

Profound Mourning for Passing of the Chinese People's Great Leader Chairman Mao Tsetung

Message From Central Committee Of Communist Party of Burma

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of China,

Peking

Dear Comrades:

We have learnt with shock and boundless grief over the radio of the passing away of Comrade Mao Tsetung, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, Chairman of the Military Commission of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and Honorary Chairman of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference. On the death of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Chinese people and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and oppressed people, we, on behalf of the entire members of the Communist Party of Burma, all the commanders and fighters of the People's Army and the entire people of our country, extend our most profound condolences to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, and through you, to the whole membership of the Communist Party of China, all the commanders and fighters of the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the entire Chinese people as well as the family of Comrade Mao Tsetung.

Comrade Mao Tsetung was the founder and wise leader of the great Communist Party of China, the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the People's Republic of China. In the complicated, tortuous, arduous and acute class struggle and struggle between the two lines, Comrade Mao Tsetung fought for a long time against the class enemies at home and abroad, inside and outside the Party, and founded a great, glorious and correct Communist Party, a genuine people's army and a consolidated people's political power.

During the period of the new-democratic revolution, Comrade Mao Tsetung, in accordance with the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism and by correctly combining it with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution, creatively laid down the general line and general policy of the new-democratic revolution and

pointed out that the political power could be seized only through armed struggle and that the seizure of political power by armed force in China could be achieved only by following the road of building rural base areas, using the countryside to encircle the cities and finally seizing the cities, and not by any other road. By implementing this correct Marxist-Leninist line, the Chinese people overthrew the reactionary rule representing imperialism, feudalism and bureaucrat-capitalism, won the great victory of the new-democratic revolution and founded the People's Republic of China. The victory of the Chinese people's new-democratic revolution changed the situation in the East and the world and pointed out to the people in colonial, semi-colonial and semi-feudal countries the revolutionary road for liberation.

In the period of the socialist revolution, Comrade Mao Tsetung comprehensively summed up the historical experience and lessons of the international communist movement and the dictatorship of the proletariat, penetratingly analysed the experience of the socialist revolution and socialist construction in China, pointed out that there are still classes, class contradictions and class struggle in socialist society after the socialist transformation for abolishing the private ownership of the means of production has in the main been completed, drew the conclusion that the bourgeoisie is right in the Communist Party, put forth the programme of taking class struggle as the key link and the theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and laid down the Party's Marxist-Leninist basic line for the entire historical period of the socialist revolution.

Guided by Comrade Mao Tsetung's proletarian revolutionary line, the Chinese people seized great victories in the socialist revolution and socialist construction, particularly in the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, in criticizing Liu Shao-chi's counter-revolutionary revisionist line, in criticizing Lin Biao and Confucius and in criticizing Teng Hsiao-ping and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing correct verdicts, and consolidated the dictatorship of the proletariat, thus, consolidating the People's Republic of China — the reliable bulwark of the world proletarian revolution.

With his proletarian mettle, Comrade Mao Tsetung initiated in the international communist movement the great struggle to criticize modern revisionism headed by

the Soviet revisionist renegade clique and thus made tremendous contributions to combating and preventing revisionism, consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat and preventing capitalist restoration. He persisted in the principles of proletarian internationalism and offered selfless and all-round aid to the revolutionary movement of various countries, making tremendous contributions to the world proletarian revolutionary cause and promoting the cause of the people of various countries against imperialism and hegemonism.

Comrade Mao Tsetung was the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era. He integrated the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the revolution, summed up the historical experience of the international communist movement and the dictatorship of the proletariat, inherited Marxism-Leninism, defended its purity and developed it with Mao Tsetung Thought.

Comrade Mao Tsetung dedicated all his energies throughout his life to the liberation of the Chinese people and to the emancipation of the oppressed nations and oppressed people the world over. The magnificent contributions he made to the people are immortal.

The passing away of Comrade Mao Tsetung is an inestimable loss not only to the Party and army of China and the Chinese people, but also to the international proletariat, to all the real Marxist-Leninists including our Party, to the revolutionary people of all countries and to the international communist movement. Comrade Mao Tsetung attached very great importance to the militant unity and friendship between our two Parties, which are based on Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and proletarian internationalism. Naturally, the news of the death of Comrade Mao Tsetung brings great sorrow, which is beyond description, to the hearts of all the members of our Party. We will turn grief into strength with determination. To mourn for ever Comrade Mao Tsetung we will apply ourselves to the study of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and make efforts to integrate it more correctly with the practice of the Burmese revolution. We will unite all the revolutionary classes, strata and the people of all nationalities of Burma and work to the best of our ability to overthrow the reactionary rule representing imperialism, feudalism and bureaucrat-capitalism and build a new Burma. We will further consolidate and strengthen the militant unity with the great Communist Party of China and all the genuine Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations, struggle to completely wipe out on the earth imperialism, social-imperialism, revisionism and all reaction, and learn from and support each other in fighting shoulder to shoulder against the common enemies.

Eternal glory to Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Chinese people, the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and oppressed people, and the most respected and beloved great leader and teacher of our Party, our army and our people.

Long live invincible Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!

Long live the great, glorious and correct Communist Party of China!

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Comrade Mao Tsetung!

The Central Committee of the
Communist Party of Burma

September 10, 1976

Message From Central Committee of Japanese Workers' Party

The Central Committee of the
Communist Party of China,

Peking,

The People's Republic of China

Upon learning of the sad news on the death of Comrade Mao Tsetung, all the members of the Japanese Workers' Party are overcome by utmost grief.

Comrade Mao Tsetung was an extraordinary proletarian revolutionary and the most outstanding Marxist of the contemporary era. He left behind permanently indelible exploits in leading the people of China and the world toward communism — the historic cause of mankind. Particularly unforgettable for the revolutionary Japanese people are Comrade Mao Tsetung's consistent and profound loving care for the Japanese people and his support and encouragement of the Japanese people's struggle. Comrade Mao Tsetung was the most beloved and most respected teacher of the revolutionary Japanese people.

Now we feel boundlessly grieved at the loss of Comrade Mao Tsetung. But we will certainly turn our grief into strength and resolutely march forward in the light of Comrade Mao Tsetung's teachings.

Comrade Mao Tsetung, at the time of your departure, we pledge to follow your teachings on the proletarian revolution and the dictatorship of the proletariat, integrate the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought with the practice of the Japanese revolution, and struggle in the van of the Japanese people who are fighting for independence and liberation.

Comrade Mao Tsetung, at the time of your departure, we pledge to resolutely uphold the truth of Marxism which you have defended and developed, and fight against modern revisionism and social-imperialism through to the end.

Comrade Mao Tsetung, at the time of your departure, we pledge to firmly defend the red banner of proletarian internationalism of which you have set an example, and unite with the Chinese people and the

people of the third world for a resolute struggle against imperialism and hegemonism.

Comrade Mao Tsetung, you will live for ever in our hearts.

The Central Committee of the
Japanese Workers' Party

September 10, 1976

Letter From General Secretary Wilcox of Communist Party Of New Zealand

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of
China,

The Government of the People's Republic of China
and the Chinese People

The National Committee of the Communist Party
of New Zealand, on behalf of the whole Party, class-
conscious workers, and friends of China, conveys its
profound grief and sense of deep loss at the news of the
death of Comrade Mao Tsetung, Chairman of the
Central Committee of the Communist Party of China
and founder of the Chinese People's Republic.

Comrade Mao Tsetung was not only the theoretical
and practical leader of the historic Chinese revolution;
he was also the leader of the world proletarian revolu-
tion, the great continuer of the cause of Marx, Engels,
Lenin and Stalin.

In the course of long and arduous struggles against
the imperialists and the reactionary classes within
China, Comrade Mao led the Chinese Party and people
to glorious victories in the Chinese revolution, inspiring
the masses of people throughout the world with con-
fidence in their own ability to shake off oppression and
win socialism. In these struggles Comrade Mao estab-
lished himself as the foremost theoretician and strateg-
ist of people's war.

The life and achievements of Comrade Mao cannot
be separated from his theoretical and practical leader-
ship of the proletarian revolutionary line in a series of
two-line struggles both before and after liberation,
against both "Left" and Right opportunism, especially
in recent years against the bourgeois lines of the capi-
talist roaders headed by Liu Shao-chi, Lin Biao and
Teng Hsiao-ping.

Comrade Mao is one of the giants of revolutionary
thought. He has made enormous contributions to
Marxist-Leninist theory, in particular to Marxist-
Leninist philosophy, to the theory of basis and super-
structure, the theory of the class struggle and the dic-
tatorship of the proletariat, the national-liberation
struggle and the Party. Of special significance has
been his contribution to the theory of continuing class
struggle under socialism in order to bar the door to a
revival of capitalism in new forms.

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Like Lenin in his time Comrade Mao carried on a
major struggle to preserve the purity of Marxist-Lenin-
ist theory from the attacks of revisionism headed by
the renegades of the Communist Party of the Soviet
Union from Khrushchov onward. The work of the
Communist Party of China under Mao's leadership in
this connection has been of world historic importance.

Comrade Mao was a great creative thinker and
practical leader. In the last decade of his life he per-
sonally led the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution
which established the necessity of continuing revolution
under the dictatorship of the proletariat. He guided
the work of building socialism in China by brilliantly
integrating the principles of Marxism-Leninism with
the practice of the Chinese revolution.

The purpose of Mao's life and work was the same
as that of the other great teachers and leaders of the
world revolution: The emancipation of the working
class, and therewith of all oppressed people, from the
rule of capitalism and imperialism. He never failed to
emphasize the role of the masses of the people in creat-
ing and in changing society and creatively developed
their participation in the practical work of administer-
ing socialist society.

The workers and oppressed peoples of the world
have lost a tried and trusted comrade, teacher and
leader. In their mourning they will rally still more
closely around his revolutionary line and teachings for
the struggles ahead.

Comrade Mao's teachings on the mass line are
summed up in the phrase: From the masses, to the
masses. To no one does this apply more than to Mao
himself.

From the masses he drew his strength and wisdom;

To the masses he devoted his life and work.

V.G. Wilcox

General Secretary of the National Committee
of the Communist Party of New Zealand
September 10, 1976

Message From Vilar of Central Committee of Communist Party of Portugal (M-L)

The Central Committee of the Communist Party
of China,

First Vice-Chairman Comrade Hua Kuo-feng
of the C.P.C. Central Committee,

The Chinese people

Dear Comrades:

We learnt with deepest grief of the death of Com-
rade Mao Tsetung. The Communists of Portugal were

struck with grief which can hardly be expressed in words over the death of Comrade Mao Tsetung. This great revolutionary leader who led in the founding of the People's Republic of China, successor to the cause of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin and supreme leader of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution will live for ever in the hearts of the Communists the world over, and he will be regarded as the teacher fighting against modern revisionism and for the victory of the cause of scientific socialism and communism. His death is an inestimable loss to the Communist Party of China, the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the Chinese people, as well as to all Communists and progressive mankind of the world.

The works of Comrade Mao Tsetung are an inexhaustible source of teaching. They have strengthened the militant unity among the people of various countries in opposing hegemonism and in particular the militant unity in opposing Russian social-imperialism, the most offensive and aggressive superpower.

When the sad news of the death of Comrade Mao Tsetung reaches the five continents, the five continents will surely turn grief into strength. We are convinced that the cause of communism and the cause of opposing hegemonism of the peoples of the world will surely gain a new development. The image of Comrade Mao Tsetung will undoubtedly inspire every communist fighter. The Central Committee of the Communist Party of Portugal (Marxist-Leninist) extends to you its deepest condolences.

Eternal glory to Comrade Mao Tsetung!

Eduino Vilar

The Central Committee of the
Communist Party of Portugal
(Marxist-Leninist)

Lisbon, September 9, 1976

Message From First Secretary Lefebvre Of Marxist-Leninist Communist Party Of Belgium

The Central Committee of the
Communist Party of China,

First Vice-Chairman Comrade Hua Kuo-feng
of the Central Committee of the
Communist Party of China,

Peking

Our great Comrade Chairman Mao Tsetung has died and our grief is immense. We send our cordial salutations to you. We feel your grief. We are close to you and

among you to share your most profound sentiments. But we also know that the work and the teachings of Chairman Mao are immortal and that they will always enrich the action and the reasons of the struggle of all the revolutionaries of the world.

As the leader of the Chinese Communist Party, Chairman Mao led the Chinese people on to the victorious path of revolution and socialism, because he applied in a creative way the universal teachings of Marxism-Leninism to the concrete conditions of his country and his epoch. He realized the fruitful alliance between the peasant masses and the modern proletariat. He enunciated the laws of revolutionary war and applied them victoriously. He practised with mastery the policy of the united front which calls for both union and struggle. Closely associating with the masses and being intransigent on the principles of Marxism-Leninism, he led the Chinese people in winning the great victory of liberation on October 1, 1949 and then in the building of socialism.

Developing the teachings of Lenin on the class struggle under the socialist system and drawing lessons from the revisionist degeneration in the U.S.S.R. after the death of Stalin, he led with mastery the struggle against revisionism within the international communist movement and in China itself. He promoted the continuation and development of the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. As the leader of the Chinese Communist Party, he initiated and led the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, a brilliant struggle of the masses against leaders taking the capitalist road, against revisionism and for the victory of the proletarian line. He appealed to the masses and led them in the movement to criticize Confucius and Lin Piao. He appealed to the masses and led them in the struggle for restricting bourgeois right and strengthening the dictatorship of the proletariat. He appealed to the masses and led them in the current struggle against the Right deviationists. Ruthless to the agents of the bourgeoisie, to the secessionists and conspirators, Chairman Mao forcefully attacked those who betrayed and those who attacked the red flag while making use of it, the worst traitors, notably Liu Shao-chi, Lin Piao and Teng Hsiao-ping in the recent past. In the 55 years of struggle against the class enemies, Chairman Mao, in leading the popular masses, always had an eye to the ideological reinforcement of all the Party members and revolutionaries. No one else was better than he in pointing out that to defeat the enemy and not to sink into revisionism, it is necessary to have constant concern for raising the theoretical level of the Party.

We salute the principled foreign policy of Chairman Mao and the Communist Party of China, who exposed the defente fraud, denounced the intrigues and crimes

of the two superpowers and their march to the inevitable third world war, showed that Soviet social-imperialism is the biggest source of war in the world and supported the tendency of the countries and peoples of the second world to fight against hegemonism and to align themselves with third world countries and peoples, the motive force of history.

Mao Tsetung takes his place among the giants of the proletarian revolution — Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, and the study of their life and works is a guide for all the revolutionaries of the world.

In the name of the Central Committee and all the members of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Belgium, I wish to express our total solidarity. Led by their Communist Party, the Chinese people, overcoming their pain, will draw new strength for marching into the brilliant future of the revolution.

Fernand Lefebvre

First Secretary of the Central
Committee of the Marxist-Leninist
Communist Party of Belgium

Brussels, September 9, 1976

Message From Chairman Klonsky Of U.S. October League (M-L)

First Vice-Chairman Comrade Hua Kuo-feng of the
Central Committee of the Communist Party of
China,

Peking,

The People's Republic of China

On behalf of the October League (Marxist-Leninist), we extend our solemn condolences to the Communist Party of China, the Government of the People's Republic of China, and the entire Chinese people on the loss of the beloved and revered leader of the Chinese people's revolutionary struggle Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Words cannot fully express the grief we feel at the loss of our great teacher and leader. He stood for communism all his life. His works deepened and enriched the liberating science of Marxism-Leninism. Throughout his life Chairman Mao Tsetung fought not only for the liberation of China but for that of the international working class and all oppressed peoples from imperialism and all reaction.

Chairman Mao creatively developed and applied Marxism-Leninism to the making of the Chinese revolution. He organized, built and led the Communist Party of China, guiding it over 55 years through ten major two-line struggles against various Right and "Left"

opportunist lines and the current struggle against Teng Hsiao-ping's Right deviationist line.

The lessons he summed up from China's new-democratic and socialist revolutions have served to advance the national-liberation struggles throughout the entire world. Mao Tsetung led the way in the international fight to unmask and smash revisionism, particularly Soviet social-imperialism. He charted a course for revolutionary fighters to follow, the high road of class struggle. The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, which he personally initiated and led, has further developed the theory of continuing the class struggle under the dictatorship of the proletariat and stands as a major contribution to the world treasury of Marxism-Leninism and as a guidepost for Communists everywhere in fighting the bourgeoisie and revisionism and advancing on the road to communism.

Our grief sparks a greater determination to uphold Marxism-Leninism, Mao Tsetung Thought and intensify our study and work. We will persist in taking class struggle as the key link in making revolution. We know for sure that the Chinese people will transform grief into strength and energy, heighten their revolutionary unity and reach the great goals for which Chairman Mao lived.

Mao Tsetung has left us a great legacy of guidance in waging the struggles for national liberation, for socialism, and communism. While the passing away of Chairman Mao is heavier than Mount Tai, his legacy can never die.

Our sympathy to Comrade Chiang Ching and the family of Chairman Mao.

Eternal glory to Comrade Mao Tsetung!

With communist and internationalist greetings.

Michael Klonsky

Chairman of the Central Committee
of the October League (Marxist-Leninist)
Chicago, September 9, 1976

Message From Chairman Benito Scocozza of Communist League Marxist-Leninists of Denmark

Benito Scocozza, Chairman of the Communist League Marxist-Leninists of Denmark, extended, on behalf of the Central Committee of the League, deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung in a message to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China on September 9.

The message says, "With deep grief we learnt of the passing away of the great leader of the Chinese people, Chairman of the Communist Party of China, Comrade Mao Tsetung.

"The death of Chairman Mao Tsetung means a monumental loss for the revolutionary movement and for the people of the whole world."

It says, "Ever since the founding of the Communist Party of China, Chairman Mao Tsetung has led the struggle against all kinds of reactionaries in the long history of the Chinese people's struggle for national independence and socialism.

"The Chinese people won great victories in the struggle against Japanese imperialism and against the Kuomintang reactionaries. After the proclamation of the People's Republic of China, the Communist Party of China, under the great leadership of Chairman Mao Tsetung, has led the Chinese people to still greater victories in the struggle for the building up of socialism and the strengthening of the dictatorship of the proletariat.

"Many attempts have been made by class enemies to sabotage the socialist construction in China and to restore capitalism. But through the Great Cultural Revolution, and through the still harder struggle between the two lines, the Communist Party of China under the leadership of Chairman Mao Tsetung has smashed all attempts to restore capitalism.

"This is not only great victories for the Chinese people but also for the people of the whole world. The great achievements of the Chinese people under the leadership of Chairman Mao Tsetung have meant a great inspiration and support for the oppressed people.

"The Communist Party of China under the wise leadership of Chairman Mao Tsetung fought a long and very hard struggle against the revisionists and the new social-imperialist superpower, and throughout this struggle, held high the red banner of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought. The revolutionary line of Chairman Mao Tsetung is an immense inspiration for revolutionaries all over the world."

It says, "The death of Chairman Mao Tsetung means an immense loss for the revolutionary movement of the world, for all the Communists. The revolutionary line of Chairman Mao Tsetung was developed in the continued struggle against all kinds of opportunists. And the great successes of the Chinese people in building socialism are a monumental proof of the correctness of the revolutionary line of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

"The death of Chairman Mao Tsetung has hit the people of the world with deep grief. But the people of the world, the Marxist-Leninists all over the world, will surely turn deep grief into new strength. We are convinced that the Chinese people will turn grief into new strength in the implementation of the revolutionary line of Chairman Mao Tsetung."

Message From Central Committee of Communist Party of Italy (M-L)

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of Italy (Marxist-Leninist) sent a message on September 9 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, extending deepest condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The message says: "The Central Committee of the Italian (Marxist-Leninist) Communist Party expresses deepest condolences to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. The death of Chairman Mao Tsetung has thrown the Chinese people, the working class of the world and all the oppressed people into infinite mourning."

The message says: "The passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung has deprived the Chinese people and the world proletariat of a great leader. With his tremendous contributions to the revolutionary struggle Chairman Mao is ranked among the great historic leaders of the world proletariat as Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin."

Message From Committee for the Founding of the Workers' Party Of the Dominican Republic

Comrade Hua Kuo-feng,

First Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China,

Peking,

China

Deeply stunned by the death of the beloved and respected Comrade Mao Tsetung, renowned leader of the Chinese people and the world proletarian revolution, the Dominican Marxist-Leninists express to the Party, the Government and the people of China our unbreakable solidarity, with the absolute conviction that the socialist revolution will surely win greater victories in China and that the world revolution will surely overwhelm imperialism, revisionism and all reactionaries.

The Committee for the Founding of the Workers' Party of the Dominican Republic

(Composed of the Red Line of the "June 14" Revolutionary Movement, the Red Banner, the Voice of the Proletariat, and the Via-ML.)

Santo Domingo, September 11

(To be continued.)