

The whole party, the whole army and the people throughout China pledged themselves to uphold Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, adhere to Chairman Mao's revolutionary line, abide by the principle: "Practise Marxism, and not revisionism; unite, and don't split; be open and aboveboard, and don't intrigue and conspire", rally most closely round the party Central Committee headed by Comrade Hua Kuo-feng, obey the party Central Committee in all actions, strive for still greater victories in the socialist revolution and socialist construction, and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat.

The two slogans printed by the PEOPLE'S DAILY in the upper right-hand corner of its front page read: "Long live invincible Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!" "Carry out Chairman Mao's behests and carry the cause of the proletarian revolution through to the end!"

The paper devotes a whole page to articles hailing the two important decisions of the leading central organs written respectively by the party branch of the Tachai production brigade, the CCP Yenan City Committee, the CCP Hsiaohsien County Committee in Anhwei Province, national model worker and Deputy Secretary of the Party Committee of the Tangshan Iron and Steel Company Wang I-yuan, and all commanders and fighters of the guards company at Tienanmen.

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[Text] Peking, October 10, 1976 (HSINHUA)--Following is the full text of today's editorial by the PEOPLE'S DAILY, the RED FLAG journal and the LIBERATION ARMY DAILY under the title "Common Aspiration of Hundreds of Millions of People":

While our whole party, whole army and the people throughout our country are deeply mourning Chairman Mao and are determined to carry out Chairman Mao's behests and continue our triumphant advance along Chairman Mao's revolutionary line, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, the State Council and the CCP Central Committee Military Commission made public the decision on the establishment of a memorial hall for the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung and the CCP Central Committee made public the decision on the publication of the "Selected Works of Mao Tsetung" and preparations for the publication of the "Collected Works of Mao Tsetung". The two important decisions are major events in the political life of the Chinese people and in both the annals of the development of Marxism and of the international communist movement. They are of tremendous political importance and far-reaching historic significance.

Chairman Mao was the great leader of our party, our army and the people of all nationalities of our country and the great teacher of the international proletariat and oppressed nations and oppressed people. He is the never-setting Red sun in our hearts. The brilliance of Chairman Mao will always be a source of tremendous strength to inspire us in our advance. The leading central organs decided to establish a memorial hall for the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung in the Chinese capital, Peking, so that people for generations will be able to pay their respects to Chairman Mao's remains, honour the memory of his magnificent contributions and review his teachings to inspire their revolutionary fighting will. This is the common aspiration of the 800 million Chinese people. It is also the common aspiration of the revolutionary people the world over.

Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era. He inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism in all aspects in the course of leading China in the greatest struggle to accomplish the new-democratic revolution and carry out the socialist revolution and socialist construction, in the great struggle against the right and "left" opportunist lines within the party and in the great struggle against imperialism, against modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core and against the reactionaries of all countries. Chairman Mao's works are a scientific summing-up of the experience of the proletariat and the oppressed nations and oppressed people in their revolutionary struggles; they are our inexhaustible ideological treasure-house. The Central Committee of the Communist Party of China decided to publish the "Selected Works of Mao Tsetung" and to make preparations for the publication of the "Collected Works of Mao Tsetung". This is an immense education and inspiration to our whole party, whole army and the people of all nationalities throughout the country in carrying out Chairman Mao's behests and carrying the proletarian revolutionary cause through to the end. We must actively respond to the call of the party Central Committee to start a new upsurge in studying the works of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin and of Chairman Mao, strive to raise our Marxist theoretical level, implement more consciously Chairman Mao's revolutionary line and policies, persevere in combating and preventing revisionism and make a still better job of all socialist undertakings.

Mao Tsetung Thought developed in the course of struggle against class enemies at home and abroad and in struggle against right and "left" opportunist lines within the party. A deep understanding and grasp of Mao Tsetung Thought requires that it be studied and applied in the course of struggle. At present, we should conscientiously study Chairman Mao's theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, study his series of important instructions on the struggle to criticize Teng Hsiao-ping and repulse the right deviationist attempt to reverse correct verdicts, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-ping and continue to beat back the right deviationist attempt. It is imperative to study Chairman Mao's teaching "PRACTISE MARXISM, AND NOT REVISIONISM; UNITE, AND DON'T SPLIT; BE OPEN AND ABOVEBOARD, AND DON'T INTRIGUE AND CONSPIRE", and wage resolute struggles against all statements and actions that are contrary to these three basic principles. Our party was founded by Chairman Mao himself and has been long-tempered in the flames of class struggle and two-line struggle, and it is a great, glorious and correct party. Historical experience shows that it has never been easy to try to crush our party. Anyone who betrays Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and tampers with Chairman Mao's directives, and anyone who practises revisionism and splittism and engages in conspiracies is bound to fail.

THE FORCE AT THE CORE LEADING OUR CAUSE FORWARD IS THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY. We must rally most closely round the party Central Committee headed by Comrade Hua Kuo-feng, uphold the unity and unification of the party, strengthen the sense of organization and discipline, obey the party Central Committee in all our actions, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, adhere to the party's basic line, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, consolidate and develop the gains of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, grasp revolution, promote production and other work and preparedness against war, strive for still greater victories in the socialist revolution and socialist construction, and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat in our country.