

Communist Party of Spain (M-L) Addresses to the 1978 Internationalist Rally

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At exactly 4:17p.m., Comrade Bains introduced the representative of the Communist Party of Spain (Marxist-Leninist).

As the representative of the Communist Party of Spain (Marxist-Leninist) came up onto the rostrum, he was greeted with tumultuous applause, cheers and the shouting of the following slogans: **Long Live the Communist Party of Spain (Marxist-Leninist)!**, **España, Manana, Sera Republicana!** and **FRAP FRAP FRAP, Guerra Popular!** On and on the audience first shouted and then chanted these slogans until at the repeated insistence of the representative of the Communist Party of Spain (Marxist-Leninist) the audience finally took their seats.

The representative of the Communist Party of Spain (Marxist-Leninist) delivered the following speech to the Internationalist Rally:

Speech to the Internationalist Rally by the Representative of the Communist Party of Spain (Marxist-Leninist)

Dear Comrades of the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist),

Dear Comrades of the revolutionary parties and forces here today,

In the name of the Central Committee and all the militants of the Communist Party of Spain (Marxist-Leninist), I bring you our militant and comradely greetings to all the militants of the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist) on the occasion of the Internationalist Rally.

The international ties and fraternal cooperation between us are well established and are continually strengthened, for they are based on the teachings of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin. It is for this reason that the ties of friendship and of proletarian solidarity between our parties constitute a solid foundation for international solidarity and are an important contribution to the unity of the international communist movement.

We, the Spanish communists and revolutionaries, will never forget the magnificent example of internationalism, which was shown by the Canadian volunteers who participated in the "Papineau" Battalion of the renowned and heroic International Brigade. They fought beside their Spanish brothers against fascism during our national revolutionary war -- the blood of these martyrs and the example they set are an honour for the Canadian people, represented by you here today. For this reason I would like to shout: **Long Live the Friendship and Fighting Unity Between the Canadian and Spanish People!**

The current period has a great significance for the revolutionary struggle of the Canadian proletariat and people -- the capitalist economic crisis means that the reactionary big bourgeoisie and Yankee imperialism are trying to saddle the masses of Canadian workers with their anti-national, anti-people policies of exploitation and oppression: one million unemployed workers, rapidly increasing prices, the lowering of the purchasing power of the working people, the worsening of the living conditions -- these are the consequences for the working class and people.

At the same time the big bourgeoisie (which is going more and more into debt to the imperialists) and the imperialists are trying to extinguish

the just struggles of the workers and popular masses by a series of repressive measures which include the arrests and deportation of the fighting militants and in particular, those who are in the forefront of the struggle: the comrades of the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist).

All this shows us, once again, the exploitive and oppressive character of the governments of Trudeau and Levesque, the government of the reactionary big bourgeoisie and of imperialism, and sets out the inescapable task for the Canadian workers of overthrowing this class and of responding to the anti-working class politics of the government, and to upset their plans as is already being done in the struggle, a struggle that can be summed up in the correct call to **Make the Rich Pay for the Crisis!**

On the other hand, the big capitalists and their government fool themselves into believing that they can stop the struggle through repression. No repression against the Canadian proletariat and its vanguard, the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist), can prevent the revolutionaries, the communists, from fulfilling their historic mission: to overthrow the capitalist government by revolutionary struggle and establish the dictatorship of the proletariat, build socialism and put an end to exploitation and oppression.

It must not be forgotten that where there is oppression, there is resistance and that the greater the repression, the greater the resistance; and the counter-attack by the workers will be powerful. The example of Spain, among others, proves this: even the hundreds of thousands of deaths during our national revolutionary war, the hundreds of thousands of executions or the deaths in the concentration camps after the war, the fierce repression during the forty years of fascist dictatorship, could not stop the struggle of our people. Never, never, will repression be able to extinguish the struggle of the proletariat and of the people!

We are certain that the attempts of the Canadian government will fail in the face of the determination of the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist) which, during the eight years of its history, has become strengthened and consolidated in the course of struggle against the reactionary big bourgeoisie, against the two superpowers, American imperialism and Soviet social-imperialism, and opportunism of all hues. Moreover, the Canadian communists, the revolutionaries, are not alone as can be seen at this Internationalist Rally.

You can be sure, Canadian comrades, that in the stubborn and resolute struggle for upholding Marxist-Leninist principles, the Communist Party of Spain (Marxist-Leninist) will always be at your side! Your enemies are our enemies! Your struggle is our struggle!

In Spain, since the death of the assassin, Franco, we are witnessing a sinister farce, that of the so-called "democratization of the regime" -- all of world reaction, the two superpowers, the social democrats and the revisionists are helping out in this vile manoeuvre and proclaiming that there is no longer fascism in Spain.

But, who has educated and made this puppet Juan Carlos the "king of Spain"? Franco! Which class stays in power? The same oligarchy that was under Franco! Which police assassinate the demonstrators and arrest the republicans? Franco's police! And which imperialism is dominant in Spain on all fronts? Yankee imperialism that the assassin Franco installed in our country!

But the Spanish people are not deceived and from their own experience they can see that an evolution of the Spanish oligarchy into democracy is impossible, due to its total dependence in practical terms on American imperialism, due to its own fascist nature and because of its class nature. No class commits suicide, it has to be overthrown by force. It is certain that there are contradictions inside the oligarchy, but they are secondary ones over what kinds of concessions to give the people in order to deceive them.

The contradictions that exist in Spain are the same as those which led the oligarchy in 1939 to install a fascist dictatorship after three years of civil war -- and now they want us to believe that this same oligarchy is "democratizing" itself. Curious phenomenon! At a time when the so-called democratic bourgeoisie is tending towards fascism in other countries!

Faced with these manoeuvres, our Party and the other organizations united in **FRAP**, as well as left social democrats and other anti-fascist and anti-monarchy forces, formed the Republican Convention of the Spanish people in order to oppose **by all means** the monarchy and its institutions; for self-determination for the Spanish peoples, against Yankee imperialism and any other imperialism, no matter where it comes from, and for the people who, after the overthrow of the monarchy, will decide what type of Republic they want.

Our Party fights and will fight relentlessly for the People's Federative Republic, the first step towards socialism. We do not abandon or hide anything from our allies. But, faced with the fascist monarchy and its manoeuvres, we unite with all those who are republicans, even if they do not agree with our ideology -- it is a policy of tactical alliances. But we do not for a moment forget, even if the new opportunists do, that the motive force of history is the class struggle. It is for this reason that we make every effort to unite around the Party the popular masses and first and foremost, the proletariat, which is put at the head of these struggles, to lead them and to inspire them with the great goal of revolution, and that there is only one means of doing it: take up arms at the appropriate moment!

Today in Spain, there is a clear-cut example of the vigorous struggle against the fascist American ruling elite and its opportunist lackeys: it is the example that we give of the Association of Workers' Assemblies (AOA).

Faced with the yellow trade unions in the service of the bosses like the revisionist Workers' Commission, the UGT, the social democrats and other organizations manipulated by) the opportunists of all hues, the CPS(M-L), which has always carried the banner of revolutionary class trade unionism, supports unconditionally the assemblyist movement which was born in the midst of the most intense class struggle that had been seen and consequently supports its most loyal representation, the Association of Workers' Assemblies (AOA).

The First Congress of the AOA, attended by a representative of the Canadian Workers' Association, has further confirmed its revolutionary class character, republicanism and, based on the assemblies, has confirmed categorically the correctness of its class positions on all fronts, facing the monarchical government and facing the yellow and class collaborationist "centrals".

In declaring its republicanism, the AOA carried a banner that our Party has carried since its reconstruction in 1964. It is for this reason that, as well as the hundreds of republicans, several dozen militants of the AOA were arrested last April 14, the anniversary of the proclamation of the Second Republic made in 1931, which the Spanish people celebrated with huge demonstrations, even when they were outlawed, and shouted "**Tomorrow, Spain Will Be Republican!**"

Comrades, we are using this occasion to pose certain questions regarding revisionism and opportunism and to denounce them. For some years now, the revisionist clique presently in power in China has been propagating the nefarious theory of "three worlds" and trying to present it as a Marxist-Leninist theory while it is actually an anti-Leninist, revisionist theory which betrays the interests of the international proletariat.

Our Party denounced this theory as it says in the report of the Central Committee approved during our Second Congress:

1. It negates the role of the class struggle as the motive force of history.

2. It negates the nature of our epoch and the role of the proletariat as the leading revolutionary force.

3. It ignores the main contradictions of our epoch and reduces them to a single one.

4. In emphasizing the necessity of struggle against Soviet social-imperialism, enemy of the people of the world, it neglects the struggle against American imperialism and almost presents it as a friend of the people.

5. It prettifies NATO and the Common Market, and invites the people to help the capitalists strengthen their bourgeois armies.

6. In envisioning an alliance of the "second" and "third" worlds, it envisions the alliance of the oppressed peoples with the old and new neo-colonialist powers.

7. While recognizing the necessity of utilizing the inter-imperialist contradictions, the authors of this theory forget that these contradictions must be used in the service of revolution and not the opposite.

8. The theory of "three worlds" is silent on the role of the revolutionary movements, of the workers' struggles in the capitalist countries, of proletarian revolution.

9. It advocates an alliance of the bourgeoisie against social-imperialism and neglects the struggle of the people against the dictatorships of Pinochet, Suharto, Mobutu, Agosthino Neto, etc.

10. It neglects the struggle against revisionism and is silent on the sinister role of Yugoslav revisionism (which it even praises to the skies).

11. In presenting Soviet social-imperialism as the "main danger", it sabotages, in fact, the struggle for national independence, going so far

as to advise that the status quo be maintained in the zones dominated by American imperialism and western neo-colonialism.

12. In presenting U.S. imperialism as a force in decline and only Soviet social-imperialism as the ascendant force, the authors of the theory of "three worlds" forget that the sole ascendant force is the international proletariat and that imperialism as a whole, in our epoch is in decline, American and Russian and all other imperialists; that from the strategic and tactical point of view, American imperialism is not in "decline" and has not ceased to pose a great threat and danger to the people: Yankee imperialism continues to exploit fiercely the majority of the world.

To sum up, this nefarious theory hides, compromises and debases class struggle, misrepresents the fundamental contradictions of our epoch; under the pretext of opposing Soviet social-imperialism, it praises American imperialism and international reaction and underestimates the decisive role of the Marxist-Leninist parties. That is to say, it is directed against Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism, as can equally be shown in the splittist manoeuvres of the defenders of the theory of "three worlds".

In order to propagate their revisionist and social-chauvinist theories, the Teng-Hsiao-ping and Hua Kuo-feng clique use a whole series of servile spokesmen whose mission is to popularize the nefarious theory of "three worlds". It is the role of Jurquet in France, Vilar in Portugal, Sanroma in Spain and the revisionist of the "Communist" League in Canada, just to mention some of them. It will not be very much use to them since we, the communists, are about to settle accounts with them and their future is very sad since they are going to be put into the dustbin of history.

Faced with this nefarious theory and the manoeuvres that they are carrying out, we communists affirm that the motive force of history is the class struggle, that the two superpowers together or separately represent the main enemy of the people and that we cannot support one

to oppose the other; and that it is definite that, based on Marxism-Leninism, no one can stop the forward march of revolution.

Further, in the denunciation of the theory of "three worlds" our Party considers that the historic Seventh Congress of the Party of Labour of Albania and the report presented by Comrade Enver Hoxha represent a line of demarcation between the genuine Marxist-Leninists and the revisionists and opportunists. Our Party also gives a great deal of importance to the Joint Declaration with the Parties of Germany, Greece, Italy and Portugal, which together with the Declaration signed by eight parties of Latin America, has contributed in a big way to the strengthening of the internationalist ties of the communist parties.

Comrades, there is another problem about which it is necessary to speak. In order to get the Marxist-Leninist parties to accept their dictates, the Chinese revisionists use what they consider to be an unbeatable argument: Mao Tsetung is the creator of the theory of "three worlds". We must say that nowhere, in any of the numerous writings of Mao Tsetung, have we found the formulation of the theory of "three worlds", although there are certain interpretations that could create confusion. The analysis of the works of Mao is a very delicate matter and very complex, which does not permit haste. Besides, we have not neglected the fact that, even while he was alive, Mao Tsetung was made into a real myth, into an idol that we were made to think was untouchable. This is a dogmatic fetish that we do not accept, for it goes against the dialectical conception of what is a leader, no matter how great he is.

Also, to all those who try to use as a decisive argument, the "fact" that Mao Tsetung was the creator of this nefarious theory, we answer that Leninism cannot be made a dogma, as the opportunists of all hues are trying to do, without losing its nature.

We, the Marxist-Leninists, have the good habit of judging the parties and people by their acts and their practice and not by what they say.

It is for all these reasons that our Party considers that it is the duty of the Marxist-Leninists to investigate the origins of this theory, how it developed and who was responsible for its original formulation.

Canadian comrades, the Communist Party of Spain (Marxist-Leninist) and the workers of our country send all our sympathy and solidarity with your correct Party. Our Party wishes your great success in the struggle against the Canadian exploiters, against their bosses, American imperialism, for revolution and socialism.

LONG LIVE THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CANADA (MARXIST-LENINIST)!

LONG LIVE THE REVOLUTIONARY UNITY OF OUR PEOPLE!

LONG LIVE PROLETARIAN INTERNATIONALISM!

MARXISM-LENINISM WILL TRIUMPH!

This speech was received with more tumultuous applause and more shouting of the same slogans which greeted the arrival of the representative of the Communist Party of Spain (Marxist-Leninist) when he arrived on the rostrum. Following more applause, the slogans **Workers of All Countries, Unite!** and **Long Live the Unity Between the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist) and the Communist Party of Spain (Marxist-Leninist)!** and **Long Live Proletarian Internationalism!** concluded the presentation by the representative of CPS(M-L).