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Second Congress of the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed)

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MESSAGE

TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE PORTUGUESE COMMUNIST PARTY (RECONSTRUCTED)

Lisbon

Dear comrades,

The CC of the Party of Labour of Albania was pleased to learn of the holding of the 2nd Congress of your Party. On this occasion, expressing the feelings of the Albanian communists and working people, the Central Committee of our Party conveys to you ardent proletarian greetings.

We express our conviction that the proceedings of the 2nd Congress of the sister Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed), illuminated by the immortal teachings of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, will be crowned with full success. Its decisions will carry ahead the revolutionary struggle of your Party in defence of the vital interests of the Portuguese working class and working people, against the fascist danger in the country, against the capitalist oppression and exploitation and U.S. imperialism, and for social progress and socialism in Portugal.

The valiant and patriotic Portuguese people, with an ancient history of strivings and battles for freedom and independence, even in the conditions of the domination of the savage fascist dictatorship of Salazar, never ceased the struggle for social liberation against the fascist oppression and exploitation and the local bourgeoisie. The resolute struggle of the Portuguese people overthrew the fascist dictatorship, but through its treacherous and scabby activity, the Cunhal revisionist party, tool of Soviet social-imperialism, is trying to divert the Portuguese working masses from the road of the revolution.

The founding of the Portuguese Communist Party (R) marks a turning point in the history of the revolutionary

struggles of the Portuguese people. Now the Portuguese working class has its vanguard Marxist-Leninist party, and in alliance with labouring peasantry and the other exploited masses, is fighting to carry forward the cause of the democratic people's revolution and is marching resolutely towards its loftiest aim and ideal, socialism and communism. The founding of your Party is an important victory of Marxism-Leninism over modern revisionism and other enemies of the interests of the working class. The organization and unity of the genuine Marxist-Leninists round the Portuguese Communist Party (R) and the exposure of the treachery of modern revisionists, Trotskyites, and all the various opportunists, is a victory not only for the Portuguese working class, but also for the revolution the world over.

Dear comrade delegates,

The Albanian communists and working people, educated by our Party in the spirit of proletarian internationalism, are following your struggle with special interest. They consider your victories as their victories. Regular fraternal ties exist between the Party of Labour of Albania and the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed). Our two equal sister parties learn from and help each other, fight shoulder to shoulder on the same barricade of the class struggle against the aggressive and hegemonistic policy of the two superpowers, U.S. imperialism and Soviet social-imperialism, which represent the main enemy for socialism, for the freedom and independence of nations,

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the greatest force for the defence of the oppressive and exploiting systems, the direct danger that mankind will be hurled into a third world war.

The participation of the delegation of the Portuguese Communist Party (R) in the proceedings of the 7th Congress of the PLA, in November 1976, was a clear expression of the proletarian internationalism and the close ties between our two sister parties and a great encouragement for our communists and people. We also wish to express our wholehearted thanks to the Central Committee and all the militants of your Party, as well as the other working people who attended the rally organized in Lisbon on November 28, 1976, in support of the 7th Congress of the PLA. We consider this as valuable internationalist aid for our Party and an inspiration for the working class and

working people of our country in their heroic struggle for the complete construction of socialism in Albania and for the defence of the socialist homeland.

We wholeheartedly wish your 2nd Congress new, ever greater successes and victories, in the glorious struggle for the cause of the revolution and socialism.

Long live the 2nd Congress of the Portuguese Communist Party (R)!

May the militant friendship and Marxist-Leninist unity between the Party of Labour of Albania and the Portuguese Communist Party (R) grow stronger!

Glory to Marxism-Leninism!

The Central Committee
of the Party of Labour of Albania



In one of its recent issues, the newspaper «Bandeira Vermelha», organ of the CC of the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed), published materials about the proceedings of the 2nd Congress of the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed).

The opening speech points out that the period from the 1st to the 2nd Congress is characterized by events full of revolutionary activity. «From this Congress», reads the speech among other things, «our action and that of the masses will burst out more powerful and at a higher level, and our party will march forward with surer steps on the road of its recognition by the class. The revolutionization and proletarianization will take new steps

forward, the ranks of the party will be invigorated and our militant spirit and our cohesion will be strengthened.»

Our proletariat, stresses the speech, is a component part of the militant army of the international proletariat, which, with the glorious Communist Party of China and the heroic Party of Labour of Albania at the head, is being tempered in the day-to-day struggle for the triumph of the revolution in the world. The internationalist support from the sister parties, and especially from the wise and glorious Party of Labour of Albania and the tested heroic Communist Party of Brazil, has been for us not only of great value, but also a powerful encouragement. The speech stresses the great

importance of the 7th Congress of the PLA and of the report comrade Enver Hoxha delivered at this congress, for the Marxist-Leninist movement.

Further the speech stresses that the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed) is asserting itself amongst the broad working masses of the country as the sole consistently revolutionary party, it is the hope of the poor of Portugal. «For us, the communists,» stresses the speech, «the party is everything, it is our life, our flesh, our blood. The fact that we are attending this 2nd Congress, is an occasion of joy and pride for us».

The message of the Party of Labour of Albania was read out to the dele-

gates in an atmosphere of great enthusiasm.

The report of the Central Committee was received with joy and pride by the delegates to the Congress. This report deals with the profound changes the party has undergone during its life, with the most important political victories it has achieved, as well as with the broader perspectives opened to it. In this report, the Central Committee analyses the work of the leadership and the process of the revolutionization, as well as the organizational policy and the composition of the party. The movement for the revolutionization and proletarianization enabled the achievement of a brilliant victory in the strengthening of the proletarian composition of the leading organs.

The other themes analysed in the report of the Central Committee were the agitation and propaganda work of the party, the activity of the party in the trade union and peasant movement, the question of the united front and the extension of internationalist ties of the party.

Following the report of the CC of the Party, many delegates took the floor. With enthusiasm and a high sense of responsibility, with political maturity, they defended the revolutionary stand of the party which is in the interest of the working masses, of all the exploited. The Congress was characterized by a steel-like unity of views on the immediate political questions concerning the strategy and tactics of the party, on the main tasks facing the party.

The delegates to the Congress hailed the victories achieved, approved unanimously the positive and rich balance presented by the Central Committee. All the delegates to the Congress unanimously stressed and cheered the legitimate character and the complete correctness of the process of revolutionization. The political resolution, the Constitution and the report of the Central Committee were approved unanimously by the delegates in an atmosphere of great enthusiasm and with ovations for the party. The votes

of the delegates were an incontestable testimony to the steel-like unity of the party round its revolutionary line, to the determination with which the Marxist-Leninist course of the struggle against the bourgeoisie and revisionism, against all opportunist stands will be followed, to the creation of a militant party tempered in the heat of the class struggle, united in thought and action.

The Congress received with unanimous cheers for Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism the greetings to the CP of China, the Party of Labour of Albania, the CP of Brazil and all the Marxist-Leninist communist parties. The Congress approved with unanimous cheers the Proclamation to the Portuguese People.

The elections of the new Central Committee proceeded in an atmosphere of unity and fiery enthusiasm.

The 2nd Congress of the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed) was a powerful confirmation of the loyalty of the party to the class interests of the proletariat and the immortal principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism.

The closing speech to the Congress was made by comrade Eduardo Pires, who stressed that the 2nd Congress of the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed) was the crowning of a period of great political activity, that the political resolution approved by the Congress was the fruit of the collective wisdom of the party, the synthesis of the militant experience of the party and the workers' and people's movement. At the same time, he stressed, the Congress completed the first stage of the movement for revolutionization and proletarianization, which was a decisive factor for the important victories which were achieved within the short but glorious period of the existence of the party.

Comrade Eduardo Pires stressed, among other things, that the main task of the party, as set out by the Congress, was the struggle for the political unity of the working class. One of the most important tasks was the creation of the alliance of the working class with the

peasantry, under the leadership of the party. The correctness of our positions, continued comrade Pires, will be proved in the course of the struggle to make the entire party engage in the solution of the main task set out here, so that, by standing at the head of the class struggle, it will transform its political resolution and its constitution into a political weapon for the daily action of all the strata of the people.

Making a profound analysis of the political, economic and social situation in Portugal, the speaker pointed out that, protected by U. S. and German imperialism, to which it is completely sold out, the reactionary bourgeoisie managed to re-establish its control on the organs of the state power and to launch an attack in an attempt to regain all its privileges. The consequences of the grave economic crisis are weighing ever heavier on the shoulders of the Portuguese working class and working masses. The forces of the right are being re-organized and democratic freedoms are being attacked. Against the rising cost of living, the wage freeze, unemployment, the revival of fascism, the savage plunder and exploitation by big capital, the working masses are rising in resolute struggle. Strikes and claims are increasing, the tendency towards the deepening of the line of the masses is being strengthened and the indignation against the reactionary laws is rising.

After pointing out to the attempts of the bourgeoisie to suppress and deceive the broad working masses of the country, comrade Eduardo Pires stressed that in the disruptive and treacherous activity of the Cunhal revisionists, who are trying to deceive the workers with token strikes and protests which do not affect the bourgeoisie in the least, the bourgeoisie possesses another of its weapons to quench the people's movement.

Speaking about the tasks of the communists as vanguard fighters of the working masses, he stressed that the great line worked out at this congress was to strengthen the ties with the working class and the people everywhere

in factories and enterprises, in trade unions, villages, organizations expressing the will of the people, societies, schools, to lead and activate their struggle, being always in the van.

In his speech, Comrade Pires drew the attention to the fronts on which the present movement is developing, as defined at the Congress. These fronts are: the workers' and people's struggle for collective contracts, against the high cost of living, against unemployment, their struggle to have the law on rents enacted, to liberate themselves from the big land proprietors, their struggle against NATO, the accession to the common market, against the US domination in Portugal, etc. One of the major tasks is the resolute and consistent struggle against the revisionist party, exposing before the working class and the people the treacherous countenance of the revisionists, their nature as creatures of imperialism and agents of social-imperialism.

The Proclamation of 2nd Congress of the party to the communists, the working class, the working people and the people of Portugal says among the other things: «The 2nd Congress of the Portuguese Communist Party (R), analysing the situation of our working class, is convinced that its living conditions cannot be improved without its mobilization and resolute struggle».

«The Congress,» continues the Proclamation, «pointed out the close fraternal internationalist relations with a number of sister parties, and first and foremost, with the heroic and militant Party of Labour of Albania».

In the end, the Proclamation says that the 2nd Congress is a powerful weapon for the party, for all its organizations, for all its militants and leaders in their participation in the class struggle of the Portuguese proletariat and in making Marxism-Leninism a guide to revolutionary action.

After the conclusion of the proceedings of the Congress, the 1st Plenum of the new Central Committee met in an atmosphere of great enthusiasm and militant unity. After electing the Secretariat and the Executive Com-

mittee, it adopted unanimously a resolution entitled: «Carry Into Effect The Decisions Of The 2nd Congress».

This resolution of the 1st Plenum of the Central Committee says that the 2nd Congress indicated to the Portuguese communists the road of the struggle for the unity of the working class and the people against fascism and imperialism, for the triumph of the people's democratic revolution on the road to socialism.

The resolution lays the stress on the three major tasks set by the Congress. The first task is the mobilization of all the party to carry into effect the political resolution of the Congress. «For The People's April 25 Road, For People's Democracy and Socialism».

The second task is to spread the slogans of the party and to turn them into banners of the struggle of the working class and the people.

The Central Committee stresses that it is the duty of every communist and party organization to raise high the banner of the struggle of the party and carry the slogans of the party to the people, to make them concrete in the revolutionary actions of the working class and people, as the sole form to make the working masses embark and march forward on the road of the struggle, to liberate themselves from hunger, poverty and capitalist exploitation.

The resolution of the 1st Plenum of the Central Committee puts forward, as the third task, the discussion, mastery and carrying into effect of the new Constitution throughout the party. This Constitution, which emerged from the 2nd Congress, is a fundamental law for the party, obligatory for all its members.

«These», concludes the resolution, «are the three immediate tasks of our party, which all its organs and members should carry out with the same fire and revolutionary enthusiasm with which the proceedings of the Congress of the Portuguese Communist Party (R), the party of the future, of the hope and socialism, took place».

GRAND RALLY OF PROLETARIAN INTERNATIONAL

According to the newspaper «Bandiera Vermelha», central organ of the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed), a grand internationalist rally was organized in Campo Pequeno in Lisbon on April 17, 1977, on the occasion of the closing of the 2nd Congress of this Party, in which more than 15 thousand took part.

Also taking part in this rally, on the invitation of the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed) were delegations from: the Party of Labour of Albania, headed by the Member of the Central Committee, Gafur Çuçi, the Communist Party of Brazil, the Communist Party of Spain (M-L), the Communist Party of Germany (M-L),

the Communist Party of Italy (M-L), the Communist Party (M-L) of Argentina, the Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile, the Communist Party of Greece (M-L), the Marxist-Leninist Party of Austria, the Iranian Marxist-Leninist Organization «Toufan» and the Communist Organization of Angola.

From the opening speech of Comrade M. Monteiro

The rally was declared opened by Comrade M. Monteiro, Member of the CC of the P.C.P. (R). After having greeted those present on behalf of the Central Committee of his Party, he stressed that this is the first time, since the founding of the Communist Party in 1921 and even since its reconstruction in 1975, that such an important internationalist rally has been organized in Portugal. This, he said, is a real proof that the militant unity of the Marxist-Leninists of the world is growing and becoming consolidated.

For our young Party, participation in

the glorious 7th Congress of the Party of Labour of Albania was a honour and, at the same time, a valuable experience of the practice of proletarian internationalism, continued comrade M. Monteiro. «We bear in mind that to fight the two superpowers, the U.S.A. and the Soviet Union», he said, «we must never rely on one to fight the other. In Portugal, U.S. imperialism and its local agents, the big bourgeoisie and great landowners, constitute the main enemy of the people's democratic revolution. We have concentrated the fire of our struggle precisely against them. However, we do not relax our attention

from the danger that the penetration of social-imperialism into Portugal represents, and we are waging a correct and ceaseless struggle against its savage aims.

After exposing the activity of the Portuguese revisionists as the main enemies in the ranks of the working class, Comrade M. Monteiro stressed that the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed) will continue the struggle, also, against other forms of opportunism. He also exposed NATO and the Common Market as groupings in the service of U.S. imperialism and the monopoly bourgeoisie.

From the greeting of the delegation of the CC of the PLA

Comrade Gafur Çuçi delivered the greeting on behalf of the Central Committee of the Party of Labour of Albania. The presence of the Albanian delegation at this rally, he said, is a result of the fraternal ties established between the Party of Labour of Albania and the Portuguese Communist

Party (Reconstructed). We know that your people, their finest sons, the Portuguese revolutionaries, have never separated their struggle from the struggle for national liberation of the peoples from the former colonies of Portugal. It was precisely this resolute struggle, along with the liberation

struggle of the colonial peoples, which sharpened to the maximum the contradictions within Portuguese society and led to the overthrow of the fascist dictatorship on April 25, 1974.

The founding of the P.C.P. (Reconstructed) on December 27, 1975 marks a turning point in the history of the re-

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On occasion of the closing of the 2nd Congress of the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed)

revolutionary struggles of the Portuguese people. The Portuguese working class and the oppressed and exploited masses now have their vanguard Marxist-Leninist Party, which emerged from their ranks, from their revolutionary struggle, as a necessity to illuminate the road of the revolution with the immortal doctrine of Marxism-Leninism and to guide them in the class actions and battles. Integrating the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete conditions in Portugal, the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed) is resolutely holding high the banner of the revolution and socialism, the banner of the struggle against the two superpowers, U.S. imperialism and Soviet social-imperialism, against the monopoly bourgeoisie and reaction.

The Albanian communists and all the Albanian people, he said, joyfully hail the successful conclusion of the 2nd Congress of your Party as their own victory. As the message of the CC of the PLA to the congress says, they are sure that its decisions, illuminated by the immortal teachings of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, will always carry forward the revolutionization and proletarianization of the P.C.P. (Reconstructed), its struggle in defence of the vital interests of the Portuguese working class and working people against the fascist danger, capitalist oppression and exploitation and U.S. imperialism, as well as against the interference of Soviet social-imperialism, and for social progress and socialism in Portugal.

The communists and the working people of socialist Albania, educated by the PLA and Comrade Enver Hoxha in the spirit of proletarian internationalism, are following your revolutionary struggle with interest and they consider your victories as their own victories. The militant friendship between the PLA and the P.C.P. (R.) is a friendship which exists between two equal sister parties which learn from each other's experience, and which fight on the same barricade of the class struggle for the cause of the revolution in their own countries. They are fighting shoulder to shoulder against the aggressive and hegemonic policy of the two superpowers, U.S. imperialism and Soviet social-imperialism, which constitute the main enemy for socialism, for the freedom and independence of nations, the greatest force for the defence of oppressive and exploiting systems and the direct danger that mankind will be hurled into a third world war.

After speaking of the great achievements of the socialist construction in Albania, comrade Gafur Çuçi said:

The PSR of Albania is a state of the dictatorship of the proletariat, where Marxism-Leninism has become a dominant ideology. The working class and the broad working masses, led by the Party of Labour of Albania, are successfully constructing socialism, according to the principle of relying mainly on their own strength. The establishment of foreign military forces and bases, the granting of concessions to or the creation of joint companies

with the monopolies and the capitalist and revisionist states, as well as receiving credits from them, are prohibited by the Constitution. These principles, which represent the Marxist-Leninist revolutionary policy and line of our Party, correspond to the ardent aspirations of the Albanian people, who, even in the conditions of the savage imperialist-revisionist blockade, have ensured the defeat of all the schemes and plots of imperialism, social-imperialism, modern revisionism and reaction to overthrow the people's state power in Albania. The Albanian people, under the leadership of the PLA with Comrade Enver Hoxha at the head, are marching consistently ahead in the struggle for the complete construction of socialism, for the defence of the socialist Homeland and for the defence of Marxism-Leninism.

«The presence at this rally of the delegations of the Marxist-Leninist parties from many other countries», continued comrade Gafur Çuçi, «is another expression of the constant strengthening of the unity in the ranks of the international Marxist-Leninist movement. The other rallies, too, which have been held recently on the initiative of the Marxist-Leninist sister parties in the spirit of proletarian internationalism, are expressions of the Marxist-Leninist unity and serve in deeds to strengthen the struggle against the two superpowers and the cause of the proletarian revolution. They have also been a support for the peoples to unite in their struggle for freedom, national independence and social progress,

against any oppression and exploitation from anyone at all.

The bourgeoisie fears and hates the revolutionary organizations of the proletariat and its vanguard, therefore it is rising in fury against them. In many countries of the world, as in Brazil, Uruguay, Chile, Bolivia, Indonesia, Thailand, Malaysia, wherever the fascist bourgeois regimes are in power,

savage terror is exercised against the finest proletarian revolutionaries, against the most resolute patriotic and progressive persons, who are fighting at the head of the working class and the masses for freedom, national independence and socialism. From this high tribune, we express our resolute protest against the fascist oppressors, who have killed, imprisoned, perse-

cuted and tortured Marxist-Leninist militants and other revolutionaries, such as Comrade Pedro Pomar, Angelo Arroyo, Ioao Batista Drummond, Mario Echenique, and others. The fascist terror cannot subdue their revolutionary struggle. Nothing and nobody can stop the march of the proletarian revolution everywhere in the world».

From the greeting of the delegation of the CP of Spain (M-L)

After greeting the rally on behalf of the CC of the CP of Spain (M-L) and all the militants of the Party, Comrade Raul Marco said that the Portuguese people have a genuine communist party, the P.C.P. (R.) with which we are linked by sincere ties. Today, thanks to the existence of genuine Marxist-Leninist parties in Portugal and Spain, our two peoples and our two parties are marching forward together, shoulder to shoulder with our eyes on the same objective: the revolution.

Hailing the victories achieved by the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed), he went on to say that parties are not judged by their age, but by how they implement the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism in

the concrete conditions of their own country.

And here we have the example of the glorious Party of Labour of Albania, led by Comrade Enver Hoxha. When the Albanian comrades liberated their own country from the nazi hordes and took power, the Party had been in existence only 4 years. And, today the Party of Labour of Albania is the beacon-light of the revolution.

He refuted the farce about the so-called democratization in Spain and the demagogy of the bourgeoisie and revisionists with regard to this.

«We consider,» continued comrade R. Marco, «that the cause of the struggle against the two superpowers is vital for each people, individually, and for all the peoples, together. To this

end, it is very necessary that we define a correct principled stand, based on a concrete analysis of each situation, country and specific moment.

Today more than ever, he stressed, in face of the growing aggressiveness of the two superpowers and the reactionary forces, when the revisionists are trying to continue to deceive the working class with their treachery and close off the perspective of the socialist revolution as the only way out from the present crisis and the possible danger of a world war, it is more important than ever for the Marxist-Leninist parties to coordinate and unite their efforts, to jointly discuss and verify the special and general problems of the struggle in defence of principles and the questions of the revolutionary tactics.

From the greeting of the delegation of the CP of Germany (M-L)

When the Portuguese people overthrow the fascist dictatorship, said the head of the delegation of the CP of Germany (M-L), E. Aust, the lackeys of the Portuguese reactionary bourgeoisie, faithful agents of social-imperialism — the Cunhal revisionists, were not the only ones that sabotaged and betrayed the struggles of the people with every means; it was not only the reactionary Portuguese bourgeoisie, but also the imperialists of the U.S.A. and West Germany who showed themselves to be among the main enemies of the Portuguese people.

In the present international situa-

tion, it is more imperative than ever to uphold the revolutionary ideals, the principles of Marxism-Leninism. The 7th Congress of the PLA with Comrade Enver Hoxha at the head made an extraordinary contribution to this. We must be strong and must resolutely struggle against all those who are trying to develop an opportunist trend in the ranks of the Marxist-Leninist parties. To the deepening of the general crisis which has gripped the entire world capitalist system, both in the West and in the East, the sharpening of the contradictions among the imperialists and, particularly between the two imperial-

ist superpowers, the U.S.A. and the Soviet Union, their hegemony and policies of war, we must counterpose a single world front, which must have as its foundation the unity of the proletariat and the oppressed peoples.

The CP of Germany (M-L) as a vanguard party of the German proletariat, pointed out comrade E. Aust, is fighting under the central slogan «for a united, independent and socialist Germany», for the expulsion of the occupation troops from the whole of Germany, for the Federal German Republic to withdraw from NATO and

Common Market, for the German Democratic Republic to withdraw from the Warsaw Treaty and COMECON, for

the establishment (in the Federal German Republic) and the reestablishment (in the German Democratic Republic)

of the dictatorship of the proletariat through the powerful socialist revolution.

From the greeting of the delegation of the CP of Brazil

In bringing you our warmest greetings, said the representative of the CP of Brazil, we want to tell you, comrades and brothers, that the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed) is for us, Brazilian communists, a party which merits admiration and respect for its efforts to integrate the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the specific features of the Portuguese reality, for its exemplary internationalist rallies, and for the proofs it has given of its constant self-sacrifice in service of the people.

The Communist Party of Brazil is experiencing savage conditions of illegality, but it is fighting ceaselessly and courageously at the head of our valiant people for freedom, national independence and social justice. By raising the banner of struggle and with its militant spirit, it has won the sympathy and trust of broad strata of the working class, the peasantry and the people, has ensured the unity of action of the anti-fascist, democratic and patriotic forces.

During these years we have had to dip our fighting banners in honour of the heroes and martyrs of our party, intrepid fighters for the cause of our people, which is the cause of the revolution and socialism. In honouring the memory of our comrades fallen on various fields of the battle, we swear that we will carry through to victory the revolutionary liberation struggle of the Brazilian people, who want to live free and, without doubt, will be free.

From the greeting of the delegation of the Communist Party of Italy (M-L)

In Italy, said the head of the delegation of the CP of Italy (M-L), the monopoly bourgeoisie is now striking hard at the living and working conditions of the working class and the broad masses of the people, trying to saddle the workers with the consequences of the deep crisis which has gripped the world capitalist and imperialist system. At the same time, the pressure of U.S. imperialism as well as the efforts of social-imperialism to penetrate deeper and deeper into Italy, are becoming ever stronger.

In this context of the struggle of the two superpowers for domination and hegemony, the European monopoly bourgeoisie has intensified the process of its integration in the European

Common Market. In this it is assisted by the revisionist chieftains who are trying to present United Europe as a positive factor in favour of the masses of the people, while in fact the agreements achieved favour the big monopolies alone and are to the detriment of the proletariat and the masses of the people.

The representative of the CP of Italy (M-L) stressed the need for strengthening and extension of the struggle to drive the bases of the USA and NATO out of Italy, to drive the bases and navies of the two superpowers out of the Mediterranean and for real national independence.

Our party has worked seriously and vigorously to implement the principles

of proletarian internationalism, to strengthen the unity of the Marxist-Leninist parties of the world. We are convinced that, at a time when the rivalry between the two superpowers, the USA and the Soviet Union, for world hegemony is increasing the danger of war, at a time when the activity of the bourgeoisie and revisionists is being intensified, it is necessary to strengthen the unity of the Marxist-Leninist parties on the basis of militant proletarian internationalism.

We are studying and disseminating the teachings of the 7th Congress of the PLA, especially the report of Comrade Enver Hoxha, which is a contribution of great importance to the international Marxist-Leninist communist movement.

From the greeting of the delegation of the Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile

The situation in Chile, said the representative of the Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile, clearly shows that U.S. imperialism and the big local exploiters, represented by the

bloody-handed fascist military junta, are the main enemies of our people.

At a time when our people are waging their anti-fascist struggle and preparing to raise their revolutionary

actions to a new level, the revisionists are continuing to propagate class conciliation, while opposing the committees of resistance and the whole struggle of the masses. He went on to say that

in face of the collaboration between the Latin-American dictatorships to suppress the peoples, the unity of the peoples, the working class and the genuine communist parties of Latin Ame-

rica is on the upsurge and becoming steeled.

Today, the two superpowers are the main enemies of the peoples and represent the main danger for the out-

break of war in the world. While bearing in mind that the fundamental thing is the revolutionary struggle, at the same time we should fight with all our strength against the two superpowers.

From the greeting of the delegation of the Communist Party (M-L) of Argentina

After extending the fraternal greetings of the Communist Party (M-L) of Argentina and after assessing the importance of the 2nd Congress of the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed), the representative of the Communist Party (M-L) of Argentina stressed that his Party is working to create conditions for a general armed uprising, to put an end to the oppressive regime and to create a new situation in Argentina.

He exposed the Argentinian revisio-

nists, who are trying to convince the Argentinian bourgeoisie that social-imperialism is more generous than the Americans and calling on the workers to give up the struggle against the junta, because otherwise they «irritate the fascists». Then he stressed that up till now the Communist Party (M-L) of Argentina has paid a high price in the blood of its comrades who have been killed, and a large number of its best members who, imprisoned in the jails by the regime, are an example

of a true communist stand. But the Communist Party (M-L) of Argentina, being aware of its historic responsibility to the peoples and communists of the whole world, reaffirms that it is determined not to retreat in the struggle, but to raise aloft the banner of Marxism-Leninism, to fight for the triumph of the revolution, to smash imperialism and the oligarchy and not to allow Soviet social-imperialism to replace them.

From the greeting of the Iranian Marxist-Leninist Organization «Toufan»

The representative of the Iranian Marxist-Leninist Organization «Toufan» said that today U.S. imperialism is dominant economically, politically and militarily in Iran. The history of the last 50 years shows that the peoples and proletariat of Iran have never ceased their struggle against imperialism and its running dogs in Iran. They have risen again against these reactio-

naries, after any temporary defeat. In the framework of the international agreements of the two superpowers. Russian social-imperialism, too, has tried to have its share in the exploitation of the Iranian working masses.

The revolutionary experience of the communists and oppressed peoples of the world has proved the correctness of the valuable teachings

of the great Marxist-Leninist, Comrade Enver Hoxha, that the proletariat and all those who defend the revolution should link their struggle closely with the struggle of the peoples for liberation and independence. And this is possible only through a resolute struggle against the bourgeoisie of their own country, through the struggle against imperialism and its predatory wars.

From the greeting of the delegation of the Communist Party of Greece (M-L)

At the present stage, said the head of the delegation of the CP of Greece (M-L), the Communist Party of Greece (M-L) is waging a resolute struggle on many fronts against Greek reaction and its imperialist supporters, mainly the U.S. imperialists, for the triumph of the real freedom and independence of our people and country, against the

aggressive NATO bloc and the entry of Greece into the imperialist monopoly bloc — the European Economic Community, etc.

At the same time, it condemns and exposes the aggressive role of Soviet social-imperialism, which is trying with all its means to penetrate our country.

The revolutionary unity of the Marx-

ist-Leninist parties and organizations, he said in conclusion, based on the great principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism, constitutes an indispensable condition for the victory of the peoples, for the victory of the national-liberation revolution and the proletarian revolution, for the triumph of socialism and communism.

From the greeting of the delegation of the Marxist-Leninist Party of Austria

After hailing the successful conclusion of the 2nd Congress of the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed), Comrade Franz Strobl, head of the delegation of the Marxist-Leninist Party of Austria, stressed that the Marxist-Leninist Party of Austria considers that both when they collaborate with each other and when they are in rivalry, the two superpowers are to

the same degree the main enemies of the freedom, peace and progress of the peoples.

By attentively following the frenzied armaments race, one becomes quite clear that these preparations for war, in which the lion's role belongs to the two superpowers and the main blame falls equally on the two of them, are more and more increasing the danger

of an imperialist world war. Our Party takes the revolutionary and mobilizing stand of comrade Stalin, that world peace can be successfully defended, and that a new world war can be avoided, if the peoples take the cause of the preservation of peace into their own hands and if they know to defend it to the end.

From the greeting of the delegation of the Communist Organization of Angola

At these moments, said the head of the delegation of the Communist Organization of Angola in his greeting, Angola is passing through one of the most difficult periods of its history. After turning the national liberation movement completely upside down, the two superpowers plunged our country into a bloody imperialist war, which has not yet ended.

The present situation in Angola and the historic experience of the national liberation movement in our country clearly show that the struggle of our people can triumph only if it is led by the party of the working class, by its communist party, which is able to guarantee that our struggle will be not distorted again by the interests of imperialist powers.

The Angolan communists will fight with all their strength, standing loyal to the sacred principles of Marxism-Leninism, to equip the Angolan working class and people with their genuine revolutionary vanguard, which will lead the country to freedom, national independence, socialism and communism.

From the closing speech of Comrade E. Pires

During 15 months of struggle, said the Member of the CC of the Portuguese Communist Party (Reconstructed), E. Pires, our Party may be proud of the fact that it has known how to lead the numerous battles of the working class, the agricultural workers, the poor of Portugal, in defence of their vital interests. We are striving to link the Party ever more closely with the masses of the people and the workers, day by day. In the enterprises and trade unions, in the ranks of the working class, the political influence of our Party is increasing. The strengthening of the revolutionary trade union spirit, which is actively backed up by our Party, is very obvious.

Our Communist Party is coming more and more on to the national political stage and it is being recognized by broad sectors of the vanguard, the people's and anti-fascist sectors, as the only political force, which, in

words and deeds, consistently defends the cause of freedom and progress.

The reactionary bourgeoisie and imperialism are well aware that they cannot crush people's movement at one blow. They are trying, rather, to tie it up in compromises, to hinder it and exhaust its energies. They want us to stop the strikes, to meekly accept their orders. They want the workers to work even harder and earn less; and all this to fatten these social parasites, these immoral individuals who recognise no homeland, the big capitalists who have sold themselves for dollars, marks or rubles.

All over the country, stressed Comrade Pires, from the north to the south and in the islands, let us rise united to a man, like the fingers of a clenched fist, against the shameful sell-out of the country to foreigners, for Portugal to leave NATO and for the ousting of the imperialists. We must defend the national independence.

All together, in this great steel block of the working people in struggle, we can repel our main enemies and establish a genuine anti-fascist government, which will make the rich pay the cost of the crisis, which will crush the fascists, defend the freedoms and drive out the imperialists. A government of the true April 25, the April 25 of the people.

So that all understand clearly, that all know what we are defending, we want to say that there is a brilliant example in Europe which shows us the road of the revolution, the dictatorship of the proletariat and socialism, the road of a country where prices are coming down, where not one person is unemployed and taxes do not exist, a country which is marching confidently towards classless society. That country is the PSR of Albania, led by the PLA, with Comrade Enver Hoxha at the head.