



SPEECH FROM GRAN MARCHA HACIA EL COMUNISMO ADDRESSED AT THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN SUPPORT OF PEOPLE’S WAR IN INDIA (HAMBURG, 24 NOVEMBER 2012)

Camaradas, genossinnen und genossen, comrades:

First of all, on behalf of Gran Marcha Hacia el Comunismo (Long March Towards Communism) of Madrid (Spain), I would like to thank the International Committee in Support of People’s War in India and the League Against Imperialist Agression for having invited us to attend this great internationalist meeting that we hold today.

When in the mid nineteenth century the teachers of the international proletariat, Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels, wrote in the “Communist Manifesto” that a spectre was haunting Europe, the spectre of Communism, they could not imagine that that same spectre would become incarnated –in the early twenty-first century- in the New Democratic Revolution through protracted people’s war which in India is led today by the Communist Party of India (Maoist).

In June 1968, a year after the historic uprising of peasants in a small village of Naxalbari, the unforgettable Indian Communist leader Charu Mazumdar, murdered by the police in 1972, wrote: “India has been turned into a base of imperialism and revisionism and is acting today as a base of reactionary forces against the people struggling for liberation. That is why the Naxalbari struggle is not merely a national struggle, it is also an international struggle. This struggle and the path we have chosen is in no way easy or smooth. The path of revolution is difficult, not smooth or easy, and difficulties, dangers and even retreats will be there. But the peasants, who are fired in the spirit of internationalism, have defied all this and refuse to submit. They persist in following their path of struggle”.

Comrade Mazumdar was not mistaken. More than four decades later, the armed struggle and people’s war of the Indian people for its liberation from the yoke of the ruling classes supported by the different imperialist powers, continues, indeed, and has suffered through difficulties, dangers and retreats. The names of comrades Charu Mazumdar, Kanhai Chatterji, Siddarth Burgohain, Rajiv Gogoi, Arup Chetia, Kamla Gogoi, Sukal, Sumal, Sunita, Sombari, Azad, Hemchand Pandey, Kishenji, are only a few of the very long list of men and women that have given their lives in this revolution. But as the Communist Party of India (Maoist) emphasized in the Statement of its Central Committee dated 30 November 2010 addressed to the comrades and friends of the Indian revolution:

“The government had declared the Communist Party of India (Maoist) to be the biggest internal security threat and launched many suppression campaigns to crush the movement. Extra-judicial killings of leaders and massacres of people are all part of this counterrevolutionary multi-pronged offensive. All of you had condemned this war on Indian people, with right indignation. The people of revolutionary movement areas warmly remember this international solidarity expressed by various parties, organizations, individuals and the proletariat of various countries as this is exactly the kind of support which must be extended to any genuine movement of the people when it faces such fascist onslaught. We very much appreciate this kind of support and solidarity and firmly assert that we will reciprocate the same towards other fighting masses in various parts of the globe. This kind of solidarity infuses great confidence and reassurance among the fighting people that there are not alone in their fight. It also points sharply one more time towards the common enemies we all are facing, namely imperialism and all kinds of reactionaries. It enhances the fighting spirit of the people and helps them to advance the movement firmly.”

In Spain, today under the rule of the bourgeoisie reactionary government headed by Mariano Rajoy, lackey of imperialism and big business, the bourgeoisie media hides the advances and successes of the people’s war in India and describes its fighters as “terrorists”. That is why we have to take the voice of the Communist Party of India (Maoist), of the People’s Liberation Guerrilla Army, of the Revolutionary People’s Committees and other revolutionary mass organizations from India to all those proletarians (both the ones who have a job as well as those who are part of the army of unemployed), to the women, to the students, to the progressive intellectuals, who are massively going out into the streets of Madrid, Barcelona, Bilbao, Valencia, Seville and so many other towns and villages to protest against the fierce consequences

of the deep capitalist crisis. That is the reason why we are here. Not a single internationalist proletarian can be indifferent to the development of Indian revolution.

Let the red flames of the People's War in India spread its sparks from East to West!
Long Live the People's War in India!
Long live the Communist Party of India (Maoist)!
Long live Proletarian Internationalism!
Red salute! Lal Salaam!

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