

Communist Party of Spain (M-L)

Long Live the (Marxist-Leninist) CP of Spain

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It is not accidental that the (Marxist-Leninist) Communist Party of Spain should appear at this time.

The revisionist leadership of the CP of Spain has sought to transform it from a revolutionary instrument into a domesticated and peaceful instrument for the reconciliation of classes, which is to say, it has attempted to liquidate the Party as a revolutionary instrument of the proletariat. It has wished it to abandon its role as vanguard and guide of the working class.

Now, of course, the anti-Party revisionist group could force it to abandon its role. What was much more difficult to admit was that the Party could really do so and, above all, that the proletariat would give up its leadership, its class Party.

These were the circumstances that gave birth to the (M-L) CP of Spain; this was the inspiration that created our Party. The Party's rank and file are not ready to accept the destiny that the Directorate's revisionist group has prepared for them.

For our people, who for more than 20 years have suffered under a fierce dictatorship of a Fascist nature and have been deprived of all their liberties and rights, the abandonment of the leadership role by the revisionist leaders of the CP of Spain meant its virtual disarmament and submission to the whims of the most hesitant and timid classes. The revisionist group that has latched onto the Directorate of the CP has attempted to replace the class struggle, which is the motor of history and the starting point for any truly revolutionary policy, with an opportunistic and "me-too" policy.

This crisis created by the revisionists is not a strictly national phenomenon, but is a reflection of the crisis in the World Communist Movement, brought about by modern revisionism which is headed by the leaders of the CP of the Soviet Union.

The principal and most ferocious common enemy of the oppressed peoples and classes of the whole world is North American imperialism, which uses its power in every corner of the world in its attempt to bloodily detain the march of history with every possible means. One of its favorite methods is to promote ideological confusion. Since there can be no revolutionary movement without a revolutionary theory, it has attempted to replace the revolutionary doctrine -- which is none other than scientific socialism, the most valuable possession of the oppressed classes and peoples -- with the ideological potpourri represented by modern revisionism.

Whether we like it or not, our struggle is linked to the world anti-imperialist struggle; for just as in the world modern revisionism has appeared as a weapon at the service of imperialism, so in Spain revisionism has manifested itself within the directorate of the CP of Spain as a tool of the interests of the financial and latifundist oligarchy that is in turn subject to North American imperialism. And just as throughout the whole world there has occurred a reaction on the part of all honest revolutionaries, so too in Spain Marxist-Leninists both in and outside of the Party have resolutely opposed the policy of treason and reconciliation of the opportunistic leadership of the CP of Spain, and have chosen to reconstitute the Party on the scientific basis of Marxism-Leninism. In this way was the (M-L) CP of Spain born.

The task of political and ideological clarification that we must accomplish is very great. Our political line, which has been established by the Full Plenum of our Central Committee, must be studied and discussed not only within the Party's organizations but also among the working masses, which are anti-Franco. The truly revolutionary positions derived from these masses places the struggle of our people in its true historical context. The important question today is not to know how the pro-imperialist oligarchy will continue to govern Spain, but the inevitable historical necessity of overthrowing that dominant class. We are therefore faced with the decisive and radical problem of who must govern, who must hold political power.

Within the context of this international anti-imperialist struggle, and in this transitional stage wherein Spain will pass from capital to socialism, there is no other alternative to the Fascist dictatorship that is supported by North American imperialism but that the proletariat, allied with other revolutionary groups, must take over political direction and definitively destroy the power of the present dominant class. This is the revolution which is today demanded of our Fatherland, and which the proletariat is destined to direct under the guidance of the (M-L) CP of Spain. This is the reason why our Party exists. To assure its growing strength within the framework of our principles is to guarantee the success of the revolution in our Fatherland.