

COMMUNIST PARTY OF TURKEY (ML)

On Mao Tsetung

ON THE THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF HIS DEATH, WE COMMEMORATE THE IMMORTAL LEADER OF THE CHINESE PROLETARIAT, COMRADE MAO TSETUNG, WITH PROFOUND REVOLUTIONARY RESPECT AND EXUBERANCE!

WORKERS, PEASANTS, OUR PEOPLE OF VARIOUS NATIONALITIES!
PATRIOTS, REVOLUTIONARIES, COMRADES!

The 9th of September marks the third anniversary of the great Marxist-Leninist Mao Tsetung's death. Mao Tsetung embodies as immense an importance for the international proletariat and oppressed peoples of the world as for the proletariat and impoverished people of Turkey, for today a ferocious attack is being unleashed from four quarters against the ideology of the working class in the person of Mao Tsetung. Our Party, TKP-ML (the Communist Party of Turkey/Marxist-Leninist), again on the third anniversary of this immortal leader, Mao Tsetung, loudly declares that the defense of Mao Tsetung is an *indispensable condition* for the further development of the struggles of proletarian revolutions waged worldwide against imperialism, social-imperialism and their hired lackeys. Our Party, TKP-ML, once again firmly announces to friends and foes that the defense of Marxism-Leninism is possible only, and only, through the defense of Mao Tsetung's contributions.

Imperialists, social-imperialists and their running dogs for years have been viciously attacking the name of Mao Tsetung. What is it that drives them into such a rabid hysteria? It is because Mao Tsetung, by firmly marching on the road of Lenin and Stalin, made immortal contributions to the revolutionary theory of the proletariat on the question of how the working class provides leadership to the peoples oppressed by imperialism, comprador-capitalism and feudalism in semi-feudal semi-colonial countries to guide them through the People's Democratic Revolution towards socialism. Furthermore, Mao Tsetung made significant contributions to Marxism-Leninism also in the field of Dialectical Materialism and on the problem of continuing the class struggle under socialism.

Mao Tsetung and, under his leadership, the CPC led the Chinese proletariat and people to secure the successful completion of the People's Democratic Revolution, thus liberated a people of 600 million from the bloody claws of imperialism, at the same time provided invaluable assistance to the Soviet Union, then led by Stalin, in the defense of the socialist motherland, and pointed the road of emancipation in practice to the peoples of semi-feudal and semi-colonial countries. The Chinese proletariat led by Mao Tsetung and the CPC did not rest content at this point but marched forward to also accomplish the socialist revolution. In the struggle for the construction of socialism, the Chinese proletariat guided by Mao Tsetung gave yet another brilliant example of how to continue the

revolution under socialism with the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution which still strikes terror into the hearts of all revisionists and imperialists. The CPC under the guidance of Mao Tsetung resolutely opposed the restoration of capitalism by Khrushchev-Brezhnev revisionism in the Soviet Union, led the international proletariat in grasping the phenomenon of Russian social-imperialism and pointed the way forward to the world's peoples in struggling against this newly arisen powerful imperialist. Therefore it is only expected and natural that the world counter-revolutionary front hurls itself against Mao Tsetung with all of its guns.

We all know that in our country the state, press and the spokesmen of the comprador-bosses and landlords direct their main assault against those whom they call "Mao-ite." They are doing this to isolate the revolutionaries and to discredit them in the eyes of the people. At one time, they used to attack indiscriminately all patriots, democrats and revolutionaries as "communists." Later when it became clear to the people that "communism" was no boogey-man and that to the contrary those who were branded as "communists" were in fact patriots and revolutionaries who opposed oppression and exploitation, they started attacking with screams of "Mao-ite terrorists/anarchists." In reality, the forces they have tried to slander as "Mao-ite" constituted a broad spectrum of revolutionaries who stood up against imperialism and social-imperialism in varying degrees. These revolutionary organizations, with the exception of our Party, TKP-ML, were essentially only in words defending Marxism-Leninism, which Mao Tsetung firmly upheld, and were pretending to accept, with a few token words, the theory of national and democratic revolution and the only strategy of this revolution, People's War, which is developed by Mao Tsetung and applicable to semi-feudal and semi-colonial countries like ours. Today, by openly denouncing Mao Tsetung as non-Marxist-Leninist, they have averted the pressure of the ruling classes to save their own skin.

BROTHERS AND SISTERS!

There is no such thing as a "Mao-ite." This is an expression consciously fabricated by the ruling classes in order to confuse and ideologically influence our people and to lead them away from the reality. What exists are the genuine communists, the political vanguard of the working class marching on the road charted by comrades Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin and Mao Tsetung.

The social-fascist organizations like T'K'P (the "Communist" Party of Turkey), TIP (the Workers Party of Turkey) and TSIP (the Socialist Workers Party of Turkey), and the paid lackeys of Russian social-imperialism in our country, are also attacking the Marxist-Leninists as "Mao-ite grey wolves"; their attacks too are normal for we consistently expose their and their masters' counter-revolutionary essence. In the past, certain petty-bourgeois revolutionaries who opposed Russian social-imperialism and upheld the strategy of People's War, although only in words, were also targeted

by this social-fascist attack; however, by beating a retreat from this firing-line, they have now secured their "comfort." And in fact they are already referring to us communists as "Mao-ites" and have begun to organize joint actions together with the social-fascists.

It is not in vain that the comprador-bourgeoisie and landlords are yelping "Mao-ite" and furiously stamping their feet; because in a country like ours, the theories of People's Democratic Revolution, which Mao took over from Lenin and Stalin and further developed, and its strategy of People's War squarely points out the road and the first target of the liberation to the working class and our people. Formulations such as "People's War," "Red Power Bases" and "surrounding the cities from the countryside" all by themselves suffice to frighten the ruling classes out of their wits. Because behind these theories, they can see the road that will surely lead to their defeat and put an end to their bloody reign.

BROTHERS AND SISTERS!

Presently, the attacks directed against Mao Tsetung are being unleashed not only by the ruling classes. Internationally, the discussion of whether Mao Tsetung was a genuine communist or not has been brought to the agenda. This has been initiated by the PLA (the Party of Labour of Albania) which led the national and democratic revolution in Albania, guided the Albanian proletariat in the construction of socialism, and along with the CPC struggled against Khrushchevite modern revisionism and which we still consider to be Marxist-Leninist. The PLA in an irresponsible manner has declared the struggle of Mao Tsetung and the CPC under his leadership as anti-Marxist-Leninist and counter-revolutionary. It has claimed that Mao Tsetung is responsible for the counter-revolutionary theory of "3 Worlds" and that the traitor Teng-Hua clique is continuing the line of Mao Tsetung. This grave error of the PLA has pleased the opportunists and revisionists of all hues worldwide and become a source of strength for them in sabotaging the proletarian-led revolutions.

In our country, the petty-bourgeois revolutionary organizations are rabidly attacking Mao Tsetung by using this anti-Marxist-Leninist view of the PLA as a springboard. Their attack on Mao Tsetung is in essence aimed at Marxism-Leninism, which stands behind the name of Mao Tsetung, and particularly at its concrete application to semi-feudal semi-colonial social structures, that is land-revolution and People's War. They are pleased with themselves for having cast off the "burden" of People's War on their shoulders by relying on the prestige of a party such as the PLA. They are rubbing their hands together with the anticipation of being able both to hold onto their "Marxist-Leninist" mask and to savagely attack Marxism-Leninism at the same time. But they are sadly mistaken, for the chickens they are counting are indeed never going to hatch. Their renegade faces and their surrendering nature are already being revealed and will be even more thoroughly revealed in the acid test of social practice. Our Party TKP-ML's resolute defense of Marxism-Leninism will beat back these attacks; they will be liquidated amidst the flames of People's War.

WORKERS, PEASANTS, OUR PEOPLE!

PATRIOTS, REVOLUTIONARIES!

Mao Tsetung is a communist leader who made many important contributions to Marxism-Leninism. To treat his work in an irresponsible manner would only provide ammunition for the counter-revolution. Our Party is of the opinion that Mao Tsetung may have made certain errors and these should be brought to daylight with an investigation strictly guided by Marxism-Leninism. However such an investigation must be part of an overall

evaluation of the half a century long history of the international communist movement. In the evaluation of Mao Tsetung, to attribute a set of unfounded errors to him by listing them one after another and to reach the conclusion that he is not a Marxist-Leninist is a method far removed from the science of Marxism-Leninism. The work of Mao Tsetung is Marxist-Leninist. To maintain the opposite is not to uphold Marxism-Leninism; it would mean to abandon the defense of the goal of the working class for revolution and social emancipation and particularly to denounce the role of the peasantry, land-revolution and People's Democratic Dictatorship to be established through People's War led by the proletariat in semi-feudal and semi-colonial countries. It would mean nothing but to sink into the mire of a revisionist Trotskyite outlook.

BROTHERS AND SISTERS!

Let us uphold Mao Tsetung and his contributions in heightening the struggle of our people for Independence and People's Democracy. Let us not be taken in by revisionists and opportunists who are trying to sever the contributions of Mao Tsetung from Marxism-Leninism. Leaving the chieftains of petty-bourgeois sects in the swamp of their surrender and capitulation, let us leap forward into People's Democratic Revolution. Let us clench tightly around the red banner held high by our Party TKP-ML marching on the bright road of Marxism-Leninism. Let us get organized! Under the leadership of our Party, let us march forward with determination on the road of People's War!

Long Live Marxism-Leninism!

**Without the Defense of
Mao Tsetung, There Can Be No
Defense of Marxism-Leninism!**

**The Glorious Struggle of the
Chinese Proletariat and the
Chinese People Illuminates the
Road of Our People's
Democratic Revolution!**

**The Chinese Proletariat Will
Undoubtedly Smash the '3
World'ist Modern Revisionists
Who Stole State Power!**

**Death to Modern Revisionism,
Trotskyism and All Kinds of
Opportunism!**

**Death to Imperialism,
Social-Imperialism and
All Reaction!**

**Victory Will Belong to Marxism-
Leninism, Victory Will Belong
To the International Proletariat,
Victory Will Belong to the
Oppressed Peoples of
the World!**

the Central Committee of
**THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF
TURKEY/MARXIST-LENINIST**

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