

武健华：叶剑英汪东兴密谈处置四人帮 Wu Jianhua: Ye Jianying and Wang Dongxing Secretly Discussed Disposing of the Gang of Four

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粉碎"四人帮"至今，虽然已经过去 36 年了，有些专家、学者认为某些历史真相仍属未解之谜。华东师范大学教授韩钢 2011 年 12 月 12 日在《北京日报》发表的文章就提出了许多重要问题。他说："汪东兴是整个事件的关键人物之一。虽然汪迄今从未公开忆述此事，但从其他当事人的回忆看，汪起了无可替代的作用。""至于详情如何，目前仍然不得而知。"

我在汪东兴领导下，参加了粉碎"四人帮"的全过程。在未对"四人帮"采取行动之前，汪东兴同华国锋副主席、叶剑英元帅之间的酝酿活动我也知道一些。因为凡与粉碎"四人帮"的有关情况，汪东兴在华、叶处商谈后，回来都与李鑫和我通气。现就我所知，照实地写出来，如能为党史工作者及广大读者提供些参考，我将会感到极大的宽慰。

9 月 14 日夜，汪东兴和李鑫两人向华国锋进言：要设法除掉"四人帮"

毛主席逝世以后，9 月 10 日晚，将毛主席遗体送到人民大会堂，在人民大会堂举行隆重吊唁仪式期间，汪东兴日夜在人民大会堂福建厅值班和休息。我作为吊唁期间主管人民大会堂警卫工作的工作人员，也同他一起在人民大会堂值班。

1976 年 9 月 12 日和 9 月 14 日深夜，中央办公厅副主任李鑫到人民大会堂福建厅看望汪东兴。他们一起谈到"四人帮"近几天的活动：9 月 9 日凌晨 2 时在政治局讨论治丧问题会上，江青哭闹着要开除邓小平党籍的问题；9 月 10 日王洪文在紫光阁擅自开设中央办公厅值班室的问题；姚文元他们还动员不少人向江青表忠心，写劝进信等等。李鑫还说："我在钓鱼台工作过一段时间。这伙人在钓鱼台经常聚会碰头，每次开政治局会议前，他们都先开小会，讨论对策。现在主席不在，他们肯定会造反夺权。我们要早下决心除掉他们，免得被动。"

汪东兴说："我们对'四人帮'的了解和分析，很多想法是一样的。你同我谈的情况，提的意见很重要，你找个时间去华国锋同志那里，把我们两个人的想法和意见同他谈谈，主席遗体在，我不好离开大会堂，让他对'四人帮'的这些情况有个了解，对'四人帮'的处置意见请他下决心。"

李鑫于 9 月 14 日晚去了东交民巷华国锋家，和华国锋谈了"四人帮"在钓鱼台频繁活动的

情况和最近的动向，并代表汪东兴提了除掉"四人帮"的意见。李鑫在华国锋家里吃的晚饭，边吃边谈。当天夜里，李鑫又到大会堂福建厅汪东兴那里，他说：我把我们两个人对"四人帮"的看法和处置意见，都对华国锋讲了，他听进去了。虽然他没有明确表态，但也没有表示反对的意见。

9月12日上午到10月4日下午，叶剑英元帅与汪东兴进行了四次密谈

第一次密谈。1976年9月12日，毛主席吊唁仪式的第二天，党和国家领导人继续参加吊唁和守灵。上午中间休息的时候，叶剑英元帅（以下简称叶）到了人民大会堂福建厅，他一见到汪东兴（以下简称汪）就说，一方面我来看看你，一方面来听听你对形势的看法。又说，自9月9日以来，你是日夜的忙，没有很好的休息过，可不要把身体搞垮哟！很多事情还等着我们去做呢！

汪：事情的确很多，瞻仰毛主席遗容还在进行。全国要求来京参加吊唁治丧的人民来信来电像雪片一样，秘书处忙于答复。追悼大会正在抓紧准备。遗体保护问题专家们正在研究，去越南取经的专家尚未回来，预计遗体保护的问题可以解决，请叶帅放心。

叶：毛主席逝世是一件很不幸的大事，我们都很悲痛！可是还有人不顾大局多方干扰。江青在讨论毛主席丧事的会议上，闹着要开除邓小平的党籍。姚文元跟着起哄，不必去说它了。而政治局中竟有人毫无根据地说主席脸色发紫，怀疑是医生害死的，弄得医生们很紧张。好在王洪文、张春桥都参加值班，不然又要颠倒是非了。

汪：毛主席逝世时，正好是华国锋和张春桥值班。我们在毛主席那里值了几个月的班，亲眼看到医生、护士高度负责，全力投入治疗和抢救，怎么可以无根据地怀疑他们呢？

叶：我们都能理解，我想你能顶得住压力！

汪：叶帅，压力我是不怕的。你知道，他们早就想把我搞掉。1967年1月，江青一伙就在幕后策划，在中南海内掀起"火烧""油炸"汪东兴，在国务院小礼堂几次召开大会批斗我。主席知道后说话了：烧烧炸炸都可以，但不要烧焦了！这才把他们的气焰压下去了。后来江青一伙又给我戴上"特务头子"的帽子，在政治局会议上提出调离我在毛主席身边的的工作，撤掉我办公厅主任的职务等等。所有这些都毛主席识破了，制止了。

叶：你在主席身边工作多年，经历了不少难办的事情，这也是不可多得的一种锻炼。我虽然老了，但锐气还是有的，看来，我们与他们的这一仗，已是不可避免的了！

汪：对这伙人多年来我是看透了，他们搞分裂党的活动，是决不会罢休的。我们这些人，只要不倒不死，将永远是他们的对手。

叶：现在江青他们还在中南海活动吗？

汪：江青这两天在中南海跑到毛主席住地，要看毛主席那里的文件，被拒看后江青大为不满。她又要闹事了。主席逝世后，他们的活动更加频繁，更加明目张胆了。

叶：对于这一点，我们的看法是一致的。现在双方都在搞火力侦察，选择突破口寻找时机。好，我们改天再谈。

第二次密谈。1976年9月15日，在京的外国同志和朋友以及外国专家，同首都群众一起瞻仰毛主席遗容。党和国家领导人也在毛主席遗体旁守灵，并在吊唁大厅分别接见前来吊唁的各国朋友。会见外宾后，叶剑英元帅和汪东兴由吊唁的北大厅，来到东大厅南侧的一间办公室里，又开始了交谈。

汪东兴把近日江青要华国锋召开中央政治局常委会，讨论毛主席处文件处理的问题，并且提出她、姚文元、毛远新和汪东兴都要参加常委会的事情向叶帅作了汇报。

叶帅听后说：他们气势逼人，向华国锋出难题，逼他表态。

汪：那天因为夜已深，没有打扰你。国锋同志同我商量后决定改为，中央常委会听取江青、姚文元和汪东兴对毛主席处文件处理意见的汇报。

叶：好主意，我们不能上当。他们正在挖空心思向华国锋施加压力，向中央常委会要权力，想挤进中央常委会内。做不到！今年我们党先后有三位领导人与世长辞了。“四人帮”乘机作乱，中国革命处于危难之中。

汪：江青一伙是一个反革命阴谋集团，党中央同他们的斗争是势不两立的。

叶：他们背离党中央，背离马列主义、毛泽东思想，搞阴谋诡计，搞分裂，我们如果不采取紧急措施，中国革命就会遭受挫折，甚至倒退失败！

汪：主席生前在政治局会议上，几次讲过周勃、陈平吕氏乱，巩固汉室的这段历史。我看主席这话是有所指的。

叶帅点头说：老实说"四人帮"的罪恶比吕氏尤甚！他们迫害致死多少老同志啊！真是"罄南山之竹，书罪无穷；决东海之波，流恶难尽。"

当叶帅谈到批判刘、邓、陶的问题时，汪东兴对叶帅说这个问题我了解是这样的：

1967年7月9日晚8时许，毛主席在人民大会堂"118"房间，召集周总理等一些老同志和中央文革小组的人一起开了一个会。会上毛主席说他要离京外出一段时间，并谈了他离京后的工作问题。江青一伙不让我随主席外出，理由是我是办公厅主任，走了谁来抓这一摊工作？主席没有同意他们的意见。主席说办公厅主任可以找人代理嘛！又说可以叫戚本禹代理中央办公厅主任。主席说了话，就这样定下了。

主席对参加会议的同志说："对刘、邓背靠背地批一批是可以的，不要搞什么面对面的批斗。"当时参加会的人都听得清清楚楚。

会后我马上在人民大会堂召开了中央办公厅工作会议，传达了"118"会议有关的重大事项，并要求大家认真贯彻执行。

1967年7月中旬，陈伯达在一件关于批判刘少奇的"请示报告"上圈阅同意，并将刘少奇三个字中"少奇"两字勾掉，又在"刘"字后面加上"邓、陶夫妇"四字。7月18日，北京的一些群众组织数万人，在中南海西门外召开批斗刘少奇誓师大会。以后又有一些群众组织在中南海周边"安营扎寨"，要求"刘少奇滚出中南海"。

当时毛主席住在上海。武健华同志得知戚本禹在组织大会批斗刘、邓、陶夫妇后，先后两

次打电话报告了我，我当即报告了毛主席，主席让我马上给周总理打电话，请周总理告诉他们，对刘、邓、陶等人不要搞面对面的批斗。总理说："主席的指示我知道了，你最好直接和戚本禹讲讲。"我又把主席的指示用电话通知了戚本禹。

戚本禹很不高兴地说："你说的事情我知道了。家里的事由我来办。"说完就气哼哼地把电话挂断。

据事后了解，江青一伙并没有遵照毛主席的指示办，他们还是阳奉阴违地组织人批斗了刘、邓、陶夫妇。

叶帅听完这段话后说：他们无法无天！如果他们的阴谋得逞，灾难又要临头了！中国有句古话叫作"得国常于丧，失国常于丧。"眼下我们不得不防啊！

第三次密谈。1976年10月2日下午3时许，叶剑英元帅按照预约来到汪东兴在中南海南楼的办公室。叶帅是第一次到这里来。进门时，他把身边随员留在楼下，自己一个人上了楼。进屋后，他沿着靠海的窗户边看边说：这房子貌不出众，但地点好，看得远，幽雅安静，是办公的好地方。

汪东兴给叶帅冲了一杯龙井茶，对叶帅说，请坐下来谈吧。

叶：最近形势很紧张，这也是我们意料之中的。中国人常拿"庆父不死，鲁难未已"，来比喻首恶不除，祸乱不止。我看"四人帮"不除，我们的党和国家是没有出路的！

汪：为了继承毛主席的遗志，挽救党的事业，我们有责任粉碎"四人帮"这个反革命集团！  
叶帅探着身子、压低声音问汪东兴："你考虑好了吗？"

汪东兴用肯定的语气说：我认为形势逼人，不能再拖延，到了下决心的时候了！

叶帅坚定地说，对！他们的气势发展到如此地步，该摊牌了，不能失掉时机，"兵之情主速，乘人之不及！"他停顿了一会儿又说："至于斗争的结局是喜剧还是悲剧，待见分晓"。

汪东兴庄重地说：叶帅，你是我们党内以深思熟虑、多谋善断而著称的领导人，由你和华国锋同志一起领导，团结政治局大多数委员，我看优势会在我们方面。

叶帅说：9月29日的政治局会议，我同先念、向前请假先退席了。江青竟然擅自宣布散会，留下“四人帮”，围逼华国锋。你留下来陪同华国锋一起对付他们，做得对。

汪东兴说：当时我觉得他们这样做很反常，他们简直就是在质问华国锋同志。

叶帅异常激动地说：看来他们已经开始下手了！他们是在逼华国锋摊牌，交权！他们阴谋篡党夺权的野心由来已久，想把他们的帮派利益凌驾于党和人民的利益之上。

妄想！我们要立即找华国锋同志谈，要加速采取果断措施。

太阳已经落山，汪东兴对叶帅说：叶帅，消消气。今晚请你尝尝我们家里的饭菜。叶帅很高兴地和汪东兴一起进了晚餐。

叶帅严肃庄重地说：好！就这样说定了。我现在就去华国锋那里同他谈，具体问题由你今晚去华国锋那里谈。一定要严格保密，不能走漏半点风声！尽量做到知密范围小，但也不排除出点小的乱子。

汪东兴说：肯定有风险，但力争不出乱子。

叶帅临出门时叮嘱说：事实摆在眼前，逼着我们要加速进程，不能失掉良机。4日下午我再来，不要打电话，你也不能到我那里去，不要惊动了他们。

汪东兴说：我明白。

按照叶帅的交代，10月2日晚9时汪东兴去了华国锋副主席在东交民巷的住地

在华国锋副主席办公室，汪东兴对他说：今天下午叶帅到我的办公室来，我们谈了一个下

午，主要讨论如何解决"四人帮"的问题。

华国锋回话说：叶帅刚才来过。你们谈的意见原则上和我想的一致。现在的问题是如何具体化。刚才我和叶帅商议过，由你先提出一个具体的实施方案来，我们再来议定，你看这样好吗？

汪东兴想了一会儿说：我回去考虑一下，拿出一个具体的实施方案，明天我再来汇报。

华国锋又进一步明确地说：形势逼人，争取在一周内解决怎么样？你尽快准备，但也不要过急，没有准备好，不能动手。

汪东兴表示同意：我争取一周内作好准备，没有把握的仗，绝对不能打。明天我把方案拿出来咱们再定。

华国锋说：你制订方案时，还要考虑到困难和阻力，而且时间紧迫。

汪东兴说：时间是很紧了，据我了解，张春桥最近两次到中南海，在江青家里谈了很久。我们一定要赶在他们前头。

华国锋最后说：那好，明天还是这个时间这个地点见面，不打电话了。

华国锋、叶剑英两位副主席，要汪东兴拿出一个具体的实施方案来。汪要张耀祠、李鑫、武健华三人与他一道谋划

1976年10月2日晚，汪东兴送走叶帅后，已经是7点多钟了。他在办公室来回踱步，盘算了一会儿，让值班的高成堂秘书通知中央办公厅副主任张耀祠、李鑫和中央警卫局副局长、8341部队政委武健华到中南海南楼汪东兴办公室开会。由于工作的关系，东兴同志和我们多有接触和交谈，所以大家对局势的现状，毛主席对"四人帮"的批判，中央同"四人帮"斗争的情况，大致都是清楚的。我们三人到场之后，东兴同志就直截了当对我们说：中央已经下了决心，对"四人帮"要采取行动。他一面说，一面用手画了一个圈，五指并拢攥紧了拳头，示意要把"四人帮"一网打尽。他说，你们先琢磨出一个行动方案，我要到华国锋那里去，我回来后，咱们继续讨论行动方案。他特别强调，要严守机密，不能有丝毫疏忽。他正要离开办公室时，又告诉正在交接班的高成堂、孙守明两位秘书，在他的

办公室旁为李鑫、武健华准备一间办公室和卧室，从现在起，他们就在这里办公和休息。回转头他又交代张耀祠：你回去要内紧外松地抓紧中央办公厅、中央警卫局的日常工作和人员情况，这几天不要发生意外事端，有事随时当面通气。

10月3日凌晨3时，李鑫、武健华在汪东兴的办公室，向他汇报了我們商量的行动方案的初步意见，东兴同志和我們进行了详细地研究。

在讨论行动方案时，我們本着以下四条原则去考虑问题。

一是，把握“四人帮”的心理状态。在这段时间里，张春桥处心积虑想把出版毛选的权抓到手。他曾经在近期找李鑫向他汇报过关于出版毛选五卷的情况，并向李鑫索要几份稿子去看。利用张春桥对出版毛选五卷工作的关注，把常委会议内容确定为：研究毛选五卷出版问题，应该对张春桥是有极大吸引力的。

二是，按惯例行事。中央对研究毛选的出版问题，特别是涉及稿子问题时，历来都是在怀仁堂正厅开会，因为中央曾有过规定：凡属毛选稿件，不得带出中南海以外的地方研究。对这些规定，张春桥、王洪文都是知道的。

三是，抓住研究涉及毛主席的重要问题，如研究建造毛主席纪念堂选址问题，作为常委是必须参加的，这样使张春桥、王洪文不能托词不到或因故请假。

四是，根据过去的经验，在怀仁堂这里采取行动，较为方便有利。

根据以上考虑，我們提出在中南海怀仁堂正厅召开中央政治局常委会议，内容有二：一、研究《毛泽东选集》第五卷出版问题；二、建造毛主席纪念堂选址问题。

在这个方案中确定，解决“四人帮”的顺序是：在怀仁堂解决王洪文和张春桥两个人的问题之后，再依次分别处置江青和姚文元的问题。毛远新与“四人帮”区别对待，对他采取的处理方法是就地监护审查。

在这个行动方案中，还对行动期间，力量的组织，隔离地点，保密措施，战备预案以及同

北京卫戍区的分工和配合问题，都提出了具体明确的实施细则。

讨论到最后，汪东兴遵照华国锋、叶剑英副主席的指示，对李鑫、武健华两人的工作进一步做了明确的分工：李鑫集中精力起草将来提请中央政治局会议讨论的三个文件，即由中央政治局作出的《关于华国锋同志任中共中央主席、中央军委主席的决议》、《中共中央、人大常委会、国务院、中央军委决定建立毛泽东主席纪念堂的决议》和中共中央决定尽快出版《毛泽东选集》第五卷，并起草筹备出版《毛泽东全集》的决议。

武健华协助汪东兴组织和实施有关行动方面的各项任务，同时做好协同各个部门和各个环节之间的工作。

张耀祠同志除坚持日常工作外，至时将负责处理毛远新并与武健华一起解决江青的问题。我们对行动方案的研究和制订一直到10月3日凌晨4时许才结束。

汪东兴分别向华国锋、叶剑英两位副主席汇报了粉碎“四人帮”的实施方案，并得到党中央的批准，粉碎“四人帮”的义举由此进入实施阶段

1976年10月3日晚9时，按约定的时间，汪东兴和华国锋在东交民巷华的办公室又见面了。汪东兴向他详细汇报了粉碎“四人帮”的行动部署和实施方案。

华国锋副主席听完汇报后说：“听了你们制定的行动方案，我认为办法是可行的。我考虑时间是否再缩短一些，争取提前解决。”

汪东兴说：“我看这个主意好，免得夜长梦多。准备时间是否由十天缩短为六天，我们还要提防他们铤而走险先动手的可能。”

华国锋沉吟了一会儿说：“这样吧，你再约叶帅谈谈，看他还有什么新的意见。如果叶帅先来我这里，我和他谈；如果叶帅先去你那里，你就同他谈。”

汪东兴说：“那好，我再向叶副主席去汇报。”

第四次密谈。1976年10月4日下午，叶帅如约来到中南海南楼汪东兴办公室。

汪东兴在大门口迎接叶帅。看叶帅走得很急，气喘吁吁，面孔涨得通红。东兴同志请叶帅慢慢走。叶帅没有放慢脚步，边走边说："慢不得！慢不得，要一鼓作气啊！"

叶帅坐在沙发上，一边喝茶，一边听汪东兴汇报："2日晚上，我去了国锋同志那里，他告诉我你刚从他那里离开。我把咱们的想法都同他讲了。他认为我们的意见和他的想法原则上是一致的。问题是如何具体化。根据国锋同志的要求，我和张耀祠、李鑫、武健华一起商量了一个粉碎'四人帮'的实施方案，昨晚，我又去了他那里，把我们研究的实施方案向他详细汇报了，国锋同志认为可行，要我再向你请示汇报，看你还有什么新的意见？"叶帅示意请汪东兴讲。

汪东兴把粉碎"四人帮"的行动部署和实施方案，一一作了详细汇报。叶帅听得很仔细。听完之后，他沉思片刻说："兵法上有这样的话，'计熟事定，举必有功'；'凡谋之道，周密为宝'。我看这个计划比较成熟，安排也相当周全了。照这个实施方案执行，必会成功。"叶帅接着又说："当然，还要特别注意保密啊！因泄密导致失败的历史事件太多了。同时警戒要严密，无关人员不得进入现场，一定要把紧这一关。"

汪东兴很赞成叶帅的指示，他强调说："叶帅讲的，都是从我党历史上血的教训中总结出来的经验，所谓'一着不慎，满盘皆输'，我们将要求所有行动人员务必切实做到。"

最后叶帅说："基本上准备好了，应抓紧睡个好觉，保持精力充沛，士气旺盛，保证打好这一仗！"

汪东兴说："我们一定组织好，请叶帅放心！"

10月5日下午，华国锋在汪东兴陪同下，亲自检查了设在地下工程内各个隔离点。汪东兴带领有关同志逐一检查、部署战前各项工作

1976年10月4日上午，汪东兴同中央警卫局副局长毛维忠、人民大会堂管理局局长刘剑

以及武健华一行四人，以一级战备的名义，检查地下工程内各个隔离点，并对地下工程的安全措施、家具用品、盥洗器具、机电设备等进行了全面检查。检查后责成 8341 部队防化科长黄昌泰、工程管理中队教导员廉洁，在绝对保密的原则下，紧急动员最必需的部队，按使用状态，做好一切准备。10 月 5 日下午，汪东兴陪同华国锋到地下工程，对各隔离点又仔细检查了一遍，认为完好可用。此后，汪东兴、武健华又对怀仁堂会场及其大小门出入口、停车场，进行了细致检查；对有关的武器弹药、车辆装备、通讯联络、后勤保障等工作进行了详细地布置和检查。同时，还制订了非正常情况时几种应急的预案。

行动人员的挑选和编组：我们从政治素质、军事技术、身体条件以及对情况是否熟悉等几个方面考虑，经过再三斟酌，反复挑选，从警卫局的局、处、科级干部中，从 8341 部队的师、团、营级干部中选出了行动小分队和参加此项任务的人员，并对他们进行编组。

1976 年 10 月 5 日凌晨 2 时，汪东兴再次来到华国锋的住地，向他汇报行动前的准备工作落实情况；同时请示 8341 部队在行动时与北京卫戍区部队的分工和协同配合问题

华国锋把刚刚离开他家的北京卫戍区第一政委吴德，又请回来一道商量。

汪东兴对吴德说，我们两家协同行动有三个方面：一是首都的安全，北京卫戍区负责，8341 部队仍负责其原有的防务；二是，这次行动我们负责的对象是“四人帮”和毛远新，其他的人由你们负责解决；三是，有关姚文元的问题。姚文元家住北京市西城区按院胡同，那里的住地警卫由北京卫戍区担任，不属于 8341 部队管辖。按照这次行动方案办，如果姚文元接电话后立即来中南海，问题就解决了；如果他借故不到，我们马上要去他家行动。为防止发生误会，我们建议北京卫戍区有一负责同志，能到中南海来同我们一起组织这次行动。

吴德说：“我们负责解决的对象住得比较分散，这些人不能就地监护，要找地方安排，行动时可能惊动周围的人，这个问题我们正在设法解决。首都的安全问题我们已经做了全面部署，配合你们解决姚文元那里的问题，我们已决定请吴忠司令员去中南海。”

华国锋副主席最后说：“那好，分工和配合的问题就这样定了。我们与叶帅都谈过，就照这个行动方案办。现在看起来，经过五天的准备，如果不出意外，成功是会有把握的！”

汪东兴进行战前部署，下达任务，宣布纪律，随时处于战斗状态

1976年10月6日，星期三，农历丙辰年闰8月13日。据气象预报：北京地区，白天阴转多云，风力二三级。夜间，多云转阴，风力一二级。最高气温18度，最低气温10度。是个有利于行动的好天气。

这一天是普通的一天，也是历史上难忘的一天。

上午8时许，汪东兴主任同往常一样，让秘书告知中央办公厅秘书局，请他们通知政治局常委：华国锋副主席今晚8时，在怀仁堂正厅召开中央政治局常委会。内容有两个：一、研究《毛泽东选集》第五卷的出版问题；二、研究建造毛主席纪念堂的选址问题。

整个上午一切都那么寻常。快近中午时，我经东兴同志同意，到中南海内外去看看动静，观察一下有无可疑征候。我先从南海走到中海，着重看了中南海大西门到怀仁堂一带；又骑上自行车环绕中南海外围转了一圈，特别对中南海周围的几个制高点——电报大楼、景山、白塔等处进行了观察，一切照常。回来后，我报告汪东兴没有发现异常情况。

汪东兴说，按照计划进行。

10月6日下午3时，张耀祠和我到了汪东兴南楼办公室，他要同我们商定当晚处置江青和毛远新的实施办法。汪东兴对张耀祠说：今晚8点钟，由你带上李连庆那个行动小组的四个人，先去把毛远新监护起来。你现在回去后，先找李连庆研究布置具体执行方法。处理完毛远新的问题后，你在丰泽园值班室等武健华带人来，然后你们一起去"中南海201"江青住地隔离江青，由你向江青宣布中央的决定，对她进行隔离审查。你看这样可以吗？张耀祠说没有问题，领受任务而去。

10月6日下午3点30分，我通知四个行动小组的全体同志，集中在南楼汪东兴办公室外面的几间屋子里，等待接受任务。

汪东兴分别对每一个行动小组，进行动员，下达任务。

第一个行动小组的任务是，负责解决王洪文的问题。组长李广银。队员：吴兴禄、霍际龙、王志民。

第二个行动小组的任务是，负责解决张春桥的问题。组长纪和富。队员：蒋廷贵、徐金、任子超。

第三个行动小组的任务是，负责解决江青的问题。组长高云江。队员：黄介元、马盼秋、马晓先（女）。

第四个行动小组的任务是，负责解决姚文元的问题。组长滕和松。队员：康海群、张云生、高风利。

现场担任警戒的小组有：丁志有、东方、叶桂新、赵玉信。

汪东兴严肃地压低声音对大家说：党中央已经作出决定，对"四人帮"今晚要采取紧急措施，对其进行隔离审查。这是关系党和国家命运的大问题，党中央要求我们必须坚决果敢地去完成这项政治任务，决不能辜负党和人民对我们的重托！有问题吗？

每个行动小组都坚决表示：保证完成任务！

汪东兴又向大家宣布了三条纪律：

第一，要绝对保守机密。万一失密，败坏了党的大业，那就非同小可，要给以最最严厉的制裁！

第二，要坚决服从命令，听从指挥。没有我的命令，任何人不得擅自开枪！我们要争取不响枪不流血解决问题，这是上策。

第三，从现在起，以行动小组为单位活动，组长负责，随时作好战斗准备。

今晚具体集结时间，集结地点，车辆配备以及如何相互协同的问题，由武健华分别向你们

布置交代。

10月6日下午5时，我又在中南海东八所小会议室，紧急召开今晚参加行动的其他一些同志的会议。他们是：

8341部队防化科长黄昌泰，工程管理中队教导员廉洁。

服务科长孙洪起，副科长孙振发。

交通科长曹志秀，副科长李合。

汽车驾驶员：史有令、俞桂兴、尚占良、王明臣、吴增彬、张宗臣。

我按照汪东兴的讲话精神，向参加会议的同志，作了政治动员，下达了具体任务，提出了保密要求，宣布了三条纪律，通知今晚6时30分，分别集结到指定位置，听候命令。

会后，我忙着到南楼汪东兴处三言两语把"东八所"开会的情况报告于他。他一边听我讲，一边看看手表说：你现在就到怀仁堂，先检查一下，不要有任何疏漏，我一会儿就到。我随即驱车赶往怀仁堂，车停放在"宝光门"隐蔽处。当我跨进怀仁堂大门时，行动队员和会场工作人员正在向怀仁堂集结。

1976年10月6日晚，华国锋、叶剑英两位副主席在汪东兴主任陪同下，坐镇怀仁堂，决战"四人帮"

晚6时30分，汪东兴乘车到达怀仁堂门前。下车后，他指使司机李合，把车子开到西楼大厅北侧与灰色院墙之间的夹道隐蔽。同他一起来的中央办公厅副主任李鑫，按照计划，留在车上。他双手把皮包放在膝盖上，包内是他奉命起草稍后在中共中央政治局会议上讨论的三个重要文件。

此时，尽管诸事布置妥善，还是怕有什么事情被遗漏了，或者意想不到的环节上出现差错。汪东兴严峻地说：我们再去看看。

他从怀仁堂正厅、礼堂、到东西大院，直到门前车场，对所有警戒哨、潜伏哨、机动分队及警卫值班室，一一亲自检查。再一次明确他们的任务，重述处置措施。

为了不暴露意图，怀仁堂大门前，公开可见处的警戒部署一律照常。形式上内紧外松。停车场内，将工作用车及机动应急车辆，大部分隐蔽在西门里北侧空场。怀仁堂大门只停放与会者的几辆车。做到宁静如常，整齐有序。

随身警卫人员，今晚一律不准进入怀仁堂现场，依照过去大型会议活动时的规矩，都安排在怀仁堂斜对面的"五间房"休息。责成警卫处长丁志有在怀仁堂前厅警卫值班室处切实执行，严格把关。

五个行动小组，准时分别集中在指定位置待命。

执行拘押王洪文、张春桥的两个行动小组，此间正在怀仁堂舞台帷幕后，从事临战前的演练动作。他们有的在进一步检查和擦拭随身携带的手枪和械具，有的在作类似运动员入场前，伸腰扭胯，活动腿脚，熟悉着擒拿解脱的动作。

与此同时，其他三个行动小组，业已分别集结在怀仁堂以外指定的位置。

负责江青的行动组长高云江，同两名成员和三辆轿车，正隐蔽在"丰泽园"后门西侧，便于去"中南海 201"的马路边。他们暂时都坐在由史有令驾驶的红旗保险车上。

担负姚文元的行动组长滕和松，同全组成员及三辆轿车，位于交通科以南小桥处待命。不同的  
是这里还有北京卫戍区司令员吴忠，以备在必要时配合行动。

软禁毛远新的行动组长李连庆，按照张耀祠下午的安排，在丰泽园内待机而动。

汪东兴在检查了以上各项警戒部署和各个行动小组之后，又回到今晚的"主阵地"——怀仁堂正厅。它是一个多功能的大厅。今天这里的布置却与往常不同。汪东兴亲自指示服务科孙洪起、孙振发两位科长，按照他的意图进行调整。正厅的北侧原来就伫立着一副嵌有白色纱绸的大屏风，为了便于隐蔽，利于行动，又在正厅的中门以东，由南而北，再增加几扇中小型轻便的屏风。沙发一律撤掉。这样，就把整体有 800 多平方米的正厅，减少到三

分之一的空间。场内坐北面南摆了一张不大的长条会议桌，桌子后面为华国锋、叶剑英准备了两把扶手椅。桌子上原有的茶盆、茶杯、烟缸、文具等等，全部撤掉，以防万一。两位科长，在机动队员的协助下，熟练迅捷，在几分钟之内，就调整就绪，完成了"战场准备"。

此刻已是晚 7 点 20 分了，我快步到怀仁堂大门外去看看情况。刚迈出门槛，走下台阶，就看到中南海西门一辆大型红旗车，开着微灯，徐徐驶进，瞬间便停靠在怀仁堂门前。叶帅下车后，手搭车门，泛泛地扫视了停车场，精神矍铄，步履稳健地走向怀仁堂。

"叶帅到了。"我在大门前向叶帅饱含敬意地说了这么一句。

叶帅停步向我看看，像往常一样面露微笑："东兴同志呢？"

"他正在正厅外间。"叶帅一边听我回答，一边走上不高也不陡的石阶，经怀仁堂前厅，熟悉地沿东侧休息室走向正厅。

汪东兴见叶帅进来，紧走几步，在正厅与礼堂的结合部，同叶帅一边握手一边说："叶帅请你放心。按照预案我又检查了一遍，一切都落实到位，定会顺利完成计划。"

叶帅在礼堂柔弱的灯光下，环顾着四周，一切井然有序，他沉默片刻，若有所思地说："这是背水一战哪！'摧其坚，夺其魁，以解其体。'指望的就是顺利取胜哟！"

汪东兴微微地点点头，语气亲切地答话："打好这一仗我们是有把握的！"

晚 7 点 40 分，华国锋副主席从中南海北门进来，车停在游泳池，款款地走进怀仁堂正厅。他见叶帅、汪主任都在，没有寒暄，直截了当地问："东兴同志，一切都就绪了吧？"

汪东兴痛快地回话："可以说是万事俱备。"接着他又把刚才检查的情况简述了一遍。华、叶、汪三人站成一个品字形，时而挪动几步，时而伫立相视，倾心攀谈。

汪东兴看看手表，对华、叶两位副主席说："现在是 7 点 45 分了，请你们入席'就座吧！"

他们慢慢移动着步子，三人一起走进正厅，华、叶分别坐定后，汪又指指正厅的东南小门，加重语气地说："王洪文、张春桥他们就从这里进来。"

接着汪东兴又转身面西，"我的位置就在这排屏风后面。""武健华在正厅现场，他可以里外照应。"

晚7点55分，隐隐听到怀仁堂入口处，不高的话音和嚓嚓的脚步声。我顺着东休息室的长廊向南瞧去，王洪文刚转弯向北走来，我飞速地分别报告华、叶、汪。突击王洪文的队员，虎视眈眈，设伏于门内两侧，进入临战前的紧急状态。

王洪文仍是往常的着装习惯，上身穿一件"制式"军上衣便装，下身着一条藏青色笔挺的西裤，皮鞋光亮。左手提着一只文件包，挺胸直背、趾高气扬地走向正厅。看上去毫无介意地走进了小门，向华国锋、叶剑英望了望，还没来得及吭声，便被两眼射光、威武凶猛的突击队员霍际隆、吴兴禄从左右两侧，饿虎下山地扑过去，两双强劲有力的大手，紧紧地钳住王洪文的两臂，一手压下他的肩胛，一手抓住他的手腕高高提举，形成了头低腰弯的"喷气式"，这迅雷不及掩耳的"突击"，使王洪文一时晕了头脑。他涨红的脖颈，转动着不太灵便的脑袋，急促地喊了两句："你们干什么？你们干什么？"并拼命地扭动着双臂，蹦着两脚，竭力妄图挣脱。霍、吴由两侧加大力度，李广银、王志民从背后狠狠抓住他的腰带，使王洪文两脚踏空，无力可施。牢牢地被禁锢在离华国锋、叶剑英五米左右的正面。华国锋面对王洪文庄严地宣布："王洪文，你不顾中央的一再警告，继续结帮拉派，进行非法活动，阴谋篡党夺权，对党和人民犯下了不可饶恕的罪行。中共中央决定，对你实行隔离审查，立即执行。"

话音刚落，王洪文就被行动小组扭离现场，在正厅"东饮水处"，一副明晃晃的铐子，咔嚓一声，反背卡紧了他的双手。就在上铐的刹那间，他如梦初醒，无可奈何地道出一句实在话："想不到你们这样快！"由此也反证了中央提前处置"四人帮"的正确决断。

出"东饮水处"小门，把他押上早已准备在怀仁堂东院的红旗轿车。驾驶员是精明干练，善于处理复杂情况的老手商占良。置王洪文于后座中间，左、右仍由霍、吴掐住他上了铐的双臂，王志民坐在二排副座，将王洪文夹在当中。组长李广银坐在司机旁的指挥位置上，几分钟之内，王洪文就被拘押到隔离室内。

晚 7 点 58 分，正当在场外隐蔽处为王洪文上铐子的时候，张春桥已跨入怀仁堂大门。他习惯地沿着东侧走廊，由南向北心事重重地缓步走来。他像往常一样，穿了一套半新不旧，看上去还合身的灰色中山装，脚踩着普通的黑色皮鞋。左腋下夹着一只鼓鼓囊囊的文件包，右手不时地将文件包向上撮动着。他不苟言笑的面孔，绷得紧紧的。两只阴沉冰冷的眼睛，仍然流露着他那刚愎自用的神气。鼻梁高处挂着的近视眼镜，凝视前方，他没有环顾左右，直蹬蹬地迈进了正厅。他迎面看到正襟落座的华国锋、叶剑英，立即感受到寒峭袭人的气氛，这只诡谲的狐狸，紧锁眉尖，全身一怔，踟躅不前。

预伏在小门两侧的突击队员纪和富、徐金，跟进在后的蒋廷贵、任子超，他们怀着除暴剪恶的强烈使命感，张臂屈腿，快速夹击，"三下五除"，早已使不堪一击的张春桥"泥塑""木雕"般地呆立在华国锋、叶剑英的面前。

华国锋严正地宣布了中共中央的决定。"决定"全文，除改换了名字"张春桥"，其他与对王洪文宣布的别无二致。

张春桥他自始至终一言不发，任凭行动小组摆布。他像王洪文一样，戴上铐子，押解上车，送到地下隔离室。

干净利落地解决了王洪文、张春桥的问题，接下去就是张耀祠、武健华带人去"201"宣布中央隔离江青的决定

汪东兴风趣地面向华、叶两位副主席："这两个人跟我们合作得不错啊！准时来，按时走，很听指挥嘛！"

华国锋面带笑容说："老人家不是说过嘛，宜将剩勇追穷寇！我们要打一个完全彻底的歼灭战！"

说话之间，服务科孙振发用茶盘托上碧绿清香的龙井茶，一一送到华、叶、汪面前。紧张的时刻，一杯浓茶，一块热毛巾，对消除疲劳，振奋精神，极有帮助。

我急促地对汪东兴说："我和耀祠同志现在就到'201'去了！"

东兴同志说："去吧！有什么问题随时同我们联系。看国锋同志、叶帅还有什么交代？"华、叶表示没有意见。

我一路小跑地离开怀仁堂，直奔"宝光门"跳上隐蔽在那里的汽车，不到一分钟，就在"丰泽园"后门警卫值班室停下。室内无人，我意识到毛远新的问题还没有处理完。急忙经过"菊香书屋"门前，径直向"颌合堂"走去，只见毛远新两眼直视地坐在正厅一把椅子上，张耀祠在宣布了中央对其监护审查的决定后，下掉了毛远新身带的手枪，正在训示他必须老实服从管理规定。

我从侧后轻声地对张耀祠说："时间很紧了，我们走吧！"

他回头看到我，又向站在一边的李连庆低声交代了几句，我俩就迅速出了"丰泽园"后门，并肩直奔"201"。行动小组高云江、黄介元、马盼秋紧随其后。三辆轿车也徐徐开进"春藕斋"东侧广场。

我们直接进入"201"前厅。这里是秘书、警卫、医护、司机人员聚会和休息的地方。我们到来时，他们有的在聚精会神地看书，有的弯腰捋袖洗衣，有的在前倾后仰地玩扑克。看到我们来此，虽然不明原委，但都是几乎天天见面的熟人，既不生疏，也不紧张，一一都咧嘴微笑。

张耀祠跟在场的工作人员笑嘻嘻地说："在吧？（指江青）"大家都会意地点点头。

与此同时，我把为江青开车的老申叫到一边："请你把停在门前的车，马上开回交通科。"又面对开着保险红旗轿车的史有令说："你把车停靠在门前明廊上车处。"他们都一一立即照办了。接着我告诉原在江青处工作的警卫参谋周金铭："小周，你前面带路。"我确知，晚饭前，汪东兴已给周金铭透了一点"风"，小周心里是有数的。回转头我又跟站在我们身后的女护士马晓先说："你也来！"室外应该准备的事情打点就绪后，张耀祠和我及行动小组，不动声色地推门进抵"201"正厅。

一进门就见江青面东背西坐在沙发上。身前摆着一张长方形不高的办公桌。桌上铺垫着白

色的桌布，摆放着台灯、茶盘、茶杯、各类办公文具，还有几份文件。膝盖部位盖着一条小方毛巾被，脚底蹬着一块专门制作的垫脚板，地板铺满厚厚的墨绿色羊毛地毯，房间周围停靠着几个书橱和铁皮文件柜。天花板正中吊着一盏形似花瓣曲伸的大型玻璃顶灯，放射着金黄色的灯光。

行动小组的成员进屋后，迅速从左右两侧和沙发背后，把江青围拢在一个半圆形的中间。江青仍然坐在那里，一副愠怒、凶狠、可憎的脸上，显现忐忑不安的惊惧。瞬时又故作镇静，木然地抬起右手，扶了一下眼镜，侧着头面向张耀祠和我，声音带有一点颤抖："你们要干什么？"她首先发问。

张耀祠站在江青的左前方，他以习惯的军人姿态，威严地说："江青，你不听中央的警告，继续结帮拉派，进行分裂党的活动，阴谋篡党夺权。中共中央决定，对你实行隔离审查。立即执行。"张耀祠又责令江青：你到另外一个地方，要遵守纪律，要老实向党坦白交代你的罪行。

江青伸长了脖子，瞪着眼睛问："中共中央是什么人决定的？"

我不耐烦地斥责她："中共中央是什么人，你难道会不明白？"

江青改口："我是说是什么人指使你们来的？"

张耀祠立即明确正告于她："我们是奉华国锋、叶剑英副主席的命令，来实施中央决定的。"

我说："快！马上离开这里。"

江青："那我这里的文件呢？"

张耀祠："我们会有人来接管的，你把钥匙交出来。"

江青："那不行，这里许多都是中央的机密，我要对党负责。钥匙，我只能交给华国锋。"

张耀祠："那好，你把它装在信封里由我们转交。"

江青依然坐在原来的位置上，上身前倾，用铅笔在一张印有红杠的宣纸信笺上，由上而下地给华国锋写了一封短信。信中说："国锋同志：来人称，他们奉你之命，宣布对我隔离审查。不知是否为中央决定？随信将我这里文件柜上的钥匙转交于你。江青十月六日。"接着她又一只印有红框的宣纸大信封上，写着"华国锋同志亲启"几个字，下脚还注明"江青托"。她把钥匙用一张信纸包好，同信笺一起放进信封里，然后在信封两端，粘贴了"密封签"，并用手在"密封签"上用力地按压了几下，顺手把信交给了张耀祠。

我急得火烧火燎的，再次督促她"走！快走！"

江青拿掉了膝盖上的小毛巾被，整理一下衣服，两手按着沙发扶手慢慢地站起来，走出沙发的位子。临出门之前，她又要上卫生间。江青尿急尿频的毛病，由来日久，不以为怪。为防不测，我叫女护士马晓先同她一起进去。本来她过去到卫生间，有时也要护士陪同。

离开"201"正门，穿过十几米的暗廊到达前厅，这里靠墙伫立着一个多功能的衣架，江青取下一件深灰色"披风"，马晓先帮她戴上帽子，结好带子，走向停车处。

江青固然是个为人奸泼刁猾、残忍刻薄、心毒手辣、则天武后之心不死的野心家，但在今天这凛然站立、魁伟彪悍的军人面前，她又拿出了巧使顺风船的本领，虚应地夹起了尾巴。既然她肯于俯首顺从，照指使行动，且无力反抗，也就没有加铐于她。

行动小组人员，把重重的保险车门打开，江青坐在后排中间，黄介元、马盼秋分坐两侧，护士马晓先坐在二排副座面对着江青，组长高云江就座于司机旁。前后各有一辆警备车，我坐在后车的指挥位置上。我们都身带短枪。前后车上的警备人员，并备有速射武器和充足的弹药。三辆车迅速驶离原"居仁堂"广场。

当车经过怀仁堂门前，我见华国锋、叶剑英、汪东兴一字形站立在怀仁堂大门台阶上，关切地张望。我匆匆把头探往车外，示意眼下这里一切顺利。

出了中南海大西门，沿府右街北行，经西四、白塔寺东街大转弯向车公庄方向，进入称之为"八区"的地下。带路车司机张宗臣，是一位经常开先驱车的驾驶员，他左靠右挡，乘虚

而进，为紧随其后的两辆车开道。江青坐的是保险红旗轿车，驾驶员是沉着老练、技术娴熟的史有令。

北京主要街道的交通警察，个个目光犀利，他们知道保险红旗的"身份"，中央只有几位核心领导人才得乘坐。但他们哪里晓得，今天却是令局外人意想不到的例外，一路绿灯畅开，只用不到五分钟，就到达预定的地下隔离点。

江青被带进隔离室，我便告司机吴增彬掉转车头，飞快赶回怀仁堂。东兴同志见我就问："江青又张牙舞爪地表演了一番吧？"我说："她见风转舵，还算顺从听话。"华、叶两位副主席，嘴角布满笑意，看得出，他们绷紧的一颗心，此刻显得平静舒展。

三个人又从容地坐下，交谈处置"四人帮"中最后的一个——姚文元

处置姚文元的措施，在预定方案中就作了两手准备。姚文元并非政治局常委，当天根本没有通知他参加晚上八点的政治局常委会，也没有通知他列席晚八点的政治局常委会。预案议定，第一，在解决了王洪文、张春桥、江青的问题之后，单独通知他到怀仁堂来开会，如果他应声而到，就是瓮中之鳖。第二，如果他借故拖延，行动小组就速去他住地按院胡同擒拿。但他的住地警卫由北京卫戍区某部担任，为避免行动时发生误会，10月5日凌晨2时，汪东兴在华国锋副主席家同吴德三人，一起谈过，必要时到姚文元家请吴忠司司令员一起伺机行动。

鉴于江青、张春桥、王洪文已顺利带进隔离点。汪东兴决断地说："马上给姚文元打电话。"但电话由谁打，事先并未商定。他接着说："国锋同志电话还是请你来打吧？免得他多心。"

华国锋稍加思索："那就我来吧！"

华的秘书曹万贵，用正厅西侧红供电机子很快接通姚文元的电话。华国锋从容地说："文元同志，我正在和洪文、春桥同志在怀仁堂，商量出版毛选五卷的事，有些问题还想听听你的意见。是不是请你现在就来，一道研究一下。"

我随同汪东兴一起，也站在电话机旁，等待听姚文元的回话。

"好的，我马上就到。"姚文元没有犹豫，讲完就挂上了电话。

"东兴同志，我去安排了。"我一面报告，一面拔腿欲走。马上又回头补充一句："是不是请吴忠司令员回去。"

汪东兴说："把情况告知吴忠同志，派车送他回去。"

我快步走到"东饮水处"，用红机子通知等候在交通科值班室的康海群，按第一方案行动。全组人员立即乘红旗轿车，开到怀仁堂东院。同时，我向吴忠司令员说明情况，并派车送他回去。

吴忠说："我要赶紧回去，我那里还有一摊子。"他是指北京卫戍区，于当晚同时负责拘押的对象。

打完电话，我又回到坐在正厅外间的华、叶、汪那里。待我刚把安排的情况汇报完毕，华国锋向叶剑英、汪东兴说："还要我们出面吗？"叶帅："免了吧！"

华、叶、汪当即决定由武健华去对姚文元宣布中央的决定。

我说："要有尚方宝剑才行。"

汪东兴："那好办，请国锋同志写个手令吧！"

华国锋看看摆在前面不远处，那张通常是吃夜餐用的小桌，意欲起身。孙振发迅速跑过去，把桌子搬到华国锋身边。孙洪起匆匆拿来往常开会时，经常准备着的纸和铅笔。华国锋不假思索地很快就写好。

我接过华国锋副主席写的手令，回身走向正厅东南小门，恰好行动小组的四位同志，已从"东八所"赶来。我把刚才的变动，转达给滕和松、康海群、张云生和高风利，并商定在大礼堂的东休息室行动。

为了简便行事，东休息室没有改变原来的布置，周围一大圈皮沙发，沙发之间是长方形的小茶几，地上铺满厚厚的奶黄色的地毯。我坐在东边靠窗户的大沙发上。

晚 8 点 25 分，康海群在怀仁堂大门口尾随姚文元进来，滕和松在东休息门口，以手示意"请进"。张云生和高风利分别站立在休息室门内两侧。姚文元刚一进门，就被张、高从左右两侧，拽住他的两臂，下压他的双肩，使姚文元动弹不得，低头向我站着。姚文元不住地喊："谁让你们干的？谁让你们这样做？"

我初则坐在沙发上，但自觉缺少那股浩然正气，立时我威武地站立起来，面对姚文元高亢地宣布："中共中央决定，对姚文元实行隔离审查，立即执行。华国锋。"我宣布完了以后，又着力地喊了一句"带走！"行动小组架着他向休息室北门走去。至此，姚文元还边走边喊："我有话要说！我有话要说！"又喊他的随身警卫"小×，快来呀！"离开休息室北门，行动小组银铛一声，给他戴上明晃锃亮的铐子，押上由俞桂兴驾驶的红旗轿车。姚在行车途中，还在高声嚷嚷："你们是哪个部队的？""谁指使你们干的？"行动小组几经制止，他仍嚷个不停。迫不得已，他们用事先准备好的毛巾，塞住他的嘴巴，这才平静下来。汽车仍然沿着押送王、张那条路线，把他拘押在极为严密的地下隔离室内。

在我向华、叶副主席和汪东兴报告，奉命完成拘押姚文元的任务时，认真地看了看手表，一分也不差，正好是 10 月 6 日晚 8 点 30 分。也就是说解决"四人帮"的全部行动过程，只用了 35 分钟。

在党中央的领导下，胜利地完成对"四人帮"的隔离审查。汪东兴如释重负，浮现出宽心的微笑。华国锋、叶剑英副主席也都为对"四人帮"取得决定性胜利而流露着和悦满意的笑容。

10 月 6 日晚 10 时，中央政治局在玉泉山 9 号楼召开紧急会议。中央宣告粉碎"四人帮"反革命集团。与会政治局成员完全赞成叶帅的意见，一致通过了由华国锋担任党中央主席、中央军委主席，待召开中央全会时予以追认

对"四人帮"实施隔离审查后，中央政治局立即召开紧急会议并处理善后工作。

华国锋对汪东兴说："你通知并安排政治局会议，我找耿飏他们来做个交代。"

华国锋亲自打电话给耿飏和北京卫戍区副司令员邱巍高，请他们立即到怀仁堂，有事面谈。见面后，华国锋告诉他们，我们已对"四人帮"采取行动并取得胜利。现在派你们带领精干的工作组，立即去中央广播事业局、中央人民广播电台等新闻单位。在那里掌握情况，把把关，不要在宣传这个口子出毛病。

叶帅特别嘱咐了两点：一要防止内部混乱；二要防止对外泄密。还要预防发生异常情况。

华国锋问他们，还有什么问题没有？

耿飏说，别的没有，请给一个手谕吧。

华国锋提笔写道："邓岗同志，为加强广播事业局的工作，特派耿飏、邱巍高来，有什么问题，你请示他们。华国锋"

耿、邱受命而去。

汪东兴一面安排警卫局副局长李钊准备政治局在玉泉山开会、办公等事项。同时告知秘书长，做好晚 10 点政治局紧急会议的会务工作。他自己则亲自打电话通知在京政治局委员和候补委员晚 10 点到玉泉山 9 号楼开会。华国锋、叶剑英、汪东兴处理完在怀仁堂要办的事后，先后分别驱车赶往玉泉山参加政治局紧急会议。

根据列席这次政治局紧急会议的中办副主任李鑫和中办秘书局局长周启才的记录，我们始知会议的如下内情：

开始，华国锋请叶剑英主持会议并讲话。叶帅说："这次会议应该由你主持，你是毛主席提议、中央政治局讨论批准的党中央第一副主席，一直主持中央的日常工作，责无旁贷，你就主持开会吧！"

华国锋说："那我就先讲几句，再请叶帅主讲。这次中央政治局紧急会议这样晚的时间，在玉泉山9号楼叶帅住地召开，是由于事关重大，形势非常，为了有利于高度保密，确保中央安全，决定采取这样的措施，这是十分必要的。我现在向大家宣布：今天晚上8时，中央已在中南海怀仁堂正厅以召开政治局常委会，讨论《毛泽东选集》第五卷的出版和建造毛主席纪念堂选址问题为由，在中南海怀仁堂正厅拘捕了王洪文、张春桥。江青是在中南海她的住地拘捕的。根据他们篡党夺权的严重罪行，分别向他们宣布了由我签署的中央对他们实行隔离审查的决定。对王洪文、张春桥的拘捕是在怀仁堂正厅，叶帅坐镇，我分别向他们宣布的。江青和姚文元是由执行任务的有关负责人员向他们宣读的。对毛远新实行了监护审查。'四人帮'在北京的几个骨干分子，由北京市委、北京卫戍区根据中央批示解决的。"

华国锋接着介绍了实施这一重大行动的过程："叶帅亲临怀仁堂正厅现场，同我一起坐镇指挥。东兴同志按照预定方案，组织指挥参战人员具体实施。由于决策正确，精心组织，高度保密，措施得当，整个行动过程进行得很顺利。对中央新闻单位，我们选派了耿飏同志带领精干的工作组进驻，掌控情况，把好关。"

华国锋说："'四人帮'篡党夺权的野心由来已久，毛主席在世时，他们不敢轻举妄动，毛主席逝世后，他们认为时机到了，变本加厉，肆无忌惮，急不可待地进行篡党夺权的反革命活动。他们利用控制在他们手上的宣传工具，大造篡党夺权的反革命舆论。他们篡改毛主席的亲笔指示，伪造所谓毛主席临终嘱咐。他们在上海建立由他们控制、指挥的武装力量，并发放了大批枪支弹药。种种迹象表明，我们党和国家的命运处于生死存亡的关键时刻。为了保证党和国家的领导权不被他们篡夺，不让他们的罪恶阴谋得逞，中央采取了坚决、果断的措施，非常的手段，稳妥、快速地粉碎了'四人帮'反革命集团，取得了重大的历史性胜利，为党为国为民除了一大害。"

叶剑英指出：我们党同"四人帮"的斗争势不两立，你死我活

华国锋的话音刚落，叶剑英强调："这次粉碎'四人帮'反革命集团，是在毛主席逝世后，党和国家处于危难时刻进行的。毛主席生前就提出要解决'四人帮'的问题，而未来得及解决。毛主席逝世后，'四人帮'篡党夺权的反革命活动和嚣张气焰更加猖狂，他们正在准备

动手了。"

接着，叶剑英严正指出并分析道："我们党同'四人帮'的斗争是一场势不两立、你死我活的斗争。在毛主席逝世不久的情况下，采取什么样的斗争策略、措施和方法，做到既要把这个反革命集团彻底打掉，又要保证首都北京和全国局势稳定。这是一步险棋，怎么走好。这步险棋，非同小可，要慎之又慎，做到万无一失。经过我和国锋同志及东兴同志几次个别交谈，统一思想认识，决定采取'以快打慢'的方针，用在怀仁堂召开中央常委会的形式，对'四人帮'采取行动，实行隔离审查。在决策和实施这一重大行动过程中，保密问题重之又重，知密范围很小，参与人员十分精干。实战证明，这样做是正确的，未放一枪一弹，即迅速粉碎了这个反革命集团，取得了预期的胜利。"

叶剑英又说："粉碎'四人帮'反革命集团，是全党全军全国人民的共同愿望，中央采取这样的措施，也体现了党、军队和人民的意志。许多老同志、老领导特别是聂帅和徐帅等在毛主席病重期间和逝世以后，曾通过各种方式向我表达这种强烈愿望，提出要采取坚决措施打掉这个反革命集团，绝不能让他们篡党夺权阴谋得逞。这次粉碎'四人帮'的胜利，必将得到全党全军和全国人民的衷心拥护。军队完全拥护和支持党中央的这一重大决策。"

华国锋插话说："这场粉碎'四人帮'斗争的胜利，我们的叶帅起了最为重要的作用。"

叶剑英说："不能这样讲。解决'四人帮'的问题，是毛主席的遗愿。毛主席逝世后，你是党中央第一副主席，主持中央的日常工作，又是国务院总理，这件大事，如果你不下决心，你不拍板，做起来就难啊！正是因为你下了决心，你拍了板，做起来就相对容易了。"

叶剑英又说："在这场同'四人帮'的斗争中，东兴同志具体对行动方案组织实施，胜利完成，是出了大力、立了大功的。8341部队的参战人员也为党为人民做出了很大贡献。"

汪东兴插话说："叶帅过奖了。在这场同'四人帮'的决战中，我是在国锋同志和叶帅的直接领导和指挥下，做了应该做的一些事情。一个老共产党员，长期从事保卫毛主席、保卫党中央的领导干部，为了党、国家和人民的根本利益，完成中央交给我的政治任务，是完全应该的。"

叶剑英最后说："在中央，我们从政治上、组织上解决了'四人帮'问题，这是第一步，是初战的胜利，地方上还有些'四人帮'的帮派骨干分子要清理。更艰巨的任务是彻底从思想上肃清'四人帮'的余毒和影响，这需要相当长的时间和多方面的努力。"

出席政治局紧急会议的成员，在听取了华国锋和叶剑英的讲话之后，欢欣鼓舞，表示完全同意中央常委的果断决策，一致通过了对王洪文、张春桥、江青、姚文元实行隔离审查的决定。

### 会议对党中央主席人选的讨论和确定

华国锋说："毛主席离开我们快一个月了，乱党、乱军、乱国、妄图夺取党和国家最高领导权的'四人帮'反革命集团，被党中央及时果断地粉碎了。在此新的形势下，我向中央政治局提议，请我们叶帅担任党中央的主席，主持中央的工作。叶帅德高望重，长期在中央协助毛主席、周总理、朱老总，处理国际、国内重大问题，多谋善断，有多方面丰富的实践经验，思想政治理论水平很高，在危难时刻，两次挽救了党。"

叶剑英起来大声说："国锋同志这个提议不妥。我年事已高，今年已79岁了，且长期从事军事工作，工作面窄。经过慎重考虑，我提议由华国锋同志担任党中央主席，中央军委主席。他年龄比我小二十多岁，有实际工作经验，为人实在，民主作风好，能团结同志，尊重老同志， he 现在是党中央第一副主席，主持中央的日常工作。我认为他比较合适的人选。这个担子是不轻，我们大家可以协助，请大家考虑。"

经过认真讨论，与会政治局成员完全赞成叶帅的意见。一致通过了由华国锋担任党中央主席、中央军委主席，待召开中央全会时予以追认。

接着，会议讨论并原则通过了关于建立毛泽东主席纪念堂的决定、关于出版《毛泽东选集》第五卷和筹备出版《毛泽东全集》的决定。这两个决定在10月8日的政治局会议上定稿，9日见报。

最后，安排了当前和今后一段时间的工作。在这一非常时期，为了便于及时研究处理可能出现的各种复杂和重大问题，决定出席这次会议的全体政治局成员和随行人员都住在玉泉

山，并从10月7日开始，迅速向中央党、政、军领导机关的主要负责人和各省、市、自治区、各大军区的主要负责人传达党中央粉碎"四人帮"反革命集团事件及中央政治局紧急会议的几项重要决定。

这次中央政治局紧急会议，从10月6日晚10时开到10月7日清晨4时多，历时6个多小时，顺利结束。

### "四人帮"在被隔离期间

自1976年10月6日晚8时到1977年4月10日凌晨，"四人帮"一直被隔离于由8341部队管辖的同一工程的不同区段。汪东兴要监护人员保护好"活证据"。

在整个隔离期间，按战备要求，采取了地下、地上严密结合的安全警戒措施。

加强值班。由8341部队防化科长黄昌泰、工程管理中队教导员廉洁等，昼夜在总值班室值班、工程管理中队在每个隔离点增设四名室外警戒哨；从机关、部队先后选调人员参加隔离江、张、王、姚的室内坐班。严格出入制度，减少出入人员，定制了特别通行证，哨兵按证件和指定的名单放行。对部队加强管理教育，强化纪律，严守机密。增添了通讯设施，确保指挥中心与各隔离点、执勤点、后勤保障之间的联络畅通、指挥迅捷。每天定时通风，进行空气过滤、紫外线消毒、喷洒清扫通道，保持地下空气新鲜，湿度、温度适宜。

"四人帮"进入隔离点初期，表现焦灼不安，饮食无常，不服管教，无端滋事，尤以江青、姚文元为甚。在江青隔离室内，有一较宽大的单人床，一张书桌，一把扶手沙发椅子，地板上铺有化纤地毯。卫生设备齐全，有立式脸盆、坐式马桶、较大的浴缸。江青穿着原来的衣服，不带任何械具。生活条件是好的。但江青还不时找茬儿，嫌菜咸、菜硬、菜老、说屋内有风。她拒绝室内卫生自理，拒不扫地、擦桌、刷马桶。特别是对原来在她身边工作的护士马晓先，更是白眼相视，怒气满脸，甚至仍以"首长"自居对马晓先大发雷霆，且不听劝阻，不听警告。她还别有用心地说："主席尸骨未寒，你们就对我这样。"过了几天，江青写信给党中央告状。中央没有理睬她。

姚文元进点之初，不时地探问："这是谁叫你们干的？""你们是哪个部队？""这是什么地方？"甚至借用开饭的机会，听到汽车声响就往外跑，想看个究竟。当监护人员阻止他时，他竟谩骂监护人员！

鉴于监护人员对江青、姚文元不服管教，总想整整他们，教训教训他们，此时汪东兴郑重地再一次提醒监护人员，要保护好"活证据"，要发挥政策威力，要按"监护规则"办事，使监护工作一直顺利地坚持下去。

一个月后，"四人帮"逐步平静下来，慢慢地适应了环境，生活基本正常

当时规定他们每人每天的伙食标准略高于机关工作人员的水平。张春桥、王洪文、姚文元的伙食，由中南海东八所机关食堂供应；江青的伙食，由"八区"的机关食堂制作。开饭由专人管理，汽车送饭。早餐备有稀饭、馒头、牛奶、小菜；中晚餐多是一荤、一素、一汤，米饭、馒头等。水饺、面条、大饼、油条等花样经常调换。

张春桥曾有几天不吃饭，只喝一点水。问他"要绝食吗？"他说，不是绝食，有点感冒。经部队卫生员诊治，几天后恢复正常。不苟言笑的张春桥对年轻的卫生员说："小同志不简单，真把我的病给治好了。"他每天看书的时间不少，主要是看《毛选》，看得很仔细，点点画画，眉注不少，有时也翻看《列宁选集》。除看书外，每天都在室内走走转转，低头或仰首长思。有几次他往室内地漏里倒水，问他"为什么？"他说，气候干燥，地漏有臭气，用水浇湿好一点。

王洪文进点后的两个多月，每天每餐只喝一碗稀饭，吃一点小菜。问他为什么？他说吃多了肠胃不舒服。两个月后，逐渐习惯，吃饭也正常了。王洪文不看书，也不多活动，只是呆坐着。工作人员看他有时手脚不太灵便，偶尔有点幻觉反应。

姚文元一直胃口很好，能吃、能睡、能喝，有时晚饭剩下的饭菜，他自己把它留下来，午夜加热后作夜餐吃。姚文元每天都看《毛选》或《列宁选集》；时常在室内走动，弯腰甩胳膊，活动四肢，在"四人帮"中，他是话最多的一个。在隔离期间，他的健康状况一直不错。

江青后期饮食一直正常。她愿吃洋葱头，喜欢吃苹果，并提出要吃点粗粮，吃点长纤维的菜。在隔离期间，她间或看点《毛选》，躺的时间比较长，有时熟睡，有时似睡非睡。每天在室内打一两次太极拳。江青同监护人员中的女同志有时也说几句，比如："小同志你困了"，"小同志我要喝点水。"有时她也问"是不是邓小平上台了？""是不是邓小平叫你们干的？"这些都被监护人员给顶回去了。

1976年12月26日，清晨起来，江青就坐在床上，翻看《毛选》，注视着封页上毛主席的像，长时间地深思默想，不时掉眼泪，有时泪流满面，江青此刻在想什么，我们不得而知。

随着案情的进展，大量确凿事实证明，"四人帮"是一个阴谋篡夺党和国家最高权力的反革命集团。党中央决定将"四人帮"移交国家司法机关惩办。汪东兴召集会议安排，8341部队夜奔秦城，将"四人帮"交由公安部秦城监狱关押。

1977年4月7日晚，汪东兴召集公安部部长赵苍璧、副部长于桑，北京卫戍区第一政委吴德、司令员吴忠和8341部队政委武健华，在人民大会堂新疆厅召开了交接工作会议。汪东兴交代了任务，要公安部做好接管的各项准备工作，8341部队要完成好押送任务，北京卫戍区作必要时的接应。特别强调行动要保密，各个环节要协调，要切实做到确保安全，万无一失。

为了安全顺利地完成任务，8341部队从人员、武器、车辆、道路勘察等方面，一一作了相应安排。

秦城位于北京西北部昌平区境内，距中南海75公里，汽车中速单向行驶，需1小时10分钟。出城后，沿路两侧大部是开阔地，秦城附近，有起伏的丘陵，桥梁、涵洞不多，有利于夜间行车。

为缩小知密范围，押解人员没有重新组织，只是把原来各行动小组的人员集中起来，统一指挥调度。武器弹药齐备，除短枪外，还配有速射武器冲锋枪、轻机枪及手榴弹等。备有三辆红旗轿车，其中一辆是防弹保险车，采取精干隐蔽、深夜突然行动的方案。对"四人帮"分批逐个地押送。

1977年4月9日零点开始行动。第一个被押送的是王洪文，他被铐着，押上防弹车，坐

在后排当中。左右仍是原来擒拿他的霍际龙、吴兴禄，二排坐着两位手持冲锋枪的队员，组长李广银坐在司机旁。防弹车的前后，各有一辆警备车，坐满全副武装处于临战状态的行动队员。车辆出中南海东门至德胜门方向，经沙河镇拐弯直奔秦城，一路畅行无阻。9日1时10分到达秦城。交接双方，办理手续，移交随身携带的杂物。王洪文被狱方带进一间宽敞明亮、有抽水马桶的牢房，并立即换上犯人穿的号衣，开始他的铁窗生活。

9日3时，车已回到中南海。第二个被押送的是张春桥。同王洪文一样，他被铐住两手，押进保险红旗车，在前后警备车的警戒下，沿着预定路线，于9日4时许，移交给狱方。张春桥仍然一言不发，板着一副阴沉僵硬的面孔，被押进牢房。

1977年4月10日零点，开始了第二天的行动。第三个被押送的是江青。组长高云江、队员黄介元在临上车之前，拿着手铐跟江青讲："今天要换个地方，带上这个吧！"她没有吭声，缓缓地走进洗手间，上完厕所后，站在镜子前面梳头。江青的头发就是在那时还是油光黑亮的。出洗手间，她顺从地戴上手铐。她原来的女护士马晓先坐在二排副座上。另一监护她的女同志陈世冠坐在前车上，她负责江青的衣服杂物的登记管理。江青一路无话。到了秦城下车时，周围站了不少监狱的工作人员，有的是来工作，也有一些人是专门来看热闹的。江青伸出两只铐着的手，抬起头，脚步挺快，不时向两边张望。两名女狱警，带着她进了牢房，换了号衣。马晓先、陈世冠向监狱长和女狱警介绍了江青饮食、睡眠及近期的情绪，并交接了衣物。关押江青的牢房与"四人帮"其他人所在的牢房一样，房间较大，通风、采光、卫生设备都比较好，是秦城监狱中一流的牢房。

10日凌晨3时，姚文元是最后一个被押送的，在执行过程中，他无异常反应，比较顺从。

至此，在8341部队隔离监护187天的"四人帮"，于1977年4月10日5时前，已全部移交秦城监狱关押，胜利地完成党中央交办的这一重大政治任务。

中央领导接见，合影留念，便宴款待，华国锋、叶剑英勉励8341部队。汪东兴和武健华代表8341部队讲话。

1977年4月12日下午5时，中央政治局在京的全体同志，在人民大会堂北大厅，与8341

部队执行粉碎"四人帮"任务的全体同志合影，事后每人都保存了一张精致清晰的照片。

当晚 6 时许，政治局全体同志在人民大会堂东大厅举行便宴，与执行任务的同志们一起，庆贺粉碎"四人帮"斗争取得的重大胜利。时任党中央主席的华国锋、副主席叶剑英在主席台就座。席间祝酒时，华国锋说："你们辛苦了，谢谢同志们！"叶帅也勉励大家说："你们为党做了一件大好事，党和人民是不会忘记你们的！"武健华代表 8341 部队，感谢党中央的关怀和鼓励。出席便宴的还有耿飚、北京卫戍区司令员吴忠、政委杨俊生、副司令员邱巍高。

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## **Wu Jianhua: Ye Jianying and Wang Dongxing Discussed Disposing of the Gang of Four in Conversation**

Ye Jianying (fourth from right) and Wang Dongxing (fifth from right) visit Dazhai during the Cultural Revolution.

Although 36 years have passed since the crushing of the Gang of Four, some experts and scholars believe that certain historical truths are still unsolved mysteries. Han Gang, a professor at East China Normal University, raised many important questions in an article published on December 12, 2011 in Beijing Daily. He said, "Wang Dongxing was one of the key figures in the whole incident. Although Wang has never publicly recalled the incident so far, from the recollections of other parties involved, Wang played an irreplaceable role." As to what the details were, they are still unknown."

Under the leadership of Wang Dongxing, I participated in the entire process of crushing the Gang of Four. Before any action was taken against the Gang of Four, I knew something about the brewing activities between Wang Dongxing, Vice President Hua Guofeng and Marshal Ye Jianying. Because of all the circumstances related to the crushing of the Gang of Four, Wang Dongxing, after discussing with Hua and Ye, came back and talked with Li Xin and me. Now on my knowledge, write it out truthfully, if you can provide some reference for the party history workers and readers, I will feel great relief.

The night of September 14, Wang Dongxing and Li Xin two to Hua Guofeng: to try to get rid of the "Gang of Four"!

After the death of Chairman Mao, the evening of September 10, the body of Chairman Mao to the Great Hall of the People, the Great Hall of the People held a solemn condolence ceremony, Wang Dongxing day and night in the Great Hall of the People Fujian Hall duty and rest. As a staff member in charge of the security work at the Great Hall of the People during the condolence period, I was also on duty with him at the Great Hall of the People.

Late at night on September 12 and September 14, 1976, Li Xin, Deputy Director of the General Office of the Central Committee, visited Wang Dongxing in the Fujian Hall of the Great Hall of the People. Together, they talked about the activities of the Gang of Four in recent days: at 2:00 a.m. on September 9 at the Politburo to discuss the issue of mourning, Jiang Qing cried for the expulsion of

Deng Xiaoping's party membership; on September 10, Wang Hongwen unauthorized opening of the Central General Office duty room in the Ziguangge; Yao Wenyuan, they have mobilized a lot of people to express loyalty to Jiang Qing, write letters of encouragement and so on. Li Xin added: "I worked at Diaoyutai for some time. This group often meets at Diaoyutai, and before every Politburo meeting, they hold a small meeting to discuss countermeasures. Now that the President is away, they will definitely revolt and seize power. We must make up our mind to get rid of them early, lest we be moved."

Wang Dongxing said, "We understand and analyze the 'Gang of Four' and many of our ideas are the same. You talk with me about the situation, mention the opinion is very important, you find a time to go to Comrade Hua Guofeng, the two of us ideas and opinions with him, the President's remains in, I'm not good to leave the Assembly Hall, so that he has an understanding of these circumstances of the 'Gang of Four', the disposal of the 'Gang of Four' opinions please make up his mind."

Li Xin on the evening of September 14, went to the East Jiaominxiang Lane Hua Guofeng home, and Hua Guofeng talked about the "Gang of Four" in Diaoyutai frequent activities and recent trends, and on behalf of Wang Dongxing proposed to get rid of the "Gang of Four" views. Li Xin ate dinner at Hua Guofeng's house and talked while eating. That night, Li Xin went to the General Assembly Hall, Fujian Hall, Wang Dongxing, he said: I put the two of us on the "Gang of Four" views and disposal of opinions, are on Hua Guofeng said, he listened to it. Although he did not take a clear position, he did not express any opposition either.

From the morning of September 12 to the afternoon of October 4, Marshal Ye Jianying had four secret talks with Wang Dongxing.

On September 12, 1976, the second day of Chairman Mao's condolence ceremony, party and state leaders continued to attend the condolence and wake. During the mid-morning break, Marshal Ye Jianying (hereinafter referred to as Ye) arrived at the Fujian Hall of the Great Hall of the People, and as soon as he saw Wang Dongxing (hereinafter referred to as Wang), he said, "On the one hand, I

have come to look at you, and on the other hand, I have come to listen to your views on the situation. He also said, "Since September 9, you have been busy day and night, and have not had a good rest, so don't let your body break down! A lot of things are still waiting for us to do it!

Wang: things are indeed a lot of things, visit the remains of Chairman Mao is still going on. The nation's request to come to Beijing to participate in the condolences and mourning of the people's letters and calls like snowflakes, the Secretariat is busy answering. Preparations for the memorial service are being made in earnest. Experts are studying the issue of protection of the remains, the experts who went to Vietnam to learn from the experience have not yet returned, it is expected that the issue of protection of the remains can be resolved, please rest assured Marshal Ye.

Ye: Chairman Mao's death is a very unfortunate event, we are all very sad! But there are still people who disregard the big picture and interfere in many ways. Jiang Qing, at a meeting to discuss Chairman Mao's funeral, clamored for Deng Xiaoping's expulsion from the Party. Yao Wenyuan followed suit. There's no need to talk about it. And someone in the Politburo went so far as to say, without any basis, that the Chairman's face was purple, suspecting that the doctor had killed him, making the doctors nervous. It's a good thing that Wang Hongwen and Zhang Chunqiao were on duty, or they would have reversed right and wrong again.

WANG: When Chairman Mao died, Hua Guofeng and Zhang Chunqiao were on duty. We were on duty at Chairman Mao's place for several months, and we saw with our own eyes that the doctors and nurses were highly responsible and fully committed to treatment and resuscitation, so how can they be suspected baselessly?

Ye: We can all understand, I think you can withstand the pressure!

Wang: Ye Shuai, I'm not afraid of pressure. You know, they have long wanted to get rid of me. in January 1967, Jiang Qing and his gang were planning behind the scenes, in Zhongnanhai, set off the "burning" and "deep-frying" of Wang Dongxing, and in the State Council auditorium several times to hold a general meeting to criticize me. the President knew it and said: "Burn, burn, burn! After

the President knew it, he said, "It's okay to burn and fry, but don't scorch it! Only then did they suppress their anger. Later, Jiang Qing and his gang put the hat of "head of the secret service" on me, and at the Politburo meeting, they proposed to transfer me to work beside Chairman Mao, and to remove me from the post of Director of the General Office, etc. All these were detected by Chairman Mao. All these were recognized by Chairman Mao and stopped.

Ye: you have been working beside the Chairman for many years, and have experienced a lot of difficult things, which is an unparalleled kind of exercise. I may be old, but I still have my sharpness. It seems that this battle between us and them is inevitable!

WANG: I have seen through this group of people over the years, and they will never rest in their activities to split the Party. Those of us who do not fall and die will always be their opponents.

Ye: Are Jiang Qing and the others still active in Zhongnanhai now?

WANG: Jiang Qing ran to Chairman Mao's residence in Zhongnanhai in the past two days to see the documents at Chairman Mao's place, and after she was refused to see them, Jiang Qing became very upset. She's going to make trouble again. After the death of the Chairman, their activities have become more frequent and more blatant.

YE: On this point, our views are the same. Both sides are now engaging in fire reconnaissance, choosing breakthroughs to find the right moment. Okay, we'll talk about it some other time.

The second secret talk. On September 15, 1976, foreign comrades and friends in Beijing, as well as foreign experts, joined the masses in the capital to pay homage to Chairman Mao's remains. Party and state leaders also held a wake beside Chairman Mao's remains and received friends from various countries who came to pay their respects in the condolence hall. After meeting with the foreign guests, Marshal Ye Jianying and Wang Dongxing came from the north hall of the condolence hall to an office on the south side of the east hall and began to talk again.

Wang Dongxing recently Jiang Qing wanted Hua Guofeng to convene the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee to discuss the handling of documents at Chairman Mao's office, and proposed that she, Yao Wenyuan, Mao Yuanxin and Wang Dongxing should all participate in the Standing Committee to report to Marshal Ye.

After hearing this, Ye Shuai said, "They were imposing, posing problems to Hua Guofeng and forcing him to take a stand.

Wang: I didn't bother you that day because the night was late. Comrade Guofeng discussed with me and decided to change it to, the Central Standing Committee to listen to Jiang Qing, Yao Wenyuan and Wang Dongxing's report on the handling of documents at Chairman Mao's office.

Ye: Good idea, we can't be fooled. They are digging in their heels to put pressure on Hua Guofeng, asking for power from the Central Standing Committee, trying to squeeze their way into the Central Standing Committee. Can't do it! This year three of our Party leaders have passed away. The Gang of Four has taken advantage of the situation and the Chinese Revolution is in danger.

Wang: Jiang Qing's gang is a counter-revolutionary cabal, and the Party Central Committee's struggle against them is incompatible.

Ye: They have deviated from the Party Central Committee, from Marxism-Leninism and Mao Zedong Thought, and are engaged in plotting and scheming and splitting up. If we do not take urgent measures, the Chinese Revolution will suffer a setback, or even backslide and fail!

WANG: During the meetings of the Politburo during the Chairman's lifetime, he spoke several times about this history of Zhou Bo and Chen Ping's consolidation of the Han Dynasty through the Lv Rebellion. I see that the Chairman was referring to this.

Ye Shuai nodded and said: Honestly speaking, the evils of the Gang of Four are even worse than those of Lu! How many old comrades have they persecuted to death? It's true that "the crimes are endless when the bamboo in the southern mountain is exhausted; the evils are hard to be exhausted when the waves of the East China Sea are decided."

When Marshal Ye talked about the issue of criticizing Liu, Deng and Tao, Wang Dongxing said to Marshal Ye that I understood the issue like this:

July 9, 1967, 8:00 pm, Chairman Mao in the Great Hall of the People "118" room, convened Premier Zhou and some other old comrades and the Central Cultural Revolution Group held a meeting. At the meeting, Chairman Mao said that he was going to leave Beijing for a period of time and talked about his work after leaving Beijing. Jiang Qing's group refused to let me go out with the Chairman on the grounds that I was the Director of the General Office and who would take care of the work if I left? The President did not agree with them. The President said that the Chief of Staff could find someone to act on his behalf! He also said that Qi Benyu could be asked to act as Director of the Central General Office. The President spoke and it was settled.

The President said to the comrades attending the meeting, "It's OK to criticize Liu and Deng back to back, but don't engage in face-to-face criticism." Those who attended the meeting at that time heard it clearly.

Immediately after the meeting, I convened a working meeting of the Central Government Office in the Great Hall of the People to convey the important matters relating to the "118" meeting and to request that they be conscientiously carried out.

In mid-July 1967, Chen Boda circled and agreed on a "request report" on the criticism of Liu Shaoqi, and ticked off the word "Shaoqi" in the three words of Liu Shaoqi, and added the words "Deng, Tao

and his wife" after the word "Liu." On July 18th, tens of thousands of people from some mass organizations in Beijing convened a vow to criticize Liu Shaoqi outside the West Gate of Zhongnanhai. Later, some mass organizations "set up camp" around Zhongnanhai and demanded that "Liu Shaoqi get out of Zhongnanhai".

At that time, Chairman Mao was living in Shanghai. When Comrade Wu Jianhua learned that Qi Benyu was organizing a general meeting to criticize Liu, Deng and Tao, he called me on two separate occasions to report the matter, and I immediately reported it to Chairman Mao, who asked me to call Premier Zhou at once and ask him to tell them not to engage in face-to-face criticism of Liu, Deng and Tao. The Premier said, "I am aware of the Chairman's instructions; you had better speak directly to Qi Benyu." I again informed Qi Benyu of the President's instructions by telephone.

Qi Benyu said unhappily, "I know what you said. I'll take care of things at home." After saying this, he hung up the phone with a grunt.

It was understood afterwards that Jiang Qing's gang did not follow Chairman Mao's instructions; they still organized people to criticize Liu, Deng and Tao in violation of the law.

After hearing this, Ye Shuai said, "They are lawless! If they succeed in their plot, disaster will strike again! There's an old Chinese saying, "Gaining a country is often preceded by mourning, and losing a country is often preceded by mourning." We have to be on our guard now!

At about 3:00 p.m. on October 2, 1976, Marshal Ye Jianying came to Wang Dongxing's office in the South Tower of Zhongnanhai by appointment. It was the first time for Marshal Ye to come here. When he entered, he left his entourage downstairs and went upstairs by himself. Into the house, he looked along the windows along the sea and said: this house does not look outstanding, but the location is good, see far, elegant and quiet, is a good place to work.

Wang Dongxing to Ye Shuai brewed a cup of Longjing tea, said to Ye Shuai, please sit down to talk about it.

Ye: The situation is very tense recently, which is also expected. The Chinese people often use the phrase "if Qingfu doesn't die, the disaster will not end" as a metaphor for the fact that if the first evil is not eliminated, there will be no end to the chaos. I think that if the Gang of Four is not eliminated, there is no way out for our party and country!

Wang: In order to carry on Chairman Mao's legacy and save the Party's cause, we have the responsibility to crush the counter-revolutionary group of the Gang of Four!

Marshal Ye probed and asked Wang Dongxing in a lowered voice, "Have you thought about it?"

Wang Dongxing said in an affirmative tone, "I think the situation is so pressing that we can't delay any longer, and it's time to make up our minds!

Ye Shuai said firmly, Right! Their momentum has developed to such a point, it is time for a showdown, we can't afford to lose the moment, "The sentiment of the army is the main speed, take advantage of the people!" He paused for a moment and added: "As for the end of the struggle is a comedy or a tragedy, to be seen."

Wang Dongxing said solemnly: Ye Shuai, you are a leader in our Party known for your deep thinking and resourcefulness; led by you together with Comrade Hua Guofeng, and uniting the majority of the members of the Politburo, I see that the advantage will be on our side.

Ye Shuai said: September 29th Politburo meeting, I with Xiannian, former leave first withdrew from the meeting. Jiang Qing even announced without authorization to adjourn the meeting, leaving the "Gang of Four", besieging Hua Guofeng. You did the right thing by staying behind and accompanying Hua Guofeng to deal with them.

Wang Dongxing said: At that time, I felt that what they did was very abnormal, they were simply questioning Comrade Hua Guofeng.

Marshal Ye was unusually agitated and said: It seems that they have already started to do it! They are forcing Hua Guofeng to show his cards and hand over power! They've been plotting to usurp the Party and seize power for a long time, trying to put their gang's interests above those of the Party and the people.

Delusional! We need to talk to Comrade Hua Guofeng immediately. We need to speed up decisive measures.

The sun has set. Wang Dongxing said to Marshal Ye: Marshal Ye, calm down. I'll treat you to a taste of our home cooking tonight.

Ye Shuai was happy to go into dinner with Wang Dongxing.

Ye Shuai said seriously and solemnly: Good! It's a deal. I will now go to Hua Guofeng to talk with him, the specific issues by you tonight to talk to Hua Guofeng. Must be strictly confidential, can not leak half the wind! Try to know the secret scope is small, but do not rule out a small mess.

Wang Dongxing said: there is definitely a risk, but strive not to mess up.

Ye Shuai urged on the way out: the fact is in front of us, forcing us to accelerate the process, can not lose the opportunity. 4 afternoon I come back, do not call, you can not come to my place, do not alarm them.

Wang Dongxing said: I understand.

According to Marshal Ye's explanation, at 9 p.m. on the evening of October 2, Wang Dongxing went to Vice Chairman Hua Guofeng's place in Dongjiaominxiang Lane.

In the office of Vice Chairman Hua Guofeng, Wang Dongxing said to him: This afternoon Marshal Ye came to my office, and we talked for an afternoon, mainly discussing how to solve the problem of the Gang of Four.

Hua Guofeng replied: Marshal Ye came here just now. In principle, the views you talked about are consistent with what I think. Now the question is how to materialize it. Just now I and Marshal Ye discussed, by you first put forward a specific implementation program, we will then agree, do you think this is good?

Wang Dongxing thought for a while and said: I'll go back to think about it and come up with a concrete implementation program, and I'll report back tomorrow.

Hua Guofeng further said clearly: the situation is aggressive, how about trying to solve it within a week? You prepare as soon as possible, but do not be in too much of a hurry, not ready, can not do it.

Wang Dongxing agreed: I strive for a week to get ready, not sure of the battle, absolutely can not fight. Tomorrow I will bring out the program and we will decide.

Hua Guofeng said: When you formulate the program, you have to take into account the difficulties and resistance, and time is running out.

Wang Dongxing said: time is very tight, according to my understanding, Zhang Chunqiao recently visited Zhongnanhai twice, and talked for a long time at Jiang Qing's home. We must get ahead of them.

Hua Guofeng finally said: that's good, tomorrow or this time and this place to meet, no phone calls.

Hua Guofeng and Ye Jianying, the two vice-presidents, asked Wang Dongxing to come up with a concrete implementation plan. Wang wanted Zhang Yaozhi, Li Xin and Wu Jianhua to plan together with him

On the evening of October 2, 1976, after Wang Dongxing sent off Marshal Ye, it was already past 7 o'clock. He paced back and forth in his office, and after calculating for a while, he asked Secretary Gao Chengtang, who was on duty, to notify Zhang Yaozhi, deputy director of the Central Office, Li Xin, and Wu Jianhua, deputy director of the Central Security Bureau and political commissar of the 8341 Unit, of a meeting at Wang Dongxing's office on the South Tower of Zhongnanhai. Because of his work, Comrade Dongxing and we had a lot of contact and conversation, so we are generally clear about the current situation, Chairman Mao's criticism of the "Gang of Four", the Central Committee and the "Gang of Four" struggle. When the three of us arrived, Comrade Dongxing told us bluntly that the Central Committee had made up its mind to take action against the Gang of Four. As he spoke, he drew a circle with his hand and clenched his fist with five fingers together, signaling that he wanted to wipe out the Gang of Four. He said, you first figure out a program of action, I have to go to Hua Guofeng, I come back, we continue to discuss the program of action. He especially emphasized the need to maintain strict confidentiality and not to have the slightest negligence. When he was about to leave the office, he told Gao Chengtang and Sun Shouming, the two secretaries who were handing over the shift, to prepare an office and bedroom for Li Xin and Wu Jianhua next to his office, and from now on, they will work and rest here. Turning back to his head and explained Zhang Yaozhi: you go back to the Central Office, the Central Security Bureau of the day-to-day work and the personnel situation, these days do not have an unexpected incident, something at any time face to face ventilation.

At 3:00 a.m. on October 3, Li Xin, Wu Jianhua in Wang Dongxing's office, reported to him the preliminary views of the course of action we discussed, Comrade Dongxing and we studied in detail.

In discussing the course of action, we considered the issue on the basis of the following four principles.

First, to grasp the psychological state of the Gang of Four. During this period of time, Zhang Chunqiao was intent on capturing the right to publish Mao's Selected Works. He once in the near future to find Li Xin to report to him on the publication of five volumes of the Mao Selection, and to Li Xin asked for a few copies of the manuscript to see. Utilizing Zhang Chunqiao's concern about the work of publishing the five volumes of Mao's Selection, the content of the Standing Committee meeting was determined as follows: to study the issue of publishing the five volumes of Mao's Selection, which should be extremely attractive to Zhang Chunqiao.

Secondly, act according to the usual practice. The Central Committee has traditionally met in the main hall of Huairan Hall to study the publication of the Selected Works of Mao, especially when it comes to the issue of manuscripts, because the Central Committee had stipulated that all manuscripts of the Selected Works of Mao should not be taken out of Zhongnanhai for study. Zhang Chunqiao and Wang Hongwen were aware of these regulations.

Thirdly, to seize the opportunity to study important issues involving Chairman Mao, such as the study of the construction of the site of Chairman Mao's Memorial Hall, as a member of the Standing Committee, it is necessary to participate, so that Zhang Chunqiao and Wang Hongwen could not make excuses not to be able to or for some reason to take a leave of absence.

Fourthly, according to past experience, it is more convenient and favorable to take action here in Huairan Hall.

On the basis of the above considerations, we propose to hold a meeting of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee in the main hall of Huairan Hall in Zhongnanhai,

with two contents: first, to study the question of the publication of the fifth volume of the Selected Works of Mao Tse-tung; and, second, to select a site for the construction of the Memorial Hall of Chairman Mao.

In this program, it was determined that the order of resolving the Gang of Four would be: after resolving the problems of Wang Hongwen and Zhang Chunqiao in Huairen Hall, the problems of Jiang Qing and Yao Wenyuan would be dealt with in turn. Mao Yuanxin was treated differently from the "Gang of Four", and he was dealt with by a custodial examination in situ.

In this action plan, the organization of forces during the operation, isolation sites, confidentiality measures, war preparations, as well as the division of labor and cooperation with the Beijing Garrison, have all put forward specific and clear implementation rules.

At the end of the discussion, Wang Dongxing, following the instructions of Hua Guofeng and Vice-President Ye Jianying, further made a clear division of labor between Li Xin and Wu Jianhua: Li Xin concentrated on drafting the three documents to be submitted for discussion at the meeting of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee in the future, i.e., the Resolution on the Appointment of Comrade Hua Guofeng as Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China (CCCPC) and Chairman of the Central Military Commission of the CCCPC (CMC), the Decision of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China (CCCPC), Standing Committee of the National People's Congress (NPC), and State Council, which was made by the CMC, Central Military Commission decided to establish the Memorial Hall of Chairman Mao Zedong, and the resolution of the CPC Central Committee deciding to publish the fifth volume of the Selected Works of Mao Zedong as soon as possible and to draft preparations for the publication of the Complete Works of Mao Zedong.

Wu Jianhua assisted Wang Dongxing in organizing and carrying out the various tasks relating to operational aspects, while doing a good job of synergizing the work of various departments and links between them.

Comrade Zhang Yaozhi, in addition to carrying on with his daily work, will then be responsible for dealing with Mao Yuanxin and, together with Wu Jianhua, will settle the problem of Jiang Qing.

Our study and formulation of the course of action did not end until about 4:00 a.m. on October 3rd.

Wang Dongxing reported to Hua Guofeng and Ye Jianying, the two Vice-Presidents of the Party, on the implementation plan for crushing the Gang of Four, which was approved by the Party Central Committee, and the righteousness of crushing the Gang of Four thus entered the implementation stage!

At 9:00 p.m. on October 3, 1976, Wang Dongxing and Hua Guofeng met again at Hua's office in Dongjiaominxiang Lane at the appointed time. Wang Dongxing gave him a detailed report on the deployment and implementation of the plan to crush the Gang of Four.

After listening to the report, Vice President Hua Guofeng said, "After listening to your plan of action, I think it is feasible. I will consider whether the time should be shortened a bit and strive for an early solution."

Wang Dongxing said, "I think this is a good idea to avoid a long night. Is the preparation time shortened from ten days to six, we also have to be wary of the possibility of them taking the risk of striking first."

Hua Guofeng pondered for a while and said, "Let's do it this way, you should ask Marshal Ye to talk again and see what other new opinions he has. If Marshal Ye comes to me first, I will talk to him; if Marshal Ye goes to you first, you will talk to him."

Wang Dongxing said, "That's fine, I'll go back to Vice President Ye."

In the afternoon of October 4, 1976, Marshal Ye came to Wang Dongxing's office in the South Building of Zhongnanhai as promised.

Wang Dongxing greeted Ye Shuai at the main entrance. Seeing that Ye Shuai was walking in a hurry, he was out of breath and his face was red. Comrade Dongxing asked Marshal Ye to walk slowly. Ye Shuai did not slow down his pace, said as he walked: "Slow shall not! You can't be slow, you have to be a drummer!"

Ye Shuai sat on the sofa, drinking tea while listening to Wang Dongxing's report, "On the evening of the 2nd, I went to Comrade Guofeng's place, and he told me that you had just left his place. I told him all our ideas. He thinks that our views and his ideas are in principle the same. The question is how to concretize it. According to Comrade Guofeng's request, I discussed with Zhang Yaozhi, Li Xin, and Wu Jianhua an implementation plan for crushing the 'Gang of Four', and last night, I went to him again and reported to him in detail about the implementation plan that we had studied, and Comrade Guofeng thought that it was feasible, and asked me to ask for a report from you again, to see if there were any other new opinions from you?" Ye Shuai signaled to ask Wang Dongxing to speak.

Wang Dongxing crushed the "Gang of Four" action deployment and implementation program, one by one made a detailed report. Ye Shuai listened very carefully. After listening, he pondered for a moment and said: "There are such words in the art of war, 'the plan is familiar with the matter is determined, the move will be successful'; 'the way of all plans, thoroughness is the treasure'. I see that this plan is more mature, and the arrangement is also quite thorough. Carried out according to this implementation program, it will be successful." Ye Shuai then added: "Of course, special attention should be paid to secrecy! There are too many historical events that have failed due to leaks. At the same time, the security should be tight, no one is allowed to enter the scene, we must keep this gate tight."

Wang Dongxing was very much in favor of Marshal Ye's instructions, and he emphasized, "What Marshal Ye has said are all lessons drawn from the blood lessons of our Party's history, the so-called 'one careless move leads to a total loss', and we will ask all action personnel to be sure to practically do so."

Finally, Marshal Ye said, "Basically ready, you should grab a good night's sleep, keep your energy and morale high, and ensure a good fight in this battle!"

Wang Dongxing said, "We will certainly organize ourselves well, please rest assured, Marshal Ye!"

In the afternoon of October 5, Hua Guofeng, accompanied by Wang Dongxing, personally inspected the various isolation points in the underground works. Wang Dongxing led the comrades concerned to inspect and deploy the pre-war work one by one

On the morning of October 4, 1976, Wang Dongxing, together with Mao Weizhong, Deputy Director of the Central Security Bureau, Liu Jian, Director of the Administration of the Great Hall of the People, and Wu Jianhua, a group of four people, in the name of the first-level war preparations, inspected the isolation points in the underground works, and carried out a comprehensive inspection of the underground works' security measures, furniture and supplies, washing utensils, and electromechanical equipments, etc. After the inspection, he instructed the 8341 troops to prevent and protect themselves from the attack of the underground works. After the inspection instructed 8341 troops anti-chemical section chief Huang Changtai, engineering management squadron instructor Lian Jie, under the principle of absolute confidentiality, urgent mobilization of the most necessary forces, according to the use of the state, make all preparations. the afternoon of October 5, Wang Dongxing accompanied Hua Guofeng to the underground engineering, the isolation points were carefully inspected again, that is intact and usable. After that, Wang Dongxing and Wu Jianhua made a detailed inspection of the Huairan Hall venue and its large and small entrances and exits, and the parking lot; they also made a detailed arrangement and

inspection of the relevant weapons and ammunition, vehicles and equipment, communication and liaison, and logistic support. At the same time, several contingency plans in case of irregularities were formulated.

Action personnel selection and organization: we from the political quality, military technology, physical conditions, as well as whether the situation is familiar with several considerations, after repeated deliberations, repeated selection, from the Security Bureau of the bureau, division, section-level cadres, from the 8341st Division, regiment, battalion-level cadres, selected the action squad and to participate in this task, and their organization.

At 2:00 a.m. on October 5, 1976, Wang Dongxing came to Hua Guofeng's residence again to report to him on the implementation of the preparatory work before the operation; at the same time, he asked for instructions on the division of labor and coordination between the 8341st and the troops of the Beijing Garrison during the operation.

Hua Guofeng invited Wu De, the first political commissar of the Beijing Garrison, who had just left his home, back to discuss the matter with him.

Wang Dongxing said to Wu De that there are three aspects of the coordinated action of our two families: First, the security of the capital, the Beijing Garrison is responsible for, 8341 troops are still responsible for its original defense; Second, the target of this action we are responsible for is the "Gang of Four" and Mao Yuanxin, the other people are responsible for you to solve the problem; Third, Yao Wenyan's problem. Yao Wenyan's family lives in Beijing's Xicheng District, according to the courtyard hutong, where the residential security guards by the Beijing Garrison, does not belong to the jurisdiction of the 8341st Corps. In accordance with this action program to do, if Yao Wenyan answered the phone and immediately came to Zhongnanhai, the problem will be solved; if he excuses not to, we immediately have to go to his home action. In order to prevent misunderstanding, we suggested that a responsible comrade from the Beijing Garrison should come to Zhongnanhai to organize this operation with us.

Wu De said: "We are responsible for solving the problem of living more scattered, these people can not be local custody, to find a place to arrange, the action may alarm the surrounding people, this problem we are trying to solve. We have made a comprehensive deployment for the security of the capital, and to cooperate with you in solving the problem at Yao Wenyuan's place, we have decided to ask Commander Wu Zhong to go to Zhongnanhai."

Vice President Hua Guofeng concluded, "Well then, the division of labor and cooperation is settled. We've talked to Marshal Ye about it all, and we'll follow this course of action. Now it looks like, after five days of preparation, if there are no surprises, success will be assured!"

Wang Dongxing made pre-war deployments, gave orders, announced discipline, and was in a state of combat at all times

October 6, 1976, Wednesday, Leap August 13th in the year of the Chinese Lunar Calendar. According to the weather forecast: Beijing area, cloudy to cloudy during the day, wind two or three. At night, cloudy to cloudy, wind force one or two. The maximum temperature is 18 degrees and the minimum temperature is 10 degrees. It's a good day for action.

It was an ordinary day and a memorable day in history.

At about 8:00 a.m., Director Wang Dongxing, as usual, asked his secretary to inform the Secretarial Bureau of the Central General Office, asking them to notify the Standing Committee of the Politburo: Vice President Hua Guofeng will convene the Standing Committee of the Politburo of the Central Committee at 8:00 p.m. tonight in the main hall of the Huaren Hall. The content was twofold: first, to study the publication of the fifth volume of the Selected Works of Mao Zedong; and second, to study the choice of site for the construction of Chairman Mao's Memorial Hall.

The whole morning was so unusual. Near noon, with the consent of Comrade Dongxing, I went to Zhongnanhai and beyond to see what was going on and to observe whether there were any suspicious signs. I first walked from Nanhai to Zhonghai, focusing on the area from the Great West Gate of Zhongnanhai to Huairan Hall; I also rode my bicycle around the periphery of Zhongnanhai, especially observing the Telegraph Building, Jingshan, and the White Pagoda, which were a few high points around Zhongnanhai, and everything was as usual. Upon my return, I reported to Wang Dongxing that I had not found anything unusual.

Wang Dongxing said to proceed according to the plan.

At 3:00 p.m. on October 6, Zhang Yaozhi and I went to Wang Dongxing's office in the South Building, where he wanted to agree with us on the implementation methods for disposing of Jiang Qing and Mao Yuanxin that night. Wang Dongxing said to Zhang Yaozhi: 'Tonight at 8 o'clock, you will take Li Lianqing and the four people in that action group and go first to take Mao Yuanxin into custody. When you go back now, you will first find Li Lianqing to study and arrange the specific implementation method. After dealing with Mao Yuanxin's problem, you will wait for Wu Jianhua in the duty room of Fengze Garden, and then you will go together to Jiang Qing's place of residence in "Zhongnanhai 201" to isolate Jiang Qing, and you will announce the Central Government's decision to Jiang Qing, and carry out an isolated examination of her. Do you think this is OK?' Zhang Yaozhi said there was no problem and left to accept the task.

At 3:30 p.m. on October 6, I informed all the comrades of the four action groups to gather in the rooms outside Wang Dongxing's office in the South Building and wait for their assignments.

Wang Dongxing addressed each action group separately, mobilized and gave the tasks.

The first action group was tasked with the responsibility of solving the problem of Wang Hongwen. Group leader Li Guangyin. Team members: Wu Xinglu, Huo Jilong, and Wang Zhimin.

The second action group was tasked with solving Zhang Chunqiao's problem. Team leader Ji Hefu. Team members: Jiang Tinggui, Xu Jin, Ren Zichao.

The third action group was tasked with solving Jiang Qing's problem. Team leader Gao Yunjiang. Members: Huang Jieyuan, Ma Panqiu, Ma Xiaoxian (female).

The fourth action group was tasked with solving Yao Wenyuan's problem. Team leader Teng Hesong. Team members: Kang Haiqun, Zhang Yunsheng, Gao Fengli.

The teams acting as guards at the scene are: Ding Zhiyou, Dongfang, Ye Guixin, Zhao Yuxin.

Wang Dongxing seriously lowered his voice and said to everyone: The Party Central Committee has made a decision to take urgent measures against the "Gang of Four" tonight, and to conduct an isolated review of them. This is a major issue related to the fate of the Party and the country, the Party Central Committee requires us to be resolute and bold to fulfill this political task, and must not fail the Party and the people's trust in us! Any questions?

Each action group firmly stated: guarantee to complete the task!

Wang Dongxing announced three more disciplines to the group:

First, we must keep secrets absolutely. In the event of a breach of confidentiality, if the Party's cause is jeopardized, it's not a small matter and the harshest sanction will be given!

Second, you must resolutely obey orders and follow commands. Without my orders, no one may fire without authorization! We must strive to solve the problem without firing a shot or shedding blood. This is the best policy.

Third, from now on, operate as an action group, with the group leader in charge, ready to fight at any time.

Tonight's specific assembly time, assembly location, vehicle equipment and how to work with each other, by Wu Jianhua respectively to you to lay out the account.

At 5:00 p.m. on October 6, I again in the small conference room of the 8th East Chamber of Zhongnanhai, urgently convened a meeting of some other comrades who will participate in the action tonight. They are:

8341st Force Chemical Defense Section Chief Huang Changtai, Engineering Management Squadron Instructor Lian Jie.

Service Section Chief Sun Hongqi, Deputy Section Chief Sun Zhenfa.

Transportation Section Chief Cao Zhixiu, Deputy Chief Li He.

Car drivers: Shi Youling, Yu Guixing, Shang Zhanliang, Wang Mingchen, Wu Zengbin, Zhang Zongchen.

I in accordance with the spirit of Wang Dongxing's speech, to the comrades attending the meeting, made a political mobilization, issued a specific task, put forward the confidentiality requirements, announced the three disciplines, notification tonight at 6:30 pm, respectively, assembled to the designated location, waiting for orders.

After the meeting, I was busy to the South Building Wang Dongxing place in a few words to the "East eight" meeting reported to him. While listening to me, he looked at his watch and said, "Go to

Huairan Hall now, check it out first, don't make any mistakes, I'll be there in a while. I then drove to Huairan Hall and parked my car at the hidden place of "Baoguangmen". When I stepped through the gate of Huairan Hall, members of the action team and the venue staff were gathering at Huairan Hall.

On the evening of October 6, 1976, the two Vice-Presidents, Hua Guofeng and Ye Jianying, accompanied by Director Wang Dongxing, sat down in Huairan Hall to fight the "Gang of Four".

At 6:30 p.m., Wang Dongxing arrived at the door of Huairan Hall by car. After getting off the car, he instructed his driver, Li He, to drive the car to the north side of the hall in the west building and the gray courtyard wall between the entrances to hide. Li Xin, deputy director of the Central Office, who came with him, stayed in the car as planned. With both hands, he placed his leather bag on his lap, which contained the three important documents he had been instructed to draft for discussion later at a meeting of the Politburo of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China.

At this point, despite the fact that everything was properly arranged, I was still afraid that something had been left out, or that there would be mistakes in unexpected links. Wang Dongxing said grimly: Let's take another look.

He went from the main hall of Huairan Hall, auditorium, to the east and west compounds, until the door of the car park, all the guard posts, latent posts, motorized detachments and guard duty room, one by one personally check. Once again, their tasks were clarified and disposal measures restated.

In order not to reveal their intentions, the deployment of guards in front of the main gate of Huairan Hall, where they were publicly visible, was as usual. The formality was tight inside and loose outside.

Inside the parking lot, most of the working cars and motorized emergency vehicles will be hidden in the north side of the West Gate Lane open field. Wyoming Hall gate only parked a few cars of the participants. Do quiet as usual, neat and orderly.

Accompanying security personnel, tonight are not allowed to enter the scene of Huai Ren Hall, in accordance with the rules of the past large-scale conference activities, are arranged in Huai Ren Hall diagonally across the "five rooms" rest. Charge the director of security Ding Zhiyou in the front hall of Huai Ren Hall guard duty room to effectively implement, strict control.

Five action groups, on time, respectively, concentrated in the designated position on standby.

Implementation of the detention of Wang Hongwen, Zhang Chunqiao's two action groups, at this time is behind the stage curtain of Huai Ren Hall, engaged in pre-battle maneuvers. Some of them were further checking and wiping the pistols and instruments they were carrying, while others were stretching and twisting their hips, moving their legs and feet, and familiarizing themselves with the actions of tackling and releasing, similar to an athlete before he enters the arena.

At the same time, the other three action groups have been assembled at designated locations outside of Huai Ren Hall.

Gao Yunjiang, the leader of the action group in charge of Jiang Qing, together with two members and three cars, were hiding in the west side of the back door of "Fengzeyuan", which was convenient for going to the roadside of "Zhongnanhai 201". They were all sitting in a red flag insurance car driven by Shi Youling.

Yao Wenyuan's action team leader Teng Hesong, with all the members of the group and three cars, is located in the traffic section south of the small bridge to standby. The difference

is that here there was also Wu Zhong, the commander of the Beijing Garrison, to be ready to cooperate with the operation if necessary.

Li Lianqing, the leader of the action group who had Mao Yuanxin under house arrest, was waiting for the opportunity to move in Fengze Garden according to Zhang Yaozhi's arrangement in the afternoon.

Wang Dongxing, after checking the above security deployments and various action groups, returned to the main hall of Huai Ren Hall, the "main position" tonight. It is a multi-functional hall. Today, the arrangement here is different from the usual. Wang Dongxing personally instructed the two section chiefs of the Service Section, Sun Hongqi and Sun Zhenfa, to make adjustments according to his intentions. The north side of the main hall originally stood a pair of large screens embedded with white gauze silk, in order to facilitate concealment and facilitate action, but also in the main hall, east of the center door, from the south to the north, and then add a few small and medium-sized lightweight screens. Sofas are removed. In this way, the whole has more than 800 square meters of the main hall, reduced to one-third of the space. Field sitting north to south a small long conference table, behind the table for Hua Guofeng, Ye Jianying prepared two armchairs. Table on the original tea pots, tea cups, cigarette holders, stationery, etc., all removed, just in case. The two section chiefs, with the assistance of mobile team members, skilled and swift, within a few minutes, adjusted, completed the "battlefield preparation".

At this moment is already 7:20 pm, I quickly step to Huai Ren Hall outside the door to see the situation. Just stepped out of the threshold, down the steps, I saw Zhongnanhai West Gate a large red flag car, with micro-lighting, slowly driving in, instantly stopped in front of Huai Ren Hall. Ye Shuai got out of the car, his hand on the door, panning the parking lot, hale and hearty, walking steadily towards Huai Ren Hall.

"Marshal Ye has arrived." I said this in front of the gate to Ye Shuai with full respect.

Marshal Ye stopped and looked toward me, smiling as usual: "Where is Comrade Dongxing?"

"He is in the outer room of the main hall." While listening to my reply, Ye Shuai walked up the stone steps, which were neither high nor steep, through the antechamber of Huai Ren Hall, and familiarly walked along the east lounge towards the main hall.

When Wang Dongxing saw Ye Shuai come in, he walked a few steps closer, and at the combination of the main hall and the auditorium, he shook Ye Shuai's hand while saying, "Ye Shuai, please don't worry. I checked again according to the plan, everything is in place and will surely complete the plan successfully."

Marshal Ye looked around under the soft light of the auditorium, everything was in order, he was silent for a moment and said thoughtfully, "This is a backwater battle!" Destroy its firmness, seize its leader, in order to dissolve its body! Counting on is a smooth victory yo!"

Wang Dongxing nodded slightly and replied in a cordial tone, "We are sure of fighting this battle well!"

At 7:40 p.m., Vice President Hua Guofeng came in from the north gate of Zhongnanhai, parked his car at the swimming pool, and walked into the main hall of Huai Ren Hall in a graceful manner. He saw Marshal Ye and Director Wang were there, without pleasantries, asked bluntly, "Comrade Dongxing, everything is ready, right?"

Wang Dongxing replied back painfully, "It can be said that everything is ready." Then he gave a brief account of what he had just inspected. Hua, Ye, and Wang stood in a zigzag shape, sometimes moving a few steps, sometimes standing and looking at each other, leaning in to talk.

Wang Dongxing looked at his watch and said to Hua and Ye, the two vice-presidents, "It is now 7:45, please 'take your seats' and take your seats!" They moved their steps slowly, and the three of them walked into the main hall together; after Hua and Ye were seated separately, Wang pointed to the small southeast door of the main hall and said in an aggravated tone, "Wang Hongwen, Zhang Chunqiao, and the others will come in from here."

Then Wang Dongxing turned to face west, "My place is behind this row of screens." Wu Jianhua is on the scene in the main hall, he can take care of things inside and out."

At 7:55 p.m., I faintly heard the not-so-high pitched voices and chugging footsteps at the entrance to Huai Ren Hall. I looked south along the long corridor of the East Lounge, Wang Hongwen had just turned the corner to the north, and I flew to report Hua, Ye, and Wang separately. The members of the assault Wang Hongwen, eyeing, set up ambushes on both sides of the door, into a state of emergency before the battle.

Wang Hongwen is still the usual dress habits, wearing a "standard" military top civilian clothes, underneath a pair of navy blue straight suit pants, leather shoes shiny. Left hand carrying a file bag, chest straight back, strutting towards the main hall. Looks like no mind into the small door, to Hua Guofeng, Ye Jianying looked, not yet had time to say anything, will be two eyes shooting light, the mighty and ferocious commandos Huo Interlong, Wu Xinglu from the left and right sides, hungry tigers pounced on the past, two pairs of strong and powerful hands, firmly clamped down on the two arms of Wang Hongwen, one hand pressed down on his shoulder blades, and one hand grabbed his wrists lifted up, forming a low head and waist bending of the "jet", the swift and swift, the earliest and the best, and the best. This lightning fast "surprise", so that Wang Hongwen momentarily dizzy. His red neck, turning the head of the not too nimble, shouted sharply two sentences: "What are you doing? What are you doing?" And desperately twisted his arms, jumping two feet, trying his best to break free. Huo, Wu from both sides to increase the strength, Li Guangyin, Wang Zhimin from the back of the belt to grab him hard, so that Wang Hongwen two feet in the air, unable to do anything. Firmly confined in the front about five meters from Hua Guofeng, Ye Jianying. Hua Guofeng faced Wang Hongwen and solemnly declared, "Wang

Hongwen, despite the repeated warnings of the Central Committee, you continue to form gangs and factions, carry out unlawful activities, conspire to usurp the Party and seize power, and commit an unforgivable crime against the Party and the people. The Central Committee of the Communist Party of China has decided that you shall be subjected to an isolated examination, which shall be carried out immediately."

The words just fell, Wang Hongwen was action team twisted away from the scene, in the main hall, "East Drinking Water", a pair of shiny handcuffs, click, the back of the card tightened his hands. In the handcuffs on the moment, he woke up as if in a dream, inexorably said a truth: "I can't imagine you guys so fast!" This also proves the correct decision of the central government to dispose of the "Gang of Four" in advance.

Out of the small door of the "East Drinking Water Office", he was escorted to the Red Flag car that had already been prepared in the east courtyard of Huairen Hall. The driver was the shrewd and skillful veteran Shang Zhanliang, who was good at handling complicated situations. Set Wang Hongwen in the back seat in the middle, left and right still by Huo, Wu pinched his cuffed arms, Wang Zhimin sat in the second row of the passenger seat, Wang Hongwen sandwiched in the middle. Group leader Li Guangyin sitting in the driver's side of the command position, within a few minutes, Wang Hongwen was detained to the isolation room.

At 7:58 p.m., just as Wang Hongwen was being handcuffed in a hidden place outside the arena, Zhang Chunqiao had already stepped through the door of Huairen Hall. He habitually walked slowly along the east corridor from south to north with a heavy heart. As usual, he wore a set of half-new, not old, looks still fit gray mountain suit, feet on ordinary black leather shoes. Under his left armpit was a bulging bag of documents, and his right hand from time to time handled the bag upwards. His unsmiling face was taut. Two gloomy and icy eyes still exuded his headstrong demeanor. Nearsighted glasses hanging high on the bridge of his nose, gazing ahead, he did not look around, straight stomping into the main hall. He saw face to face is seated Hua Guofeng, Ye Jianying, immediately felt the cold atmosphere, this treacherous fox, tightly locked brow, the whole body is stunned, tramping forward.

Pre-ambush in the small door on both sides of the commandos Ji and rich, Xu Jin, followed by Jiang Tinggui, Ren Zichao, with a strong sense of mission to eliminate violence and cut the evil, with open arms and legs, fast clamping, "three five", has long made the unbeatable Zhang Chunqiao "clay" "wooden sculpture" like a stand in front of Hua Guofeng, Ye Jianying.

Hua Guofeng solemnly announced the decision of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China." Decision" full text, in addition to changing the name "Zhang Chunqiao", other and Wang Hongwen announced no different.

Zhang Chunqiao did not say a word from the beginning and was at the mercy of the Action Group. Like Wang Hongwen, he was handcuffed, escorted to the car and sent to the underground isolation room.

Cleanly solve the problem of Wang Hongwen, Zhang Chunqiao, followed by Zhang Yaozhi, Wu Jianhua to take people to "201" to announce the decision of the Central Committee to isolate Jiang Qing!

Wang Dongxing said to Vice-Presidents Hua and Ye with a wry smile, "These two people have worked well with us! They came on time, left on time, and followed the instructions very well."

Hua Guofeng said with a smile on his face, "Didn't the old man say that it is better to pursue the poor enemy! We have to fight a complete and thorough annihilation war!"

Between words, the service section Sun Zhenfa with a tea tray on the green fragrant Longjing tea, one by one to Hua, Ye, Wang in front. At a tense moment, a cup of strong tea and a hot towel are extremely helpful in eliminating fatigue and invigorating the spirit.

I said sharply to Wang Dongxing: "Comrade Yaozhi and I will go to '201' now!"

Comrade Dongxing said, "Go ahead! Contact us at any time if there are any problems. See what else Comrade Guofeng and Marshal Ye have to say." Hua and Ye said they had no comment.

I jogged all the way out of Huairan Hall, went straight to the "Bao Guangmen" and jumped into the car hidden there, and in less than a minute, stopped at the guard duty room at the back door of the "Feng Ze Yuan". There was no one in the room, and I realized that Mao Yuanxin's problem had not yet been dealt with. Hurriedly past the "Chrysanthemum House" door, straight to the "Jaw Hop Hall", only to see Mao Yuanxin two eyes straight sitting in the main hall on a chair, Zhang Yaozhi in the announcement of the Central Committee on the custody of the decision to review, off Mao Yuanxin with a pistol, is instructing him that he must be honestly subject to the management of the rules.

I said softly to Zhang Yaozhi from behind the side, "Time is running out, let's go!"

He turned back to see me, and to the side of the Li Lianqing whispered a few words of explanation, the two of us quickly out of the back door of the "Fung Chak Yuen", side by side straight to the "201". Action team Gao Yunjiang, Huang Jieyuan, Ma Panqiu followed closely. Three cars also drove slowly into the "Spring Lotus Root Zhai" east side of the square.

We went straight into the front lobby of "201". This was where the secretaries, security guards, medical staff and drivers met and rested. When we arrived, some of them were intently reading books, some were bending down and stroking their sleeves to do laundry, and some were leaning forward and backward to play poker. Seeing us here, although we do not know the reason, but are almost daily acquaintances, neither rusty, nor nervous, one by one, all grinning.

Zhang Yaozhi smiled and said to the staff present, "Are you there? (referring to Jiang Qing)," and everyone nodded knowingly.

At the same time, I called Lao Shen, who was driving for Jiang Qing, aside: "Please take the car parked in front of the door and drive it back to the Transportation Section immediately." And facing Shi Youling, who was driving the insurance red-flag sedan, I said, "You park the car in front of the door at the bright corridor for boarding." One by one, they all immediately complied. Then I told Zhou Jinming, a security staff officer who formerly worked for Jiang Qing, "Xiao Zhou, you lead the way." I know that, before dinner, Wang Dongxing has given Zhou Jinming a little "wind", Zhou heart is clear. Turning back, I said to Ma Xiaoxian, the nurse who was standing behind us, "You come too!" Outdoor preparations should be ready, Zhang Yaozhi and I and the action team, immovably pushed the door into the "201" main hall.

As soon as we entered, we saw Jiang Qing sitting on a sofa with his back to the east and his back to the west. In front of him was a rectangular desk that was not high. The table is padded with white tablecloth, placed lamp, tea tray, tea cups, all kinds of office stationery, and a few documents. Knees covered with a small square towel quilt, the soles of the feet with a specially made footrest, the floor is covered with a thick dark green wool carpet, the room around the docking of a few bookcases and tin filing cabinets. A large glass ceiling lamp shaped like a flower petal curved in the center of the ceiling, radiating a golden yellow light.

When the members of the action team entered the room, they quickly surrounded Jiang Qing in a semicircle in the center from the left and right sides and behind the sofa. Jiang Qing remained seated, a huffy, fierce, loathsome face showing apprehensive fear. Instantly, she pretended to be calm again, raised her right hand woodenly, held up her glasses, and faced Zhang Yaozhi and me sideways, with a little tremor in her voice: "What are you going to do?" She asked first.

Zhang Yaozhi stood in front of Jiang Qing's left side, and with his customary military posture, he said majestically, "Jiang Qing, you have not heeded the warnings of the Central Committee, and you

have continued to form gangs and factions, carry out activities to split the Party, and conspire to usurp the Party and seize power. The Central Committee of the Communist Party of China has decided to subject you to an isolated review. Execute it immediately." Zhang Yaozhi also ordered Jiang Qing: when you go to another place, you must observe discipline and honestly confess your crimes to the Party.

Jiang Qing stretched out her neck, stared and asked, "Who in the CPC Central Committee decided this?"

I impatiently rebuked her, "What kind of person is the CCP Central Committee, could you not understand?"

Jiang Qing changed her tone, "I mean what people instructed you to come?"

Zhang Yaozhi immediately told her clearly and squarely, "We are here to implement the Central Committee's decision on the orders of Vice-President Hua Guofeng and Vice-President Ye Jianying."

I said, "Hurry! Leave here at once."

JIANG QING: "What about the documents I have here?"

Zhang Yaozhi: "We'll have someone come to take over, you hand over the key."

JIANG QING: "That won't do, many of the documents here are secrets of the Central Committee, I have to be responsible to the Party. The key, I can only hand over to Hua Guofeng."

Zhang Yaozhi: "That's fine, you put it in an envelope for us to hand it over."

Jiang Qing remained seated in her original position, leaned forward with her upper body, and wrote a short letter to Hua Guofeng with a pencil on a piece of rice-paper letterhead with a red bar printed on it, from top to bottom. The letter said: "Comrade Guofeng: the person who came to say, they are under your orders, announced that I isolated review. I wonder if it is a decision of the central government? The enclosed letter transmits to you the key on the filing cabinet in my place. Jiang Qing October 6." Then she wrote on a large rice-paper envelope with a red frame the words "Comrade Hua Guofeng's personal message," with a note at the bottom that it was "entrusted by Jiang Qing." She wrapped the key with a piece of letter paper, with the letterhead together into the envelope, and then at both ends of the envelope, pasted the "sealing sign", and with her hand in the "sealing sign" on the hard pressure a few times, hand over the letter to Zhang Yaozhi.

I was so anxious that I urged her again, "Go! Go!"

Jiang Qing removed the small towel on her knees, straightened her clothes, pressed the armrests of the sofa with both hands and slowly stood up, walking out of the sofa. Before going out, she had to go to the bathroom again. Jiang Qing urinary urgency and frequency of the problem, from day to day, do not think it is strange. Just in case, I asked the nurse Ma Xiao to go in with her. Originally, she used to go to the bathroom, sometimes accompanied by a nurse.

Leaving the "201" front door, through a dozen meters of dark corridor to the front hall, where a multi-functional coat racks stand against the wall, Jiang Qing removed a dark gray "cloak", Ma Xiaoxian help her put on the hat, knot good belt, towards the parking place.

Jiang Qing is certainly a treacherous and cunning, cruel and mean, poisonous and ruthless, Zetian Wu Hou's heart is not dead ambitious, but in front of today's awe-inspiring stand, the great and formidable soldiers, she took out the skill to make the wind boat's skill, false response to pin the tail up. Since she was willing to bow down and obey, act according to instructions, and was unable to resist, there was no handcuffs on her.

Action team personnel, the heavy insurance car door open, Jiang Qing sat in the middle of the back row, Huang Jieyuan, Ma Panqiu sat on both sides, nurse Ma Xiaoxian sat in the second row of the vice seat facing Jiang Qing, the leader of the group Gao Yunjiang seated next to the driver. There was a police car in front and back, and I sat in the command position in the rear car. We were all armed with short guns. The police personnel in the front and rear cars were equipped with rapid-fire weapons and plenty of ammunition. The three vehicles drove quickly away from the former "Juren Hall" square.

When the cars passed in front of the gate of Huairen Hall, I saw Hua Guofeng, Ye Jianying and Wang Dongxing standing in a line on the steps of the gate of Huairen Hall, looking around with concern. I hastily poked my head out of the car, signaling that all was well here at the moment.

Out of Zhongnanhai Daximen, along the right side of the street northbound, through the West Fourth, Baitasi East Street, a big turn toward the direction of the Chegongzhuang, into the so-called "eight areas" of the underground. The lead car driver Zhang Zongchen, is a driver who often drive a pioneer car, he left by the right gear, take advantage of the weakness and enter, for the two cars immediately after the road. Jiang Qing rode in the insurance Red Flag sedan, driven by the calm, sophisticated and skillful Shi Youling.

Beijing's main street traffic police, all eyes sharp, they know the insurance red flag "identity", the central only a few core leaders have to ride. But where do they know, today is the exception that outsiders would not expect, all the way to the green light open, only less than five minutes, to reach the scheduled underground isolation point.

Jiang Qing was brought into the isolation room, I told the driver Wu Zengbin turn the car around, quickly rushed back to Huairen Hall. When Comrade Dongxing saw me, he asked, "Jiang Qing has put on a show again, hasn't she?" I said, "She's seen a lot of things. I said, "She saw the wind and

was quite obedient." Hua and Ye, the two vice-presidents, the corners of their mouths were covered with smiles, and I could see that their tense hearts were now calm and relaxed.

The three men sat down calmly and talked about the disposal of Yao Wenyuan, the last of the "Gang of Four".

The measures to deal with Yao Wenyuan have been prepared in two ways in the program. Yao Wenyuan was not a member of the Politburo Standing Committee, and on that day, he was not notified at all to attend the 8 p.m. Politburo Standing Committee, nor was he notified to sit in on the 8 p.m. Politburo Standing Committee. It was agreed in advance that, first, after resolving the problems of Wang Hongwen, Zhang Chunqiao and Jiang Qing, he would be notified individually to come to a meeting at Huairan Hall, and if he answered the call, he would be a turtle in a jar. Second, if he delayed, the action team went to his place of residence to capture him in the courtyard hutong. But his residence guards by the Beijing Garrison as a department, in order to avoid misunderstandings during the action, 2:00 am on October 5, Wang Dongxing in Hua Guofeng, Vice President of the home with Wu De three people, together, talked to Yao Wenyuan's home, if necessary, to ask Commander Wu Zhong to wait for an opportunity to act together.

In view of Jiang Qing, Zhang Chunqiao, Wang Hongwen has been successfully brought into the isolation point. Wang Dongxing said decisively, "Call Yao Wenyuan at once." But who would make the call was not agreed upon beforehand. He went on to say, "Comrade Guofeng's phone call should be made by you, right? Lest he be too concerned."

Hua Guofeng thought for a moment, "I'll do it then!"

Cao Wangui, Hua's secretary, used the red-powered machine on the west side of the main hall to quickly connect Yao Wenyuan's phone. Hua Guofeng said calmly, "Comrade Wenyuan, I am discussing the publication of the five volumes of the Selected Mao with Comrades Hongwen and

Chunqiao in Huairen Hall, and there are some issues on which I would like to hear your opinion. Would you please come now and study them together."

I accompanied Wang Dongxing and also stood by the telephone, waiting to hear Yao Wenyuan's reply.

"Yes, I'll be right there." Yao Wenyuan did not hesitate and hung up the phone after speaking.

"Comrade Dongxing, I'm going to make the arrangements." I reported on one side, pulling my leg to leave. Immediately turning back, he added, "Is Commander Wu Zhong invited back."

Wang Dongxing said, "Inform Comrade Wu Zhong of the situation and send a car to send him back."

I quickly walked to the "East Drinking Water Office" and used a red phone to notify Kang Haiqun, who was waiting in the duty room of the Transportation Section, to act according to the first plan. The entire group immediately took a red-flag car and drove to the east courtyard of Huairen Hall. At the same time, I explained the situation to Commander Wu Zhong and sent a car to send him back.

Wu Zhong said, "I have to hurry back, I still have a mess there." He was referring to the Beijing Garrison, which was in charge of the detainees at the same time that night.

After making the call, I returned to Hua, Ye and Wang, who were sitting in the outer room of the main hall. When I had just finished reporting on the arrangements, Hua Guofeng said to Ye Jianying and Wang Dongxing, "Do you still want us to come out?" Marshal Ye: "Be excused!"

Hua, Ye and Wang immediately decided that Wu Jianhua would go and announce the Central Committee's decision to Yao Wenyuan.

I said, "It takes an imperial sword to do that."

Wang Dongxing: "That's good, please ask Comrade Guofeng to write a warrant!"

Hua Guofeng looked at the small table set up not far in front of him, the one usually used for evening meals, and intended to get up. Sun Zhenfa quickly ran over and moved the table to Hua Guofeng's side. Sun Hongqi hurriedly brought the paper and pencils that were always ready for the usual meetings.

Hua Guofeng quickly wrote without thinking.

I received the warrant written by Vice Chairman Hua Guofeng, turned back and walked towards the southeast door of the main hall, just as the four comrades of the action group had already arrived from the "East Basho". I conveyed the changes I had just made to Teng Hesong, Kang Haiqun, Zhang Yunsheng and Gao Fengli, and agreed to take action in the East Lounge of the auditorium.

For the sake of simplicity, the East Lounge did not change the original arrangement, a large circle of leather sofas around, between the sofas is a small rectangular coffee table, the floor is covered with thick cream-colored carpet. I sat on the big sofa on the east side by the window.

At 8:25 p.m., Kang Haiqun followed Yao Wenyan in at the main entrance of Huairen Hall, while Teng Hesong was at the door of the East Lounge, signaling with his hand, "please come in". Zhang Yunsheng and Gao Fengli stood on either side of the door to the rest room. Yao Wenyan just entered the door, was Zhang, high from the left and right sides, tugging on his arms, press down on his shoulders, so that Yao Wenyan could not move, standing with his head down to me. Yao Wenyan could not stop shouting, "Who told you to do this? Who told you to do this?"

I was initially sitting on the sofa, but conscious of the lack of that vast righteousness, immediately I stood up majestically and faced Yao Wenyuan and announced in a high-pitched voice: "The Central Committee of the Communist Party of China has decided to carry out an isolation review of Yao Wenyuan, which will be carried out immediately. Hua Guofeng." After I finished my announcement, I forcefully shouted, "Take him away!" The action team carried him toward the north door of the rest room. At this point, Yao Wenyuan was still walking and shouting, "I have something to say! I have something to say!" He also called out to his bodyguard, "Xiao X, come quickly!" Leaving the north door of the lounge, the action team clanked, put him in shiny handcuffs, escorted by Yu Guixing driving the red flag car. Yao in the car on the way, still yelling: "Which troops are you?" "Who instructed you to do this?" He kept on yelling even after the action team stopped him several times. As a last resort, they stuffed his mouth with a towel they had prepared beforehand, and only then did he calm down. The automobile still followed the same route that had transported Wang and Zhang, and detained him in an extremely tight underground isolation room.

When I reported to Vice Chairman Hua, Vice Chairman Ye and Wang Dongxing that I had been ordered to complete the task of detaining Yao Wenyuan, I carefully looked at my watch and saw that it was exactly 8:30 p.m. on the evening of October 6, which meant that the "Gang of Four" had been solved. In other words, the whole process of solving the Gang of Four took only 35 minutes.

Under the leadership of the Party Central Committee, the isolation review of the "Gang of Four" was successfully completed. Wang Dongxing was relieved and smiled with relief. Hua Guofeng, Ye Jianying, vice chairman of the "Gang of Four" also for the decisive victory and the smile of joy and satisfaction.

At 10:00 p.m. on October 6, the Politburo of the Central Committee held an emergency meeting in Building No. 9 of Yuquanshan. The Central Committee declared that the "Gang of Four" counter-revolutionary group had been crushed. The members of the Politburo at the meeting fully endorsed Marshal Ye's opinion, and unanimously approved the appointment of Hua Guofeng as the

Chairman of the Party Central Committee and the Chairman of the Central Military Commission, to be recognized posthumously at the time of the Central Committee's plenary session.

Immediately after the isolation review of the Gang of Four, the Politburo of the Central Committee held an emergency meeting to deal with the aftermath of the incident.

Hua Guofeng said to Wang Dongxing, "You notify and arrange a meeting of the Politburo, and I will ask Geng Biao to give an explanation."

Hua Guofeng personally called Geng Biao and Qiu Weigao, the deputy commander of the Beijing Garrison, and asked them to come to Huaren Hall immediately for an interview. After the meeting, Hua told them, "We have taken action against the Gang of Four and won. Now we are sending you to lead a competent working group to the Central Broadcasting Bureau, the Central People's Broadcasting Station and other news organizations. You will be there to grasp the situation and keep a watchful eye on the situation, so as not to make a mistake at the mouth of the propaganda.

Marshal Ye especially instructed two points: first, to prevent internal confusion; second, to prevent external leaks. It is also necessary to prevent the occurrence of abnormal situations.

Hua Guofeng asked them if there were any other problems.

Geng Biao said, nothing else, please give an oracle.

Hua Guofeng put pen to paper and wrote, "Comrade Deng Gang, in order to strengthen the work of the Broadcasting Bureau, Geng Biao and Qiu Wei Gao have been sent here, if there are any problems, you should consult them. Hua Guofeng."

Geng and Qiu were ordered to go.

Wang Dongxing, on the one hand, arranged for Li Zhao, Deputy Director of the Security Bureau, to prepare for the Politburo's meeting and office work at Mount Yuquan. At the same time, he told the Secretary General to prepare for the meeting of the Politburo's emergency meeting at 10:00 pm. He himself personally called to inform the Politburo members and alternate members in Beijing to meet at 10 p.m. in Building No. 9 of Mount Yuquan. After Hua Guofeng, Ye Jianying, and Wang Dongxing had finished their business at Huairen Hall, they drove to Mount Yuquan to attend the emergency meeting of the Politburo.

According to the records of Li Xin, Deputy Director of the Central Office, and Zhou Qicai, Director of the Secretary's Bureau of the Central Office, who were present at the emergency meeting of the Politburo, we came to know the following inside story of the meeting:

At the beginning, Hua Guofeng asked Ye Jianying to preside over the meeting and make a speech. Ye Shuai said: "This meeting should be chaired by you, you are Chairman Mao's proposal, discussed and approved by the Central Political Bureau of the Party Central Committee, the first vice-chairman of the Central Committee, has been presiding over the day-to-day work of the Central Committee, the responsibility of the Central Committee, you will preside over the meeting!"

Hua Guofeng said, "Then I will say a few words before asking Marshal Ye to preside. This emergency meeting of the Politburo of the Central Committee is held at such a late hour in Marshal Ye's residence in Building No. 9 of Yuquanshan, because of the importance of the matter, the situation is very serious, and in order to favor a high degree of secrecy and to ensure the security of the Central Committee, the decision is made to take such a measure, which is very necessary. I now announce to you that at 8 pm this evening, the Central Authorities had arrested WANG Hongwen and ZHANG Chunqiao in the main hall of Huairen Hall in Zhongnanhai on the pretext of holding a meeting of the Standing Committee of the Politburo to discuss the publication of the fifth volume of the Selected Works of MAO Tse-tung and the choice of site for the construction of the Memorial

Hall to Chairman MAO. Jiang Qing was arrested at her place of residence in Zhongnanhai. On the basis of their serious crime of usurping the Party and seizing power, the Central Committee's decision, signed by me, to subject them to quarantine review was announced to each of them. The arrests of Wang Hongwen and Zhang Chunqiao were made in the main hall of Huai ren Hall, where Marshal Ye was seated, and I announced them separately. The arrests of Jiang Qing and Yao Wen yuan were read to them by the persons responsible for carrying out the task. A custodial review was imposed on Mao Yuanxin." Several key elements of the 'Gang of Four' in Beijing were settled by the Beijing Municipal Committee and the Beijing Garrison in accordance with the instructions of the Central Committee."

Hua Guofeng went on to describe the process of carrying out this major operation: "Marshal Ye was personally present at the scene in the main hall of Huai ren Hall and sat in command with me. Comrade Dongxing, in accordance with the predetermined plan, organized and commanded the combatants to carry out the specific implementation. Due to correct decision-making, careful organization, high degree of secrecy and appropriate measures, the entire operation went smoothly. For the central news organizations, we chose Comrade Geng Biao to lead a competent working group into the area to control the situation and keep a good watch."

Hua Guofeng said, "The ambition of the 'Gang of Four' to usurp the Party and seize power has a long history, when Chairman Mao was alive, they did not dare to act rashly, but after Chairman Mao's death, they thought that the time had come, and they intensified their efforts to carry out the counter-revolutionary activities of usurping the Party and seizing power in an unbridled manner and in a hurry. They utilized the propaganda tools under their control to create counter-revolutionary public opinion about usurping the Party's power. They tampered with Chairman Mao's handwritten instructions and forged the so-called dying instructions of Chairman Mao. They set up armed forces under their control and command in Shanghai and issued large quantities of guns and ammunition. All indications are that the fate of our Party and country is at a critical moment of life and death. In order to ensure that the leadership of the Party and the country would not be usurped by them, and to prevent them from succeeding in their evil plots, the Central Committee took resolute and decisive measures and extraordinary means to crush the 'Gang of Four' counter-revolutionary group

steadily and quickly, and achieved a major historic victory, removing a major evil for the Party, for the country and for the people."

Ye Jianying pointed out: our party's struggle with the Gang of Four is irreconcilable, you and I will live and die.

Just after Hua Guofeng's words, Ye Jianying emphasized, "The crushing of the 'Gang of Four' counter-revolutionary group was carried out at a time of crisis for the Party and the country after Chairman Mao's death. During his lifetime, Chairman Mao had proposed to solve the problem of the 'Gang of Four' before it was too late. After Chairman Mao's death, the counter-revolutionary activities and arrogance of the 'Gang of Four' in usurping the Party and seizing power have become even more rampant, and they are preparing to strike."

Then, Ye Jianying solemnly pointed out and analyzed, "Our Party's struggle with the 'Gang of Four' is a struggle of incompatibility, of life and death. Under the circumstances of Chairman Mao's recent death, what kind of strategies, measures and methods should be adopted in the struggle, so that this counter-revolutionary group can be completely eliminated, and at the same time the situation in the capital Beijing and the whole country can be ensured to be stable. This is a dangerous move, and how to make it. This is a risky move, not a small one, and we must be careful and prudent, so as to be foolproof. After several individual conversations with Comrade Guofeng and Comrade Dongxing and me, we unified our thoughts and understanding and decided to adopt the policy of 'fighting slowness with speed', and to take action against the 'Gang of Four' in the form of convening the Standing Committee of the Central Committee in Huairan Hall to carry out an incommunicado review. In the process of decision-making and implementation of this major operation, the issue of secrecy was very important, the scope of knowledge was very small, and the personnel involved were very lean. The actual battle proved that this was the right thing to do, and without firing a single shot, the counter-revolutionary group was quickly crushed and the expected victory was achieved."

Ye Jianying added: "The crushing of the 'Gang of Four' counter-revolutionary group is the common aspiration of the whole Party, the whole army and the whole nation, and the central government's adoption of such measures also reflects the will of the Party, the army and the people. Many old comrades and leaders, especially Marshal Nie and Marshal Xu, expressed this strong wish to me in various ways during Chairman Mao's illness and after his death, proposing that resolute measures be taken to crack down on this counter-revolutionary group, and that their plot to usurp the Party and seize power should never be allowed to succeed. This victory in smashing the 'Gang of Four' will surely receive the heartfelt support of the whole Party, the whole army and the whole nation. The army fully embraces and supports this major decision of the CPC Central Committee."

Hua Guofeng interjected, "Our Marshal Ye played a most important role in the victory of this struggle to crush the 'Gang of Four'."

Ye Jianying said, "You can't say that. It was Chairman Mao's last wish to solve the problem of the 'Gang of Four'. After Chairman Mao's death, you were the first vice-chairman of the Party Central Committee, presiding over the day-to-day work of the Central Committee, and the Premier of the State Council, and this great matter, if you did not make up your mind, and if you did not make the final decision, it would be difficult to do it! It is precisely because you have made up your mind and you have clapped your hands that it will be relatively easy to do it."

Ye Jianying added: "In this struggle with the 'Gang of Four', Comrade Dongxing specific action plan organization and implementation, the successful completion, is out of a great deal of effort, made great achievements. 8341 troops of the combatants also for the party for the people to make a great contribution."

Wang Dongxing interjected, "Marshal Ye is too kind. In this duel with the 'Gang of Four,' I did some of the things I should have done under the direct leadership and command of Comrade Guofeng and Marshal Ye. It is entirely proper for an old Communist Party member, a leading cadre who has long been engaged in the defense of Chairman Mao and of the Party Central Committee, to

accomplish the political task entrusted to me by the Central Committee for the fundamental interests of the Party, the country and the people."

Ye Jianying concluded, "At the Central Committee, we have solved the problem of the 'Gang of Four' politically and organizationally; this is the first step, a victory in the initial battle, and there are still some key elements of the Gang of Four gangs to be cleaned up at the local level. The more arduous task is to completely ideologically purge the remaining poison and influence of the 'Gang of Four', which will require considerable time and efforts on many fronts."

Members attending the emergency meeting of the Politburo, after listening to the speeches of Hua Guofeng and Ye Jianying, rejoiced and expressed their complete agreement with the decisive decision of the Central Standing Committee, which unanimously adopted the decision to subject Wang Hongwen, Zhang Chunqiao, Jiang Qing, and Yao Wenyuan to quarantine examination.

Discussion and Determination of the Candidate for Chairman of the Party Central Committee at the Meeting

Hua Guofeng said, "It has been almost a month since Chairman Mao left us, and the 'Gang of Four' counter-revolutionary group, which had disorganized the Party, the army and the country, and which had attempted to seize the supreme leadership of the Party and the country, was crushed by the Central Committee of the Party in a timely and decisive manner. Under this new situation, I proposed to the Political Bureau of the Central Committee that we, Marshal Ye, be asked to assume the chairmanship of the Party Central Committee and preside over the work of the Central Committee. Marshal Ye is highly respected, has long assisted Chairman Mao, Premier Zhou, and Premier Zhu at the Central Committee, handles major international and domestic issues, is resourceful and decisive, has a multifaceted wealth of practical experience, has a high level of ideological and political theory, and has saved the Party twice in times of crisis."

Ye Jianying got up and said loudly, "Comrade Guofeng this proposal is not good. I am old, I am 79 years old this year, and I have been engaged in military work for a long time, my work surface is narrow. After careful consideration, I propose that Comrade Hua Guofeng be Chairman of the Party Central Committee and Chairman of the Central Military Commission. He is more than twenty years younger than me, has practical working experience, is a real person, has a good democratic style, can unite comrades and respect old comrades, he is now the first vice-chairman of the Party Central Committee, presiding over the day-to-day work of the Central Committee. I think he is a more suitable candidate. The burden is not light, and all of us can assist, so please consider it."

After careful discussion, the members of the Politburo present were fully in favor of Marshal Ye's opinion. It was unanimously adopted that Hua Guofeng should serve as Chairman of the Party Central Committee and Chairman of the Central Military Commission, and that he should be recognized posthumously when the Plenary Session of the Central Committee was convened.

Next, the meeting discussed and adopted in principle the decision on the establishment of a memorial hall for Chairman Mao Zedong, the decision on the publication of the fifth volume of the Selected Works of Mao Zedong and the preparation for the publication of the Complete Works of Mao Zedong. These two decisions were finalized at the Politburo meeting on October 8 and appeared in the press on the 9th.

Finally, the work for the present and the coming period was organized. During this extraordinary period, in order to facilitate the timely study and handling of various complicated and important problems that might arise, it was decided that all the members of the Politburo attending this meeting and their entourage would stay at Mount Yuquan, and that, starting from October 7, they would quickly convey to the main heads of the leading organs of the Central Committee in the Party, the government, and the military, as well as to those of the provinces, municipalities, autonomous regions, and the major military districts, the Central Committee's decision to crush the incident of the Gang of Four counterrevolutionary clique and several decisions of the emergency meeting of the Central Committee's Politburo. and several important decisions of the emergency meeting of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee.

The emergency meeting of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee was held from 10:00 p.m. on October 6 to more than 4:00 a.m. on October 7, which lasted for more than six hours and ended smoothly.

### "The Gang of Four in Quarantine"

From 8:00 p.m. on October 6, 1976, to the early morning of April 10, 1977, the "Gang of Four" were isolated in different sections of the same project under the jurisdiction of the 8341st. Wang Dongxing asked the guardians to protect the "living evidence".

During the whole period of isolation, in accordance with the requirements of war preparations, a strict combination of underground and above ground security measures.

Strengthen the duty. By 8341 troops defense and chemical section chief Huang Changtai, engineering management squadron instructor Lian Jie, etc., day and night in the general duty room duty, engineering management squadron in each isolation point set up four additional outdoor guard post; from the authorities, the troops have been selected to participate in the isolation of the indoor Jiang, Zhang, Wang, Yao sitting shift. Strict entry and exit system, reduce entry and exit personnel, customized special pass documents, sentries according to the documents and the designated list of release. Management and education of the troops was strengthened, discipline was reinforced, and secrecy was strictly observed. Communication facilities have been added to ensure smooth communication and swift command between the command center and each isolation point, duty point and logistics support. Every day, regular ventilation, air filtration, ultraviolet disinfection, spraying and cleaning channels, to keep the underground air fresh, humidity and temperature appropriate.

"Gang of Four" into the isolation point of the initial period, the performance of anxiety, eating and drinking, disobedience to discipline, groundless nuisance, especially Jiang Qing, Yao Wenyuan for more. In Jiang Qing isolation room, there is a wider single bed, a desk, an armchair sofa, the floor is covered with chemical fiber carpet. Health equipment is complete, with a vertical basin, sitting toilet, larger bathtub. Jiang Qing wore his original clothes, without any armament. Living conditions were good. But from time to time, Jiang Qing still found fault with the salty, hard and old dishes, and said that there was wind in the house. She refused to take care of her own indoor hygiene and refused to sweep the floor, wipe the table or brush the toilet. Especially on the original nurse working beside her Ma Xiaoxian, it is a blank stare, angry face, and even still with the "head" as Ma Xiaoxian lashed out, and did not listen to dissuasion, did not listen to warnings. She also said with an ulterior motive: "The President's bones are not yet cold, you do this to me." After a few days, Jiang Qing wrote to the Party Central Committee to complain. The Central Committee ignored her.

At the beginning of Yao Wenyuan's entry point, he probed from time to time, "Who told you to do this?" "Which unit are you?" "What is this place?" He even took the opportunity of the opening of the meal to run outside when he heard the sound of a car to see what was going on. When the guardians stopped him, he went so far as to abuse them!

In view of the guardians of Jiang Qing, Yao Wenyuan disobedience, always want to straighten them out, teach them a lesson, at this time Wang Dongxing solemnly reminded the guardians once again, to protect the "living evidence", to give play to the power of the policy, according to the "rules of guardianship", so that the guardianship work has been smooth to adhere to.

A month later, the "Gang of Four" gradually calmed down, slowly adapted to the environment, and lived a basically normal life.

At that time, it was stipulated that the daily food standard of each of them was slightly higher than that of the staff of the organization. Zhang Chunqiao, Wang Hongwen and Yao Wenyuan's meals were supplied by the canteen of the East Eight Organizations in Zhongnanhai; Jiang Qing's meals

were made by the canteen of the "Eight Districts". The meals were managed by specialists and delivered by automobile. Breakfast with rice, steamed bread, milk, small dishes; dinner is mostly a meat, a vegetarian, a soup, rice, steamed bread and so on. Dumplings, noodles, cakes, doughnuts and other patterns are often switched.

Zhang Chunqiao had a few days without food, only drink a little water. Asked him "hunger strike?" He said he was not on a hunger strike, but had a cold. He was treated by the army hygienist and returned to normal a few days later. Zhang Chunqiao, who was a man of few words, said to the young hygienist, "The young comrade is not simple, he really cured my illness." He read quite a lot of time every day, mainly reading "Selected Mao", read very carefully, dotting and drawing, eyebrow note quite a lot, and sometimes also look through "Lenin's Selected Works". In addition to reading books, every day in the indoor walk around, head down or tilted head thinking. A few times he poured water into the indoor floor drain, asked him, "Why?" He said that the climate was dry and the floor drain was smelly, so it was better to wet it with water.

Wang Hongwen into the point of more than two months, every day only drink a bowl of rice, eat a little food. Ask him why? He said that eating too much gastrointestinal discomfort. After two months, he gradually got used to it and ate normally. Wang Hongwen does not read books, not much activity, just sitting. The staff saw that sometimes his hands and feet were not too nimble, and occasionally a little hallucinatory reaction.

Yao Wenyuan has always had a very good appetite, can eat, sleep, drink, sometimes leftover dinner, he left it himself, heated up at midnight for the night meal to eat. Yao Wenyuan read "Selected Works of Mao" or "Lenin's Selected Works" every day; he often walked indoors, bending over and shaking his arms, moving his limbs, and he was the one who talked the most among the "Gang of Four". During the period of isolation, his health has been good.

Jiang Qing's diet had been normal in the latter part of her life. She was willing to eat onion heads, liked to eat apples, and proposed to eat some coarse grains and long-fiber dishes. During the

isolation period, she occasionally read some Selected Mao, and lay down for longer periods of time, sometimes asleep, sometimes seemingly asleep. Once or twice a day, she played tai chi indoors. Jiang Qing sometimes said a few words to the female comrades in the guardianship staff, such as: "Little comrade, you're sleepy," and "Little comrade, I need to drink some water." Sometimes she also asked, "Did Deng Xiaoping come to power?" "Did Deng Xiaoping tell you to do it?" These were all rebuffed by the guardians.

December 26, 1976, early in the morning, Jiang Qing sat up in bed, flipping through the Selected Works of Mao, staring at the image of Chairman Mao on the cover page, thinking deeply for a long time, and from time to time shedding tears, sometimes tearful, Jiang Qing at this moment in the mind, we do not know.

With the progress of the case, a large number of solid facts prove that the "Gang of Four" is a counter-revolutionary group that plotted to usurp the supreme power of the Party and the country. The Party Central Committee decided to hand over the Gang of Four to the state judicial organs for punishment. Wang Dongxing convened a meeting to arrange, 8341 troops to Qincheng night, the "Gang of Four" to the Ministry of Public Security, Qincheng Prison detention.

On the evening of April 7, 1977, Wang Dongxing convened the Minister of Public Security Zhao Cangbi, Vice Minister Yu Sang, the first political commissar of the Beijing Garrison, Wu De, Commander Wu Zhong and the 8341st Political Commissar Wu Jianhua, in the Great Hall of the People in the Xinjiang Hall held a meeting to hand over the work. Wang Dongxing explained the task, asked the Ministry of Public Security to do a good job in the preparations for the takeover, 8341 troops to complete the escort mission, Beijing Garrison as necessary to meet. Especially emphasize the action to be confidential, all links to be coordinated, to ensure safety, foolproof.

In order to accomplish the escort mission safely and smoothly, the 8341st made corresponding arrangements in terms of personnel, weapons, vehicles, and road surveys.

Qin Cheng is located in Changping County, northwest of Beijing, 75 kilometers away from Zhongnanhai, and it takes 1 hour and 10 minutes for a car to drive in one direction at medium speed. After leaving the city, most of the sides along the road were open land. Near Qin Cheng, there were undulating hills with few bridges and culverts, which was favorable for night driving.

In order to narrow the scope of the knowledge of the secret, the escort did not reorganize, but only the original action groups of personnel concentrated, unified command and control. Weapons and ammunition, in addition to short guns, but also with rapid-fire weapons submachine guns, light machine guns and grenades. Prepared three red flag car, one of which is bulletproof insurance car, to take the elite hidden, late at night sudden action program. The "Gang of Four" were escorted one by one in batches.

On April 9, 1977, the action began at zero o'clock. The first to be escorted is Wang Hongwen, he was handcuffed, escorted to the bulletproof car, sitting in the middle of the back row. He was handcuffed and escorted to the bulletproof car, sitting in the middle of the back row. To his left and right were Huo Jilong and Wu Xinglu, who had originally captured him; in the second row sat two members of the team armed with sub-machine guns, and the leader of the team, Li Guangyin, was sitting by the driver. Before and after the bulletproof car, each has a police car, filled with heavily armed in a state of readiness for action. Vehicles out of Zhongnanhai East Gate to the direction of Deshengmen, through the town of Shahe turn straight to the city of Qin, all the way unimpeded. 9 at 1:10 to arrive at the city of Qin. Handover between the two sides, formalities, handing over miscellaneous items carried. Wang Hongwen was brought into a spacious and bright prison side, with a flush toilet cell, and immediately put on the number of prisoners wearing clothes, began his life behind bars.

At 3:00 on the 9th, the car had returned to Zhongnanhai. The second to be escorted was Zhang Chunqiao. Same as Wang Hongwen, he was handcuffed to both hands, escorted into the insurance red flag car, in front and behind the police car guard, along the predetermined route, at about 4:00 on the 9th, handed over to the prison authorities. Zhang Chunqiao still did not say a word, board a gloomy and stiff face, was escorted into the cell.

At 00:00 on April 10, 1977, the second day of the operation began. The third to be escorted was Jiang Qing. Before the team leader Gao Yunjiang and team member Huang Jieyuan got into the car, they took the handcuffs and told Jiang Qing, "We're going to change places today, take this with you!" She did not say a word, slowly walked into the restroom, and after using the toilet, stood in front of the mirror to comb her hair. Jiang Qing's hair was still oily and black at that time. Exiting the restroom, she obediently put on the handcuffs. Her original nurse Ma Xiaoxian sat in the second row of the passenger seat. Chen Shiguan, another lesbian who had custody of her, sat in the front car, where she was responsible for registering and managing Jiang Qing's clothes and belongings. Jiang Qing all the way without words. To the qincheng get off, around stood a lot of prison staff, some are to work, there are some people are specifically to see the fun. Jiang Qing stretched out two handcuffed hands, raised his head, footsteps quite fast, from time to time to look to both sides. Two female prison guards, led her into the cell, changed the numbered clothes. Ma Xiaoxian and Chen Shiguan introduced Jiang Qing's diet, sleep and recent mood to the prison director and the female guards, and handed over her clothes. The cell in which Jiang Qing was held was the same as those in which the other members of the Gang of Four were held, with larger rooms and better ventilation, lighting, and sanitary equipment, making it a first-class cell in the Qincheng Prison.

At 3:00 a.m. on the 10th, Yao Wenyuan was the last to be escorted, in the process of execution, he did not have an abnormal reaction, more obedient.

So far, in the 8341 troops in isolation custody 187 days of the "Gang of Four", on April 10, 1977 before 5:00, has been handed over to all the Qincheng Prison custody, victoriously completed the Party Central Committee entrusted this major political task.

The central leadership received, took a group photo, then banquet hospitality, Hua Guofeng, Ye Jianying encourage 8341 troops. Wang Dongxing and Wu Jianhua spoke on behalf of the 8341st.

At 5 p.m. on April 12, 1977, the Political Bureau of the Central Committee in Beijing, all comrades, in the Great Hall of the People, North Hall, and 8341 troops to carry out the task of crushing the

"Gang of Four" all the comrades took a group photo, and afterwards each person has saved a delicate clear photo.

At 6 o'clock that night, the Politburo comrades in the Great Hall of the People East Hall held a banquet, with the comrades on the mission, to celebrate the crushing of the "Gang of Four" struggle to achieve a major victory. Hua Guofeng, then Chairman of the Party Central Committee, Vice Chairman Ye Jianying was seated on the podium. During the toast, Hua Guofeng said: "You have worked hard, thank you comrades!" Ye Shuai also encouraged everyone, "You have done a great job for the party, the party and the people will not forget you!" On behalf of 8341 troops, Wu Jianhua thanked the Party Central Committee for their care and encouragement. Also present at the casual banquet were Geng Biao, Beijing Garrison Commander Wu Zhong, Political Commissar Yang Junsheng, and Deputy Commissar Qiu Weigao.

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