

CENTRAL GOVERNMENT LETTER TO WUHAN REVOLUTIONARIES PRAISED
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[Full text of an editorial entitled "Chairman Mao Supports Us,
We Must Win for Chairman Mao."]

Recently the CCP Central Committee, the State Council, the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee, and the Cultural Revolution Group under the CCP Central Committee sent a letter to the revolutionary masses and PLA commanders and fighters in Wuhan municipality. Upon receiving this letter, the people of the tri-city of Wuhan standing on both banks of the Yangtze were elated. The revolutionary masses and the PLA commanders and fighters were in excitement and cheered to their hearts' content. This was the voice of Chairman Mao and of the Party Central Committee. It sounded like a thunder-clap in spring, shaking the whole of Wuhan and greatly inspiring the revolutionary masses and the PLA commanders and fighters in Wuhan area to join in a new battle more heroically.

The letter has profoundly analyzed the situation of the current great proletarian cultural revolution in Wuhan and clearly pointed out the orientation and task for struggle in the future. It is a guide to the action of the proletarian revolutionaries in Wuhan and a new clarion call issued to us by Chairman Mao and the Party Central Committee.

The letter gives incomparably great inspiration and strength to the great proletarian cultural revolution that is developing flourishingly in Wuhan. It embodies the deepest concern, the firmest support and the most effective leadership that Chairman Mao and the Party Central Committee have given to the "Federation of Trade Unions," "Second Headquarters," "913," "New China Workers," "New Hupeh University," "New China Peasants," "Revolutionary League of Third Headquarters" and other revolutionary mass organizations, and the broad revolutionary masses in Wuhan. It also is a fatal blow to China's Khrushchev and his agents in Wuhan area, and the handful of bad leaders of the "Million Heroic Troops" and the "Public Security Department, Procuratorate, and Courts of Justice" who stick to the bourgeois reactionary line.

The great proletarian cultural revolution in Wuhan is not entering the stage of a new victory.

At the critical moment when the handful of capitalist roaders in the Party and Army organizations in Wuhan area and the handful of bad leaders of the "Million Heroic Troops" and the "Public Security Department, Procuratorate, and Courts of Justice" whipped up the reactionary adverse current of openly opposing the proletarian headquarters headed by Chairman Mao and opposing the great proletarian cultural revolution, our great leader Chairman Mao constantly and firmly supported the broad revolutionary masses in Wuhan area and made the wise decision of launching a powerful political offensive, thus smashing the fanatic attack launched by the handful of class enemies. When the situation of victory in the great proletarian cultural revolution emerged in Wuhan, a message was sent from Chairman Mao and the Party Central Committee in Peking to the revolutionary masses and the PLA commanders and fighters in Wuhan, pointing out the orientation and road of victory and advance.

Since Chairman Mao has backed the proletarian revolutionaries up, the proletarian revolutionaries must win victory for Chairman Mao!

We firmly believe that, in the course of struggle, the proletarian revolutionaries in Wuhan will unswervingly and exactly carry out the series of instructions put forth by the CCP Central Committee, the State Council, the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee and the Cultural Revolution Group under the CCP Central Committee in their letter to the revolutionary masses and PLA commanders and fighters in Wuhan. They will definitely hold fast to the main orientation and aim the spearhead of struggle at China's Khrushchev and his agents in Wuhan. They must stand on the alert against sabotage by the bad elements and forbid them to violate social order. They will perseveringly strengthen unity among the proletarian revolutionaries, overcome the small group mentality, sectarianism, individualism and other non-proletarian ideas in their ranks, and forge and consolidate their revolutionary great alliance. They will patiently educate the hoodwinked masses of the "Million Heroic Troops" and the "Public Security Department, Procuratorate, and Courts of Justice," so that these masses will make a change and strike back at their bad leaders; those cadres who have made mistakes may still stand up and join in the revolutionary ranks, providing that they do not stick to their mistakes, but correct their mistakes earnestly, and are pardoned by the broad masses. They will hold still higher the great banner of "supporting the army and cherishing the people," cement their ties with the People's Liberation Army, and get together with the PLA soldiers to fight the enemies.

We firmly believe that the PLA commanders and fighters will continue to hold high the great red banner of Mao Tse-tung's thought, firmly support and defend the broad masses of the Left, fight and win together with them.

The serious political incident in Wuhan is a living class education for the revolutionary masses all over China and an impressive lesson on the struggle between the proletariat and the bourgeoisie. It will definitely mobilize the revolutionary enthusiasm of the whole Chinese people extensively, and encourage proletarian revolutionaries all over China to participate in the mass criticism and repudiation, to expose penetratingly, criticize thoroughly, refute, overthrow and discredit the handful of top capitalist roaders in the Party politically, ideologically and theoretically, and to carry this unprecedented great proletarian cultural revolution through to the end!