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- Adherence to Marxism-Leninism and Mao Zedong Thought and their creative application in the conduct of the class struggle in each country.
- Struggle against modern revisionism, and a positive attitude towards Stalin and Mao.
- Acceptance of the Rules of the Conference, including the following amendment:

The basis of the Conference will be further developed and extended and will also include the question of practical cooperation in the future. Conference resolutions shall generally be based on consensus, but in case of difference on any formulations, Conference resolutions shall be approved, if 75% of the participating organizations agree to that decision with reservation. The part of the formulation to which an organization has reservation shall not be obligatory to such an organization.

The 4th Conference adopted the following principles on which the cooperation of the participating Marxist-Leninist organizations is based, which were again adopted at the 9th Conference.

- Independence and equality, mutual respect, mutual support and cooperation.
- Non-interference in internal affairs as well as in the bilateral or regional relations of any party or organization with other parties and organizations. Every organization is sovereign in its conclusions.
- Consensus and unanimity in decision-making.
- Achieve gradual unity step by step; principled debate and cooperation among parties/organizations and no public attack by any party/organization on another.
- Obligation of all participating organizations to prepare and conduct the *10th International Conference* jointly in accordance with their possibilities.
- Financial independence and self-financing of the common work according to the possibilities.

Call for the Support

of the International Conference of Marxist- Leninist Parties and Organizations (ICMLPO)

The internationalization of production and the globalization of the fundamental problems of mankind in the entire world lead to the internationalization of the class struggle and therefore also demand increased and systematic cooperation among Marxist-Leninists.

For this reason we call upon all progressive, democratic and anti-imperialist people in the entire world to support the cooperation among the Marxist-Leninists for the emancipation of the international working class and the national and social liberation of the people and to make the convening of the International Conference possible. Donate to fund the 10th International Conference of Marxist-Leninist Parties and Organizations (ICMLPO):

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Communication about the Death of Krispin Beltran (Ka Bel) and Jorge Roja

To the Participants of the International Conference

The CARC Party, main coordinator of the Joint Coordinating Group of the International Conference of Marxist Leninist Parties and Organizations, is sure to express the feelings of all the members of the JCG and of the ICMLPO signifying its sorrow for the death of Krispin Beltran (Ka Bel), a great communist, a great defender of the workers and of the poor people, a comrade who began his struggle when he was a boy, as a partisan against the fascist troops of Japan occupying the Philippines, and who ended his life as a revolutionary of international stature. Ka Bel is a shining example of how much great a man could be when he dedicates his life to the working class and to the toiling masses. He is for all us a source of teaching in many fields, as a against oppressors, fascists fighter and imperialists, as a trade unionist, as an internationalist, as a man who has been able to face the repression and the imprisonment until the very end of his life, and as a good father as well. People like him are changing the history, and his life will be matter of teaching for the next generations.

In the name of the JCG of the ICMLPO we express our sympathy with the Filipino people who lose one of its highest representatives, with all the Filipino parties, organizations and institutions that lose one of their bravest comrades, with the International League of Peoples' Struggle, that lose one of its first chairmen, and with his family. May 2008

During her 3rd session, the JCG honoured comrade Jorge Rocha, founder of the PCR Argentina and member of the CC and the Polit Bureau.

On the part of JCG, the following letter of condolence (see below) was sent to the PCR Argentine and the relatives of Jorge Rocha. To the family of the deceased comrade Jorge Rocha To the Central Committee of the PCR Argentina

Dear relatives, dear comrades,

with deep sorrow and sympathy, the Joint Coordinating Group (JCG) honoured comrade *Jorge Rojas* on its meeting at the end of September 2008. Comrade *Jorge Roja* passed away after long disease on September 2nd, 2008. Being founder of the PCR Argentina, member of the Central Committee and the Polit Bureau from the beginning and Organization Secretary of the PCR Argentina, he contributed leadingly to the successful work of PCR Argentina and to the development of class struggle in Argentina.

The *Joint Coordinating Group* submits its deepest sympathy to his family, his friends and comrades, the PCR Argentina and the people of Argentina.

The *International Conference of Marxist-Leninist Parties and Organizations* knows Jorge Rojas as a true proletarian revolutionary.

Not only PCR Argentina and the people of Argentina have lost an excellent representative, but also the international movement.

We are convinced he would have wanted us to continue with the struggle he dedicated his life to, and to transform your mourning about this heavy loss into strength to follow his revolutionary aim.

With sincere solidarity and sympathy

On behalf of the JCG

Paolo Babini

(Representative for the current main coordinating party in the JCG; CARC, Italy)

October 2008

Not Imperialism, Socialism is the only path forward!!

The uncontrolled rule of the world capitalmarket that is being run as a casino by the financial czars, and where the parasitic, speculative character of capital is dominating more and more, has been shaken by an international financial crisis to an unprecedented extent and depth.

There is great anxiety and the confidence of the masses in the viability of the capitalist economy has severely been shaken. We call to mind that during the last three decades world capitalism has been hit by various forms of economic and financial crises 30 times. About once per decade, worldwide overproduction crises occurred. Such economic crises are inseparably linked up with the capitalist system. Now, even the IMF has announced that the present financial crisis is more serious than even that of 1930.

Accordingly the impending world economic crisis will be deeper and more extensive than the previous ones of 1991 and 2001. In order to save the imperialist system from the financial crisis starting from the US, the Bush administration has pumped \$700 billion into the financial markets. These are state subsidies to bail out the financial sharks of the crisis for which they themselves are to be blamed. In financial circles it is being estimated that the capitalist states will spend a total of the inconceivable sum of more than \$ 10 trillion in order to check the uncontrolled destruction of capital and to settle the losses of finance capital on the back of the broad masses.

All this can temporarily decelerate the worst excesses of the international financial crisis, but it can neither solve it nor cancel it. The measures for checking the crisis will rather even intensify or provoke the future development of crises. There is a growing trend that invests hope and political energy in seeking Keynesian solutions that would be efficacious in transcending the crisis. Given the weakening of the national state structures due to globalization, such solutions will be discovered to be illusory.

These huge sums of money being paid out by various governments, to keep the fat imperialists afloat, are being squeezed out of the people by means of taxes, abolishment of social rights, higher inflation and intensified exploitation, which may cause a considerable aggravation of class contradictions.

Even today hundreds of thousands of people are losing their jobs due to the interruption of payment transactions. The imperialist crisis management holds the entire society liable for the incapability of those in power to lead society for the benefit and in the interests of the broad masses. It is a cover for the increased looting of the vast masses and the transfer of this wealth to the hands of a few in the ruling classes. It also shows that the Governments in such imperialist and neocolonial countries are not working in the interests of the masses but merely to safeguard the imperialist system of exploitation.

This financial crisis reveals the insatiable greed of the ruling finance capital for maximum profits and the corruption of the imperialist economy, which is a parasite on the toiling masses of humanity. The same imperialist system, in which it is possible that a few finance oligarchs are gambling away the fruits of social wealth at the roulette table of speculation, is not by chance also responsible for the US wars of occupation of Afghanistan and Iraq and other onslaughts against the world people.

The imperialist world system is against the interests of the majority of mankind and has to be called into question fundamentally and to be overcome.

The upcoming world economic crisis will combine with deep political crises - the already chronic latent political crises will break out deeper and more often. It will intensify the class struggle between the monopolies and the working class, and between the imperialist system and the nations and people of the world to the utmost and constitute the basis for revolutionizing the working class and the broad masses. The ruling classes are well aware that the tendency towards a revolutionary world crisis is inherent in the imperialist world system.

For this reason they prepare themselves to maintain their power with every means available to them under the hypocritical banner of the fight against terrorism.

As long as the fundamental contradiction in the imperialist system, between the everincreasing socialization and internationalization of production and the private appropriation of the produce by the ever narrowing internationally operating finance oligarchs exists, there is no escape from world-wide havoc.

That is why Marx and Engels, and later, Lenin, have taught that without overcoming the imperialist system, without its replacement by a socialist social order, the proneness to crisis of society cannot be resolved. We therefore call upon all Marxist-Leninist Revolutionaries to come together in this period of crisis and organize themselves and to organize the masses for the struggle against the imperialist system and for people's democracy and socialism.

Down with the imperialist system!

March forward along the path of the Worldwide Democratic & Socialist Revolution!

23.11.2008

Joint draft proposed by

- CPI/ML, India
- MLPD, Germany:
- PCC CPI/ML, India;
- NCP (Mashal), Nepal
- and others.

Further signatories are requested for signing the declaration.

It is possible to sign only single points or paragraphs.

Comments to the Resolutions of the 9th International Conference

Standpoint of the OCML VP, France

The OCML VP signs the Resolutions with the following reservations

1. Resolution on the «economic and political development of the imperialist world system »

This resolution is a good working document. It has still to be deepened. It describes well the present development of the interimperialist contradictions with the growth of power of China, which, among the imperialist powers, "experiences the biggest growth". (point 4). The characterization of the worldwide contradictions and their interaction is in our view correct (point 5), but their interaction has to be deepened.

We have reservations about a certain number of secondary points within the framework of this declaration or express opposition to them, which are not inevitably without importance in the perspective of the strengthening of the unity of the Marxist-Leninists.

The resolution starts like this: "The proletariat has suffered a defeat with the restoration of capitalism in the Soviet Union since 1956". We still hold a different view regarding the view that dates the beginning of the restoration of capitalism back to 1956. Despite of the expropriation of the means of production and exchange the capitalist relations have been maintained and others have been developed obstructing more and more the transformation brought about by the October revolution and enabling the capitalist restoration. This points to a position, which we have already expressed in the evaluation of the line pursued in the Soviet Union under the direction of Stalin. This line which is summarized in the statement "man is the most valuable capital" has made a fetish of technology and industry and has - in the name of this technology – put the economy and the whole society under the direction of the cadres. The state bourgeoisie has developed under the cover of the negation of the existence of classes in

socialism. Its power over the means of production was operating under the guise of the juridical property of the whole people. This line is the political cause of the bourgeois road in the transition. The contribution of the Cultural Revolution lies just in the theoretical and practical criticism of this orientation (use of the masses to combat the social division of labor, struggle between the two ways, class struggle in socialism, struggle of lines in the party...).

This also refers to the beginning of the 2nd resolution. It says: "*The decisive question has since then become how this defeat will be accepted and how the masses will come to grips with the propaganda about the so-called end of socialism. In the meantime this gap will be bridged...*" We do not think that the masses have surmounted this problem. This is another reason to clarify the causes of the failures, even if the consciousness of the communists is not alone sufficient to counter the anti-communist propaganda about the failures.

We also think that as communists we not only have to state the deadlock of the imperialists in Iraq and Afghanistan (and wish their defeat), but also characterize politically and socially the diverse forces of the opposition with regard to the positive and internationalist support for those who take a progressive road. If we want the defeat of the imperialists in these countries we should not in concrete terms support the reactionary and anti-communist forces, which are part of this resistance. Conversely, there are progressive and communist forces within this resistance. They are the forces, which must receive our positive and internationalist support. This mistake is also included in **Resolution 2.** "The resistance of the Iraqi people stands firm. In Afghanistan the resistance against the occupation is increasing." These allegations disregard the growing difficulty for the women to go out unveiled, the assassinations of communists etc. ... This problem already existed during the IC, which took place after the invasion of Afghanistan after September 2001.

In point 12 the attitude towards the governments of Cuba, Venezuela and Bolivia cannot be reduced to a statement regarding their struggle imperialism. against American These governments mainly defend the construction of a national capitalism, if they are led to take steps in favor of the masses. The task of the communists, in these countries and elsewhere, is to construct a party that leads the class struggle on the basis of the interests of the workers and peasants. A struggle, which inevitably leads to the confrontation with imperialism, but also with these governments.

2. Resolution on the « struggle of the international working class, the antiimperialist struggles of the peoples and the construction of the Marxist-Leninist party »

We fully agree with the statement on the contradiction between the aggravation of the class contradictions, the weakness of the Marxist-Leninist movement and the subjective condition of the class. Unfortunately, the declaration does not at all deepen this analysis to determine the political tasks.

On the one side, it makes a uniform assessment of the objective and subjective class contradictions worldwide, as if the contradictions were maturing at the same rate in all the countries and continents. On the other side, the movements of economic struggles (Brazil, Bangladesh), and the movements or situations of crises that are more advanced, sometimes revolutionary (Nepal), are regarded as being the same.

We pose ourselves questions regarding the assertion that Latin America is in a process of revolutionary fermentation. In countries like Brazil, Chile and even Argentina the struggles are reporting a drop. Regarding Nepal we consider it sectarian not to note the prominent role which the PCN Maoist is playing in the development of the popular struggle in a resolution that underlines the importance of the role of communists in the development of the revolutionary class struggle. For years the Nepalese parties that participated in the conference were opposed to the people's war and the conference did not declare its position on this issue. Not to reverse one's false position is not a sound attitude. That's without doubt the result of certain rules of the conference which have been again confirmed in Resolution 3 ("noninterference", "no public attacks of one party or organization against another party or organization"). Here we can see the limits.

In Europe the situation is rich in contrast to a greater degree than it is described in the declaration. What is valid for Germany does not inevitably apply to other countries. In particular, the situation there is not like that in France, even though there are important and encouraging struggles of resistance, for example for the right of residence. Finally, in a general fashion in all the countries the European bourgeoisie is on the offensive to rise the retirement age, reduce health services; revoke the reduction in working hours. The text gives us an analysis, which glosses over the condition of the class front.

Finally, as we have remarked in view of the previous resolution, a political analysis of the resistance against imperialism (Iraq, Afghanistan) is indispensable for organizing a positive international solidarity. In our view a clear orientation for the anti-imperialist and international tasks is lacking, especially with regard to the countries that are under imperialist occupation. In these countries the communist forces are isolated and at the same time combated by the occupation forces and by the reactionary parts of the resistance.

We realize, as does the declaration, the development of the coordination, the meetings on international level, which respond to the necessity to oppose imperialism in a unified way. These coordinations, these meetings are diverse, regarding their extent as well their political content (CI, MRI, meetings of the PTB, meetings the Marxists in the Arabic countries, meetings in the Indian subcontinent, coordinations in Latin-America, ...). This is very positive, even though they represent political currents between which there are important differences of opinion. We realize Marxist-Leninist that certain

organizations, and not unimportant ones, are participating in several amalgamations. These are meetings of militants, often going against the tide in their countries in relation to the dynamic of the masses (for example in the Arabic countries).

In the assessment of the "new quality of the popular resistance" the influence of reformism on the masses seems to us to be underestimated in the declaration. The declining influence of bourgeois ideas on the working class is not a spontaneous process, as some formulations of the text could be interpreted: "growing openness towards the Marxist-Leninists and a declining effect of anti-communist reservations". It the struggles of the masses are under the influence of the reformists, which tactics are to be applied? And if a general Declaration cannot give an answer to that, it will leave a point beyond which we have to advance.

Finally, the conclusion calls for strengthening the ideological-political unity of the parties and organizations. In any case, this can only be achieved by bringing the differences of opinion up for discussion. The reference to "the influence of dogmatism" and "the opportunist right and left sectarian errors and deviations" points to the problems, but what are these errors and deviations and who supports them? It is for us indispensable to reveal the contradictions for advancing their treatment. In the same way, we do not agree with an assertion of the conclusion: "With regard to the necessary international collaboration we have to take into consideration the fact that the different autonomous parties are active in different countries and that these parties determine the strategy and tactics in their countries without the interference of others." For our part we grant to the other organizations of the conference a critical view on our entire line including tactical questions. #

Standpoint of the MLPD, Germany

On the resolutions of the 9th International Conference of Marxist-Leninist Parties and Organizations

Dear comrades,

The MLPD is signing the Conference Resolutions No. 2, "The struggle of the international working class, the anti-imperialist struggles of the peoples and Marxist-Leninist party building", and No. 3, "On the development of the International Conference of Marxist Leninist Parties and Organizations (ICMLPO) and the preparation of the 10th International Conference", without any restrictions.

The three solidarity resolutions on Nepal, Bolivia and J.M. Sison have already been signed by the MLPD.

The MLPD signs the Conference Resolution No. 1, "*The Economic and Political Development of the Imperialist World System*", with the following restriction which applies to point 5, 2nd and 3rd sentence, which state:

"5) We are in the era of imperialism and proletarian revolution. The contradictions that develop in the actual world are: a) the contradiction between the imperialism and the oppressed nations and peoples; b) the contradiction between the proletariat and the bourgeoisie; c) the contradictions among the imperialists. All these contradictions influence each other, the first one is the sharpest and has more effects on the other two."

The MLPD is of the opinion that it is not correct that the <u>fundamental contradiction of our era</u> <u>between capitalism and socialism</u> is not mentioned in this paragraph. This fundamental contradiction exists independently of the existence of a socialist country and characterizes the entire era.

Furthermore the MLPD does not share the view that the "contradiction between the imperialism"

and the oppressed nations and peoples (...) is the sharpest and has more effects on the other two." This formulation underestimates the significance and the role of the working class in the struggle for overthrowing imperialism.

The MLPD is of the opinion that presently the principal contradiction in the world is the one between the international proletariat, as well as the masses in those countries which area dependent on and oppressed by imperialism, on the one hand and, on the other hand, the international monopolies and the imperialist countries.

In addition to the three basic contradictions named in the resolution, there is also the contradiction between the internationalized productive forces on the one hand and the national-state organization of the capitalist relations of production on the other hand, which composes a new basic contradiction of imperialism. The present situation in the world is characterized by a new stage in the development of the productive forces and the intensification and pronounced development of all fundamental contradictions, which are driven to their peak under imperialist rule and which interrelate, augment and intensify each other.

In this process, the development of an international industrial proletariat is of utmost significance for a new worldwide revolutionary process and will take on a key role for a new upswing of the international struggle against imperialism and for the united socialist states of the world.

With revolutionary greetings,

On instructions of the

Central Committee of the MLPD

(Roland Meister)

Standpoint of the CARC, Italy

Dear Comrades,

We have translated all the Resolutions of the 9th ICMLPO in Italian language, and we will put them in our website and release them wherever is possible. We have added these Notes to the Resolutions, that explain the reasons why we have signed them and our reservations. So, these notes supplement our signature of the Resolutions and they are done for being published and released with it.[...] Paolo Babini, CARC - International Department

Notes to the Resolutions of the ICMLPO

The CARC Party communicated to the JCG that signs the Resolution, with important reservation on two points:

 the statement according to which "the contradiction between the imperialism and the oppressed nations and peoples" is sharpest and has more effects on the other two (the contradiction between the proletariat and the bourgeoisie and the contradictions among the imperialists) We think that the principal contradiction is that between proletariat and bourgeoisie.

2. the statement according to which "people's war does not constitute a universal law of Marxism-Leninism and Mao Zedong Thought". We think, instead, that it is an universal law of the strategy of the working class for conquer the power.

The CARC Party undersigns the resolutions because the majority of the participants in the debate during which they have been elaborated and proposed has voted them. During this debate, our Party representatives expressed and supported determinate positions about many issues of fundamental importance, positions opposed to what has been approved in the Resolutions, and positions posing or developing further issues. Those positions, however, had not the majority of the votes.

We believe that the principle according to which a Resolution is approved by the vote of majority and no more only by unanimous vote is a step on the 9th International Conference did.

That is why we signed the Resolution even if, as we told, they do not acknowledge our objections regarding some aspects that, according to us, are fundamental.

Here we expound these objections, believing that they could contribute to develop the debate among communist parties and organizations, a debate able to develop the role the ICMLPO has.

Despite the common reference to Marxism-Leninism and Mao Zedong Thought, the ICMLPO gathers parties and organizations founded on conceptions very different, and opposed as regard fundamental issues. Resolutions aimed to made statements uniting all these conception will be necessarily eclectic, that is to say they will gather different elements sometimes opposed between them. They will not bring an organic conception. They will have more the characteristic of a list than of a proposal, or else what they will propose will be of formal value, that is to say it will be unlikely put into practice, it will unlikely be a guide for the practice.

Therefore, as regards some fundamental issues about which there were opposed positions, we proposed that the Resolutions reported the opposition, so as to favor the knowledge of the fundamental issues at the base of the debate and the struggle among the communist forces, ever aimed to improve the conception and the struggle that must lead these forces. This solution brings the contradiction to light and open the way to it's overcoming.

The contradiction, as dialectical materialism teaches, is the life of every phenomenon and, as regards communists' work; it is key of the passage from theory to practice.

So, we maintain our proposal, because we believe that the confrontation and the struggle

between two lines are source of new energy and solution of otherwise insoluble problems also for the International Conference.

As regards to it, we consider the approval of Resolutions by vote of majority and not only by unanimous vote a step on, because it exactly constitutes a form of confrontation and struggle between two lines. On the contrary, unanimity means flattening on the lower level.

As regards the issue of the Resolution 1, it is a limit of ours not to have presented a written relation on the matter, so as to expound in a more organic way our position on the current crisis, on the contradiction determining it, on its possible developments.

We believe that a right analysis of the current crisis is the starting point for understanding the present situation and the communist action. The first Thesis of our first Congress so expounds it: "Our country, as the entire capitalist world, is involved in a new general crisis for overproduction of capital. It is the second long lasting general crisis, after the first of the period 1910-1945, and began at the half of the Seventies. It is a general crisis because it does not regards only some aspects but involves, upsets and transforms the entire society. It is an economical crisis that generates a political and a cultural crisis".

The analysis of the crisis has been developed during the decades by the forces that have given birth to our party, and it is expounded in an articulated way, available in English language in the website (<u>www.carc.it</u>).

The theses expounded in the Resolution 1 somewhere coincide and somewhere they don't with our analysis of the crisis that is the first and fundamental factor of the present world economic situation. The weakness of the Resolution, however, does not depend on its coincidence with our analysis. The problem is that the facts it expounds are not organically connected. We have not a unitary vision, but only a description of some of the main events happening.

On the contrary, we need to go beyond the immediacy, to understand the reason of events and their possible development, and to understand the contradictions between the working class and the imperialist bourgeoisie, and bourgeoisie's internal contradictions. Understanding these contradictions will make us able to get that higher knowledge of the frame within which we could work and that guarantees success.

As regards the Resolution 2, we already expressed above our judgment on the universal validity of the protracted revolutionary people's war as a strategy for the seizure of power.

The Resolution greatly emphasizes the fall of socialist countries. As regards it, as we already told during the debate, we insist on the fact that the principal question is not to notice what has happened, nor to measure its gravity. The principal question to answer at is why did revisionists prevail. We have to understand which were and are the limits of the left wing of the communist movement, that is to say our own limits, which allowed the revisionists to do all the damage they did.

The Resolution does not recognize Marxism-Leninism-Maoism as the most advanced and sound conception upon which there could be founded communists' unity and the progress of working class and popular masses' movements. As regards it, we fully agree with what during the debate has been stated by the exponent of PC MLM of Bolivia, according to whom we have to go beyond Marxism-Leninism-Mao Zedong Thought and assume as foundation Marxism-Leninism-Maoism. The comrade of Bolivia explained quite well that it is restrictive to reduce the contribution of Mao Tse-tung to his "thought". Maoism is the most advanced synthesis of theory and practice (that is, of thought and action) and the instrument that makes most fruitful the great heritance of Marxism-Leninism.

As regards the issue of Resolution 3. In the Resolution lacks an organic exposition of the instrument thanks to which communist parties and organizations coordinate themselves both on the international and on the national level, that is the front politics that, as we told in the Conference, is a decisive factor for developing a common work among communist parties and organizations. This is founded on: "1. mutual knowledge, initiative in common whenever it is possible and exchange of experience; 2. open debate, founded on criticism and self criticism, on the analysis of the situation, the balance of the communist movement, the program of the methods of work, the general line and the particular ones; 3. mutual solidarity in front of the preventive counter revolution and in general of the repression of the of the imperialist bourgeoisie." (First Congress of CARC Party, Thesis 18).

We think that not adopting this instrument is a lack of the Resolutions 2 and 3, which deal with the present state and the future prospects of the communist movement and of the world working class and popular masses, and of future prospects of the ICMLPO.

The front politics unites theory and practice, guarantees unity and independence of every party and organization, and it is the only practicable instrument in this phase when there is not a Communist International.

The ICMLPO itself is one of the best examples of the development of front politics as regards the first point. We are sure that, if the ICMLPO will consciously develop the other two points (the open debate and the solidarity against imperialist bourgeoisie), it will become a quite powerful instrument for the working class and the popular masses in their struggle against imperialism and in the construction of socialism.

We trust that this could happen. The adoption of Marxism-Leninism-Maoism, then, will help to face the contradictions and the limits that still hinder the resolute fight against old and new modern revisionists, against deviations, as dogmatism and economist that hamper the development of the present communist parties and organizations.

This is the reason of our engagement and here it is measured the quality of the contribution our party can give to the ICMLPO, to the positive work the 9th Conference has done, a work that has put the bases for new and important development of the proletarian internationalism and the rebirth of the communist movement.#

Standpoint of the (new) Italian Communist Party, (n)PCI, Italy

The (n)PCI participated in the work of the ICMLPO for the first time and, on the base of this experience, confirms the utility of the ICMLPO in to favoring the bonds, the mutual knowledge and the debate among communist parties and organizations and it thanks the organisms that organized and promoted the Conference for the work they did. The ICMLPO is an important instrument to strengthen the proletarian internationalism. This strengthening is one of the central aspects for the rebirth of the international communist movement and for the victorious development of the second wave of the proletarian revolution that advances in the world. The (n)PCI intends therefore to actively participate in the preparation of the X ICMLPO. Just for this reason it has not signed the Resolutions n° 1, 2 and 3 of the IX ICMLPO that have been published as Supplement to La Voce website (http://lavoce-27 on its n. npci.samizdat.net). Below it exposes the reasons why it has not signed. The (n)PCI is available to a frank information exchange and to the debate, on bilateral and multilateral base, with the parties and the organizations that want further explanations. It also signals that it is possible to know a considerable part of its positions they are exposed in its website http://lavocenpci.samizdat.net that also contains a section (EiLE) in Spanish, English, French, German languages.

The (n)PCI doesn't undersign the Resolution n° 1 ("The development of the system world imperialist") because it thinks that it constitutes an example of that "deviation from the dialectical materialist" indicated as one of the sources of the modern revisionism in the "Declaration to reaffirm the meaning and the importance of the struggle against the modern revisionism and of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution" undersigned by many of the parties that undersigned the Resolution n° 1 as well.

The Resolution n° 1 deals with the economic and political development of the system imperialist.

This development is the result of the struggle two opposite fields: between imperialist bourgeoisie and communist movement (exploited classes and oppressed people). In the epoch of the imperialism (lasting by now from more than one century), these two fields have become more and more separate one from the other and the struggle between them has become in the course of time more and more acute. Each of them developed and is developing for its internal contradictions and thanks to the struggle with his opposite and so will be until the communist movement will definitely prevail on the imperialist bourgeoisie. The resolution doesn't describe the principal internal and external factors and the principal stages of the development done by each one of the two fields because of its internal contradictions and of the mutual contrast: 1. it doesn't describe the development due to the internal contradictions of the imperialist bourgeoisie (the succession 1. of general crisis for absolute overproduction of capital and 2. of periods of resumption of the accumulation of the capital and expansion of the economic activity, succession that characterizes the imperialist epoch), 2. it doesn't describe the development due to the internal contradictions of the revolutionary field (affirmation of the revolutionary theory and practice and influence of the bourgeoisie, struggle between the left and the right in the international communist movement), 3. it doesn't show the relationship of mutual determination among the two fields, as one influenced and influences the development of the other.

In order to elaborate on this matter a resolution useful as guide for the revolutionary practice, we think that it is it is necessary to assume Mao's writing *"On the contradiction"* as methodological orientation, that is necessary to distinguish clearly politics and economy but to also to point out their combination typical of the epoch imperialist.

Besides, in the Resolution the contrasts of analysis and line emerged in the debate among

the parties are softened. On the contrary, the Resolution has to show them clearly. It is the necessary condition that allows all the organizations and parties participants to the ICMLPO and other communist parties and organisms to participate with initiative in the overcoming of the contrasts and to contribute through the analysis, the debate and the verification in the practice (struggle among the two lines) to get a superior unity.

The (n)PCI doesn't undersign the Resolution n° 2 ("The international working class' struggle, the anti-imperialist peoples' struggles and the construction of the Marxist-Leninist party ") because it thinks that the matter on which the communists of the imperialist countries and of the countries oppressed by the imperialism have mainly to concentrate their attention today, in order to draw from the balance of the historical experience of the communist movement the necessary lessons to build new communist parties, are "the reasons why during the first wave of the world proletarian revolution the communist movement has not succeeded in establishing the socialism in imperialist countries." The resolution instead concentrates the attention to "the step back did by the communist movement in the backward countries in which it succeeded in establishing socialism", that is in the first socialist countries": an event rich in teachings, but normal in every great upheaval of the history of the humanity.

Only setting to the center of the attention the limits that prevented the communist movement from establishing socialism in the imperialist countries during the first wave of the proletarian revolution, we set to the center of our theoretical and practical work the matter of "what strategy the new communist parties have to adopt for driving revolution to success" and of "which conception of the world and method of work the new communist parties must have": in synthesis the lessons that we have to draw from the experience of the first wave of the world proletarian revolution to make us able to promote and to organize with success the second wave of the world proletarian revolution.

The (n)PCI confirms, in coherence also with Engels and Mao's great theoretical teachings, that the strategy of the socialist revolution in the imperialist countries is the protracted revolutionary people's war (PRPW). It warmly invites all the parties and the communist organizations to study again the experience of the first wave of the proletarian revolution in the imperialist countries to the light of the theory of the PRPW and to distinguish the universal laws of the PRPW from the specific laws of every country (imperialist or oppressed, capitalistic or semi feudal, industrial or agricultural, etc.). The (n)PCI confirms that the new communist parties, in order to be equal to their duties, have

parties, in order to be equal to their duties, have to themselves upon Marxism-Leninism-Maoism and it points out particularly the five main contributions Maoism have given to the theoretical patrimony of the communist movement, that make it the third superior stage of communist thought (see *La Voce*, n° 10, *The Eighth Discriminating Factor*, website http://lavoce-npci.samizdat.net).

The (n)PCI doesn't undersign the Resolution n° 3 ("On the development of the IX International Conference of Marxist-Leninists Parties and Organizations and the preparation of the X Conference") because it doesn't show the principal contrasts that today separate communist parties and organizations. In order to unite ourselves, first we need to delimit us. To not mention the contrasts, means to hinder growth and unity. There are organizations and parties that persist to refer themselves to Marxism-Leninism-thought of Mao Zedong, intending this in opposition to Marxism-Leninism-Maoism. The (n)PCI thinks that every party and organization would contribute to the unity and the strengthening of the international communist movement if it clarified which ideological bases it has and which is its strategy for establishing socialism in its own country and for contributing to the new wave of the proletarian revolution that advances in the world. This is the first step to do for being able to carry out a fertile common work on the political ground as well. In order to be carried out in a fertile way and with perspective of success, the common work on the political ground has to be founded

1. on the mutual knowledge and the collaboration in every field in which it is possible (from quantity to quality),

2. on the frank debate about the balance of the communist movement, the analysis of the situation and the general line,

3. on the solidarity in front of the repression that the bourgeoisie increases day after day against the communists, the revolutionaries and the antimperialists, against those who promote the resistance of the popular masses to the elimination of the conquests, to the exploitation and the oppression.

From the comparison of the Resolutions n° 1, 2 and 3 of the IX ICMLPO with the "Declaration to reaffirm the meaning and the importance of the struggle against the modern revisionism and of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution" (undersigned by a great part and nearly by all the parties and the organizations participants in the IX ICMLPO), the (n)PCI draws the conclusion that, in order to improve the contribution of the ICMLPO to the rebirth of the international communist movement it is necessary to fight the tendency to the separation between theory and practice, more precisely

1. the tendency not to firmly and fraternally struggle to elaborate a coherent revolutionary theory able to overcome the limits that have prevented the definitive victory of the communist movement in the first wave of the proletarian revolution,

2. the tendency to be satisfied with contradictory theoretical affirmations and with fragments of theory, detached by the living revolutionary struggle of the masses and turned into shrunken dogmas,

3. the tendency, consequent from the preceding one, to a practice without principles.

Without a revolutionary theory a proletarian revolutionary movement doesn't succeed in developing beyond an elementary and semi spontaneous level and in getting victory over the imperialist bourgeoisie. Only communist parties guided by a vanguard theory can fulfill the function of vanguard fighters, of promoters and leaders of the struggle against the imperialist bourgeoisie.

Long lives the proletarian internationalism! Long live the International Conference of Marxist-Leninists Parties and Organizations! October 2008

Standpoint and Comment by the Communist Organization of Luxembourg (COL)

The IX. International Conference reached its limits, as the previous conferences did, due to the fact that the International Conference is no "Internationale" and has no General Line.

More important is that the IX. International Conference gave important incentives for practical and concrete collaboration, which we regard as first cautious steps, which must be constantly adjusted. That is a necessary answer to the internationalization of class struggle and the revolution as a reflex to internationalization production and globalization of of the fundamental problems of capitalism/imperialism. Hence, the IX. International Conference focused on the consolidation of ambitions for the international unity of Marxists-Leninists. In the

light of the damage caused by the modern revisionists from Moscow, Beijing, and Albania, and the ideological confusion and fragmentation following, the International Conference is becoming a shining example having more and more impact.

Therefore the International Conference should not only repeatedly win single new members, but also consciously search the dialogue with other initiatives of the Marxist-Leninist and Maoist world movement, to overcome the deficits mentioned above.

Political Leadership of

Communist Organization of Luxembourg (COL)

Standpoint and Comment by the Nepal Communist Party (Mashal), Nepal

Nepal Communist Party (Mashal) agrees to sign all the resolutions adopted by the 9th IC, except the "Resolution of Solidarity with Nepal". Our difference on the Resolution on Nepal are as following:

1. The armed struggle under the leadership of CPN (Maoist) cannot be taken as "Popular" one. During the period of so-called People's War of the Maoists, they had applied social fascist or anti-people policies towards people in massive way. So it is mistaken idea to take their armed struggle as popular one.

2. The Resolution states that all the parties with whom the Maoist reached agreement for Front of Unity and provisional government are "revolutionary Marxist-Leninist and progressive parties". Many of the parties represent reactionary classes, such as feudal and comprador bourgeois and some of those having rightist revisionist character. For example, are Nepali Congress, UML revolutionary Marxist-Leninist parties?

3. The process that is going on in Nepal is not a "revolutionary process". The maximum goal of it is to setup a bourgeoisie democratic system in limited sense. It is 'limited' because their maximum objectives are to hold the election of constituent assembly and to establish republic under semi- feudal and semi-colonial framework. Such a process cans not we taken as a revolutionary one.

4. The Resolution states : "It is a revolutionary process that could suffer an attack of foreign troops that would support the domestic reactionary powers and would put in danger the democratic revolution of Nepal" Such a statement needs to be clarified. Any revolutionary process is not going on in Nepal. So the question of such a process being put in danger by foreign power does not arise at all. Central tasks of present day of Nepal are: firstly, the election of the constituent assembly (CA) and, secondly, abrogation of the monarchy. In fact both of these tasks are in danger not because of attack of any foreign troops, but due to role of Maoists. It was because of their opposition that the election of the CA, which was to be held in 22 November this year, could not take place. Thus, the country lost the chance to establish republic this month. They (Maoist) are obstructing the parliament to fix another date for election of the CA and, in this way, pushing back the issue of declaration of the republic.

We humbly request to supply our criticism or reservation on the "Resolution of Solidarity with Nepal" to all participants of the JCG.

December 2007

Standpoint and Comment by the Russian Maoist Party, Russia

Dear comrades,

We have analyzed and discussed the Resolutions of the 9th ICMLPO and made our decision:

'The Economic and Political Development of the Imperialist World System' -

we desist from signing it for the following reasons:

1) This resolution thoroughly disregards the role of labor aristocracy, which is the strategic capitalist policy in the imperialist centers. Quite the contrary, it paints this phenomenon as casual and outdated one.

2) Anti-American forces are depicted uncritically. There is no characteristic of Russia as aggressive war-monger. It idealizes non-proletarian regimes in Venezuela and Bolivia and exaggerates progressiveness and power of Iraq and Afghanistan resistance.

3) This resolution has leftist extreme on the question on the peaceful transition against correct position of Chinese Marxists in the Great Polemics.

The 2nd Resolution :'The struggle of the international working class, the antiimperialist struggles of the peoples and Marxist-Leninist party building' we sign with two reservations.

Firstly, we consider that phrase "*At the same time the imperialists and reactionaries are trying to divide the country which could lead to civil*

war." is not quite clear in this context and fair worded.

Secondly, we do not sign the chapter "Significant advances of the working class in Europe" for our disagreement with the stake on the higher, mostly privileged stratum of workers which is, objectively, social base of social-democracy. On the contrary we consider that emphasis must be done in Europe on immigrant workers, 'not prestigious' strata of workers, women, youth.

The 3rd Resolution 'On the development of the International Conference of Marxist Leninist Parties and Organizations (ICMLPO)and the preparation of the 10th International Conference' - we desist from signing it for the following reason: it is actually message on the conference's results by participated organizations. However we cordially approves these goals and objectives.

With Marxist-Leninist greetings, Russian Maoist Party http://maoism.ru

January 2008

Standpoint and Comment by the Turkish Communist Party, Turkey

As TKP/ML we sign all three conference resolutions. Below are our comments/criticism on the three resolutions, which should be included.

Comment on Resolution No.1: The economic and political development of the imperialist world system

Point 2, second to the last paragraph, "The finance capital has invested in China, India and other oppressed countries to make more profit through lower wages or by speculative investments in raw materials and stock markets."

We have already stated our position on this topic clearly during the discussion. For this reason we will not take up this issue again. However, there are one or two points, which we would like to elaborate. The first is on China, i.e. that in this paragraph China is put into the same category as the oppressed countries. We must clearly emphasize that this state is a capitalistimperialist one, more exactly – social imperialist. It should therefore not be ranked among the oppressed countries. In our opinion, India, Iran etc. should be categorized as being semicolonial, dependent and oppressed countries (in spite of the differences among these countries).

Page 4, paragraph on Latin America: In Latin America there is a wave of revolutionary development. However, this development and the governments developing there presently cannot be regarded as being anti-imperialist or as being a revolutionary people's power, even though they speak out openly against US imperialism. Neither in Latin America, Nepal nor anywhere else can revolutionary people's power be attained by means of elections or a "peaceful solution", nor can socialism be realized in this way. This is nothing less than a further development of Khruchev's revisionism (a successful revolution without revolutionary struggle). You have to be vigilant about such ways of thinking and criticize them adamantly.

Comment on Resolution No.2: The struggle of the international working class, the antiimperialist struggles of the peoples and Marxist-Leninist party building

In the Middle East, US imperialism is regarded with distain, hate and abhorrence. Especially in Iraq, Lebanon and Palestine, US imperialism is confronted with great resistance and has landed in a dead-end. They have no success at all in these regions. However, if you maintain that the defeat of the USA in the Middle East or in Iraq is certain, this is self-deceiving. In this connection, you cannot maintain that the USA has become weaker. Because the USA appears as the most aggressive imperialist power through its attacks and the occupation of Afghanistan, Iraq and elsewhere, it is always subject to criticism. They are being exposed more continuously than the other imperialists. Employing all possible means, they are attempting to take over this region or retain their hegemony. US imperialism doesn't simply let anyone put one over on them. You can explain the situation of US imperialism with their fear of losing face. You could also speak of the fear of being exposed or of a minimal backward development. The imperialists cannot free themselves of the blame for the attacks and the hostilities committed against the peoples. They outbid each other in their atrocities. No imperialism is better or worse than the other. This is because of the historical development and the resistance of the peoples. With regard to this we must convey our insights to the oppressed peoples and working classes of the world, make the situation comprehensible to them and remain vigilant. In the past years, the lackeys of imperialism and the reactionary powers in a number of Latin American countries were deprived of their power through the struggles of the working class, the peasants and governments progressive or revolutionary

movements. A number of governments were replaced by others. This pressure comes from below and these governments oppose imperialism and the imperialist finance organizations like the IMF and the World Bank. We do not believe that the European economy is experiencing a revival. In the past years we experienced developments in the labor struggles of the workers and employed people in a number of European countries. Of course, these also have their effects upon the communist organizations and parties. This is a good development. However, it does not apply to all European countries. In some countries the Marxist-Leninist parties are still in the stage of construction and in other countries you cannot observe anything yet. Sooner or later we will advance and no longer go backwards. We should not evade these developments and the progress of the future and we must always look ahead. However, when we do this, we should neither exaggerate nor discredit the truth.

Comment on Resolution No.3: On the development of the International Conference of Marxist-Leninist Organizations and Parties and the preparation of the 10th International Conference

The international communist movement can develop by means of ideological and political struggle and continue its long march on this foundation. With regard to this we believe that we should not restrict the various modes of thinking and bilateral talks to such conferences. These talks should take place on a joint organized platform. If necessary, the public should be informed of this political and ideological debate (openly led political and ideological struggles).

The ideological and political struggle brings forth exposures as well as attacks. However the goal is to maintain and intensify proletarian and revolutionary consciousness and to consolidate unity. However, if "political and ideological struggle" are led in a reverse fashion, as already mentioned, that would be merely slander and filth. This would not put the reputation of revolutionaries (neither outside or internally) into a good light Therefore this problem should be solved with a revolutionary consciousness.

TKP/ML December 2007

Standpoint and Comment

by the Bolshevik Party(North-Kurdistan-Turkey)

On resolution no. 1

We sign this resolution except:

• The 5th sentence in point 3 where is states: "The cyclical economic growth does not produce stability of the system, because it is linked to an international structural crisis in the process of production which has taken on the dimension of an international battle of annihilation."

Reason: We think this reason is wrong. In imperialism the cyclical economic growth does not produce stability of the system. Even if this growth were not connected to an "international structural crisis", the cyclical economic growth would not produce stability of the system. There is no "stable" imperialism.

• The last half sentence of point 5 where is states:

"All these contradictions influence each other, the first one is the sharpest and has more effects on the other two."

(We do not sign this half sentence because it gives the impression of a main contradiction on a worldwide scale, which is theoretically wrong in our view.)

• the 11th sentence in point 7 where it states: *"US imperialism is now the only military, economic and political superpower."* (We do not sign this sentence.

Reason: Characterizing US imperialism as only ... SUPERPOWER is wrong to our view and a relic of the three-world-theory. US imperialism is no SUPERPOWER but currently the most powerful imperialist great power. To call it a SUPERPOWER and to correctly talk about a multi-polar world in the next sentence is contradictory in itself.)

On resolution no. 2:

We sign this resolution except:

• The first two sentences in the part beneath the heading *"Significant advances of the working class in Europe"* where it states:

"In the centers of imperialism there is an awakening of the class consciousness occurring on a broad front. The self-organized Opel strike in Germany in 2004 under the influence of Marxist-Leninists signaled the beginning transition to the working-class offensive." (We do not sign this sentence. We think that speaking of an "awakening of the class consciousness (in centers of imperialism) ON A BROAD FRONT" and of a "beginning transition to a WORKING-CLASS OFFENSIVE" in

misinterpretation and exaggeration.)
the first paragraph in the part with the heading *"The dialectic relations between autonomous, nationally organized parties and forms of international cooperation"*

Germany under the present conditions, is a

"The far-reaching changes in imperialism on the basis of the reorganization of international production require of all Marxist-Leninist parties an independent concrete analysis of the concrete situation of their countries and the dialectical application of Marxism-Leninism and Mao Zedong Thought to the strategy and tactics of the class struggle in their countries." (We do not sign this paragraph.

Reason:

where it states:

- "An independent concrete analysis of the concrete situation in every country" always is an absolute necessity and cannot be substantiated with "far-reaching changes" etc. The concrete analysis of the concrete situation is one of the most important ML principles.
- We also think that "far-reaching changes in imperialism on the basis of the REORGANIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL PRODUCTION" are misleading as this statement gives the

impression of qualitative changes in the imperialist system, which in our view is not correct.

- We reject the term "Mao Zedong Thought" because this term gives the impression of a new stage of Marxism-Leninism and goes back to the definition of the CP of China on its ninth party congress where the Mao Zedong Thought is called "Marxism-Leninism of that epoch in which imperialism is heading towards its total collapse and socialism to its worldwide victory" [own translation] (Statute of the CP of China, chapter I, General Program, documents of the IXth. PC of the CP of China, publishing house for foreign literature Peking, p. 126)
- The half sentence concerning the "noninterference" under the same heading where it states:

"For the necessary international cooperation it must be taken into account that different autonomous parties operate in the individual countries and determine the strategy and tactics in their countries and others cannot interfere in this!"

(We do not sign this half sentence.

Reason:

It is natural that the strategy and tactics of the revolution in every single country are developed by the ML party of this country based on the ML principles and on the basis of a concrete ML analysis. But there is no "national" ML. Each ML party, each ML of a country can of course be worried about the revolution in every other country, study the strategy and tactics in "other" countries and openly makes known its opinion in public and "interfere" in that sense. The "noninterference" in the inner affairs to our view deeply contradicts proletarian internationalism.)

On resolution no. 3:

We sign this resolution except:

• The terms "Mao Zedong Thought" and "noninterference"

Reason:

Concerning these terms, which we reject, we presented our written suggestions for improvement to the ninth conference. Our application to the ninth conference also shortly includes our reasons.

We will also prepare an article for the INL on Mao Zedong Thought and non-interference.

We sign the solidarity resolutions on Nepal and JM Sison without reservations.

Concerning the solidarity resolution on Bolivia our attitude is the following:

We express our solidarity with the revolutionary struggle of the working-class of the oppressed peoples and nations of Bolivia. But do not sign the solidarity statement in this form. We think the term Mao Zedong Thought is not correct and we define ourselves as a ML party.

We also attach our reservations incorporated in the text of the resolutions so that you can see the exact passage.

With revolutionary regards,

CC of the BP (NK/T) September 2007

Objections of the PCR Uruguay on Resolutions

The PCR Uruguay requests to emphasize in resolution no. 1 that it does not agree with the paragraphs in red/cursive.

The second paragraph of point 2 and the second paragraph of point 3

1. Point 2, paragraph 2:

"Under the influence of the internationalization of production bourgeois projects of national independence in the neocolonial and dependent countries have failed."

2. Point 3, paragraph 2:

"The cyclical economic growth does not produce stability of the system, because it is linked to an international structural crisis in the process of production which has taken on the dimension of an international battle of annihilation."

Furthermore it requests to emphasize that it also does not agree with the passages in red/cursive of the second resolution:

In the point "Upswing in the struggles in focal points" we do not agree to the second sentence of the first paragraph:

"Latin America is undergoing a process of revolutionary fermentation."

In the last point "The dialectic relations between autonomous...parties ..." we do not agree to the title, the first, second and fourth paragraph: From:

The dialectic relations between autonomous, nationally organized parties and forms of international cooperation

The far-reaching changes in imperialism on the basis of the reorganization of international production (...) to

(...) right-opportunist or left-sectarian errors and deviations occur.

And from:

The emergence, success and level of the international coordination and revolutionization of the struggles (...) to

(...) different autonomous parties operate in the individual countries and determine the strategy and tactics in their countries and others cannot interfere in this!

Signed by Ricardo Cohen, General Secretary and Jorge Pérez, Delegate 24 October 2007

Joint Declaration The significance of the October Revolution today October 2007

The socialist revolution of October 1917 was an event of worldwide significance for all proletarians and oppressed peoples of the world, because, under the leadership of the communist party of Lenin, the revolutionary Russian proletariat had assumed state power by destroying the bureaucratic military machinery and overthrowing the rule of the Tsars, one of the most obsolete and oppressive monarchies in history.

On 16 October 1917, the Central Committee adopted the resolution proposed by Lenin which put the armed uprising on the agenda. The uprising succeeded on 25 October 1917 (7 November according to our calendar) with the call "To the Citizens of Russia!". It was in this night that the Winter Palace of the tsars was taken.

"Let the ruling classes tremble at a Communist revolution", said Marx and so the bourgeoisie in Russia and the rest of the world trembled, not believing that the power of the workers, peasants and soldiers would prevail for long. Practice proved the contrary to be true. The workers, the peasants and the semi-proletariat in the cities and in the countryside, the intellectuals of the people, men and women, as well as the nations oppressed by imperialism and the working class and toilers in the capitalist countries, however, thought and felt completely differently: for them the October Revolution was not only possible, but also necessary. It was like a breath of fresh air in the midst of capitalist and feudal exploitation and oppression. It was a ray of hope in the midst of despair, a dream that had come true.

The power of the workers, peasants, soldiers, which began with the elimination of capitalism and the building of socialism for the first time in the history of mankind, expropriated the capitalists and big land owners and gave the estates to the peasants, established the control over production and built up a new state.

Worldwide counterrevolution against the emerging Soviet power raged; three years of civil war in which the counterrevolution at home was supported by 14 imperialist powers. However, it was the anonymous heroes, workers, peasants, soldiers and even the intellectuals who gave their lives in support of this new power and built up their armed forces, the Red Army, in this period, which defeated the white army in numerous battles.

After that the Soviet peoples faced the difficult task of rebuilding a country which lay in rubbles with a people starving and living in misery, and they succeeded in getting back on their feet. These heroic deeds were accomplished in the 1930s, when they succeeded in building up cooperatives, in collectivization, industrialization and farreaching cultural transformations.

At great sacrifice, struggling against the inheritance of tsarist mismanagement and threatened by the German fascist Reich, the dictatorship of the proletariat was able to provide the people with bread, work, housing, education, health care, land and social welfare, for all workers and toilers, both male and female. The new power put an end to unemployment and illiteracy, established the 8-hour-day and even the 5-hour-working day and involved millions of women in socialized production. These were achievements unknown to capitalism.

Proletarian democracy proved its superiority to bourgeois democracy. The broad majority of the people arose, the exploited, the oppressed, those who had been ignored - the direct producers – those who actually produce all wealth - these broad masses arose. Those who had no influence upon the decisions made by bourgeois governments began to take the political, military, cultural, economic affairs into their own hands. They began to govern. This was a revolutionary transition in the history of mankind.

Neither the 14 imperialist armies that invaded Russia during the civil war and tried to reverse the revolution, nor the fascist German armies along with those of half of Europe were able to defeat the socialist Soviet Union. Socialism was destroyed from within when in 1956, with the 20th Party Congress of the CPSU, the degenerated new bourgeoisie with a party membership book in its pocket took over power and restored capitalism.

The defeat suffered by the proletariat and its socialist state in the USSR, resulting from 20th Party Congress of the CPSU in 1956, and the restoration of capitalism, prompted Mao Tsetung to think in depth about the causes for capitalist restoration having become possible in the first socialist country. He reached the conclusion that classes, class contradictions and class struggle continue to exist in a socialist society and that these can either intensify or weaken. The whirl of this class struggle lies within the communist party, because class struggle in society is reflected there in its struggles over the line. If this party degenerates as a result of a new bourgeoisie coming to power and undergoes a process of bureaucratization, this new bourgeoisie with a party membership book in its pocket allies itself with the reactionary sectors within and outside of the state. Therefore this struggle is expressed in a struggle between two directions: the socialist and the capitalist one, as well as the one between Marxism and revisionism. Mao applied the method with which he analysed the USSR to China in order to prevent the restoration of capitalism by of the Great means Proletarian Cultural Revolution. This was successful in the ten years between 1966 and 1976.

In 1991 the USSR broke down. This revealed the complete bankruptcy of modern revisionism. In the entire world, the bourgeoisie attempts to depict this as the destruction of socialism.

The imperialist aggressions, with US-imperialism and its allies at the head, bring forth a dramatic situation in Iraq and Afghanistan with their preventive wars and fascist laws passed under the pretext of the "anti-terror **struggle"**. The insatiable greed with which they exploit and plunder the working-class, the oppressed peoples and nations and drive millions of people into poverty, all show the necessity of revolution and the struggle for socialism and communism even more clearly.

Let us defend the right of coalition for Marxist-Leninist, communist parties. Let us take a stand for the revolutionary liberation struggle and the right of self-determination of the peoples against imperialism and neo-colonialism!

Let us celebrate the anniversary of the October Revolution together and let us launch together an offensive of genuine socialism against the distortions of imperialist historians.

Today the struggles of the workers and the peoples against exploitation and oppression are increasing on an international level, increasingly shoulder to shoulder with the Marxist-Leninist parties. The worldwide search for an alternative to capitalism cannot be overlooked. That is why the imperialists are launching a campaign of anticommunism with anger, hate and lies. Against better judgement, the millions of victims of the two invasions of the imperialist armies in Russia are being depicted as victims of communism in this filthy campaign. The same applies to those who starved as a result of these invasions and the legacy of the Tsars. Their goal is to destroy the high regard of socialism and to rob the people of their future.

Today, 90 years after the victory of October, when regard the process of revolutionary we construction, we are obliged to evaluate what has occurred in order to draw conclusions for a new upswing in the struggle for genuine socialism. This celebration serves to show that socialism is superior to capitalism, to assimilate its progressive lessons and to correct mistakes, so that one day, the proletariat in the entire world, together with all the masses who are exploited and oppressed by reactionary capitalists and imperialists, will overthrow imperialism and build up socialism in the entire world, and that one day, the people can say that "the earth is the most beautiful paradise of humanity."

Signing parties and organizations (Date 15.9.2008)

(Notice of the main coordinator: We publish now all these signatures obtained by now and want to stress that the list is still open and that some organizations have been delayed in their decision processes).

- 1. Partido Comunista Revolucionario, PCR Argentina
- 2. Partido Comunista Colombia-Maoist, PCC-M, Colombia
- 3. Revolutionary Organization from the Congo, R.O. Congo
- 4. Marxist-Leninist Party of Germany, MLPD
- 5. Proletarian Party of Iran (Ranjbaran), Iran
- 6. Party of the Committees to Support Resistance – for Communism, (C.A.R.C.), Italy
- 7. (New) Communist Party of Italy, (n) PCI, Italy
- 8. Communist Organization of Luxembourg, KOL Luxembourg
- 9. GML/Rode Morgen, Netherlands
- 10. Serve the People Marxist-Leninists of Norway
- 11. CNC, Peru
- 12. Communist Party of the Philippines, CPP
- 13. Partija Rada, Serbia
- 14. Communist Party of South Africa (Marxist-Leninist), CPSA(ML)
- 15. KSČ-ČSSP (Communist Party of Czechoslovakia - Czechoslovakian Workers Party (CPC-CWP)
- 16. Bolshevist Party (North Kurdistan-Turkey), BP (NK-T)
- 17. Communist Party of Turkey/Marxist-Leninist (TCP/ML)
- 18. Communist Party/Marxist-Leninist (TKP/ML), Turkey
- 19. Revolutionary Proletariat, Turkey
- 20. Partido Comunista Revolucionario, PCR Uruguay
- 21. Ray O Light Group, USA (with restrictions and comment) #

ROL to JCG

Warm proletarian internationalist greetings!

Please add the Ray O. Light Group (USA) as a signatory to the Joint Declaration on the "*The significance of the October Revolution today*" with the exception of the 10th paragraph. (The paragraph that begins in English with "The defeat suffered by the proletariat and its socialist state in the USSR..." and ends referring to the "Great Proletarian Socialist Revolution" in China and the sentence "This was successful in the ten years between 1966 and 1976.")

Please note our exception as follows:

We believe that the "Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution (GPCR)" was an attack on proletarian internationalism, a betrayal of the dictatorship of the proletariat in China, and a betrayal of the oppressed nations, including the heroic Vietnamese revolutionary struggle in particular. Our analysis is that the predominant line of the GPCR was the line of the Chinese national bourgeoisie.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We wish all our friends in your country and around the world the best of success in their various celebratory and commemoratory activities. We have already held two such activities here "in the belly of the beast" and have one more scheduled for tomorrow.

In revolutionary unity and struggle, ROL Group, November 2007



Joint Declaration March 2008

On 20th March 2003, the War of Aggression against Iraq

and subsequent occupation began, led by the US imperialists and supported by the imperialists of other countries in the military, political and economic fields. This war of aggression has been the widest and fiercest attack by the imperialists in recent decades, within a general strategy (for the Middle East), including the aggressions against the Afghan, Palestinian and Lebanese peoples.

Despite the vastness of destructions and the numerous victims that the US imperialists have caused, these comprise only a stage that predictably will be followed by worst destructions and further millions of dead people. It is the imperialists aim, and primarily the US imperialist are realizing it with their growing threats and the concrete preparations for war against Iran.

The aggressions against the Iraqi people and against the other peoples of the Middle East met with a hard, continuous ad heroic resistance. The popular masses in the countries of the Middle East have put up a resistance that is one of the most important centres of resistance of the struggle that popular masses are launching against imperialist wars all over the world.

Without this resistance the imperialist aggression would have already further spread, involving other countries, firstly Syria and Iran. Everybody must recognize the right of these peoples to defend themselves against any aggression, the same right exercised by the popular masses that resisted against Nazi fascist armies in Europe and Japanese armies in Asia during the Second World War.

The severe setbacks which US imperialism has to suffer in the Middle East and the looming defeat weakens it worldwide and is a great encouragement for the worldwide struggle of the peoples and the working class in the imperialist countries. Imperialism is the source of all wars of aggression and so the best contribution for peace is the struggle against it.

In this fifth anniversary of the beginning of the war we, signatories of this statement, condemn the aggression against Iraq and against all the popular masses of the countries of the Middle East.

We support the resistance of the popular masses of Iraq, Afghanistan and the whole region of the Middle East against the imperialist aggressors and support the right of self-determination of the peoples.

We declare our active support for the antimilitarist and peace movements in our own countries and promote their growth through systematic educational work among the masses of people.

We invite all the parties, the organizations and individuals who have the defence of peace, of the right of peoples to their self determination, of genuine democracy and progress at heart, to sign this document, to promote its signing and to launch mass demonstrations for defending the values we are struggling for: against a present and future of misery, destruction and war that the imperialist powers are inflicting on the popular masses of all the world, for building up a world worth living for all mankind and to build up its bright future.

The threat to peace in the region of the Middle East and in the entire world comes from the imperialists. Only when the peoples liberate themselves from imperialism under the leadership of the working class will they be able to live together in lasting peace and self-determination. That is why the struggle for national and social liberation needs the perspective of socialism. This requires the building of genuine communist parties

International Newsletter No. 35

Immediate withdrawal of foreign troops from Iraq and Afghanistan!

Solidarity with the anti-imperialist liberation struggle in Iraq, Afghanistan, Palestine and the whole region!

Signatories up till now 15/09/2008):

- 1. Marxist-Leninist Organization from Afghanistan (MLOA)
- 2. Revolutionary Communist Party of Argentina (PCR)
- 3. Initiative for the Reconstruction for a Revolutionary Communist Party, Austria
- 4. Partido Comunista Marxista-Leninista-Maoísta de Bolivia (PCMLM)
- 5. Brazilian Centre of Solidarity to the Peoples (CEBRASPO), Brasilia
- 6. Resistance Movement "23rd September", Bulgaria
- 7. Partido Communista Colombia-Maoista, PCC-M, Colombia
- 8. Partido Comunista (Marxista-Leninista) Republica Dominicana
- 9. Organization Communist (Marxist-Leninist) Proletarian Way (OCML) France
- 10. Marxist-Leninist Party of Germany (MLPD)
- 11. Communist Organization of Greece (KOE)
- 12. Communist Party of Greece (Marxist-Leninist), KKE(ml), Greece
- 13. Ranjbaran Party of Iran (Toilers' Party of Iran
- 14. Association for Proletarian Solidarity, Italy
- 15. Party of the Committees to Support Resistance – for Communism (CARC), Italy
- 16. (New) Italian Communist Party, (n)PCI, Italy
- 17. Struggling Workers Union, Italy
- 18. Nepal Communist Party (Mashal), Nepal
- 19. GML/Rode Morgen, Netherland
- 20. National Democratic Front of the *Philippines (NDFP)*
- 21. Russian Maoist Party (RMP), Russia

- 22. Communist Party of Southafrica(Marxist-Leninists), CPSA(ML), Southafrica
- 23. Bolschewic Party (Northkurdistan-Turkey)
- 24. Communist Party of Turkey/Marxist-Leninist (TCP/ML)
- 25. Union of revolutionary communists of Turkey (TIKB)
- 26. Revolutionary Communist Party of Uruguay (PCR)
- 27. Revolutionary Organization of Labour (ROL), USA

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Declaration of Solidarity

To the members of the International Conference of Marxist Leninist Parties and Organiztions

Dear comrades,

Following is a declaration of solidarity of the JCG on the occasion of the criminal proceedings which have been initiated in Italy against leading members of the CARC Party, the (new) Italian Communist Party, the Association for Proletarian Solidarity and their sympathizers. We request that you sign this declaration, win over further signatories and organize solidarity. It is also possible to sign single paragraphs or points only.

We are awaiting your response and sending you our sincere and revolutionary greetings, Paolo Babini

Representative of the current main coordinating organization of the JCG, CARC Party, Italy. 28 June 2008

Declaration of Solidarity

For the immediate stopping of the criminal proceedings against members and sympathizers of the Party CARC, the (new) Italian Communist Party and the Association for Proletarian Solidarity

"The next 1st July 2008 it will be held a further hearing within the framework of the preliminary hearings against the leaders of the CARC Party, the (new) Italian Communist Party, the Association for Proletarian Solidarity and their sympathizers at the court in Bologna. They are accused of belonging to a "subversive organization" because they "promoted and took part in the founding of the new Communist Party of Italy".

The Joint Coordinating Group of the International Conference of Marxist Leninist Parties and Organizations expresses its solidarity, condemns the ongoing repressive action and demands the immediate stopping of the proceedings. The JCG declares its solidarity with Paolo Babini, representative of the current main coordinating organization in the JCG, the CARC Party, Italy, against whom proceedings are also being conducted.

We condemn and contend this repressive action as it is an expression of anticommunism increasing in the imperialist countries, aimed to deny the freedom of propaganda and organization the communists conquered, and expression of the aim to restore the reactionary and fascist regimes that the communists and the popular masses fought and won paying with their lives.

The ruling powers in Italy are afraid of the consolidation and further development of the revolutionary and the working-class and people's movement and of the strengthening of those forces who are struggling for a socialist perspective.

The struggle against "Anti-terror" slander and anticommunism affords the organizing of a broad movement for the struggle for maintaining and extending democratic rights, for informing the broad masses about these proceedings and for building a bulwark against any further actions.

We consider this and ay other repressive action against any participant in the Conference as an attack to the Conference itself, and as such we committed our selves to oppose it. Long live the international solidarity!"

We did the document for strengthening the unity within the ICMLPO, adopting common positions against repression. According to this principle, we also propose to sign as JCG the enclosed document condemning the repression and oppression against the Filipino people and the parties and organizations that represent it.

Thank you.

In solidarity,

Paolo Babini, on behalf of the CARC Party.

Declaration of Solidarity

Resolution supporting the Filipino peoples' struggle for national liberation and democracy and demanding the removal of the CPP, the NPA and Prof. Jose Maria Sison from "terrorist" lists of the US, Netherlands and the Council of the European Union

1. There is an ongoing civil war in the Philippines between the oppressed toiling masses of the workers, peasants and petty bourgeoisie on the one hand and US imperialism and the exploiting classes of the comprador big bourgeoisie and landlords, on the other. The local exploiting classes and the interests of US imperialism are currently represented by the fascist regime of Gloria Macapagal Arroyo.

2. The Communist Party of the Philippines represents and leads the revolutionary forces of the toiling masses in this civil war, with the ultimate objectives of overthrowing the local exploiting classes, liberating Philippine society from US imperialism and foreign domination, fulfilling the democratic demands of the toiling masses, establishing the People's Democratic Republic of the Philippines and initiating socialist construction and development. The New People's Army is the main weapon of the toiling masses in seizing and dismantling the political power of the exploiting classes.

3. More than one hundred years of US imperialist domination over the Philippines has resulted ever-worsening poverty in and repression against the Filipino people. The US government's declaration in 2003 of the Philippines as the "second front in the war against terror" is serving to justify intensified intervention in the country and increased support to the illegitimate, corrupt and fascist Arroyo puppet regime. Increased US support has emboldened the Arroyo regime to unleash all-out repression against war and the armed revolutionary forces in the countryside and the legal mass movement in the towns and cities. Various human rights organizations, such as the Asian Human Rights Commission, Human Rights Watch, International Association of People's Lawyers and Amnesty International, have called the attention of the regime and the

international community to the almost daily occurrences

of political assassinations, enforced disappearances, illegal arrests of the political opposition and bloody dispersal of mass mobilizations, all perpetrated by the regime. The Permanent Peoples' Tribunal in March 2007 declared the government of the USA and the Arroyo regime guilty of crimes against humanity. Also in 2007, the UN Special Rapporteur Philip Alston reported that the Armed Forces of the Philippines are "in complete denial" over the occurrence of extra-judicial killings in the country.

4. Perversely, the US government designated the Communist Party of the Philippines and the New People's Army as terrorist organizations on 09 August 2002. On 12 August 2002, it designated CPP Founding Chairman Professor Jose Maria Sison also as a terrorist and ordered the freezing of the assets of the CPP, the NPA and Prof. Sison. Without presenting any evidence or engaging in any fair hearing, the government of the Netherlands on 13 August – the following day – did likewise by declaring the CPP, the NPA and CPP Chairperson Armando Liwanag as terrorists. The Council of the European Union followed the cue of the US and the Netherlands on 12 October by declaring the NPA and Prof. Sison as terrorists.

5. Prof. Sison subsequently filed suits against the Dutch government and the Council of the European Union, declaring that he is not and has never been a terrorist; neither has he ever had any ties with international terrorism; he plays an important role in ongoing peace negotiations with the Government of the Republic of the Philippines as the Chief Political Consultant of the National Democratic Front of the Philippines; and that the current leadership of the Communist Party of the Philippines and the revolutionary movement is physically based in

the Philippines. The European Court of First Instance on 11 July 2007 annulled the EU Council listing of Prof. Sison as a terrorist, declaring that the EU Council infringed on Prof. Sison's rights to defense, on the obligation to state reasons and the on the right to effective judicial protection. However, the EU Council reinstated Prof. Sison on its terrorist list on 30 June, even before the Court annulled the 2002 listing. The suit against the Dutch government is still pending. Meanwhile, solidarity actions has been ongoing around the world to demand the removal of Prof. Sison from the so-called terrorist listing and condemn the criminalization of the Philippine revolutionary movement.

6. It is appalling that the government of Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo can get away with murdering and terrorizing Filipino citizens and is even lavished with financial, military and political support by the governments of the US, Netherlands and the European Union. More appalling is that the movement responsible for the liberation and democratization of Philippine society is criminalized by these governments and declared as terrorists.

We condemn the criminalization of the liberation forces of the Philippines and demand the removal of the CPP, the NPA, Armando Liwanag and Prof. Jose Maria Sison from the socalled terrorist lists of the US, Netherlands and the Council of the European Union.

We condemn the illegitimate Arroyo regime for its puppetry to US imperialism and for the brutal repression it is unleashing against the revolutionary forces and the legal progressive movement.

We support the Filipino people in their struggle for national liberation and democracy.

Signatories (as of 01 June 2008):

Algeria: Parti Algérien pour la Démocratie et le Socialisme Armenia: Progressive Communist Party of Armenia Belgium: Workers Party of Belgium Cuba: Partido Comunista de Cuba Denmark: Danish Communist Party France: Pôle Renaissance Communiste en France Union des Révolutionnaires-Communistes de France Germany: Communist Party of Germany (KPD) Italy: Rete dei Comunisti Lao PDR: Lao People's Revolutionary Party Malta: Communist Party of Malta Mexico: Popular Socialist Party of Mexico Nepal: Communist Party of Nepal (Unified) Norway: Rødt (Red Party) Palestine: Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP) Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) Russia: Russian Communist Workers' Party -**Revolutionary Party of Communists** Spain: Partido Comunista de los Pueblos de España Sudan: Sudanese Communist Party Sweden: Communist Party – Sweden Tunisia: Parti du Travail Patriotique et Démocratique de Tunisie UK: Communist Party of Great Britain (ML) Ukraine: Union of Communists USA: Freedom Road Socialist Organization Please signify your agreement to sign the resolution by sending an email to ndf@casema.nl cc: liberation intl@ndfp.net specifying the name of

your party/organization.

Solidarity Declarations

On its 3rd meeting, 2008, the JCG adopted following declarations:

Solidarity to the PCMLM Bolivia and the

workers and people's masses of Bolivia.

By attempting to split of the provinces rich of raw material in East Bolivia, the imperialist powers headed by US-imperialism want to destabilize the situation in Bolivia and bring about the overthrow of the progressive government. Fascist gangs raided television- and radio stations in Santa Cruz not agreeable for Under responsibility of Leopoldo them. Fernandez, the Prefect of the province Pando, paramilitary fascist forces purposeful committed a massacre among small farmers and land workers with their women and children. They were on the way to the capital city of the province, to protest against the fascist attempt to putsch, in which at least 30 persons were killed and dozen's injured. The fascist putsch failed of the fierce resistance of the working class and the broad masses.

The JCG submits its warmest greetings to the heroic resistance of the Bolivarian people.

Those in charge for the massacre have to be sentenced and punished!

On its 3rd meeting in September 2008, the JCG confirms the "Declaration in solidarity with the workers' and the peoples' masses in

Bolivia" of the 9th International Conference of Marxist-Leninist Parties and Organizations, that states:

"The 9th Conference of Marxist-Leninist Parties, which adhere to Mao Zedong Thought, expresses its full Solidarity and support, in a moral and material way, regarding the process of fundamental structural changes that is being advanced by the working class, the peoples and nations of Bolivia. They are striving for a constitution of a multinational state of new democracy and reject all attempts by North American imperialists and local oligarchy of fascist character to divide the country in favour of the sinister interest of the imperialists of the transnational companies."

In view of the current development, the JCG calls all the participating organizations of the International Conference of Marxist-Leninist Parties and Organizations, to intensify the solidarity with the Bolivarian workers and peoples' masses' struggle for freedom.

Declaration of Solidarity with the Workers and People's Masses in Nepal

Dear comrades and friends,

The Joint Coordinating Group, elected by the 9th International Conference of Marxist-Leninist Parties and Organizations in 2007, conveys its revolutionary greetings and solidarity to the Nepali people for its historical victory over 240 years of monarchy rule. It is a great encouragement for the working class and broad masses of people in the entire world. After the elections in Nepal, which ended with the clear victory of the left wing forces with the CPN (Maoist) at the head, the Constituent Assembly has been formed, that on 28th May abolished monarchy and declared Nepal a democratic federal republic. This event has to be celebrated all over the world, both within the international communist and working class movement, and by all the anti -imperialist, democratic and progressive forces, because it is a victory against imperialism and feudalism.

In Resolution Nr. 2 passed by the Conference "The struggle of the International Working Class, the Anti-imperialist Struggles of the Peoples and Marxist-Leninist Party Building" the successes of the 19 day long people's arising in April 2006 (Janaandolan II) were honoured:

"In Nepal the subversion of the king does not yet mean a revolutionary change, but it has improved the prerequisites for the establishment of a new democratic antiimperialist order with a socialist perspective."

With a solidarity resolution, the 9th International Conference of Marxist Leninist Parties and Organizations recognized and defended the struggle of Nepali people.

"The ICMLPO considers important to express its solidarity and give internationalist support to the revolutionary struggle that is developing in Nepal. After 10 years of protracted people's war under the leadership of the Communist party of Nepal (Maoist) – CPN (m), there was reached an agreement among several revolutionary Marxist-Leninist and progressive parties for a united front and a provisional government based on a program to finish up with monarchy and to constitute a Democratic Republic."

It is therefore quite satisfied with the success of such program. In the spirit of this solidarity resolution, the Joint Coordinating Group reaffirms the support expressed in the Resolution of the Conference to the just struggle of Nepali people, and wishes it to advance in the way it has begun, toward democracy, progress and socialism."

With revolutionary greetings, Paolo Babini

(Representative for the current main coordinating party in the JCG; CARC, Italy)

FREEDOM FOR ÖNDER DOLUTAŞ!

On the 23rd of May 2008 **Önder Dolutaş** came to Germany with the intention to work at an international event, when he arrived at the Frankfurt Hahn airport he was arrested by the German police under the pretext of an 'international extradition demand' of the Turkish state over INTERPOL. On May 24th he was brought in front of the judge and send to the prison in Wollstein (Rheinland-Pfalz). His file is handled by the regional highes court in Koblenz, Onder Dolutas is waiting there for his trial.

Önder Dolutaş has been sentenced to a 12.5 year prison punishment in Turkey. Though this decision was dismissed by the Supreme Court in Ankara with the explanation that the "statements were taken under torture" and that some other unjustly treatments had occurred. The file had been send back to Istanbul for re-evaluation.

Önder Dolutaş is known for his progressive and oppositional person. During his time as a youngster, in Turkey, he actively participated in the youth struggle especially in the University. For this reason he was arrested and tortured many times.

A couple of years ago he had applied for asylum in England. The asylum apply of Dolutas was accepted and after a short while he applied for British citizenship and his application was accepted too. Dolutas who continued its school at the University in London, also continued to be active in the political struggle in Europe. In the year 2006 he was arrested by the British police saying that the Turkish state wanted his extradition after a short while he was released.

This time he was arrested and imprisoned by the German police with the same INTERPOL warrant. According to the information of his lawyers; in the regulations of the German constitution it says that' every person who is not a citizen of Germany can be returned to the country the person has come from, including citizens from European Union countries. Though the governments of the EU countries; are in a hurry to practice this extradition policy in order to set examples which will scare other migrants and immigrants or any individual from being active in the political struggle for democracy and liberation. In concern of law context they want to build a series of reactionary tradition and practices.

The process used during the arrestment of Önder Dolutaş and the treatment of how Önder Dolutaş was arrested is a bad example for the German law system. The EU and the Turkish state is a common partner in this bad example. The purpose of this is it to terrorize, scare, to digest and silence those that live in exile and the immigrants, progressive opponents. No one should remain silent to this or bow down to such a repressive measure. To react against this is a duty of humanity. Including all progressives, democrats, perceptive individuals, organizations and institutions the broad public should protest against this. This is a actual and historical perceptive and responsibility!

For this reason, we protest and condemn the attitude of the German law authorities and the

German government; we demand an immediate release of Önder Dolutaş and demand an immediate application of the Geneva Convention of the refugee rights and citizen rights.

At the same time we call upon the British governments and its foreign representatives to defend its citizen and demand a remove of this injustice treatment. We call upon all democratic mass organizations, progressive institutions and individuals, human rights organizations and all movements that struggle against state repression to take an active stand against this unjust scandal and to defend the freedom of Önder Dolutaş in order to continue its profession and political live.

FREEDOM FOR ÖNDER DOLUTAS!

LONG LIVE INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY!

Letter of Acknowledgment by Önder Dolutas

I was released yesterday from Rohbach Prison at where I had been detained since 23 May 2008. I had to wait for the legal process to be completed for 4.5 months without the fundamental human right, the right of freedom.

This extradition case was brought against me as a result of arbitrary and inconceivable policy of the German authorities. By doing so, the German authorities in fact acted in a way that does not conform to international conventions undersigned by their selves.

The ironic point of this process is that I was arrested and tried to be extradited to Turkey on the basis of exactly same reasons and documents upon which I was granted refugee status by Britain. In recent years, we witnessed and continue to witness that a growing number of refugees from Turkey are arrested and tried by either Germany or any other EU member state upon extradition request of Turkey. Those should not be considered as exceptional cases. In fact it is a clear sign of systematic and organized policy of EU that aims to wipe out basic human rights provided by 1951 Geneva Convention. I believe this anti-democratic policy can only be prevented by organized and united stand.

In this sense, I would like to thank all organizations and individuals that during this period, demonstrated continuous support and that strived to build up organized stand and to realize the slogan of "Unity-Struggle-Victory".

Onder Dolutas, 9. Oktober 2008, Frankfurt

Declaration to Reaffirm the Significance and Relevance of the Antirevisionist Struggle and the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution 1st of May 2007

We, the undersigned Marxist-Leninist, Mao Zedong Thought and Marxist-Leninist-Maoist parties and organizations, hereby issue this declaration to reaffirm the significance and relevance of the struggle against modern revisionism starting in 1956 in opposition to the revisionist content of the 20th Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union (CPSU) in February 1956 leading to the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution from 1966 to 1976 and continuing after the bourgeoisie seized power in China in 1976. We do so after one year of activities celebrating the 50th anniversary of the anti-revisionist struggle and renewing our commitment to pursue this struggle.

We honor and pay the highest respect to Comrade Mao Zedong for leading the Communist Party of China (CPC) and all Marxist-Leninist parties in the struggle against modern revisionism. He promptly caused the publication of the editorial of the People's Daily, "On the Historical Experience of the Dictatorship of the Proletariat" in April 1956 in response to the 20th Congress of the CPSU. In this congress the Khrushchov revisionist clique repudiated in February 1956 under the pretext of opposing "personality cult" the fundamentals of Marxism-Leninism and the great revolutionary achievements of the Party of Lenin and Stalin in building socialism, fighting fascism and leading the international communist movement for more than 30 years.

The actions of the Soviet revisionists headed by Khrushchov laid bare the phenomenon of modern revisionism in opposition to the proletarian dictatorship and put the Soviet Union on the road of capitalist restoration. They reorganized the Soviet Party, the state, the economy and the cultural institutions in order to subvert Marxism-Leninism and the socialist system. They opposed the dictatorship of the proletariat and propagated bourgeois populism with the notions of "party of the whole people" and "state of the whole people" and bourgeois pacifism with the notions of "peaceful transition," "peaceful competition" and "peaceful coexistence". They undertook to undermine the international communist movement and pushed "peaceful coexistence" as the general line to oppose proletarian internationalism and to attack the international communist movement and the national liberation movements

Revisionism destroyed all the formerly socialist countries. It transformed these into colonies of social imperialism, deprived the revolutionary world movement of its revolutionary center, destroyed revolutionary parties and brought confusion, division and liquidationism into the international communist and working class movement. It had a corroding effect on the proletarian class struggle and the anti-imperialist struggle and led to defeats involving heavy losses. The process of the international proletarian revolution has been set back for decades.

There are ideological, political, socio-economic and cultural causes of modern revisionism. The major causes include deviation from materialist dialectics, abandonment or waning of the proletarian class stand and class struggle, worship of outdated or revisionist Soviet examples and the degeneration of a great number of bureaucrats and intellectuals due to their petty bourgeois social conditions and ways of thinking, which are the gateway to modern revisionism as full bourgeois ideology.

Hankering for personal privileges, nepotism, careerism, abuse of power, enrichment and other forms of self-interest, those afflicted with the petty bourgeois mode of thinking gain the upper hand among the leading functionaries in the party, state, economy and cultural institutions and give rise to modern revisionism as bourgeois ideology and as platform for bourgeois policies.

Comrade Mao defended the theory and practice of Marxism-Leninism against the line of modern revisionism. He denounced the revisionists for sowing confusion in the international communist movement and generating disorder and uprisings against the socialist cause in Yugoslavia, Poland, Hungary and elsewhere in Eastern Europe.

Under the direction of Comrade Mao, the delegation of the CPC pursued the antirevisionist line in the Moscow meetings of communist and workers' parties in 1957 and 1960. Thereafter, the Marxist-Leninists led by the CPC launched an international ideological struggle on a comprehensive range of issues against the modern revisionists centered in the Soviet party.

Further on, the Marxist-Leninists led by Comrade Mao proceeded to the criticism and repudiation of the phenomenon of monopoly bureaucrat capitalism and social imperialism during the long regime of Brezhnev. Monopoly bureaucrat capitalism masqueraded as socialism while the bureaucrats and businessmen connived to steal from the state sector. In international relations, the Soviet revisionists engaged in socialist phrase-mongering and in the practice of imperialism.

Comrade Mao did not rest content with the critique of modern revisionism as it had arisen and grown in the Soviet Union and in the other countries of the Soviet bloc. He examined and analyzed the growth of modern revisionism in China, arising from both homegrown factors and external influences. Thus, he united the leading antirevisionist revolutionaries in the CPC, who rallied forces to launch the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution in May 1966 in order to carry out the theory of continuing revolution under proletarian dictatorship. This is to combat revisionism, prevent the restoration of capitalism and consolidate socialism.

The theory and practice of continuing revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat through the GPCR constituted a new and higher stage in the development of Marxism-Leninism. It posed a series of problems in the building of socialism, for a whole historical epoch in transition from capitalism to communism, and brought up the basic principles and methods for solving said problems, involving the existence of classes and class struggle in socialist society, the relations of the social base and superstructure, the mass line, cultural revolution, revolution and production, succession by the youth, leadership in the factories and communes and the formation of the organs of political power.

Many of these issues were not understood or could not have been understood through the decades of socialism in the Soviet Union. The launching of the GPCR reflected an understanding and summation of that Soviet experience, and was an unprecedented political mobilization of the masses against revisionism, this time in the CPC.

Comrade Mao successfully led the Chinese proletariat and people from victory to victory in the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution against tremendous odds and against powerful adversaries. But soon after his death, the enemies of the Chinese proletariat and people made a coup and reversed his proletarian revolutionary line in carrying out socialist revolution and construction. Since then the new bourgeois rulers in China have launched the most brutal attacks against the Chinese workers and peasants. While they have continued to claim the title of the "Communist Party of China", they in fact, are now the worst oppressors and exploiters and abusers of the Chinese people.

There are manifestations of China's all-round retrogression and degradation to the status of being a big-comprador neocolonial adjunct of the US and other imperialist powers. China has completely tied itself to the policy of imperialist globalization pushed by the US and other imperialist powers. But China is also trying to become a relatively autonomous imperialist power, extending its economic investment and political influence on a world scale in places such as Africa, Latin America and Asia. It is reminiscent of a generally backward and poor but imperialist Russia before the Bolshevik revolution. The full restoration of capitalism in China and in the former Soviet bloc countries vindicates the teaching of Comrade Mao that socialism is lost when the revisionist line prevails within the ruling communist or workers' party and that eventually the bourgeoisie within the party and state succeeds in unleashing a coup and overthrowing the proletariat.

Comrade Mao has bequeathed to us a legacy with which we can combat and defeat modern revisionism and with which we can revive and further develop the forces of socialism. We are alert to and oppose the continuing dangers of revisionism, modern revisionism and other forms of opportunism.

We reaffirm Comrade Mao's revolutionary theory and practice of continuing revolution under proletarian dictatorship through the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution. We condemn the betrayal of socialism and of Comrade Mao's proletarian revolutionary line by the Liu Shaoqi-Deng Xiaoping clique and the new Chinese bourgeoisie.

We renew our determination and efforts to carry out the historic mission of the proletariat, which is to carry out a new-democratic and socialist revolution and construction. All the evils that have beset the former revisionist-ruled countries drive us to uphold Marxism-Leninism-Maoism against modern revisionism and to pursue the revolutionary cause of socialism.

Upon the temporary success of modern revisionism against Marxism-Leninism and the dictatorship of the proletariat, monopoly capitalism headed by US imperialism has been able to launch the worst attacks against the proletariat and the oppressed peoples, such as "free market" globalization, racism, repression and wars of aggression. In response to the escalation of oppression and exploitation, the proletariat and people are intensifying their resistance through armed struggle and other forms of resistance.

It is not enough to defend Marxism-Leninism and Maoism in order to generate a new upswing in the struggle for genuine socialism. The international Marxist-Leninist and working class movement must draw the lessons from the defeat of socialism by revisionism and from the successes of the 50 years of struggle against revisionism.

The building of Marxist-Leninist parties worldwide, the overcoming of the fragmentation, the strengthening proletarian revolutionary parties closely linked to the masses and their international revolutionary collaboration are the essential ideological, political and organizational preconditions for the liberation of humankind.

It is the internationalist duty of Marxist-Leninist-Maoist parties to unite and to arouse, organize and mobilize the proletariat and people in their respective countries and in the world at large in the struggle for national liberation, democracy and socialism against imperialism, revisionism and reaction. We renew our commitment to persevere in the revolutionary struggle and strive to win ever greater victories under the guidance of Marxism-Leninism-Maoism.

Uphold, defend and advance the teachings of Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin and Mao! Reaffirm Marxism-Leninism-Maoism against modern revisionism!

Carry forward the revolution against imperialism, revisionism and reaction! Glory to the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution!

Long live all Marxist-Leninist-Maoist parties! Long live proletarian internationalism! Long live Marxism-Leninism-Maoism!

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(Note: Any signatory may qualify its agreement on any point in this declaration with an annotation.)

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Revolutionary Communist Party of Argentina considers: (1) that the bourgeoisie seized power in China during the 12th Plenum of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China in December 1978 rather than in 1976 (see 1st paragraph); and (2) that China today is an imperialist country (see 15th paragraph).

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Communist Party of India (Maoist) stresses that China has completely tied itself to the policy of imperialist globalization pushed by the US and other imperialist powers (see 15th paragraph).

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Communist Party of the Philippines regards the Communist Party of China (CPC) as the Marxist-Leninist center of the international communist movement in the period after the Communist Party of the Soviet Union became revisionist and before the CPC itself became revisionist (see 5th paragraph).

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MLM Revolutionary Study Group (United States) regards the final goal to be communism worldwide -not socialism, which is the transitional period between capitalism and communism (See paragraph 24). Also, during this transitional period, the enemy of the dictatorship of the proletariat is the new bourgeoisie, which arises from the contradictions of socialism and is concentrated by those in party leadership who are taking the capitalist road (old habits and petty bourgeois thinking among the masses are utilized by this new bourgeoisie, but such features are not the cause of revisionism) (See paragraphs 6 and 7). And MLM RSG regards the "rise to power of revisionism as the rise of the bourgeoisie" and the defeat of the proletariat -- not as the beginning of capitalist restoration in a corrupted socialist state. (See paragraphs 2, 4, 8, and 10).

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Ranjbaran Party of Iran: (1) The proletarian theory is "scientific Communism" that was formulated by Marx and Engels as a proletarian world outlook and a new school of thought (Marxism) and developed by Lenin and Mao; and (2) The terms and concept of Leninism and Maoism are not correct.

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The Communist Action Marxist-Leninist, Austria wants to add the following annotations to certain paragraphs: (1) The 20th congress of CPSU in 1956 was not the starting shot but the finish for a new bourgeoisie seizing the power and restoration of capitalism in the Soviet Union; since then socialism can only be regained by a new proletarian revolution. (par. 3); (2) We want to point out that neither Albania nor China became a colony of Soviet socialimperialism. (par.5); (3) We do not regard China as an imperialist power. (par.15); (4) We emphasize the independent role of EU imperialists and the contradictions within the imperialist camp. (par.20); and (5) Concerning the term Marxism-Leninism-Maoism we do not participate in the discussion on classical authors and use the term of Revolutionary Communism including the teachings of GPCR. (par.21).#

"Golden Parachutes" for Working People: Jail With No Bail for the Wall Street Rich! Statement by Revolutionary Organization of Labor, USA October 2008

With over one trillion dollars in bailouts thus far, the U.S. government and international finance capital have once again proven that they live by their own version of the "Golden Rule": Protect the gold of those who rule.

Facing the deepest financial meltdown since the Great Depression of the 1930's, including a series of failures of the major Wall Street firms Bear Stearns, Lehman Brothers, Merrill Lynch, giant mortgage companies Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and the largest insurance company, AIG, the Bush regime has successfully pushed an \$810 billion <u>public</u> bailout for the <u>private</u> Wall Street firms and banks, with hardly a dime for any working family that loses its home! Congressional Democrats and Republicans united in writing this "blank check" for the corporations at taxpayer expense.

This move was on top of other recent bailouts the ruling elite has desperately used to try to shore up the collapsing system. Among others, AIG was bailed out with \$85 billion by the Treasury department. Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac were directly taken over by the government, a move that could come with a \$200 billion public price tag.

Those responsible for the mess have done just fine. For, example, in 2006, the then top five Wall Street firms of Bear Stearns, Goldman Sachs, Lehman Brothers, Merrill Lynch and Morgan Stanley (three are now gone!) awarded management employees some \$40 billion in Christmas bonuses. The combined wage increases of the 93 million U.S. workers for the six-year period of 2000-2006 was less than onehalf of the 2006 holiday bonuses to these Wall Street crooks!

Almost all regulation and oversight was systematically eliminated from the banking and investment sector as the financial crisis deepened. Speculative capital reigned supreme with vast profits fueled by sub-prime loans that eventually sunk the housing market. It was a "house of cards", creating nothing productive, waiting to fall. Today, McCain and Obama, *both* well funded by the "generosity" of the Wall Street Investment banks, offer no way out.

While this economic crisis, largely caused by predatory lending, speculative capital, the oil wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and huge tax breaks for the rich, is wreaking devastation on regular folks, those primarily responsible still have their "golden parachutes". Kerry Killinger, the forced out CEO of now failed Washington Mutual Bank waved goodbye with over \$20 million in compensation. The exit package for Freddie Mac CEO Richard Syron is over \$14 million and "poor" Fannie Mae CEO Daniel Mudd "only" received about \$10 million.

So what about the rest of us, the workers, the working poor, the oppressed?

We are in chronic and acute economic crisis. Gas prices are running at \$4.00/gallon. Some are spending 20% of their income for transportation to work while Exxon Mobil made a record \$11.7 billion in profit last year! Food prices are increasing at a gallop. The cost of heating a home this year is estimated to rise 61%. Aggressive corporate union-busting has made it more difficult to organize unions and maintain strong ones capable of forcing companies to share more of their wealth. Pensions for workers have all but disappeared into the 401K scam that have now taken a beating from the collapsing stock market. Over 50 million people have no health coverage. Official unemployment is rising at the fastest pace in years. Two and three jobs (often temporary ones with no benefits) have become a way of life. Many of us are "living to work" rather than "working to live".

Increasingly we face: Lay offs and loss of income; life savings disappearing due to family

sickness; entire paychecks going to childcare; elder care that often sinks a family; working folks losing their homes and apartments. It is projected that over 4 million homes were foreclosed in the last two years, a lost roof over the heads of over 20 million people! Millions more now owe more on their homes than they are worth, with the dream of home ownership turning into a nightmare.

In such a crisis, alcoholism, drug addiction, suicide and divorce all rise and children do more poorly in school. There are no soft landings for the workers and our families. Just a system that says you're on your own and if you haven't "made it", it's your own fault.

Working people were so outraged at this biggest bailout of Wall Street that they forced House members to initially vote down the Bush/Paulson/Pelosi bi-partisan bailout bill, a vote that shocked the world. Now that the Congress has passed an even bigger bailout plan, what can we do??

In the short run, organize united front/coalition efforts in our communities, unions, fraternal associations and religious institutions. Rally and fight for:

- No more bailout for the wealthy period!! Jail with no bail instead!
- Nationalize the banks! Take the profit out of banking and lending. Run them with local community/worker controlled boards. Banks can be run for the public good just like the Post Office.
- Government restoration of lost 401K retirement funds due to the economic crisis. Transfer these funds to defined pension plans and stronger social security benefits.
- Stop all Home Foreclosures due to predatory lending, loss of jobs and illness.
- A massive public works program creating millions of decent jobs while rebuilding the decaying infrastructure of the United States.

For the long run—organize and fight for workers' power!

This financial crisis proves that the <u>monopoly</u> <u>capitalist system</u>, based on private profit and greed, is corrupt to the core and a parasite on the toiling masses of humanity. This imperialist system is responsible for the U.S. wars of occupation of Afghanistan and Iraq. It cannot meet the needs of the majority of mankind. It is our enemy!

Workers' Power, socialism, can provide what the corp-orations and their Democratic and Republican cronies can never do — a "Golden Parachute" for workers -- a system run for the good of the majority that will provide guaranteed employment at living wages and safe jobs, cradle to grave quality healthcare, child and elder care for all, free education from pre-school through adulthood, leisure time and the opportunity to live in peace, cooperation and harmony with each other the world over.

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In regard to the forms of organization of international cooperation, in our opinion the most advanced form of organization of international cooperation to date, and the form best suited to the international character of the working class, is the Third (Communist) International. The Communist International was a communist world party. What we need in future is a communist world party, But we are a long way off today from the goal of a new Communist International.

As starting point for building a new Comintern we first need a common platform.

It is our view that such a common platform no longer exists since the complete takeover of power by the modern revisionists in the former SU, i.e., since about the mid-1950s.

The 1957 and 1960 joint declarations of the communist and workers' parties, which both the revisionists and Marxist-Leninists cite as common platform, are rather compromise documents in which right things and wrong things stand side by side. Objectively, these

declarations made the revisionist line of the 20th Party Congress of the CPSU, as "continuation and advancement of Marxism-Leninism", the basis of the international communist movement.

Although the "Proposal Concerning the General Line of the International Communist Movement" submitted by the Communist Party of China in the "Great Polemic", plus the nine commentaries that go with it, are positive attempts of the Communist Party of China to reunify the international communist movement on a Marxist-Leninist basis, they ultimately were unable to fulfill this purpose, and at the same time these documents themselves contained serious concessions to the revisionist line, grave errors. But the main problem was that these documents were not taken as what they are, a "proposal", but as a readymade new platform for the Marxist-Leninist world movement. The result is that we as Marxist-Leninist world movement even today have no jointly elaborated platform. The main criteria for participation in the ICMLPO do not suffice as platform for the unity of the Marxist-Leninist world movement and are not intended as such.

As we see it, to develop this platform it would be necessary to assess in joint open and public discussions (public in the sense that one does not keep major differences of opinion secret from the masses)

*the founding document and statutes of the Comintern,

*the Comintern Programme of 1928,

*the Comintern's policy of the antifascist united front and the 7th Comintern Congress,

- *the 1943 decision to dissolve the Comintern,
- *the Cominform resolutions on Yugoslavia,

*the Moscow declarations of 1957-1960, and *the 1963 Polemic.

In addition, the subsequent attempts at unification would have to be jointly evaluated.

It is necessary to make theoretical work, analyses, etc., performed by the various parties alone on these topics, a part of the joint work on these topics.

We know how difficult this is, but it can be done.

Joint discussions, joint theoretical work is, of course, not the only means of unifying or reunifying the communist world movement.

Parallel to this, in practical politics we must make the working-class movement of all countries a truly internationalist movement, must cooperate in joint international action. The objective conditions for this are better than ever before.

It is our view that mutual open, public criticism also serves to educate the masses, and that we do not have to be afraid of it. Only in joint practical struggle and in joint efforts to create a political international platform which do not exclude, but include open and public debates and mutual criticism, will the communist world movement grow together again.

If we succeed in developing the ICMLPO into a main instrument for organizing the joint platform discussion, it would be a remarkable achievement in our view.

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