing the CCP in critical meetings with leaders of the Soviet Communist Party in the early stages (1960-63) of the Sino-Soviet rift, Teng forcefully presented the Chinese position on major ideological issues.

The Vice Premier has a strong memory, a quick grasp of problems and considerable self-assurance. He has been married at least twice. His current wife, Cho Lin, may hold a government position connected with international relations.

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