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Urgent notice concerning stopping illegal study classes in monasteries

To the Party Committees and governments at town and township level, and monastery management offices

As the winter break for primary and middle schools approaches, the situation of monasteries in each place holding their own Tibetan language study classes has emerged. To be on the alert for such dangers, as a priority and with a strong sense of duty, each town and township must take it as their main responsibility to improve monastery(-based) forces, and rectify those causing harm throughout. Actually grasping the leading role, monastery management officials must investigate, go deep into the monasteries and villages, and find out the details. Grasping damaging contradictions early on, issues must be dealt with by the monasteries, pacifying them at grassroots level, so as to uphold the harmonious stability of the religious sphere in our county. The relevant points are as follows:

With careful attention, the holding of classes by monasteries must be rectified and strictly prohibited.

Especially during the winter recess, monastery management offices, sub-police stations etc. under each town and township must organize the work of examining and registering the occurrence of schooling in monasteries once, in a comprehensive and thorough manner. Monasteries must investigate and deal strictly with the assembly of primary and middle school students for schooling in the name of extra classes or Tibetan classes, and give a clear and detailed explanation of the benefits (of doing so).

Those monasteries and monastics who follow their own wishes and do not listen to advice must be strictly held accountable, and each instance put to an end as soon as it comes to light. In serious cases and monasteries where incidents occur, these must be directly classified along with influential monasteries and monasteries with administrative management, and rectified according to law. Individuals responsible for organization must be struck off the monastery register and their ID as a religious professional withdrawn, and this should be publicly announced within the concerned community to serve as a warning.

At the same time, the ideological education of parents and children must be improved, so as to reduce the strength of opposition in society. Understanding the harmful nature of monasteries running open schools, town and township authorities must hold the fort of ideological education for children and youth, firmly uphold the leading role of the Party and government in education, arrange things meticulously, uphold rectification according to law, and put a stop to monasteries running schools.

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