Swiss Communist Party

Our Support Given to the PCERML

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After consultations in Geneva and in unanimous agreement with the Central Committee of the Swiss Communist Party, the Party Politburo represented by comrades Gerard Bulliard, secretary general Charles Cousin, and John Sauteur, makes the following announcement:

By demand of several hundred Spanish workers distributed over Switzerland, Germany, France and mainly, Great Britain, and with the agreement of the remaining Spanish Communists in Spain, we have decided to give the full support of the Swiss Communist Party to the official and definite organization of a true Communist Party by the name of Marxist-Leninist Revolutionary Spanish Communist Party (PCERML).

This true mass party is destined to guide the Spanish people's ferment to counsel them, unite them, shape them, and prepare them for a great victory of the progressive forces over its fascist oppressor, the rotten and bloody Franco regime, and the moribund forces of the Vatican still supporting the injustice, crimes and assassinations.

PCERML will have to accomplish an assignment of prime importance. It will have to gain the confidence of the whole Spanish people and all its true friends. There is no point in coming out with any pro-Soviet, pro-Chinese, Trotskyite or pro-Grippa declaration. It is simply a matter of adapting the revolutionary Marxist-Leninist principles specifically to the Spanish issue while taking into account our epoch and the prevailing international situation.

We had learned that in October 1964 the so-called Marxist-Leninist Spanish Communist Party had been organized in Geneva. A comrade attending that meeting had given us a complete account of it. Unfortunately, once again some adventurers with poor reputation in Asia tried to cheat and throw dust in the eyes of those who closely follow the situation in Spain, attempting, as it were, to gather funds the recipients of which would not have been Spaniards. Such spurious and unworthy news will not surprise those who know the notorious adventurer Grippa, of Belgium, and his dull emulators in Switzerland. Fortunately, thanks to the vigilance of the true Spanish Marxists, the political forgers were unmasked and they will be judged appropriately by the revolutionaries in the entire world. The page has been turned over on this sad event and for the Grippa group, already in the process of disintegration and complete retreat, there is nothing left but to disappear from the scene, all the more shamefully since it had sought to subsist on foreign funds. No more about that; why resuscitate the dead? Let us erase from our written work and our activities the very ephermal existence of those sad individuals. Forward then, and let us think of the present and the future. The provocateurs all lose some day, the cheats and the blackguards alike. Those who have had the nerve to accuse us of being collaborators of the Swiss Political Police and to claim that our addresses and telephones are under the direct control of the police. look real good. It would really mean being scared stiff and full of hateful slander to stray that far. It is the last straw that breaks the camel's back. Enough of polemics; silence being the greatest contempt, we shall no longer respond to attacks from this tiny group which we shall henceforth consider, as by the way many others do with us, as eliminated an innocuous.

PCERML is a party of hope, a party pursuing total victory by the revolutionary forces over fascism and the regime of misery and terror. A core of ardent Spanish comrades, much imbued, is already in place in the country of the sinister Franco. Our Party will be in charge of direct contacts between these Marxist-Leninist revolutionaries and comrades who wish to join them, anywhere in the world. In France, Germany, Britain, Italy, Belgium, Switzerland, groups are strengthening the consistent internationalism which we have always encouraged. Contact us, Spanish comrades and others, use pseudonyms; we will meet you anywhere and organize you. If you wish to write to us, we shall answer you at once. We seek a fraternal revolutionary collaboration with all peoples striving for freedom and socialism. We have a most important obligation to fulfill toward all oppressed peoples. Proletarians of all countries: Let us unite!