

Communist Party of Poland Attacked By 'Left' Revisionists

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In its courageous fight for the re-establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat, the Communist Party of Poland has not only had to face 'severe repression from the Polish regime, but has also suffered sabotage and wrecking activities from the 'left' opportunist clique in the Albanian Party of Labour headed by Enver Hoxha, self-styled 'great anti-revisionist.'

The General Secretary of the Communist Party of Poland is Comrade Kazimierz Mijal. A member of the old Polish Party's Political Bureau at the time of the Nazi occupation, he held important party and government posts after the establishment of People's Poland. After revisionism triumphed in the old Polish Communist Party (then renamed the Unified Workers' Party) and it became impossible for genuine Marxist-Leninists to fight for their views inside the party at that time, Comrade Mijal went underground and played the leading role in refounding the Communist Party of Poland. After some time it became necessary for him to leave the country and Comrade Mijal went to carry on his revolutionary work from Albania.

In an article he wrote for "*Red Flag*" (organ of the Communist Party of Poland), Comrade Mijal relates how after the Seventh Congress of the Albanian Party (held in 1976), the Albanian leadership set out to subvert the Communist Party of Poland because it firmly upheld Socialist China, and in particular the Theory of Three Worlds. At secret meetings with members of the party inside Poland, Albanian diplomats demanded the removal of Comrade Mijal.

When these activities were exposed, Comrade Mijal sent a number of letters to the Albanian Central Committee in which he denounced the Hoxha clique's activities as anti-party and contrary to proletarian internationalism. He asked for a visa to leave Albania as well as authorisation to take the party's files with him.

Comrade Mijal writes, "On the 8th June, a representative of the leadership of the PLA (the Albanian party) let me know officially that I could not take any documents relating to the files of the Polish Communist Party, and that they had given orders to the Security, forces to the effect that I must "respect the laws of the Albanian people", which was obviously a threat of imprisonment if I took any part of the records. The Security forces around my house were immediately reinforced, and I can state that between 8th and 30th June, I was held in Albania by force, practically a prisoner in my own home. (In particular, Comrade Mijal was ordered not to visit the Chinese Embassy). On 20th June, a representative of the leadership of the PLA informed me of the decision taken by the Central Committee concerning my request, and stated, "On the basis of the decision of the leadership of the PLA, the records of the Polish Communist Party must remain in Tirana." Of course, I protested against the decision, but as I was, so to speak, being held in detention and as the balance of forces was unfavourable to me if I persisted over keeping the files, I found myself forced to give in to the scandalous decision of the PLA in order to escape from a situation which would lead me to prolong my enforced stay in Albania. The action of the PLA has no precedent in the history of the international workers' movement. It is evident that the main cause of my departure from Albania was the subversive, anti-party and anti-proletarian action of the PLA aimed at the destruction of the PCP as a Marxist-Leninist Party. The restrictions enforced by the leadership of the PLA on my exit visa and the prohibition of taking the records of the PCP with me ... show a kind of blackmail and political terrorism, and are a flagrant abuse of power and violation of rights, as the shameful decision to confiscate the records shows. These events show the real face of 'left' revisionism and clearly condemn the illegal and scandalous acts of the PLA in relation to the PCP."

Since his departure from Albania, Comrade Mijal has been living in Socialist China.