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RESOLUTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PARTIDO SOCIALISTA REVOLUCIONARIO OF AUGUST  
FOURTH, 1979. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY

To: Members of the Bureau of the United Secretariat and other leaders of the  
IV International present in Oberlin, Ohio, for the Congress of the S.W.P.

Comrades:

The E.C. of the P.S.R. voted unanimously this morning to strongly  
request the immediate intervention of the leadership of the International in the  
gravely deteriorating situation between the PST - PSR of Colombia in light  
of the following developments:

I. Friday, August 3, the following incidents occurred during a  
victory rally for Nicaragua. The rally was organized by the Committee in Soli-  
darity with Nicaragua, including the PSR, CP, Firms, CNS and others. The Rally  
was also supported by the PST and its "Friends of Nicaragua" Committee.

1. Jorge Ramos, PSR, was selling *Combate Socialista* when he was physically  
assaulted by ~~several~~ known members of the PST. <sup>The</sup> ~~These~~ PSTers grabbed Ramos by  
the hair and started ~~marking~~ <sup>shaking</sup> him. Other participants of the meeting stepped  
the attack.

2. As Ricardo Sánchez, PSR leader, climbed the speaker's platform  
a member of the national direction of the PST shouted:

"Coward. Come here" and shook his CLUB menacingly.

3. During his speech, comrade Sánchez was subjected to constant  
interruption from the PST in the form of whistling and shouts of "Semocista"  
and "Gusano".

Luis Carlos Valencia, Eduardo Barragan and Kemmel George, all PST  
leaders were plainly to be seen organizing the chanting and urging PSTers to  
shout louder.

4. Also during the speech, the PST attempted to break through the  
CNS defense guard to attack Sánchez. They waved large clubs in a threatening  
manner at him as they unsuccessfully tried to shove their way through the guard.

5. When leaving the platform it was necessary to provide a large  
defense guard to protect the comrade.

II. In addition, prior to the rally, the PST printed a front page  
story attacking comrades Sánchez, Redán and Galarza as "gusanos" betraying the  
Nicaragua revolution and calling for a revolutionary tribunal to "try" them.

III. During the tour of ede. Camejo in Colombia in June, PST leaders  
accused him, the PSR and the IV of being "traitors" to the Nicaragua revolution.

Hence the sectarian - dangerous course of the PST new, leading to  
physical assaults and threatening mere, as well as providing police agents with  
an opportunity to victimise trotskyist militants.

Therefore, the E.C. of the PSR called in its July 28 meeting for an  
International Control Commission to investigate the situation.

However, in the face of last night assaults the August 4 E.C. voted  
to ask the following:

1. That the international leaders present in Oberlin vote a resolution repudiating the charges of "traitors", "gusano", "Somocista" against leaders of the PSR, Camejo and the IV.
2. Instruct or request the PST to:
  - a. Desist from further such charges pending an investigation by the Control Commission;
  - b. to stop all physical assaults on the PSR;
  - c. to print in El Socialista an article repudiating the assaults and reaffirming the IV's traditional position with respect to worker's democracy, that is not using physical violence to settle a political dispute in the worker's movement.
3. To form and send the Commission as soon as is possible.
4. To have a central leader of the International call the PST immediately with respect to the above and then send a confirming telegram, with a copy to the PSR.

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Partido Socialista Revolucionario

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