

URGENT CIRCULAR OF THE CCP PEKING MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE

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Under the wise leadership of our great teacher, great leader, great supreme commander and great helmsman Chairman Mao, the great proletarian cultural revolution of Peking municipality has scored brilliant achievements. With the broad masses aroused, powerful blows have been dealt to those in authority taking the capitalist road within the Party, a number of bourgeois Rightists and counterrevolutionary revisionists have been dragged out, monsters and demons in society have been swept away, and the features of the whole society and the spiritual features of the people have all undergone tremendous changes. The thought of Mao Tse-tung is more popular and is penetrating deeper into the hearts of the people. Under Chairman Mao's call for "grasp the revolution, promote production," the great cultural revolution has given a powerful impetus to production.

At the initial stage of the great cultural revolution, however, because the Municipal Committee carried out the bourgeois reactionary line, the work teams of some industrial, communications, local construction, finance and trade, cultural and educational, and other enterprise units, organs and organizations, or the leaders of some units, branded some of the revolutionary masses as "counterrevolutionaries," "anti-Party elements," or "Rightists." It is extremely wrong to act in contravention of the provisions of the Sixteen-Point Decision in this way.

In order to carry out completely and thoroughly the "Sixteen-Point Decision," defend the proletarian revolutionary line represented by Chairman Mao, and carry the great proletarian cultural

revolution through to the end. It is necessary to criticize and repudiate thoroughly the bourgeois reactionary line, and thoroughly eliminate its pernicious influence. Meanwhile, it is necessary to effect firmly and seriously the rehabilitation of the revolutionary masses who have been branded as "counterrevolutionaries," "anti-Party elements," or "Rightists." In view of this, the Municipal Committee is hereby resolved:

1. To rehabilitate without exception in public all the revolutionary masses who have been branded as "counterrevolutionaries," "anti-Party elements," "Rightists," etc., at the initial stage of the great proletarian cultural revolution, to conduct open examinations, to tender apologies, and to announce their rehabilitation.

2. To reinstate all workers who have been branded as "counterrevolutionaries," "anti-Party elements," "Rightists" at the initial stage of the great proletarian cultural revolution, or have been dismissed for criticizing the leaders of work groups.

3. To deal with seriously all kinds of material for the purge of the masses in the great proletarian cultural revolution according to the provisions of the CCP Central Committee.

4. To repay wages in arrears to the revolutionary workers whose wages have been stopped or withheld on the ground of their having been branded as "counterrevolutionaries."

This circular must be announced and read to all of the revolutionary masses.

The CCP Peking Municipal Committee

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