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Cable from the Chinese Foreign Ministry to Feng Xuan, 'Sino-American Contact regarding Students and Nationals'

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Summary:

The Foreign Ministry instructs Feng Xuan to only answer questions regarding the convicted Americans in China categorically and avoided a tit-for-tat exchange of nationals.

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[To] Minister Feng [Xuan],

First, [we believe] that the US side will notify [us] of the approval of the exit of 76 students and ask about the possibility of releasing the US criminals [in China]. We will first listen to the formal reply from the US side regarding the students and then raise relevant questions. [We should] only answer questions regarding condemned Americans categorically and try stringently to prevent the situation of using condemned Americans in China in exchange for the return of the Chinese students in the United States.

[...]

Foreign Ministry
5 April 1955