

2nd Congress of Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Honduras

THE Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Honduras held its 2nd National Congress from May 1 to 3 this year. The congress approved a new programme and a new Constitution of the Party, examined the current national and international situation, elected a new Central Committee and issued a message to the Honduran people.

The message points out that the internal crisis in Honduras is sharpening daily and class struggle is developing in depth. U.S. companies, the latifundists and the big comprador bourgeoisie are conspiring to establish a fascist dictatorship and abolish the elementary rights of the labouring people. But the broad masses of the Honduran people demand democratic changes, liquidation of latifundism, respect for and enlargement of the working-class rights, recovery of the resources in the possession of the Yankee companies and the promotion of economic and social progress as the primary steps towards revolutionary transformations in the future and the attainment of full sovereignty and national independence.

The congress calls on all the political and social organizations of the country to take the defence of popular and national interests as the fundamental objective, "to form a national front with a broad mass base, to defeat the fascist designs of the ultra-Rightists and, on the basis of a common programme of democratic claims, to struggle for changes in the frail structures and institutions of the country, urgently demanded by the Honduran people."

The message points out that "imperialism, social-imperialism and colonialism — the most ferocious enemies of mankind — are heading towards their total collapse, while the peoples, through the powerful national and class struggles, are winning new victories and advancing irresistibly towards the attainment and affirmation of national independence, the democratic transformations and the creation of a socialist society."

The message notes that the United States, "despite its decadence that has put it on the defensive strategically, retains its aggressive, expansionist and exploiting nature and remains to be the source of aggressions and wars." "Soviet social-imperialism is part of the world imperialist system. It is governed by the same laws, has the same economic base, pursues the same expansionist and exploitative aims as capitalist imperialism does. Social-imperialism and imperialism are identical in nature. Soviet social-imperialism is shaken by the numerous contradictions inherent in it; it is also in crisis, decomposed and moribund. The overthrow of the revisionist bureaucrat bourgeoisie, the proletarian revolution and the re-establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat are the objective that the workers, the peasants and the people of all nationalities of the Soviet Union have set forth today.

"The disputes between the two superpowers, the United States and the Soviet Union, are of imperialist character. These disputes can lead to the outbreak of a new world war.

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"The third world, formed by the backward and developing countries of Latin America, Asia and Africa, has emerged as a powerful revolutionary force of our time.

"The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution of China has been the means by which the Chinese Communists and people have continued making the revolution under the conditions of the dictatorship of the proletariat and the building of socialism. Through the revolution they have defeated the attempts of revisionism and the bourgeoisie to usurp power and to restore capitalism, achieved profound transformations in the superstructure and base of the socialist society of China, strengthened the revolutionary dictatorship of the proletariat and consolidated socialism."

The message points out that the struggles against revisionism launched by the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Honduras ever since its founding have made the Party stronger with greater ideological solidity and greater unity.

The message concludes that "on this occasion the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Honduras reaffirms its unshakable determination to struggle against imperialism, reaction and revisionism, for the economic-social demands and democratic rights of the labouring masses, for the liberation of Honduras from the interference of and dependence upon U.S. imperialism, for the creation of socialism in our nation in future and for the abolition of the exploitation of man by man and of all class and national exploitation."