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## Chinese offer of dialogue with Dalai Lama

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The Federal Department of foreign affairs (DFA) welcomes China's offer of dialogue with the Dalai Lama and encourages both sides to work seriously towards a reduction of the present tensions.

On April, 25th 2008 official sources in China reported of upcoming contacts and consultations between Chinese government officials and the Dalai Lama's representative in the coming days.

The DFA welcomes this offer of dialogue and encourages both sides to work seriously towards a reduction of the present tensions. It hopes that these contacts and consultations will contribute to the respect of Tibetan's human rights and so to the search of a peaceful and lasting solution to the Tibet question inside China.

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