

# Deep Condolences for Chinese People's Great Leader Chairman Mao at Chinese Missions Abroad

## Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, President of the State of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the great leader of the Korean people, on the afternoon of September 10 called at the Chinese Embassy in Pyongyang to express condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. He presented a wreath.

President Kim Il Sung stood in silent tribute before the portrait of Chairman Mao Tsetung. He then told Shih Kuo-pao, Charge d'Affaires ad interim of the Chinese Embassy: "I feel deeply grieved over the passing away of Comrade Mao Tsetung. The whole membership of our Party and all the people of our country as well as I myself are in boundless sorrow like the Chinese people.

"I believe that the relations of friendship and cooperation between the peoples of Korea and China founded by Comrade Mao Tsetung will last for generations. We are determined to side for ever with the Chinese people and fight shoulder to shoulder with them against the common enemy.

"Please convey our condolences to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people."

President Kim Il Sung wrote in the book of condolence: "I express deep condolences over the death of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Chinese people, the closest comrade-in-arms of the Korean people and one of the outstanding leaders of the international communist movement and working-class movement.

"Comrade Mao Tsetung was the great proletarian revolutionary who founded the Communist Party of China, the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the People's Republic of China, led the revolutionary cause of the Chinese people to brilliant victory and performed immortal exploits in accelerating the liberation cause of the oppressed nations and oppressed people and the victory of the international communist move-

ment and in strengthening and developing the friendship and unity between the peoples of Korea and China.

"The death of Comrade Mao Tsetung is a great loss not only to the Chinese people but also to the Korean people and the world revolutionary people.

"Though Comrade Mao Tsetung has departed from us, his precious exploits will shine for ever."

The Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, the Central People's Committee of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the D.P.R.K. Administration Council sent wreaths to the Chinese Embassy on September 10.

Other Korean Party and government leaders paying condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy on September 10 were: Kim Dong Gyu, Kang Ryang Uk, Pak Sung Chul, O Jin U, So Chol, Li Gun Mo, Yon Hyong Muk, Li Yong Mu, Chon Mun Sop, Hyon Mu Gwang, O Baek Ryong, Han Ik Su, Kim Yong Nam, Kim Chol Man, Kang Song San, Ho Dam, Kong Jin Tae, Yun Gi Bok, Li Jong Ok, Kim Hwan and Hwang Jang Yop.

## Albania

Comrade Enver Hoxha, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Albanian Party of Labour, called at the Chinese Embassy in Tirana on the morning of September 10 to express deep grief and condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung and laid a wreath before his portrait.

Among those who also made condolence calls at the Embassy were Haxhi Lleshi, President of the Presidium of the People's Assembly of the People's Republic of Albania; Mehmet Shehu, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Albanian Party of Labour and Chairman of the Council of Ministers; and other Albanian Party and state leaders Adil Carcani, Haki Toska, Hekuran Isai, Hysni Kapo, Kadri Hazbiu, Manush Myftiu, Pali Miska, Ramiz Alia, Rita Marko, Spiro Koleka, Llambi Gegprifti, Pilo Peristeri, Qirjako Mihali, Xhafer Spahiu and Petro Dode.

Comrades Nexhmije Hoxha and Nesti Nase also made condolence calls.

In deep grief and sincerity, Enver Hoxha, Haxhi Lleshi, Mehmet Shehu and other Albanian comrades stood in silent tribute before the portrait of Chairman Mao Tsetung. Then, Comrade Hoxha told Han Po, Charge d'Affaires ad interim of the Chinese Embassy: "On behalf of the Albanian people, the Central Committee of the Albanian Party of Labour, the Presidium of the People's Assembly, the Council of Ministers and all Albanian Communists, I express deepest condolences on the passing away of Comrade Mao Tsetung, outstanding and glorious Marxist-Leninist, the great leader of the Chinese people and the most esteemed friend of Albania. He will live in our hearts for ever. We will certainly strengthen friendship and unity between our two Parties, our two peoples and our two countries. Eternal glory to Comrade Mao Tsetung!"

A wreath was laid jointly by the Central Committee of the Albanian Party of Labour, the Presidium of the People's Assembly and the Council of Ministers.

Representatives of the ministries and committees of the Albanian Government, mass organizations, the Executive Committee of the Tirana District People's Council, factories and mines, agricultural co-operatives and schools also made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy.

## Romania

Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, General Secretary of the Romanian Communist Party and President of the Socialist Republic of Romania, called at the Chinese Embassy in Bucharest on the afternoon of September 11 to express deep condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Accompanying him were Elena Ceausescu, Member of the Executive Political Committee of the Central Committee of the Romanian Communist Party, Manea Manescu, Member of the Executive Political Committee of the Party Central Committee and Prime Minister, and other Romanian Party and state leaders Stefan Voitec, Emil Bobu, Cornel Burtica, Gheorghe Cioara, Lina Ciobanu, Janos Fazekas, Paul Niculescu, Gheorghe Oprea, Gheorghe Pana, Ion Patan, Dumitru Popescu, Gheorghe Radulescu, Leonte Rautu, Iosif Uglar, Ilie Verdet, Stefan Andrei, Iosif Banc, Teodor Coman, Mihai Dalea, Ion Dinca, Mihai Gere, Nicolae Giosan, Vasile Patilinet, Ion Ursu, Constantin Dascalescu and Aurel Duma as well as Romanian Minister of Foreign Affairs George Macovescu.

In the mourning hall were wreaths from Nicolae Ceausescu, General Secretary of the Romanian Communist Party and President of the Socialist Republic of Romania, the Central Committee of the Romanian Communist Party, the State Council and the government.

Nicolae Ceausescu and other Romanian Party and government leaders stood in silent tribute before the portrait of Chairman Mao Tsetung and signed the condolence book. Comrade Ceausescu said to Chinese Ambassador Comrade Li Ting-chuan: Chairman Mao

Tsetung was an outstanding man who devoted all his life to the cause of revolution and construction of New China and made important contributions to the struggle against imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism and the cause for world peace and socialism. Comrade Ceausescu described his meeting with Comrade Mao Tsetung in Peking in 1971 as a particularly important event in the history of the development of the relations of friendship and co-operation between the two Parties, the two countries and the two peoples. He stressed that Chairman Mao Tsetung was an outstanding fighter in the international communist movement and a great friend of the Romanian people. His death is a great loss not only to the Chinese people but also to the Romanian people. Comrade Ceausescu reaffirmed the feelings of solidarity and friendship cherished by the Romanian Communist Party and the Romanian people for the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people during moments of grief. He expressed the resolve of the Romanian Communist Party and the Romanian people to exert all efforts to further develop the relations of friendship and co-operation between the two Parties, the two countries and the two peoples.

Among those who made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were also members and alternate members of the Central Committee of the Romanian Communist Party, members of the State Council and the government, directors of departments of the Party Central Committee, top-ranking generals, leading members of central government organs, mass organizations, industrial enterprises, educational and cultural institutions, prominent figures of various circles and representatives of the masses.

## Democratic Kampuchea

Khieu Samphan, President of the Presidium of the State of Democratic Kampuchea; Nuon Chea, Chairman of the Permanent Committee of the People's Congress of Kampuchea; and Polpot, Prime Minister of the Government of Democratic Kampuchea called at the Chinese Embassy in Phnom Penh on the morning of September 18 to extend most profound condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Prime Minister Polpot said to Chinese Ambassador Sun Hao: "On behalf of the Kampuchean revolutionary organization, the Kampuchean people, the Presidium of the State of Democratic Kampuchea, the Permanent Committee of the People's Congress of Kampuchea, the Government of Democratic Kampuchea and the Kampuchean Revolutionary Army, we have come to the Embassy of the People's Republic of China with extreme grief and regret to extend our boundless revolutionary affection and esteem to the memory of the sublime soul of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the esteemed and beloved great leader of the Chinese people,—our fraternal comrades-in-arms, the outstanding teacher of the world proletariat and the oppressed nations and oppressed people, and the closest and most warmhearted comrade-in-arms of the Kampuchean people."

The Prime Minister added: "Though Chairman Mao Tsetung has left the Chinese people and the oppressed people of the world, his name and Mao Tsetung Thought will live for ever in the hearts of the revolutionary people of China and the oppressed people of the world."

Accompanying them at the condolence call were Deputy Prime Ministers Von Vet and Son Sen, and Minister of Social Affairs Ieng Thirith.

Earlier, Minister of Information and Propaganda Hu Nim and Minister of Social Affairs Ieng Thirith had called at the Chinese Embassy to express their condolences.

Wreaths were presented by the Kampuchean revolutionary organization, the Presidium of the State of Democratic Kampuchea, the Permanent Committee of the People's Congress of Kampuchea and the Government of Democratic Kampuchea.

## Viet Nam

A Delegation of the Viet Nam Workers' Party Central Committee and the National Assembly and Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam called at the Chinese Embassy in Hanoi on the morning of September 11 to express condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The delegation was composed of Vietnamese Party and state leaders. They were Comrade Ton Duc Thang, President of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam; Comrade Le Duan, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Viet Nam Workers' Party; Comrades Nguyen Luong Bang and Nguyen Huu Tho, Vice-Presidents of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam; Comrade Truong Chinh, Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam; Comrade Pham Van Dong, Premier of the Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam; and Comrades Pham Hung, Vo Nguyen Giap, Le Thanh Nghi, Hoang Van Hoan, Tran Quoc Hoan, Van Tien Dung, Huynh Tan Phat, Le Van Luong, To Huu, Xuan Thuy and Chu Van Tan.

The delegation laid before the portrait of Chairman Mao Tsetung a wreath bearing the words: "To the memory of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Chinese people, and esteemed and beloved friend of the Vietnamese people."

The Vietnamese Party and state leaders stood in silent tribute before the portrait of Chairman Mao Tsetung and wrote in the condolence book.

President Ton Duc Thang told Wang Chin, Charge d'Affaires ad interim of the Chinese Embassy in Viet Nam: "Shocked to learn of the passing away of Chairman Mao, the great leader of the Chinese people. We are deeply grieved and extend our most profound condolences."

On the morning of September 10, Vietnamese Party and state leaders Le Duan, Truong Chinh, Pham Van

Dong, Vo Nguyen Giap, Le Thanh Nghi, Hoang Van Hoan and Xuan Thuy went to the Chinese Embassy to express deep condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Comrade Le Duan said to Charge d'Affaires ad interim Wang Chin: "Today, on behalf of the Viet Nam Workers' Party, the Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam and the entire Vietnamese people, we extend our deep condolences on the death of the esteemed and beloved Chairman Mao Tsetung. The passing away of Chairman Mao is a colossal loss not only to the Chinese Party, Government and people, but also to our Party, Government and people."

Nguyen Duy Trinh, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Viet Nam Workers' Party, Vice-Premier of the Government and Minister of Foreign Affairs, called at the Chinese Embassy on September 19 to express profound condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

## Laos

Souphanouvong, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Lao People's Revolutionary Party, President of the Lao People's Democratic Republic and President of the Supreme People's Council, on September 14 visited the Chinese Embassy in Vientiane to express deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Other Lao Party and state leaders Nouhak Phoumsavane, Phoumi Vongvichit, Phoun Sipaseuth and Khamsouk Keola as well as Chief of General Staff Sisavat Keobounphan of the Lao People's Liberation Army also paid condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy.

Souvanna Phouma, Advisor to the Lao Government, also offered condolences at the Chinese Embassy.

The Central Committee of the Lao People's Revolutionary Party, the Supreme People's Council and the Government of the Republic jointly presented a wreath with the inscription: "Deeply mourn Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Chinese people and close comrade-in-arms of the Lao people."

The Lao Party and state leaders paid silent tribute to the late Chairman Mao Tsetung before his portrait. President Souphanouvong wrote in the condolence book: "On behalf of the People's Revolutionary Party of Laos, the Government and the entire people of Laos, I deeply mourn Comrade Mao Tsetung, the esteemed and beloved great leader of the Chinese people. The Chinese people have lost their great leader and the Lao people their closest comrade-in-arms. We express our most profound gratitude to Chairman Mao Tsetung who had always rendered support and assistance to the Lao people in their revolutionary struggle."

The same day, many representatives of Party, government and army departments and mass organizations

and representatives of Chinese residents also visited the Chinese Embassy to express their condolences.

Kaysone Phomyihane, General Secretary of the Lao People's Revolutionary Party and Premier of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, and other members of the Lao delegation led by him on a visit to Cuba, called at the Chinese Embassy in Havana on the afternoon of September 10 to express their profound sorrow on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

## Pakistan

Fazal Elahi Chaudhry, President of Pakistan, on September 10 called at the Chinese Embassy in Islamabad to extend deep condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

President Elahi wrote in the condolence book: "The greatest debt the world owes to Chairman Mao is that he awakened the subjugated nations and gave them a new confidence in their strength. Mao Tsetung is not really dead. As one of the great national builders of all times, he is immortal. His memory will endure through ages."

Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, Prime Minister of Pakistan, also went to the Chinese Embassy on the afternoon of September 10 to extend condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. In the condolence book he wrote that Chairman Mao Tsetung "always held the welfare and progress of the people of Pakistan to his heart. My last meeting with him in May this year once again provided me with an opportunity of experiencing love and affection which he had for the people of Pakistan. His contribution to the cause of China-Pakistan friendship will always remain enshrined in our memory." He expressed the confidence that the great Chinese people will win more tremendous victories.

Prime Minister Bhutto conveyed to the Chinese Ambassador to Pakistan Lu Wei-chao the tremendous grief of all the Pakistan people on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. The Ambassador expressed his gratitude to Prime Minister Bhutto.

On September 9 and 10, high-ranking officers and officials, governors and assembly speakers of the provinces as well as representatives of the people of various circles also made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy.

## Algeria

Houari Boumediene, President of the Council of Revolution and Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Algeria, called at the Chinese Embassy in Algiers on September 10 to express condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

President Boumediene wrote in the condolence book: "If we are aware of the dimension of this loss to the anti-imperialist fight and the struggle for progress, we will be convinced that Mao Tsetung will live

for ever among us by his thought and struggle and that he will remain a symbol of the resistance and struggle for all the peoples."

Accompanying the Algerian President on the call were Member of the Council of Revolution and Minister of Foreign Affairs Abdelaziz Bouteflika, Member of the Council of Revolution and Minister of the Interior Mohamed Ben Ahmed Abdel Ghani, Member of the Council of Revolution and Minister of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform Mohamed Larbi Tayebi, Member of the Council of Revolution and Commander of the Gendarmerie Ahmed Bencherif and other ministers and high-ranking officials.

On the afternoon of September 9, President Boumediene and Foreign Minister Bouteflika and the central leadership of the Algerian National Liberation Front presented wreaths at the Chinese Embassy on separate occasions.

## Tunisia

Tunisian Prime Minister Hedi Nouria called at the Chinese Embassy in Tunis on September 10 to express condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Prime Minister Nouria wrote in the condolence book, "I pay tribute to the late Chairman Mao Tsetung, a great man and the founder of New China."

Sadok Mokaddem, President of the Tunisian National Assembly, called at the Chinese Embassy on the morning of September 18 to express deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

After standing in silent tribute before the portrait of Chairman Mao, President Mokaddem wrote in the condolence book: "Today, on the occasion of the memorial meeting held by the Chinese people to mourn the great Chairman Mao Tsetung, I, in my own name and in the name of the National Assembly, express deepest sympathy to the Chinese people, Government and leaders on the tremendous loss they suffered in the passing of their great revolutionary leader, founder of China's unification and architect of China's prosperity."

Among those who paid condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy from September 10 to 18 were Tunisian Minister of External Affairs Habib Chatti, other ministers, senior officials and officers, leading members of mass organizations and friendly personages of various circles.

## Palestine

Yasser Arafat, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization and Commander in Chief of the Palestine Revolution Forces, called at the Chinese Embassy in Beirut on the evening of September 9 to express his deep condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Abu Jihad, leader of the Palestine National Liberation Movement (Al Fatah), called at the Chinese Embassy

in Beirut the same evening to offer deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

George Habash, leader of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, Nayef Hawatmeh, leader of the Democratic Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, and representatives of the Palestine Liberation Army, the Palestine Federation of Trade Unions and some other Palestinian mass organizations made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy on September 10 separately.

## Japan

Japanese government officials, political party leaders and prominent personages of various circles, numbering more than 1,700, went to the Chinese Embassy in Tokyo on September 9 and 10 to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Among them are:

Prime Minister of the Japanese Government Takeo Miki, Minister of Finance Masayoshi Ohira, the then Minister of Foreign Affairs Kiichi Miyazawa, President of the House of Councillors Kenzo Kono, Speaker of the House of Representatives Shigesaburo Maeo.

Chairman of the Japan Socialist Party Tomomi Narita, Chairman of the Japanese Komei Party Yoshikatsu Takeiri, and Chairman of the Japanese Democratic Socialist Party Ikko Kasuga.

Among those paying condolence calls at the embassy in the following days were: Zentaro Kosaka, the newly-appointed Japanese Foreign Minister; Toshio Komoto, International Trade and Industry Minister; Michio Nagai, Education Minister; Ichitaro Ide, Chief Cabinet Secretary; and Michita Sakata, Director-General of the Defence Agency.

From September 9 to 18, nearly 10,000 people including Japanese government officials and personages from various circles, filed into the Chinese Embassy in Tokyo and the Chinese Consulate-General in Osaka city to express their respect for Chairman Mao Tsetung and their deep condolences on his passing.

## Sri Lanka

Sri Lanka President William Gopallawa and Prime Minister Mrs. Sirimavo R.D. Bandaranaike called at the Chinese Embassy in Colombo separately on September 10 to express condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

In the condolence book, President Gopallawa wrote: "We have lost a great leader." Mrs. Bandaranaike wrote in the book: "Chairman Mao was a great world leader. His death will leave a world which will be very difficult to fill. We join with the great Chinese people in mourning his death."

Mrs. Bandaranaike told Chinese Ambassador to Sri Lanka Huang Ming-ta that Chairman Mao's death is "a great loss to developing countries like Sri Lanka. It's very sad."

## Bangladesh

Abu Sadat Mohammed Sayem, President and Chief Martial Law Administrator of Bangladesh, called at the Chinese Embassy in Dacca on the afternoon of September 9 to express condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Ziaur Rahman, Deputy Chief Martial Law Administrator and Chief of Army Staff, Moshraff Hossain, Deputy Chief Martial Law Administrator and Chief of Naval Staff, and Abdul Gaffar Mahmood, Deputy Chief Martial Law Administrator and Chief of Air Staff, called at the Chinese Embassy on the afternoon of September 9 and on the following day separately to express condolences.

President Sayem and Deputy Chief Martial Law Administrator Ziaur Rahman wrote inscriptions in the condolence book in tribute to the late Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Many other high-ranking officials and officers of Bangladesh and representatives of various circles also called at the Chinese Embassy to express condolences.

## Tanzania

Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere called at the Chinese Embassy in Dar-es-Salaam on the morning of September 10 to offer condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Aboud Jumbe, Tanzanian First Vice-President, Chairman of the Zanzibar Revolutionary Council and of the Afro-Shirazi Party, called at the Chinese Consulate in Zanzibar on September 14 to offer deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The First Vice-President said to Chinese Consul Liu Hsu-chi: "At this moment of grief, we share with you your sorrow. We should follow the teachings which Chairman Mao made in his lifetime, and consolidate the relations of friendship and co-operation between the people of our two countries."

On the same day, Tanzanian Second Vice-President and Prime Minister Rashidi Mfaume Kawawa went to the Chinese Embassy in Dar-es-Salaam to express profound condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Making condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were also Chief Justice A. Saidi, Commander of the People's Defence Forces of Tanzania A. Twalipo, other high-ranking officials and officers, leading members of mass organizations and prominent figures of various circles.

Tanzanian Foreign Minister Ibrahim Kaduma sent a letter to the Chinese Embassy to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

On September 10, and a number of days after, people from various circles and leading members or representatives of African nationalist organizations in Tanzania also made condolence calls at the

Chinese Embassy in Dar-es-Salaam or at the Chinese Consulate in Zanzibar to mourn the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. On September 10, some 400 teachers, students and workers of Dar-es-Salaam University, holding high a portrait of Chairman Mao, went to the Chinese Embassy to offer condolences on his demise. In front of the embassy building, their representative read out a letter of condolence sent by the Tanganyika African National Union (TANU) Youth League Branch, the Students' Union and workers of the university to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China. Five representatives from the TANU college at Kivukoni made a special trip to the Chinese Embassy on September 14 to express condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

## Canada

Canadian Governor-General Jules Leger and Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau called at the Chinese Embassy in Ottawa respectively on September 9 and 10 to express deep condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Chinese people.

During his condolence call on September 10, Prime Minister Trudeau recalled his two meetings with Chairman Mao during his visits to China. He said that Chairman Mao was a great man who changed backward and poverty-stricken China into a modern and strong country. It is the Canadian Government's policy to continue developing friendly relations with China, he emphasized.

Renaude Lapointe, Speaker of the Canadian Senate, called at the Chinese Embassy on September 15 to express condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Earlier, President of the Privy Council Mitchell Sharp, and a number of ministers and vice-ministers of the Canadian Government, as well as members of Parliament had paid condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy on September 11 and a number of days after.

Representatives of the Central Committee of the Canadian Communist League (Marxist-Leninist) also went to the Chinese Embassy to express condolence on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Also calling at the Chinese Embassy to mourn Chairman Mao were: Canadian friendly personages James G. Endicott and Professor Paul T. K. Lin, leading members of Canada-China friendship associations in Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa and other cities as well as workers, students, women and representatives of Chinese residents and Taiwan compatriots from Ottawa, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Halifax and other cities of Canada.

Over 1,000 people paid condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy from September 9 to 18.

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## Comrade V.G. Wilcox

V.G. Wilcox, General Secretary, and R.C. Wolf, Secretary, of the Communist Party of New Zealand, called at the Chinese Embassy in Wellington on September 12 to express, on behalf of the National Committee of the N.Z.C.P. and the Party in general, condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung, beloved and great leader of the Chinese people.

C.R. Howell, President of the New Zealand-China Society, also made a condolence call at the Chinese Embassy.

## Comrade E.F. Hill

E.F. Hill, Chairman of the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist), called at the Chinese Embassy in Canberra on September 11 to express his deepest condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Comrade Hill said to Chinese Ambassador Chou Chiu-yeh, "All the comrades of the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist) are extremely saddened by the death of Chairman Mao."

*Vanguard*, organ of the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist), published a special issue on September 10 to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. It carried a long article by Comrade Hill, entitled "Chairman Mao's Teachings Inspire Millions to Struggle for Liberation."

## Marxist-Leninist Parties of France

The Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of France and the French Revolutionary Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) sent their delegations respectively to the Chinese Embassy in Paris on September 18 to extend deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The Delegation of the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of France stood in silent tribute before the portrait of Chairman Mao Tsetung and presented a wreath bearing the words: "To Comrade Mao Tsetung, the greatest Marxist-Leninist of the contemporary era."

The Delegation of the Central Committee of the French Revolutionary Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) also stood in silent tribute to the memory of Chairman Mao Tsetung and presented a wreath with the inscription: "Paying homage to Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the proletariat."

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Memorial meetings for Chairman Mao Tsetung were held on September 18 and for several days before by Canada-China friendship associations and overseas Chinese organizations in Ottawa, Montreal, Toronto, Halifax, Edmonton and other places in the country.

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More than 700 people have made condolence calls at the Chinese Consulate-General in Vancouver since September 9. Among them were members of the Provincial Legislative Assembly, leading members of Canada-China friendship associations and overseas Chinese organizations in Vancouver and in the Province of British Columbia.

## Azad Jammu and Kashmir

Sardar Mohammad Ibrahim Khan, President of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, came specially from Muzaffarabad to call at the Chinese Embassy in Pakistan on September 11 to express his deep condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

He wrote in the condolence book: "In this moment of grief and sorrow, the Government and people of Kashmir are with the Government and people of China. The Chinese great leader was a sincere friend of the Kashmir people."

## Malaysia

Datuk Hussein bin Onn, Prime Minister of Malaysia, called at the Chinese Embassy in Kuala Lumpur on September 11 to express condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Malaysian Minister of Foreign Affairs Tunku Ahmad Rithauddeen, other government ministers and Members of Parliament also called at the Chinese Embassy to express condolences.

Paying condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were also public figure Tan Siew Sin and friendly personages of various circles.

## Zambia

President Kenneth David Kaunda of Zambia called at the Chinese Embassy in Lusaka on September 11 to express condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Accompanying the Zambian President to the Chinese Embassy were Secretary General of the United National Independence Party of Zambia Alexander Grey Zulu, Prime Minister Elijah Mudenda, Chief Justice A.M. Silungwe, Deputy Speaker of the Zambian National Assembly R. Sakuhuka, Commander of the Zambia National Defence Force Full General Chinkuli as well as members of the Central Committee of the United National Independence Party, government ministers and other high-ranking officers and officials.

President Kaunda wrote in the condolence book: "We mourn the passing of the great man, but the revolution he started and did so much to promote will continue for ever."

He told Chinese Ambassador Li Chiang-fen: "We in Zambia remember Chairman Mao all the time, because he was a great thinker."

He added, "For us, who consider ourselves to be true friends of the Chinese people, our task is clear. It is to advance revolution as we mourn this great man, we mourn his passing."

## Mauritania

Moktar Ould Daddah, President of Mauritania and General Secretary of the Mauritanian People's Party, called at the Chinese Embassy in Nouakchott on the morning of September 10 to express deep condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Also paying condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were members of the National Political Bureau of the Mauritanian People's Party in Nouakchott, including President of the National Assembly Sall Abdoul Aziz and Minister of State of External Affairs Hamdi Ould Mouknass.

## Botswana

President Seretse Khama of Botswana called at the Chinese Embassy in Gaborone on September 10 to express condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Accompanying the President were Minister of Foreign Affairs Archie Mogwe and other government officials.

Botswana Vice-President and Minister of Finance and Development Planning Guett Masire called at the Chinese Embassy in Gaborone on September 17 to express condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Many Botswana government officials, friendly personages from various circles and a number of African friends called at the Chinese Embassy on September 10 and several days after to offer condolences and wrote in the book of condolence.

## The Gambia

Dawda Jawara, President of the Gambia, called at the Chinese Embassy in Banjul on the morning of September 11 to mourn the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Accompanying the President during the condolence call were Gambian Minister of External Affairs Alieu Badara N'Jie and other high-ranking officials.

## Mozambique

President Samora Machel of Mozambique called at the Chinese Embassy in Maputo on the morning of September 10 to express condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

President Samora Machel laid two wreaths in the mourning hall in the name of the Central Committee of the Mozambique Liberation Front (FRELIMO) and the Mozambican Government respectively.

The President wrote in the condolence book: "Chairman Mao Tsetung is not only the great leader of the Chinese people but also the great leader of the oppressed people. His thought will continue to encourage the revolutionary fighters who are fighting for the cause of freedom, independence and justice."

Also making condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were Marcelino dos Santos, Vice-President of the FRELIMO and Minister of Development and Economic Planning, and other senior officials.

## Guinea

President Sekou Toure of Guinea and his wife called at the Chinese Embassy in Conakry on the afternoon of September 9 to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

President Toure wrote in the condolence book: "Comrade Mao Tsetung was a decisive revolutionary whom progressive mankind will always remember, because he incarnated progressive mankind and was strictly loyal to it till his death."

Also calling at the Chinese Embassy were Prime Minister Lansana Beavogui and other government ministers.

On the same afternoon, President Toure read over Radio Conakry a statement of the Central Committee of the Democratic Party of Guinea on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung. The statement said that flags should be flown at half-mast all over the country from September 9 to 11 during which local authorities, workers, youth and women's organizations, school administrations and military units and production units committees should meet to observe a one-minute silence in memory of the great revolutionary Chairman Mao Tsetung.

## Mexico

Mexican President and Madame Luis Echeverria called at the Chinese Embassy in Mexico City on September 11 to express condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

President and Madame Echeverria laid a wreath and stood in silent tribute before the portrait of Chairman Mao Tsetung. President Echeverria wrote in the condolence book: "Under the inspiration of the third world stand of the great leader of China, the relations between people's China and Mexico have been established and rapidly expanded for the benefit of our people — the people of the two countries."

Others making condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were Carlos Sansores Perez, President of the Permanent Commission of the Mexican Senate; Mario Rebollo, President of the Supreme Court of Justice; Alfonso Garcia Robles, Secretary of Foreign Affairs; other cabinet members and senior officials of other departments concerned.

From September 9 to 11, around 1,000 people, among them Mexican government officials, friendly personages of various circles and representatives of Chinese residents in Mexico, called at the Chinese Embassy to extend deep condolences on the decease of Chairman Mao Tsetung. Some Latin American friends in Mexico also made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy.

## Guyana

Guyanese Prime Minister and Mrs. Forbes Burnham called at the Chinese Embassy in Georgetown on September 11 to express condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

As representative of President Arthur Chung of Guyana J.A. Orderson, Secretary of the Office of the President, also offered condolences at the Chinese Embassy.

Others who paid condolence visits to the Chinese Embassy the same day were Deputy Prime Minister and General Secretary of the ruling People's National Congress Ptolemy Reid; Speaker of the National Assembly Sase Narain; Chief Justice Harold Bollers; Minister of Foreign Affairs and Justice Fred Wills; other government ministers and high-ranking officials as well as several hundred people of various walks of life.

Representatives of Chinese residents also made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy.

Earlier, on the afternoon of September 9, Prime Minister Burnham received at his official residence Chinese Ambassador Wang Chan-yuan. The Prime Minister, on behalf of the Government and people of Guyana, and in his own name, expressed sympathy with the Chinese people on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

## Yugoslavia

On behalf of President Josip Broz Tito and the Presidency of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, Vice-President of the Federal Presidency Vidoje Zarkovic on September 11 called at the Chinese Embassy in Belgrade to express deep condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Vidoje Zarkovic wrote in the condolence book: "On behalf of the President of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the Federal Presidency as well as in my own name, I express deepest condolences to the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China and the friendly Chinese people on the passing away of Mao Tsetung, the prominent leader and revolutionary and founder of the People's Republic of China, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China."

The same day, Kiro Gligorov, President of the Yugoslav Federal Assembly; Dzemal Bijedic, President of the Yugoslav Federal Executive Council; Milos Minic, Vice-President of the Federal Executive Council and Federal Secretary for Foreign Affairs; and other officials of



the Yugoslav Government also called at the Chinese Embassy to express condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung and wrote tributes in the condolence book.

## Iceland

President Kristjan Eldjarn of Iceland, and Mrs. Eldjarn called at the Chinese Embassy in Reykjavik on September 10 to extend deep condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Chinese people. Prime Minister Geir Hallgrimsson also made a condolence call at the Chinese Embassy the same day.

Leaders of Icelandic Marxist-Leninist Parties and other Icelandic personages called at the Chinese Embassy in Reykjavik to express their condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Among them were Gunnar Andresson, Chairman of the Communist Party of Iceland (Marxist-Leninist), and Ari Trausti Gudmundsson, Chairman of the Communist League of Union (Marxist-Leninist) of Iceland.

Kristjan Gudlaugsson, Chairman, and Jakob Benediktsson, Vice-Chairman, of the Iceland-China Society for Culture, also made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy.

Condolence calls were also made by more than 500 Icelandic friendly personages and people of various circles.

## New Zealand

Robert Muldoon, Prime Minister of New Zealand, F.H. Corner, Secretary of Foreign Affairs, and other high-ranking officials of the Government called at the Chinese Embassy in Wellington on September 10 to express condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Friendly personages from all circles and representatives of Chinese residents in New Zealand also made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy.

## Yemen Arab Republic

Ibrahim Mohamed Hamdi, Chairman of the Command Council and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Yemen Arab Republic, interrupted his inspection tour of the country to call at the Chinese Embassy in Sanaa on the afternoon of September 11 to express condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Chairman Hamdi stood in silent tribute before Chairman Mao's portrait and wrote in the condolence book: "With great sorrow, I express, in the name of the Yemeni people, deepest condolences on the passing away of the great Chairman Mao Tsetung. We would like to share with the friendly Chinese people and their government the great misfortune of the passing away of this giant. The late Chairman Mao Tsetung struggled and made sacrifices for the great Chinese people. I once again express cordial sympathy and extremely

great sorrow in the name of the Yemeni people. I am convinced that the Chinese people will continue to advance and become more staunch."

Abdul-Aziz Abdul-Ghani, Member of the Command Council and Prime Minister of the Yemen Arab Republic, made a condolence call at the Chinese Embassy on the morning of September 10.

He told Charge d'Affaires ad interim of the Chinese Embassy Li Kuang: "The passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao Tsetung is a great loss not only to the Chinese people but also to the third world people and the people of the whole world."

The Yemeni Prime Minister wrote in the condolence book: "With great sorrow we learnt of the news of the passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao Tsetung. In the name of the Command Council, the Government and the entire people of the Yemen Arab Republic, I hereby express sincere condolences and sympathy to the Chinese Government and people on this great misfortune."

Making condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy on September 11 were also Member of the Command Council and Deputy Commander-in-Chief and Chief of the General Staff of the Armed Forces Ahmed al Ghasmi, Deputy Prime Minister for Interior Affairs Abdel Latif Daifallah, Minister of Foreign Affairs Abdulla Abdu Magid Asnag and other high-ranking officials and officers.

## People's Democratic Republic of Yemen

Salem Robaya Ali, Chairman of the Presidential Council of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, and Abdul Fattah Ismail, Secretary-General of the Unified National Front Political Organization and President of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Council, called at the Chinese Embassy in Aden on the morning of September 11 to express condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

After standing in silent tribute before the portrait of Chairman Mao, Chairman Robaya and Secretary-General Ismail wrote in the condolence book: "In the name of the people, the Unified National Front Political Organization and the Government of Democratic Yemen, we express hereby with grief to the Chinese Embassy, the Chinese comrades here, the friendly Chinese people, the Communist Party of China and the Government of the People's Republic of China our sincere condolences on the death of the Chinese people's great leader and great commander, Comrade Mao Tsetung." "We feel as grievous as the Chinese people over this irreparable loss," they wrote. They also wrote that they were convinced that the Chinese people would continue to march on the road of building socialism under the leadership of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party. Mao Tsetung Thought is a beacon light.

Also making condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were other government officials and friendly personages of Democratic Yemen.

## Jamaica

Jamaican Prime Minister Michael Manley called at the Chinese Embassy in Kingston on September 13 to express condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Jamaica's Deputy Prime Minister David Coore, Minister of External Affairs Dudley Thompson, Chief Justice Kenneth George Smith, Chief of Staff of the Jamaican Defence Force R.G.E. Green, and other senior government officials have made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy since September 9.

Keith Miles, President of the Jamaica Youth Forces for National Liberation, wrote in the condolence book, "Chairman Mao will remain for ever in our hearts," when he made a condolence call at the Chinese Embassy.

In a message of condolence addressed to Li Chao, Chinese Ambassador to Jamaica, the organization wrote: "Each one of us is deeply saddened by the news of the death of your great leader Chairman Mao Tsetung. To expound the monumental achievements of Chairman Mao will require massive volumes. Chairman Mao has been a great source of inspiration and guidance to the oppressed people of Jamaica in their struggles for liberation." "Chairman Mao's works will be with us for ever." Other leading members of the organization also called at the Chinese Embassy to offer condolences.

President of the Jamaican Association for Friendship with the People's Republic of China, friendly personages of various circles and representatives of Chinese residents in Jamaica were among the mourners making condolence calls at the Embassy.

## The Congo

Holding portraits of Chairman Mao Tsetung, more than 1,000 people silently marched five kilometres to the Chinese Embassy in Brazzaville on the morning of September 13 to express deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. The marchers included members of the Special Revolutionary General Staff (RSGS) of the People's Republic of the Congo, members of the Central Committee of the Congolese Party of Labour, government ministers, members of the Bureau of the Congolese National People's Assembly and leaders of mass organizations.

Among the mourners were Tchicaya-Thystere, RSGS member in charge of the permanent affairs, organization and administration of the Party and of mass organizations; Denis Sassou-Nguesso, RSGS member responsible for the permanent commission of the army in charge of defence and security; Luis Sylvain Goma, RSGS member, Prime Minister and Head of the Government; and Mouissou Poaty, President of the National People's Assembly.

They stood in silent tribute before the portrait of the late Chairman Mao Tsetung. Then, Tchicaya-Thy-

stere, in the name of the Special Revolutionary General Staff, wrote in the book of condolence: "It is with deep sorrow that the Congolese Party and people learnt of the tragic disappearance of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the beloved teacher, founder and great leader of the Communist Party of China, and one of the greatest revolutionaries and Marxists of our epoch."

"Chairman Mao Tsetung gave all his life, all his energy and all his intelligence to the great cause of the world revolution, to the cause of the liberation of the oppressed nations and people and to the cause of socialism."

"The Congolese people, Party and Government extend on this occasion their deepest condolences and profound sympathy to the brotherly Chinese people, and reiterate their strong conviction that the brotherly Chinese people will turn this great loss into new strength and continue to carry forward the immortal cause of Chairman Mao Tsetung." "Eternal glory to Chairman Mao Tsetung!"

Prime Minister Goma and President Poaty signed the book of condolence on behalf of the Government and the National People's Assembly of the Congo respectively.

Several thousand Brazzaville citizens called at the Chinese Embassy group after group to pay silent tribute before the portrait of the late Chairman Mao Tsetung, in deep mourning for his death.

## Sierra Leone

Sierra Leone's President Siaka Stevens, Vice-President and Minister of Development, Economic Planning and Finance Sorie Koroma, and Acting Prime Minister and Minister of the Interior, Housing and Country Planning Jaia Kai Kai called separately at the Chinese Embassy in Freetown on September 14 to mourn the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

President Stevens wrote in the book of condolence: "Chairman Mao's death is a great loss to the whole world." He also told Chinese Ambassador Tsung Kewen: "I join the Government and people of Sierra Leone and the people of the world to extend heartfelt sympathy over the death of Chairman Mao. He is a great man. His death is a great loss not only to the Chinese people but to the whole world, particularly to Sierra Leone. I had the honour of meeting Chairman Mao soon after I arrived in Peking during my visit to China in 1973 and I can see the great progress you have made in all fields since then."

Vice-President Koroma and Acting Prime Minister Kai also wrote in the book of condolence.

C.A. Kamara-Taylor, National General Secretary of the Central Committee of the All People's Congress Party, Prime Minister and Minister of the Interior, Housing and Country Planning, of Sierra Leone, called

at the Chinese Embassy on September 17 to offer condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Prime Minister Kamara-Taylor said to Chinese Ambassador Tsung Ke-wen: "Chairman Mao's death is indeed a great loss not only to the Chinese people but also to whole mankind, because we know the part he played in social, political and other fields in all the developing countries. The people of Asia and Africa will never forget him."

Also making condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy since September 15 were Speaker of the House of Representatives of Sierra Leone Justice Percy Davies, and Foreign Minister F.M. Minah.

On September 14 the Sierra Leone Parliament unanimously adopted a motion made by Sierra Leonean Vice-President Koroma to pay tribute to the late Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Proposing the motion, Vice-President Koroma said that the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung was bound to evoke grief among the people of the world, particularly among the people of Sierra Leone. This was, he said, because Chairman Mao Tsetung was an advocate of the cause of freedom for the advancement of the poor people, an opponent of imperialism and capitalism, defender of the right of the world's proletariat, and respected leader of the over 800 million Chinese people.

Those who called at the Chinese Embassy to mourn the death of Chairman Mao also included Assistant National Secretary-General of Sierra Leone's All People's Congress Party D.F. Shears, other high-ranking government officials, representatives of the Sierra Leone-China Friendship Society and other mass organizations, friendly personages of various circles and representatives of Chinese residents in that country.

## The Philippines

Philippine President Ferdinand E. Marcos and Madame Imelda R. Marcos called at the Chinese Embassy in Manila on September 14 to extend condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Accompanying the President and Madame Marcos were their three children, 16 cabinet members and 23 high-ranking officers of the armed forces.

President Marcos told Chinese Ambassador Ke Hua: "The passing of Chairman Mao is not only a great loss to the people of China, but also a great loss to the peoples of the world.

Wreaths and flowers were laid in front of the portrait of Chairman Mao Tsetung by the President, Madame Marcos and other mourners respectively.

Foreign Secretary Carlos P. Romulo made his condolence call at the Chinese Embassy on September 9.

By September 14 over 4,000 people, including leading figures of various Philippine organizations, people

from various circles and Chinese residents had made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy.

## Somalia

Mohamed Siad Barre, President of Somalia, called at the Chinese Embassy in Mogadishu on September 12 to extend profound condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. He presented a wreath.

President Siad stood in silent tribute before the portrait of Chairman Mao. Then he said to Chinese Ambassador Chang Shih-chieh: "Chairman Mao Tsetung will be remembered not only as a pioneer of China but also as a great man of the contemporary times. He was a thinker and a statesman." "We are convinced that the sons of the great Chinese people will continue to act according to his thinking. The Chinese people will carry forward the cause left by Chairman Mao Tsetung."

Accompanying the President at the condolence call were Hussein Kulmie Afrah and Ismail Ali Abucar, Vice-Presidents of Somalia, and other high-ranking officials.

Friendly personages from various circles in Somalia also called at the Chinese Embassy to express their condolences.

## Mali

Moussa Traore, Malian Head of State and Government, received Chinese Ambassador to Mali Fan Tsokai in Bamako on the morning of September 17, expressing deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

He said to the Chinese Ambassador: "I am deeply grieved to learn the sad news of the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. The death of Chairman Mao is an immense loss not only to the Chinese people, but also to the peoples of the third world, to Mali in particular."

He said: "I remember the fruitful talks which were full of rich instructions that I had in 1973 in Peking with Chairman Mao, great helmsman of the Chinese people. These talks have left an indelible impression on me, on all the members of the delegation which accompanied me and on all the Malian people."

He said: "At this sorrowful moment of the passing of the great helmsman Chairman Mao Tsetung, I request you to convey my deep condolences and sympathy to Premier Hua Kuo-feng, the Chinese people, the Chinese Government and the Chinese Party, as well as the family of the great deceased."

Earlier, Amadou Baba Diarra, Acting Head of State and Vice-President of the Military Committee for National Liberation (M.C.N.L.) of Mali, called at the Chinese Embassy in Bamako on the afternoon of September 10 to mourn the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

He laid a wreath there in the name of the M.C.N.L. and the Government, and stood in silent tribute before the portrait of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Vice-President Diarra wrote in the book of condolence that Chairman Mao Tsetung did make a mark on the epoch and the world, and with honour, dignity and wisdom. So, he remains never to be forgotten because he is irreplaceable, irreplaceable because of the universal dimension of his mark.

"His thinking, his works and his feats make him immortal.

"Today all peoples of the world are in immense grief.

"In the name of the people, the Military Committee for National Liberation, the Government of Mali and President Moussa Traore, we extend here our deep condolences to the Chinese people, the Communist Party of China and the family of the great deceased."

Paying condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were also other members of the M.C.N.L., government ministers and leading members of Malian mass organizations.

On September 9, a memorial meeting mourning the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung was organized by representatives of the National Union of the Workers of Mali, the Malian National Union of Women, the National Union of the Students of Mali and other organizations.

## Australia

Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser called at the Chinese Embassy in Canberra on September 10 to express his deep condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Prime Minister Fraser asked Chinese Ambassador Chou Chiu-yeh to convey his deep condolences extended on behalf of the Australian Government and people.

D. Smith, Official Secretary to Governor-General Sir John Kerr, also tendered condolences at the Chinese Embassy on behalf of the Governor-General.

Also paying condolence calls at the Embassy the same day were former Australian Prime Minister and leader of the Australian Labour Party Gough Whitlam and deputy leader of the Party Thomas Uren.

On September 11 and for days afterwards, more mourners called at the Chinese Embassy. They included Deputy Prime Minister and concurrently Minister for National Resources and Overseas Trade John Douglas Anthony, Minister for Foreign Affairs Andrew Sharp Peacock and other government ministers and officials; Acting Speaker of the House of Representatives Phillip E. Lucock, Vice-President of the Senate Thomas Charles Drake-Brockman, and senators and members of the House of Representatives. Also paying condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were Geoffrey Stillwell, National President of the Australia-China Society; Neville Maxwell, noted British writer; Professor Anthony Low, Deputy Chancellor of the Australian National University; Sir Frederick, Vice-President of the Australian

Academy of Sciences; representatives of aboriginal citizens and of Chinese residents in Australia.

The mourning hall was filled with wreaths and bouquets presented by some organizations and people in various circles. The wreath from the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist) bore the inscription: "In deepest grief. Eternal glory for the great leader and teacher of the international proletariat and working people. His work will live for ever." Comrade E.F. Hill, Chairman of the Party, presented a wreath bearing the inscription: "In deepest reverence and respect for the great proletarian revolutionary of our time."

Since September 9, more than 700 people have called at the Chinese Embassy to extend condolences. Many workers, students and other people travelled long distances from various parts of the country to call at the Chinese Embassy to mourn Chairman Mao with deep grief. Overcome with sorrow, they burst into tears while standing in silent tribute before the portrait of Chairman Mao.

## U.S.A.

U.S. government officials and personages from various circles have called at the Liaison Office of the People's Republic of China in the United States of America since September 9 to express condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the great leader and teacher of the Chinese people.

Representing U.S. President Gerald R. Ford, Brent Scowcroft, Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, went to the Chinese Liaison Office to express condolences.

Others paying condolence calls at the Chinese Liaison Office were Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger and Under Secretary of State Philip C. Habib; Senate Democratic Party Leader Mike Mansfield and Senate Republican Party Leader Hugh Scott; former Secretary of State William P. Rogers; former Chief of the Liaison Office of the United States of America in the People's Republic of China George H. Bush, and former Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee J.W. Fulbright; Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Committee on U.S.-China Relations Charles W. Yost; President of the National Council for U.S.-China Trade C.H. Phillips; representatives from the U.S. Committee on Scholarly Communications With the People's Republic of China and the National U.S.-China People's Friendship Association; and American scholars of Chinese origin including Chen Pien Li, Jen Chih-kung, and Chang Chieh-chien.

Many friendly American personages of various circles, Americans of Chinese origin, Taiwan compatriots and other overseas Chinese residing in the United States also made condolence calls. Many of them presented wreaths.

## In Geneva

Vittorio Winspeare Guicciardi, Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Director-General of the United Nations Office in Geneva, called at the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations Office in Geneva on September 13 to express condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Also paying condolence calls at the Chinese Mission were: Paul Coidan, Assistant Director-General of the U.N. Office in Geneva, Mohamed Mili, Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union, M.G. Candau, Honorary Director-General of the World Health Organization, and representatives of other international organizations in Geneva.

Lois Snow and Sian Snow, wife and daughter of the late well-known American author and friend of the Chinese people Edgar Snow, went to the Chinese Mission on September 13 to deeply mourn the passing of Chairman Mao. Mrs. Snow wrote in the condolence book: "We share the sorrow of the Chinese people at the loss of their beloved teacher and great leader, Chairman Mao Tsetung."

Nusrat Bhutto, wife of Pakistan Prime Minister Bhutto, who was in Switzerland, called at the Chinese Mission on September 11 to extend condolences.

Jean Babel, President of the State Council of the Canton of Geneva, Jules Ducret, President of the Great Council of the Canton of Geneva, and friendly personages of various circles made condolence calls at the Chinese Mission.

Others who paid condolence calls at the Mission included the well-known authoress Han Suyin. She stood in silent tribute before the portrait of Chairman Mao and presented a bouquet. Offering condolences together with her was Mr. Vincent Ruthnasumy.

## Burundi

Michel Micombero, General Secretary of the Party of Unity and National Progress, President and Head of Government of Burundi, received Chinese Ambassador to Burundi Chen Feng at the Presidential Palace in Bujumbura on September 13 and expressed the deepest condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

President Micombero said to the Chinese Ambassador: "The passing of Chairman Mao causes profound grief not only to the Chinese people but also to all the oppressed peoples of the world to whom he made great contributions. Chairman Mao has passed away, but his brilliant thought will remain eternal for the oppressed peoples of the whole world. May this beacon light illuminate for ever the path of the revolutionary peoples of the whole world in their struggle for liberation from all exploitation."

Present at the reception were Bernard Bizindavyi, Executive Secretary of the Party of Unity and National Progress and Minister of National Guidance; Melchior Bwakira, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Co-operation;

Major-General Thomas Ndabemeye, Chief of General Staff of the Burundi Armed Forces; and Cajetan Ninkabanye, Secretary-General of the Presidential Office.

Minister of Foreign Affairs and Co-operation Melchior Bwakira paid a condolence call at the Chinese Embassy in Bujumbura on September 10.

Also paying condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy that day were senior Burundi officials and officers, representatives of mass organizations and friendly personages.

## Madagascar

Malagasy President Didier Ratsiraka received at the State Palace on the afternoon of September 10 Chinese Ambassador Tien Chih-tung to express sincere condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

President Ratsiraka said that he had learnt with sorrow of the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. He said: "The Communist Party of China has lost its great helmsman. The Chinese people have lost their esteemed and beloved great leader. The Malagasy people have lost a great friend, and the Malagasy revolution a great ally. As to the world revolution, it has lost a great teacher. Indeed, he belongs to humanity. Though he is dead, his activities have left and will for ever leave an indelible impression on our globe. His works and thought will be immortal."

He said: "I would ask the Ambassador to convey to the Chinese people sincere condolences of the people, the Supreme Council of Revolution and the Government of Madagascar on this great loss they have just suffered. To share your sorrow, we have ordered that the national flag be flown at half-mast in mourning for three days from September 10 to 12."

While inspecting Mahitsy Hospital on September 15, President Ratsiraka once again expressed to the Chinese medical personnel working there his condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Chinese people. He said: "The death of Chairman Mao Tsetung is a great loss not only to the Chinese people, but also to the Malagasy people." He told the Chinese medical personnel that the Chinese doctors had brought to the Malagasy people not only medical care and medicine but also the spirit of "self-reliance" as taught by Chairman Mao.

On September 10, Justin Rakotoniaina, Member of the Supreme Council of Revolution (C.S.R.) and Prime Minister of Madagascar, went to the Chinese Embassy to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. He presented two wreaths in the name of President Ratsiraka and all the C.S.R. members; in his own name and the ministers of the Government.

Calling at the Chinese Embassy to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung were also members of the C.S.R.: Jaona Mampila, Arsene Ratsifehera, Salomon Rahatoka, Etienne Mora, Tsihozony Maharanga, Desire Rakotoarijaona, Gilbert Sambson, Ferdinand Jaotombo, Jean de Dieu Randriantanana, Max Marson and Samuel Ralaidovy, and all the government ministers.

Prime Minister Rakotoniaina said to Chinese Ambassador to Madagascar Tien Chih-tung: "In the name of the Malagasy Government and people, I convey to you our deepest condolences and sincerest sympathy on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. It is a great loss not only to the great Chinese people but also to the progressive countries and the people of the whole world."

On the same day, Gilles Andriamahazo, President of the Military Development Committee of Madagascar, called at the Chinese Embassy to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Calling at the Chinese Embassy to express condolences were also noted personalities and friendly people of all walks of life, youth, students and overseas Chinese in Madagascar.

## The Central African Republic

Jean-Bedél Bokassa, President of the Central African Republic now visiting Zaire, received Chinese Ambassador to Zaire Kung Ta-fei in Kinshasa on September 9. President Bokassa asked the Chinese Ambassador to convey to the Chinese Government and people the saddest condolences of the Central African Government and people on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The President praised Chairman Mao Tsetung's great contribution to the world. Chairman Mao Tsetung was a great man of humanity. His death has thrown the whole world into mourning, the President said.

Present on the occasion were Central African Premier Ange Pattasse, Minister of State Bangui Tandet and Minister of Foreign Affairs Antonio Franck.

## Ghana

Ignatius Kutu Acheampong, Head of State and Chairman of the Supreme Military Council of Ghana, called at the Chinese Embassy in Accra on September 10 to offer condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Expressing his deep sorrow to Chinese Ambassador Yang Ke-ming at the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung, Chairman Acheampong said that with the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung, China and indeed the world and all peace-loving peoples have lost a great leader. Even though Chairman Mao is dead, his thought and ideas will continue to inspire others to strive for greater economic progress and fight against world oppressors; he added.

Accompanying Chairman Acheampong were Ghanaian Commissioner for Foreign Affairs R.J. Felli and other high-ranking officials. Also paying condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were representatives of mass organizations and friendly personages of various circles.

## Chad

Felix Malloum, President of the Supreme Military Council and Head of State of Chad, offered condolences

on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung at the Chinese Embassy in N'Djamena on the afternoon of September 10.

President Malloum read a message of condolence and signed the book of condolence.

He praised Chairman Mao as "an example of tenacity, courage and self-sacrifice." He said that Chairman Mao "devoted all his life to the cause of his people and all the oppressed."

President Malloum added: "Thanks to him and the example he set for his country, the world and particularly the oppressed have finally understood that development is not a privilege only of the industrialized countries."

Accompanying him during the condolence call were Chadian Minister of Foreign Affairs and Co-operation Kamougue Wadal Abdelkader and other high officials.

## Rwanda

Rwandan President Habyalimana Juvenal called at the Chinese Embassy in Kigali on the morning of September 10 to extend deep condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

He wrote in the condolence book: "Not only the People's Republic of China has lost a great leader and founder but the whole world has lost a prominent figure."

Making condolence calls at the Embassy on the same morning were Minister of Foreign Affairs and Co-operation Aloys Nsekaliye, other government ministers, senior officials, eminent personalities and people of all circles.

## Niger

Lieutenant-Colonel Seyni Kountche, President of the Supreme Military Council and Head of State of Niger, went to the Chinese Embassy in Niamey on September 10 to express condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Also making condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were: Minister of Foreign Affairs and Co-operation Moumouni Djermakoye Adamou, other government ministers and high-ranking officials.

## Egypt

The representative of Egyptian President Sadat and high-ranking officials of the Egyptian Government called at the Chinese Embassy in Cairo on September 11 and 12 to express condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

On behalf of President Sadat, Acting Grand Chamberlain of the Presidency Ess el-Din Moukhtar called at the Chinese Embassy to extend condolences. Making condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were also Deputy Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs Ismail Fahmy, Deputy Premier and Minister of War and War Production General Mahammed Abdul Ghany.

el Gammassy, General Supervisor of the Special National Council Abdel Kader Hatem, other ministers and senior officials as well as friends from all walks of life.

The mourners stood in silent tribute before the portrait of the late Chairman Mao. With tears in their eyes, many of them expressed to Chinese diplomatic officials their deep condolences. They maintained that the passing of Chairman Mao is not only a great loss to the Chinese people but also a great loss to the peoples of the world.

The Representative of the Egyptian President, Moukhtar, wrote in the condolence book: "The President of the Arab Republic of Egypt Anwar Sadat has instructed me to be his deputy to express deep condolences to the great Chinese people and the friendly Chinese Government on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the leader of the march of the People's Republic of China, the architect of its revolution and the pioneer of its struggle."

Deputy Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs Fahmy wrote: "Deepest grief and sorrow for the loss of the great leader and teacher of humanity."

Chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization Yasser Arafat and Palestinian mass organizations also sent wreaths to the Chinese Embassy.

## The Sudan

Sudanese Vice-President and Premier Rashid El Tahir Bakr, called at the Chinese Embassy in Khartoum on the evening of September 10 to extend his deep condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Mansour Khalid, Assistant to the President of the Republic for Co-operation and Foreign Affairs and Supervisor of the Administrative Machinery of the Presidency, also made a condolence call at the Chinese Embassy the same evening. He said to Chinese Charge d'Affaires ad interim Hsu Chun: "The passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao is a huge loss for the people in the whole world. His brilliant thought will shine over the whole world for ever. His great image will live in the hearts of the entire Chinese people for ever."

Making condolence calls were also Izzel Din Hamid, Minister of State for Cabinet Affairs; Francis Deng, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs; new Sudanese Ambassador to China Mubarak Osman Rahma who will soon leave for his post as well as other officials and friendly personages.

Later, Acting Speaker of the Sudanese People's Assembly Arop Yor called at the Chinese Embassy on September 11, at the head of an assembly delegation. He said: "The death of Chairman Mao is a great loss to China. But the Chinese revolution will continue because it represents the aspiration and aim of the people of the whole world."

General Secretary of the Sudanese Socialist Union Abu Gasim Mohamed Ibrahim went to the Chinese Embassy on September 12 at the head of a delegation

of the union which included Assistant General Secretary Omar El-Hag Musa and the secretaries of various committees of the union.

Also calling at the Chinese Embassy were a delegation from the Ministry of Culture and Information led by Minister Bona Malwal, Minister of Finance, Planning and National Economy Mamoun Beheiry, Minister of Public Service and Administrative Reform Abdel Rahman Abdulla, Minister of Construction and Public Works Mustafa Osman Hassan, Minister of Transport and Communications Dr. Bashir Abbadi, Minister of Education Dafalla El Hag Yousif, a number of ministers of state and other high-ranking government officials, senior officers of the Sudanese People's Armed Forces and friendly personages from all walks of life.

In Juba, Regional Minister of Affairs of the Presidency and the High Executive Council for the Southern Region Natale Olwak went to the residence of the Chinese medical team on the evening of September 9 to express condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung on behalf of Sudanese Vice-President and President of the High Executive Council for the Southern Region Abel Alier. On the same evening Vice-President Alier said in a statement that the world has lost a great thinker of the 20th century in the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. "To our friends, members of the Chinese medical team in the Southern Region, the government and people in the region express their deep condolences on the death of the great leader," the statement added.

Also calling at the residence of the Chinese medical team were regional ministers, the Commissioner of East Equatoria Province and friends of various circles.

In Wad Medani, Abu El Gasim Hashim, Political Bureau Member of the Sudanese Socialist Union and Commissioner of Gezira Province, called at the residence of the Chinese technical team working on the Wad Medani-Gadaref Road and the Medani-Hantoub Blue Nile Bridge project on September 14 to extend condolences. He said: "It is a pride for the Chinese people to have a great thinker and revolutionary like Chairman Mao Tsetung. He led the Chinese people in building China into a strong and powerful country in a short period of time. Internationally he played a historical role in the formation of the third world to confront the two superpowers."

More than 2,100 people from all walks of life in the Sudan have called at the Chinese Embassy and residences of the Chinese technical teams and Chinese medical teams to express condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

## Thailand

Thai Prime Minister Seni Pramoj and Deputy Prime Ministers Pramarn Adireksarn and Dawee Chullasapya called at the Chinese Embassy in Bangkok on September 13 to pay tribute to the late Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Deputy Prime Minister Dawee told Chinese Ambassador Chai Tse-min: "The people of the world have

lost a great man in the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. The entire Thai people are grieved over the death of Chairman Mao. The Thai people are convinced that Thai-Chinese friendship will be strengthened constantly."

Former Thai Prime Minister Kukrit Pramoj also called at the Chinese Embassy on September 13 to offer condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Paying condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy on September 10 were Foreign Minister Bhichai Rattakul, Minister of Industry Chatichai Choonhavan and Minister of Justice Prasit Kanchanawat.

Since September 10, there have been more than 3,000 mourners calling at the Chinese Embassy including government officials, Members of Parliament, friendly personages, social figures, workers, students, teachers, writers, journalists, leading members of some international organizations in Bangkok and Chinese residents in Thailand.

## Burma

U Sein Win, Prime Minister of the Socialist Republic of the Union of Burma, and U Thauang Kyi, Joint General Secretary of the Burma Socialist Programme Party, called at the Chinese Embassy in Rangoon on September 11 to express condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

From September 10 to 13, nearly 2,000 people including foreign ministry officials, public figures and representatives of Chinese residents in Burma called at the Chinese Embassy to express condolences.

## Afghanistan

Leaders of the Republic of Afghanistan Mohammad Naim, First Deputy Prime Minister Mohammad Hassan Sharq and Chief of General Staff Ghulam Haider Rasouli called at the Chinese Embassy in Kabul on September 11 to express condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. Mohammad Naim wrote in the condolence book.

Also making condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were ministers, other high-ranking government officials and military officers, prominent personages as well as the President of the Afghanistan-China Friendship Association and students.

## India

Mrs. Indira Gandhi, Prime Minister of India, called at the Chinese Embassy in New Delhi on September 11 to extend condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Indian Minister of External Affairs Y.B. Chavan made a condolence call the same day.

Among other mourners calling at the Chinese Embassy were Pandit Sundarlal, President of the India-China Friendship Association; Daniel Latifi, General Secretary of the All-India Dr. D.S. Kotnis

Memorial Committee; and other public figures of various circles.

## Fiji

Robert Munro, President of the Fijian Senate; David Toganivalu, Minister of Labour; Edward Beddoes, Minister of Industry, Commerce and Co-operatives; and Len Usher, Mayor of Suva, have called at the Chinese Embassy in Suva to express condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Calling at the Chinese Embassy were also Fijian Members of Parliament, government officials, personages of various circles and representatives of overseas Chinese.

The Chinese Embassy has also received many wreaths, and cables and letters expressing profound condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

## Brazil

Brazilian government officials have called at the Chinese Embassy in Brasilia to express condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Among those paying condolence calls were Antonio Scarabotolo, Director of Protocol, and Italo Zappa, Director of the Department of Africa, Asia and Oceania, of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Director Scarabotolo extended to Chinese Ambassador Chang Teh-chun the deep condolences of the Brazilian Government on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Also paying condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were representatives of Chinese residents in Brasilia, Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo.

## Ethiopia

Chairman Teferi Bante of the Ethiopian Provisional Military Administrative Council, First Vice-Chairman Mengistu Haile Mariam of the Council and Second Vice-Chairman Atnafu Abati of the Council called at the Chinese Embassy in Addis Ababa on the evening of September 9 to express their deep condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Accompanying them was Minister of Foreign Affairs Kifle Wodajo.

Chairman Teferi Bante said to Chinese Ambassador Yang Shou-Cheng: "We come to share the great loss of the passing away of Chairman Mao. It is a great loss not only to the people of China but to the revolutionary people of the whole world. The revolutionary people of the world have lost a great leader, a great Marxist-Leninist." "His great work and example will always give encouragement to the people engaged in revolution," he said.

The next day Chairman Teferi Bante presented a wreath to the Chinese Embassy to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Chairman of the Economic Committee of the Council Moges Wolde Michael, Commander of the Army Ba-



haru Tufa, Chief Commissioner of Police Berhane Tefera and government ministers also called at the Embassy to express their condolences.

"The world has lost a courageous warrior, a strong Communist and a great socialist thinker," and "he is the great Chairman Mao Tsetung of the People's Republic of China," said First Vice-Chairman Mengistu Haile Mariam of the Ethiopian Provisional Military Administrative Council, at a meeting of more than 1,000 representatives of the Farmers' Associations on September 10.

At Mengistu's suggestion the representatives observed a one-minute silence in memory of the late Chairman Mao Tsetung.

## Senegal

On behalf of President Leopold Sedar Senghor, Senegalese Prime Minister Abdou Diouf called at the Chinese Embassy in Dakar on the morning of September 11 to extend profound condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Prime Minister Diouf wrote in the condolence book: "The Senegalese people learnt with very great grief of the sad news of the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the giant of history. In the name of the head of state, I express with respect the great sorrow of the whole Senegal which wants to assure the great friendly Chinese people once again of its very fraternal sympathy. The passing away of Chairman Mao is a grievous loss to the whole mankind because the genius of his thinking, the flow of his words and the efficiency of his action have not only guaranteed the spectacular progress of China, but also left a profound mark on our epoch. He will continue to inspire our gigantic struggle for truth and justice."

Also paying condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were Assane Seck, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, and others.

The representative of the South West Africa People's Organization in Dakar has also called at the Chinese Embassy to express condolences.

## France

French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, Prime Minister Raymond Barre and many other high-ranking government officials as well as more than 2,000 personages of various circles have called at the Chinese Embassy in Paris since September 10 to offer condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, accompanied by French Minister of Foreign Affairs Louis de Guiringaud, called at the Chinese Embassy on September 17 to express condolences.

In the condolence book he wrote: "In memory of Chairman Mao Tsetung who had restored dignity to China and restored it to its place. With General de Gaulle, he had opened the way of friendship and understanding between China and France."

He said to Tseng Tao, Chinese Ambassador to France: "The French people are aware of the tremen-

dous loss which the Chinese people sustained in the passing of Chairman Mao. This is a loss not only to the Chinese people; but also to all mankind." He wished that the friendly relations between France and China will continue to develop.

French Prime Minister Raymond Barre expressed condolences at the Chinese Embassy on September 16. He told Chinese Ambassador Tseng Tao that "Chairman Mao Tsetung will go down in history as one of the greatest figures of this century." He noted that he "will in particular take care of the friendly relations (between France and China) that General de Gaulle and Chairman Mao Tsetung established so that these relations may be developed and consolidated."

Making condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were also Michel Poniatowski, French Minister of State and Minister of the Interior; Jean Lecanuet, Minister of State and Minister for Planning and Territorial Management; and many other ministers as well as a number of representatives of the French Government, the National Assembly, the Senate and the armed forces.

Also paying condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were former Prime Minister Maurice Couve de Murville, and former Ministers Maurice Schumann, Andre Bettencourt, Alain Peyrefitte and Jean de Lipkowsky.

Calling at the Chinese Embassy to express profound condolences were also friends from the France-China Friendship Society including Honorary Chairman Maurice Baumont, Executive Chairman Charles Bettelheim, Executive Vice-Chairman Regis Bergeron, Secretary-General Mrs. Helene Marchisio and Chairman of the Presidium Jacques Jurquet; well-known Dutch film director Joris Iyens; French film worker Marceline Loridan; famous authoress Han Suyin; and French friends from various walks of life.

Representatives of the Communist Party of Portugal (Marxist-Leninist) and a number of Portuguese friends also called at the Chinese Embassy in Paris to express deep condolences.

Amadou Mahtar M'Bow, Director-General of the Secretariat of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), and permanent representatives of many countries to UNESCO also made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy to pay tribute to Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Many representatives of Chinese residents in France went to the Chinese Embassy to express deep condolences on the death of the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung.

## Gabon

Jean-Stanislas Migolet, Acting Head of State of Gabon and Deputy Prime Minister Responsible for Relations With the Two Assemblies, called at the Chinese Embassy in Libreville on September 10 to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Deputy Prime Minister Migolet said to Chinese Ambassador Liu Ying-hsien: "Chairman Mao Tsetung is a celebrated and great man of history." "In the name of the government, the Gabonese Democratic Party and the Gabonese people, I extend on this sorrowful occasion deepest condolences to the Chinese Government, the Chinese people and their great Party."

Paying condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were also President of the Gabonese National Assembly Paul Indjendjet-Gondjout, Commander-in-Chief of the Gabonese Armed Forces General Ba-Oumar and other high-ranking officials.

## Morocco

Moroccan Prime Minister Ahmed Osman called at the Chinese Embassy in Rabat on September 11 to express condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

He wrote in the condolence book: "I learnt with deep grief and sorrow of the news of the passing away of the leader Mao Tsetung. At this mournful moment, I express, on behalf of the Government of His Majesty King Hassan II, sincere condolences and deep sympathy to the Chinese Government and the friendly Chinese people and wish China greater prosperity and continued advance along the course charted by her great commander."

Moroccan Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Moulay Ahmed Laraki and other high-ranking officials of the Foreign Ministry made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy on September 10.

Making condolence calls were also friendly personages of all circles.

## Guinea-Bissau

Luis Cabral, President of the Council of State of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, called at the Chinese Embassy in Bissau on the afternoon of September 13 to pay deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

President Luis Cabral received Chinese Ambassador to Guinea-Bissau Chia Hua-chi in Bafata City of Bafata Province on September 12, expressing deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Francisco Mendes, Secretary of the Permanent Secretariat of the African Party for Independence in Guinea and Cape Verde (P.A.I.G.C.) and Principal Commissioner of the Council of Commissioners of State of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, visited the Chinese Embassy in Bissau on the afternoon of September 10 to express condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Paying condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were also: Joao Bernardo Vieira, Member of the Permanent Secretariat of the P.A.I.G.C., President of the National People's Assembly and Commissioner of State for Armed Forces; Jose Araujo, Secretary of Organization of the P.A.I.G.C. and Commissioner of State Without Portfolio; and other high-ranking officials.

The Principal Commissioner wrote in the condolence book: "The great Mao Tsetung has passed away, but his example as an indomitable fighter and his teachings guiding people to fight against exploitation, inequality and poverty will be engraved on the memories of all the revolutionaries and people of the world."

Friendly personages of various circles in this country and leading members of some mass organizations also paid condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy.

## Syria

As representative of Hafez Assad, President of the Syrian Arab Republic and General Secretary of the Arab Baath Socialist Party of Syria, Abdallah Ahmer, Assistant General Secretary of the Arab Baath Socialist Party of Syria, called at the Chinese Embassy in Damascus on the morning of September 12 to mourn the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

He told Chinese Ambassador Tsao Ke-chiang that on behalf of Hafez Assad, President of the Syrian Arab Republic and General Secretary of the Arab Baath Socialist Party of Syria, and in the name of the national leadership of the Baath Party, he "expresses deepest condolences to the Communist Party of China, the Chinese people and the Chinese Government on the passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Chinese people and the great friend of the Arab people."

"The people of China and the world over have lost a great fighter and an outstanding standard-bearer of our contemporary life. The immortal exploits of this leader will shine for ever and illuminate the road of advance of the Chinese people and all the people struggling for freedom and progress," he said.

He added, "The friendship between Syria and China which was established and consolidated while Chairman Mao Tsetung was alive will continue to be consolidated and strengthened."

Making condolence calls together with Abdallah Ahmer were Baqer Yaseen and other members of the national leadership of the Baath Party.

Also calling at the Chinese Embassy later to express condolences were Premier Abdel Rahman Khleifawi, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Abdul Karim Adi, Assistant General Secretary of the regional leadership of the Syrian Arab Baath Socialist Party Mohammed Jabir Bajbouj and eight other members of the regional leadership of the Party, Commander-in-Chief of the People's Army Mohammed Ali, other high-ranking government officials, leading members of trade unions, and youth, women and student organizations as well as noted figures of various circles.

Premier Khleifawi told the Chinese Ambassador: "On behalf of the Syrian Government and people, I express deep condolences to the friendly Chinese people on the loss of their great leader."

President of the Palestinian National Council Khaled Fahoum, leading members of Palestinian commando organizations, and representatives of Palestinian

mass organizations also called at the Chinese Embassy to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

## Nigeria

On behalf of the Nigerian Head of State Olusegun Obasanjo, Chief of Staff of the Supreme Headquarters Shehu Yar'Adua called at the Chinese Embassy in Lagos on September 11 at the head of a delegation to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Members of the delegation included Joseph Garba, Nigerian Commissioner for External Affairs, M.D. Yusufu, Inspector-General of Police, and other high-ranking officers and officials.

Condolence calls were paid at the Chinese Embassy by Nigerian government officials, friendly personages from all walks of life, overseas Chinese after the broadcast of the news on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung on September 9.

## Kuwait

Under-Secretary of the Amiri Diwan Daij Al-Jaber Al-Ali and Minister of Foreign Affairs Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jabir Al-Sabah, representing Kuwaiti Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Salem Sabah and Crown Prince and Prime Minister Sheikh Jaber Ahmed Al-Jaber Sabah respectively, called at the Chinese Embassy in Kuwait on September 11 to express condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Under-Secretary Daij Al-Jaber Al-Ali wrote in the condolence book, "With extremely deep grief, we have learnt of the sad news of the death of the great leader Chairman Mao. We Arab people have lost our great friend. Here, we convey the heartfelt condolences of His Highness the Amir on the death of China's great leader and great statesman. The incalculable influence of Chairman Mao will win immortality in world history. Eternal glory to the great leader and great statesman!"

Representing the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, the Minister of Foreign Affairs wrote in the condolence book, "The death of Chairman Mao is a great loss not only to the Chinese people but also to the peoples of the whole world."

Making condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were also other Kuwaiti officials, noted figures including Khalid Salih Al-Ghuneim.

## Italy

Italian government officials and personages from various circles called at the Chinese Embassy on September 10, 11 and 12 to extend their deepest condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the great leader and teacher of the Chinese people.

Franco Bezzi, Secretary-General of the Italian Presidential Office, conveyed to the Chinese Embassy the deep condolences of President Giovanni Leone on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. On behalf of Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, Vittorino Colombo,

Minister of Posts and Telecommunications and President of the Italy-China Economic and Cultural Exchange Association, said at the Embassy: "The death of Chairman Mao is the greatest loss to the Chinese people and to the world people as well. Chairman Mao will live for ever in the hearts of the Chinese and Italian people." Also making condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy were Italian Foreign Minister Arnaldo Forlani, President of the Senate Amintore Fanfani and President of the Chamber of Deputies Pietro Ingrao.

Fosco Dinucci, General Secretary of the Communist Party of Italy (Marxist-Leninist); Giovanni Scuderi, General Secretary of the Marxist-Leninist Organization of the Italian Bolshevik Communists; Vincenzo Calo, General Secretary of the Party of Socialist Revolution of Italy; and Osvaldo Pesce, General Secretary of the Organization of the Communists of Italy (Marxist-Leninist), called separately at the Chinese Embassy in Rome between September 10 and 12 to express deepest condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Chinese people and the great teacher of the international proletariat.

Fosco Dinucci called at the Chinese Embassy together with some members of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Italy (M-L). He said, "The Central Committee of our Party and our Party members throughout the country are deeply grieved at the death of Comrade Mao Tsetung." "The death of Comrade Mao Tsetung is a tremendous loss, but we will follow his teachings and turn our grief into strength. To us, Comrade Mao Tsetung is not dead — he will fight with us for ever," Dinucci said.

Osvaldo Pesce led 11 leading members of the Organization of the Communists of Italy (M-L) to the Chinese Embassy. They stood in silent tribute after presenting a Party flag bearing their signatures before the portrait of the late Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Vincenzo Calo called at the Chinese Embassy at the head of a delegation composed of five leading members of the Party of Socialist Revolution of Italy.

Calling at the Chinese Embassy were also Pietro Nenni, Chairman of the Italian Socialist Party, Giorgio Zucchetti, Secretary-General of the Italian Association for Cultural and Friendly Relations With the People's Republic of China, friendly personages from various circles and representatives of Chinese residents in Italy.

Giuseppe Del Pennino, Consul-General of the Republic of San Marino in Rome, made a condolence call on behalf of his government.

Edouard Saouma, Director-General of the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization, also made a condolence call at the Chinese Embassy.

## Zaire

Zairian President Mobutu Sese Seko called at the Chinese Embassy in Kinshasa on September 18 to deeply mourn the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung at

the time when the solemn memorial meeting was being held in Peking.

President Mobutu stood in silent tribute before the portrait of Chairman Mao. Then he wrote in the condolence book: "On this day of homage to the memory of Chairman Mao Tsetung, our grief is as deep as the sincere friendship, the profound respect and the great admiration that we have always cherished for this great deceased Chinese leader."

Accompanying the President during the call were all Members of the Political Bureau of the Popular Revolutionary Movement of Zaire (P.R.M.Z.) in Kinshasa, Commissioners of State of the National Executive Council and Representatives of the Permanent Bureau of the National Legislative Council, as well as leading officials of Kinshasa.

The P.R.M.Z. Political Bureau Members who called at the Chinese Embassy with the President were Ileo Nsongoamba; Bo-Boliko Lokonga, President of the Permanent Bureau of the National Legislative Council; Nguza Karl Ibond, Commissioner of State for Foreign Affairs and International Co-operation; Engulu Baangampongo Bakokela Lokanga, Commissioner of State for Political Affairs; Kengo Wa Dondo, Attorney-General of the Republic; Bayona Ba Meyya, First President of the Supreme Court; Bumba Moaso Djongi, Commander-in-Chief of the Zairian Armed Forces; Singa Boyenge, Chief of the General Staff of the National Gendarmery; Kikunda Ombala, Chief of the General Staff of the Air Force; and Lomponda Wa Botende, Chief of the General Staff of the Naval Force.

From September 11 to 18, many Zairian officials and friendly personages from various circles also paid condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy.

## Benin

Mathieu Kerekou, President of the People's Republic of Benin, called at the Chinese Embassy in Cotonou on September 13 to extend condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Accompanying the President on the condolence call were all the Ministers of the Benin Government and some Members of the Central Committee of the Party of the Popular Revolution of Benin.

President Kerekou wrote in the book of condolence: "In the name of Benin, the Central Committee of the Party of the Popular Revolution of Benin and the Revolutionary Military Government of Benin, we express profound condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the esteemed and beloved great leader of the Chinese people and the great leader of the proletariat of the contemporary world. The Benin people, together with the peoples, revolutionary parties and revolutionary movements of all countries, pledge their firm resolve to turn this grief into more constant and more profound revolutionary action in studying Marxism-

Leninism, the revolutionary teachings of Chairman Mao Tsetung, and in applying them independently and with a spirit of responsibility to the concrete realities of our country."

Also making condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy on September 10 and several days after were representatives of international organizations in Benin and more than 1,000 Benin people.

On September 11, the Central Committee of the Party of the Popular Revolution of Benin issued a statement on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. It says: "The whole life of Chairman Mao Tsetung was a brilliant and everlasting example of hard work, persevering and unyielding struggle, of clear-sightedness, shrewdness and ardent tenacity and revolutionary zeal to the service of the just cause of total, radical and complete liberation of the proletariat and of the Chinese people, an example of discretion and modesty as well as of firmness in implementing the Marxist principle of proletarian internationalism and of constant and effective support to the struggle for the emancipation of the peoples of the third world." It says that Chairman Mao Tsetung "passed away at his combat post in the service of the interests of the Chinese people and for the revolutionary cause of the peoples of the world. This worthy son of progressive mankind will live for ever in the memory of the peoples of the world."

## Cyprus

Archbishop Makarios, President of the Republic of Cyprus, called at the Chinese Embassy in Nicosia on September 18 to express condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

President Makarios wrote in the condolence book: "Chairman Mao has gone down in history as a great man. His amazing work will be admired for ever."

Earlier, President of the House of Representatives Tassos Papadopoulos, Minister of Foreign Affairs Yoannis Christophides, other high government officials and friendly personages from all circles also paid condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy.

## Upper Volta

Upper Volta President Sangoule Lamizana on September 13 called at the Chinese Embassy in Ouagadougou to offer condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

He was accompanied by senior government officials.

The President wrote in the condolence book: With the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung, not only the Chinese people but also all the progressive people have lost one of the illustrious figures we greatly admire.

(To be continued.)