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TO ALL ORGANIZERS

Dear Comrades,

This is to report the results of the Nov. 16 anti-inflation actions initiated by the Communist Party in more than 30 cities.

Reports from our branches indicate that there were about 1,000 in New York City, 600 in Philadelphia, 400 in San Francisco, 100 in Pittsburgh, and 50 each in Denver and Minneapolis. In these cities comrades report that there was a sizeable turnout of CP members and their periphery. Reports in the Daily World generally exaggerated the size of the actions.

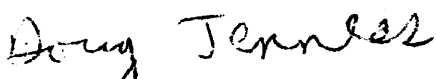
The reports indicate relatively broad endorsements and speakers including liberal capitalist politicians and labor officials. For example, in New York, Manhattan Borough President Percy Sutton named the day "Anti-Inflation Day;" in Philadelphia, the city council endorsed the action; in Pittsburgh the Allegheny County Central Labor Council supported it; and in Denver James Craig, secretary-treasurer of the UMW spoke. However, in several places prominent speakers who were advertised did not show up.

In many places the CP was able to utilize the actions to make contact with and involve, to some extent, union members and leaders, Black leaders, community leaders, etc., that were not already in their periphery. In some places they were able to get CLUW's endorsement and help in publicizing the actions.

But the actions were generally smaller and more sectarian than the endorsements indicate because the local ad hoc committees, controlled by the CP, did not make any attempt to involve other radical organizations. Where comrades attended meetings leading up to the actions and participated in the actions they were able to get a feel of what the CP has around it and what their relative strength is.

In some cities they have announced that they are planning to continue these ad hoc anti-inflation formations and carry out more activities. Comrades are urged to continue following these developments and keep the National Office informed of them.

Comradely,


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