

Revolution on Trial!



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The trial of the "Gang of Four" is a trial which makes no mention of the chief defendant in the dock. It is proletarian revolution which is on trial in China now. This fact is being hidden from the people of the world.

When the Revolutionary Communist Party, U.S.A. exposed this fact to the American people they were seized by the United States police on a variety of trumped up charges and are now facing prison sentences totalling 241 years in jail if they are convicted. Thus in both the United States and in China those who promote and defend proletarian revolution are on trial. If you are interested in finding out more about these two trials come to:

**A PUBLIC MEETING AT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY CENTRE, 61B MANSFIELD ROAD,
NOTTINGHAM, ON THE 3rd JANUARY 1981 AT 2.30 p.m.**

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The trial of the "Gang of Four" currently staged in Peking is one of the greatest, farcical, show trials in history. What is really on trial is not four people but the existence of socialism in China, an existence which has been under serious threat ever since the counter-revolution in 1976. The Western media are particularly anxious to throw every slander and vile innuendo at the Four and, in common with the reactionaries in Peking, are blurring exactly what is the key issue of the trial.

What then were the crimes that the Four committed? - What are their hideous offences? - What makes the international bourgeoisie and their menials all unite in their attack? One single, simple answer - the hatred that the bourgeoisie have for proletarian revolution and the ruthlessness with which they will try to smash it. The Four were the comrades closest to Mao in the years prior to his death and it was to these four, most trusted comrades that Mao gave the urgent task of mobilising the Chinese masses against the revisionist elements already present in key sections of Chinese society. This was effected by means of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution; a mass mobilisation to defend the gains of the Chinese Revolution and to sweep the capitalist roaders out of the Communist Party, the factories, the communes and everywhere they were placed. This mass mobilisation was led by the "Gang of Four", fierce and determined enemies of counter-revolution. This then is the truth of their alleged terrible crimes.

The trial of the Four is only a beginning in the counter-revolutionary offensive, it is the preparation for an even bigger trial - the trial of Mao Tse Tung himself. Deng and his odious cronies want to whip up as much anti-Mao feeling as they can so they can ditch him and revolution in China for good. Deng wants to get the Four out of the way in order to prepare the attack on Mao. The position of Deng and his counter-revolutionary cronies

is by no means a secure one and they are desperate to consolidate their position. Thus they have used everything in their power to vilify the Four and especially Jiang Qing. As Mao's widow she is in an especially vulnerable position. One of the most ludicrous allegations thrown at her is that she, a mere woman, dared to interfere in the task of making revolution. But she is showing counter-revolutionaries and their lackeys all over the world that she holds them in contempt. She is proudly defending proletarian revolution and Mao Tse Tung Thought. On trial for her life she is an inspiration to revolutionaries everywhere.

The international bourgeoisie have acted in 100% unity to suppress the real reason for the trial of the Four. In January 1979 comrades from the Revolutionary Communist Party, U.S., staged a mass demonstration against Teng Hsia-ping's visit to Washington D.C. These comrades pointed out to the American people that Deng was as much an enemy of the Chinese people as Carter was to the American people. This demonstration gave the American ruling class a chance they had been looking for, to grab the RCP, U.S. and particularly its chairman, Bob Avakian. The RCP, U.S. with their bold and uncompromising attack on U.S. imperialism and the whole rotten capitalist system and their fierce advocacy of proletarian revolution have been posing a big threat to the American ruling class. This is why the capitalists in the U.S. will do anything to shut them up, including turning the U.S. judicial system upside down and manufacturing alleged offences. Carter, Reagan, Deng and ruling classes all over the world are disunited about many things but are always in total accord in their opposition to revolution. Bob Avakian and the 16 other defendants arrested at that demonstration face jail charges up to 241 years. Their crime? Opposing the United States ruling class. The lesson is clear, in both China and the United States proletarian revolution is on trial - don't let them do it - defend it.

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DEFEND THE "GANG OF FOUR"

DEFEND BOB AVAKIAN AND THE SIXTEEN MAO TSE TUNG DEFENDENTS

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