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1. When the necessity arose for some high-ranking Chinese Communist official to go to Moscow, MAO Tse-tung chose himself from a number of others who were anxious to go. MAO reasoned that whoever went and made an agreement with the the USSR would have control in China. If someone else went, MAO would henceforth have to clear his decisions with that person.
2. The subjects under discussion by MAO and the USSR are as follows:
  - a. The status of the Nationalist treaties with the USSR, particularly in regard to the Northeast, although Sinkiang and Inner Mongolia are also included.
  - b. The matter of Soviet influence over the Manchurian railroads and over the Port Arthur-Dairen area.
  - c. A Chinese request to the USSR for a loan.
  - d. Technical advice and trade agreements. This was probably one of the reasons CHOU En-lai was called to Moscow; he, as Premier, is expected to have at his fingertips information as to what specific items China needs.
3. MAO is trying to obtain the immediate minimum needs of China from the USSR without selling the Chinese Communist Party's soul to Russia. MAO, nonetheless, may come back from Moscow a beaten man having lost all possibility of freedom of action and the maintenance of a representative government, as opposed to a complete dictatorship, in China.

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