

Message to the of the Maoist

By the Committee of the Revolutionary Internationalist Movement

Dear Comrades,

It is with great joy and with great expectations that we greet this Congress of your Party, the first such Congress to be held in the history of the Party since its founding in 1972 (as the Communist Party of Turkey Marxist-Leninist) and one that comes at a critical juncture for the advance of the revolution in Turkey and in the world.

Your Party has a long and glorious tradition of sacrifice and revolutionary struggle since Ibrahim Kaypakkaya set out to apply Marxism-Leninism-Maoism to the conditions of Turkey and kindle the flame of People's War. Despite the martyrdom of Ibrahim Kaypakkaya and large numbers of other Party leaders and cadres, despite the attacks by a strong enemy armed by US imperialism, the ruling class was never able to extinguish the armed struggle, and millions of workers, peasants and other progressive people in Turkey see your Party and the struggle you are leading as the hope for liberation.

The struggle in your country has gone through a difficult period in the international communist movement after the overthrow of revolutionary China by the Hua-Deng clique following the death of Comrade Mao Tsetung. A section of the previous communist movement openly demand that others follow Deng down the path of capitulation and betrayal. Others took advantage of this big defeat to slander Mao Tsetung and refused or denigrated his development of our scientific ideology to a whole new level. As we know, these tendencies did considerable damage to the revolutionary movement in Turkey as elsewhere, and your Party has had to wage repeated struggles against these tendencies in one form or another. In this light we salute the struggle you have been waging against all wrong tendencies including that represented by the TKP/ML. We are confident that this struggle will further deepen the grasp of the whole Party of Marxism-Leninism-Maoism and lead to the unity of all of the genuine Maoist revolutionaries on the basis of the correct line.

Your Party played an important role in the formation of our Movement in 1984. But as we know for many years our relations were impeded by differ-

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ent factors. Over the last several years this has changed qualitatively and your Party is again playing a role in the forefront of our Movement. This can only bring joy to the hearts of the genuine communists around the world just as it frightens and infuriates the class enemy and the opportunists. We are sure that in the period ahead our bonds will grow still tighter and your Party will make even greater contributions to the growth of our Movement internationally.

Comrades, we know you face a formidable enemy in the form of the reactionary Turkish regime and its US backers. Sustaining and developing a people's war against such an enemy is no easy matter. Today your Party faces the task of summing up the rich experience of revolutionary armed struggle in Turkey and on the basis of this as well as studying the experience of our class internationally it will surely draw the appropriate lessons that will enable the Party to lead a powerful new stage of people's war.

The international enemy, the world imperialist system led by US imperialism, has declared an open-ended war on the peoples of the world. The Middle East is a key area in which they are carrying out their criminal activities, which are certain to increase in the period ahead. But as Mao said, the imperialists pick up a rock and drop it on their own feet. The communists of the region are faced with the challenge of leading the people to resist the renewed imperialist aggression. The difficulties of today can be transformed through struggle into openings for the further advance of the world proletarian revolution.

The class enemy understands very well the danger that your Party represents to them. They have never ceased to attack the Party and its leadership. We are confident that you will be able to foil the plots of the enemy and strengthen and preserve the Party leadership. Armed with an ever-deepening grasp of Marxism-Leninism-Maoism, with deep links to the masses in your country and a rich history of revolutionary struggle, with a closer and closer relationship with the Revolutionary Internationalist Movement and the vanguard MLM parties internationally, the Maoist Communist Party is sure to win new victories and make even greater contributions to the world proletarian revolution.

Our revolutionary communist salute. ■