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 2. BEGIN TEXT.

GENERAL CHI HAOTIAN  
 VICE MINISTER OF THE CENTRAL MILITARY COMMISSION  
 AND MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENCE  
 PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA  
 DEAR GENERAL CHI:

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 WILLIAM S. COHEN

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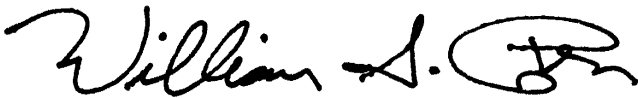
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General Chi Haotian  
Vice Minister of the Central Military Commission  
and Minister of National Defence  
People's Republic of China

Dear General Chi:

On behalf of the United States Department of Defense, I would like to extend my congratulations on the 73<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of the founding of your country's armed forces.

I would also like to thank you for hosting me and Janet on our recent trip to China. We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. I was pleased to cover such a wide range of issues that are of common concern to both countries. Our meetings and discussions most certainly strengthened Sino-U.S. military-to-military relations as part of the overall engagement between the United States and China.

I regret that I was unable to attend your Embassy's celebration of PLA Day in Washington, D.C. My representative at that occasion, Mr. Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, conveyed to your Defense Attaché, Major General Gong Xianfu, my sincere best wishes.

I look forward to the continuation of our joint efforts to promote Sino-American defense and military relations into the 21<sup>st</sup> century, and, again, thank you for your kind hospitality. Janet joins me in sending our very best wishes to you and your wife.

Sincerely,

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MEMORANDUM FOR

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~~DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE~~

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*24 JUL 24 2000*

THROUGH:

UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR POLICY

FROM:

Assistant Secretary of Defense for International  
Security Affairs

Prepared by: (b)(6) ISA/AP, (b)(6)

*Frank D. Kramer*  
*20 JUL 2000*

SUBJECT:

PLA Day Letter  
-- ACTION MEMORANDUM

PURPOSE:

Obtain SECDEF signature on letter to PRC Minister of Defense,  
General Chi Haotian

DISCUSSION: August 1 marks the 73<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the Chinese PLA. It is appropriate on this occasion for you to send a letter conveying your regards to PRC Minister of Defense General Chi.

RECOMMENDATION: Sign the PLA Day letter to the PRC MOD (Tab A).

SECDEF DECISION:

*WSC* Approved

**AUG 02 2000**

Disapproved

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTACHMENTS:

Tab A: SECDEF PLA Day Letter to PRC MOD

Reviewed by DASD/AP *fcsmit* 19 JUL 2000

