

## Communist Party of Spain (Marxist-Leninist)

### On the Unity of the international communist movement

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The following texts come from the 3rd Congress of the Communist Party of Spain (Marxist-Leninist), held in the fall of 1979. They appeared in French in the November and December, 1979 editions of the *Bureau d'Information et de Presse* of the Central Committee of this party, after originally being published in Spanish in their weekly newspaper *Vanguardia Obrera*. The first part consists of extracts from the Congress documents, and the second is taken from a speech by the party's chairman, Raul Marcos, to the internationalist meeting which closed the Congress.

We have included these texts because they express clearly the general viewpoint of a certain number of parties who are united in their opposition to Mao Tsetung Thought as the source of Chinese revisionism and in their defence of the Party of Labour of Albania as the leading party in the ICM. These texts of the CP of Spain (M-L) call for a further intensification of the struggle against the influence of Maoism, and raise the perspective of the organized international unity of the communist forces united on this basis. (Translation from French version by IN STRUGGLE!)

### A few problems concerning the international communist movement (Marxist-Leninist)

The majority of the Parties are getting stronger, consolidating themselves and developing. Their positions are not abstract and general, as they were in the past, but are based on principles applied to concrete situations. They have obtained significant successes; little by little they attain that maturity that was lacking in the past — this, at least, is the opinion of our Party, which, although small, has nevertheless a certain specific weight.

Generally, today the Parties define themselves exclusively with regard to principles and to proletarian internationalism and not, as in the past, with reference to such and such **great** Party instead of another, as was the case of many Parties who went from being dependent on Moscow to being dependent on Peking. What is more, where some parties, which we mistakenly called Marxist-Leninist, have betrayed (as in France and Denmark, for instance), we have seen new parties appear, on solid bases, with more or less strength to begin with, but with the

will to struggle and get stronger, and with great perspectives.

We must underline with particular satisfaction that our relations with the Albanian comrades, with the heroic Party of Labour of Albania, continue to be close and warm like in the past, and that our points of view are totally identical. Today, as in the past, the PLA and its Central Committee, with Comrade Enver Hoxha at its head, remains unshakeable in the defence of Marxism-Leninism and of proletarian internationalism. We cannot keep from pointing out our respect and affection for this Party which has always known how to fight on firm principled bases all those who have tried to dominate it and lead it on the path of betrayal, whether they were Titoists, Russian or Chinese; which remains firm and vigilant in the face of the attempts made by the capitalists, imperialists and revisionists to put it behind a blockade; and unmask their manoeuvres and blackmail.

One must point out the great inter-

nationalist aid given by the PLA to communists the whole world over. We refer in particular to the most precious of all kinds of aid, ideological aid; which is of an extreme value to us and to other Parties — at least, this is our opinion — and which is given with such exemplary modesty and lack of complication, with a spirit of camaraderie and brotherhood far better than the relations with the Chinese were, even at the best period. Because of their resolute struggle for national independence, their coherent internationalism and the courage with which they have faced the criminal attacks from the revisionists, particularly from the Chinese social-chauvinists today, the Albanian comrades, their Party and their leaders have won the admiration, respect and affection of Marxist-Leninists the whole world over, but also from the people and progressive masses.

### On Mao Tsetung Thought and Chinese revisionism

After having analyzed profoundly "Mao Tsetung Thought" as an opportunist, revisionist and thoroughly anti-Marxist current, the report declares: "We thus conclude that, despite the enormous propaganda campaign waged by his supporters, Mao was never a Marxist-Leninist. In his thought, we find all the ingredients of revisionism, opportunism and social-chauvinism that openly dominate China today.

### And the report continues...

The path followed by the Chinese since 1976 is not worth going back over, as it is well known. The results are equally obvious. The correctness of the analyses made at all times by the leading bodies of our Party are also obvious. Today the Congress should pronounce itself on whether we were correct in our position, and if we proceeded correctly, with caution, but

without conceding one iota on principles.

For our part, we can affirm with legitimate militant pride that our Party never gave in in the face of any difficulty, nor to blackmail and provocation. Our Party always raised the red flag with vigour, and has defended it against wind and tide. We advise oppor-

tunists of clerical-Maoist hue in our country, and the international admirers of Buddha who try to attack us and tell lies about us that they are stupidly losing their time, because no one has been able, nor will be able to put one over on the Communist Party of Spain (Marxist-Leninist).

Our flags are red from the blood of our

heroes; they are internationalist flags, and we raise them with increasing vigour, until they fly, free and triumphant, over all of Spain.

**LONG LIVE  
MARXISM-LENINISM!  
LONG LIVE THE  
INTERNATIONAL PROLETARIAT!  
LONG LIVE THE COMMUNIST  
PARTY OF SPAIN M-L!**

## We should oppose the strategy and tactics of revisionism and reaction with a common, firm, clear Marxist-Leninist strategy and tactics

At the same time, we understand that some may not have yet grasped the depth of eclecticism, opportunism, anarchism and even trotskyism contained in the so-called Mao Tsetung Thought. We will continue to discuss with them between comrades. But as far as the adorers of Buddha are concerned, those who on the pretext they are defending Mao, give themselves over to a work of sabotage and provocation against the Marxist-Leninist movement, who go all out to divide us, mouthing the word unity the whole time, we solemnly advise them that they are losing their time with us, that they will break their necks against the wall of Marxist-Leninist principles which we defend, and will continue to defend above all. Comrades and friends, our Party thinks that the Marxist-Leninist international movement is in a positive situation, a progressive situation, one of development and taking roots for our Parties.

However, we are not going to have easy victories; those we do obtain, — and I think they will be numerous — will be the fruit of an intransigent and sometimes fierce struggle against all sorts of enemies who huddle in the shade to hit us better.

Imperialists, reactionaries and opportunists of all kinds: Titoists, Kruschevites, Eurocommunists or Maoists have joined together against Marxist-Leninists and the people of the world. That is why our congress has pointed out that we should oppose the strategy and tactics of revisionism and reaction with common, firm, clear and

Marxist-Leninist strategy and tactics. This is a far-reaching task and a great responsibility for our Parties and that the Marxist-Leninist Parties of the world should take up collectively. There is no set formula or pre-fabricated solution for this. But if we collaborate very closely, we will solve the problem together, reinforcing our unity, advancing step by step and not precipitously, firmly and resolutely on a Marxist-Leninist base and with active international proletarianism.

### **We should come to the point where the whole Marxist-Leninist Movement will say what it wants, where it is going and why communists struggle**

Comrade Enver Hoxha said, in his report to the 7th Congress of the PLA, "The situation might ripen and permit us to arrive at a great reunion of all the Marxist-Leninist communist and workers' parties" (our translation). Our Party totally supports this clear and correct position of the PLA and we firmly commit ourselves to work ardently to create this situation.

We think we should come to the point where **the whole Marxist-Leninist movement will say what it wants, where it is going and why communists struggle.**

And this day will come, although we cannot tell right now when nor how.

Before we leave, comrades, in the name of the Central Committee of our Party, we want to tell the people of Spain and the Parties and organizations who honoured our Congress by their presence and messages that the Communist Party of Spain M-L will continue to struggle unceasingly for the principles we have in common. We will continue to struggle against the imposed monarchy since the people were not able to chose it freely. We will continue to struggle for a popular federative republic, for socialism and communism. Despite Carrillo Soares and other sold-out leaders, the people of Spain remain and will continue to remain republican and aspire to socialism.

And in this struggle, through its several phases, and whatever form it takes, we Marxist-Leninists will know how to do our duty, without letting anything or any sacrifice stop us. The revolution is red, like our blood and like our flags, which will hang victorious from east to west, from north to south of a people's Spain, of a truly free Spain, without exploiters and oppressors, a Spain where the people will be sovereign.

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