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## Fight Against the Theory of the Lesser Evil!

For quite a while, the reformist sectors who surfaced during the government of Popular Unity, supported by the sectors that present themselves as "ultra-revolutionaries", have been putting forward the nefarious theory of the "lesser evil". This opportunist theory is concretized today in the manoeuvres aimed at perpetuating fascism, aimed at the continuation of "pinochetism" without Pinochet.

In seeing this, many may think that they are slanders invented and launched fortuitously against sectors which call themselves anti-fascist and who say they fight for the overthrow of the fascist military junta. But, the objective reality and the facts show that the opposite is the case.

To begin with we will point out that these sectors have denied and obscured the struggles of the Resistance and of the Chilean people against their oppressors. They have said that it does not exist and they have only raised the atrocities committed by fascism, promoting compassion for the Chilean people instead of fighting solidarity. Basing themselves on this, they have elaborated all their strategy in order to once again place themselves at the tail end of the bourgeoisie. The same bourgeoisie sold out to imperialism which supported with all its might the fascist military and the coup d'état.

Their present position towards the U.S. government is also the result of this stand. The reformists placed all their hopes in Carter, hoping that Carter, by coming out as the defender of human rights and as a result of his criticisms of the tyrant Pinochet, would promote the exchange of the dictatorship and implant in its stead an out-and-out supporter of U.S. imperialism: Frei.

Today, after over one year with the Carter government and in spite of all the expressions of "good faith" on the part of the imperialists towards Pinochet, the illusions of the reformists and their allies carry on.

This is why they persist in their desire of making believe that a dictatorial civil-military regime, with all its inherent restrictions is

better or would be better than the present dictatorship. It is to this position, promoted by the pro-yankee sections of the Christian Democrats and other reactionaries, that the reformist sectors of the Chilean "left" want to adhere and which in their practice they promote. It is to this position that they want to lead the people and the anti-fascists, to attempt to change one fascist regime for another one which is the same but has a "democratic" mask.

We say categorically that we are against the fascist regime and any other which imperialism tries to impose. We fight for a genuine democratic government of anti-fascist unity and we fight for the real liberation of our people.

The genuine anti-fascists cannot fight to return to the past, neither can they fight to change the wagon of fascism.

But, we are also clear that, if as a result of the inter-bourgeois contradictions and the need of the reactionaries to attempt to stop the people's struggle, imperialism and the reaction decide to bring about an "exchange" and thus permit certain liberties which are presently prohibited, but maintaining all the while the oppression, the imperialist plunder, poverty, etc., it is necessary to take advantage of such a situation. Faced with such a situation, the genuine anti-fascists should adopt adequate tactics and continue





the struggle to smash fascism once and for all. For no reason whatsoever can one focus the present struggle in order to change the face of fascism, but it must be led towards the destruction of the very roots of fascism.

Those who pursue the exchange are the imperialists and the



reactionaries who thus attempt to perpetuate their domination, fearing that the popular struggle will overthrow the dictatorship. This is the reason they are trying to find a "way out".

The old and manhandled theory of the "lesser evil" is one of the many snares that the bourgeoisie has always used to achieve its aims.

Our people will not let themselves be fooled because they have already learned the lesson and they will not place themselves at the tail end of a sector of the bourgeoisie to say that the other is better, just as we also do not want to change one imperialism for another. We are fighting for a genuine national independence.

The people and the people alone will liberate themselves.

**NO TO FASCISM! NO TO THE ANTI-PEOPLE MANOEUVRES! NO TO THE THEORY OF THE "LESSER EVIL"!**

**YES TO THE UNITY OF ALL GENUINELY ANTI-FASCIST SECTORS!**

**YES TO THE STRUGGLE TO OVERTHROW THE DICTATORSHIP AND SMASH FASCISM!**

**FIGHTING WE WILL WIN!**

## Popular Justice

As a result of the development of the Resistance and of the struggles which the Chilean people have been waging against fascism, situations of informing and tale-telling have come up, promoted by elements who are sold out to the military. Against this, the patriots who are fighting to overthrow the dictatorship and especially the comrades who belong to the People's Front, have stipulated severe punishments for the traitors, those that are discovered and caught having relations with the repressive apparatus.

A few months ago, one of these informants infiltrated amongst the workers, was caught in an industry in Santiago. The members of the Resistance who work in the sector decided to punish him in an exemplary manner and he was condemned to death.

After the execution was carried out, the reasons for the death sentence against this informer were rendered public.

Now, on the 10th of September in the city of Concepción in the sector of Chillancito, another case has occurred which was published by the reactionary press in the service of the fascists.

This time it is the case of a student, Luis Alberto Cabello Quiñones, who on the night of September 9th, found on the threshold of an industry a series of clandestine pamphlets and newspapers which called for the fight against the dictatorship and for the defence of the trade union organizations and their rights in the Pacific Steel Company. The newspaper in question is called *The Voice of Steel*, edited by the People's Front in Huachipato.

On finding these materials, this student in the service of fascism, picked up a few copies and with them he presented himself at the Commissary of that sector in order to, according to him, leave the proof that "extremist elements" were going about disseminating "illegal propaganda". But what this traitor did not know is that his activity was overseen by some of the comrades who were carrying



out propaganda work.

The following evening, this same person surprised the comrades distributing propaganda in another sector of the city, near the Villa CAP. True to his stool pidgeon character, he tried to note down the number of the licence plate of the vehicle being used by the comrades, but he was caught in the act.

When he saw he was caught he tried to flee but was caught by the anti-fascist comrades who identified him as the informant who gave information to the authorities the night before and they punished him severely, warning him that the Resistance does not forgive the informers and collaborators of the military fascists.

After receiving his deserved punishment, he once again went to the Commissary to leave the proof of what he called aggression and he was then transferred to the hospital.

The Resistance is ever vigilant and will continue its dedicated work for the overthrow of the dictatorship and of punishing those who betray the people.

(Reproduced from an article which tells about the action of the Resistance.)

## Public Statement of the People's Front

In the evening paper *Cronica*, dated the 16th of September 1977, it is stated that two militants belonging to the People's Front had hurt a Penquista student.

We want to clear up that the organizations which adhere to the politics put forward by the People's Front do not hurt innocent members of our people. Nonetheless, the informants, stool pidgeons, spies, torturers and assassins contracted by the military junta, who have contracted a large blood debt with the people, will be harshly punished for their crimes.

The dictatorship and yankee imperialism are the main obstacles on the road to genuine liberation of the Chilean people. Against these enemies and their collaborators the People's Front directs itself.

The politics of the People's Front unites the workers, peasants, students, functionaries and professionals, small and medium sized merchants and industrialists. With no distinction made on the basis of ideology or religion. It unites all the political parties and organizations, trade unions, cultural, religious, sport and community organizations, etc. which are ready to fight and overthrow the dictatorship and totally eradicate fascism and establish a democracy of **anti-fascist unity**. This is the great task of

all the patriotic Chileans.

The People's Front encourages the most varied kinds of struggle, from the most simple actions to the most complicated: from the activities of propaganda, boycotts, work stoppages, strikes, sabotages, demonstrations, etc. up to and including the armed struggle; from partial actions to those that are generalized.

In the course of the struggle the existing organizations will strengthen themselves and new ones will arise, capable of guaranteeing the victories won and ensuring victory over fascism, imperialism and the reactionaries.

*The Voice of Steel* is the voice of the workers from Huachipato who have decided to take up active struggle against the dictatorship. It will continue pointing out the hard road towards victory. No obstacle is going to hold back the impetuous advance of the united people.

**THE CHILEAN RESISTANCE WILL WIN!**

Regional Leadership From Concepción  
People's Front of Chile





# THE VOICE OF STEEL



GREATER UNITY, BIGGER STRUGGLE, GREATER VICTORIES!

N° 2

Below we are printing extracts of articles which appeared in the clandestine newspaper *The Voice of Steel*, edited by a Committee of the People's Front in the Pacific Steel Company (CAP), to be found in Concepción Province.

"Respect for the gains of the workers" . . . is the name of the column which month after month deals with wages and salaries and the rights they rob from us. Having killed, imprisoned, or terrorized for four years now they prohibit us from electing our own leaders, from presenting petitions.

This they call respect for the rights of the workers? They dare to say that there is liberty? The facts speak for themselves.

We workers call this dictatorship and fascist oppression and we will fight it, as we have always done, until we triumph.

In 1977, the year of the anti-fascist offensive, conscious of what they want to do with us, we have decided to strengthen the active struggle. For this we demand the functioning of the union, we must develop secret organizations such as workers' committees or trade union committees which are small, containing from three to five people, to demand:

1. Trade union meetings in which the leaders render account and in which the most urgent problems can be discussed in order to fight for their solution,

2. A minimum wage of 6,300 pesos,

3. Freedom of assembly and union elections.

From the editorial of *The Voice of Steel*, No. 2, the following extracts: The public lists signed by more than 80 percent of the

workers of the factory demanding: General Assembly to demand an account from the present leaders, the application of the Labour Code in force, the fulfillment of the contracts, salary increases and trade union elections, show that the working class is not passive, that it is seeking ways to achieve unity and to fight for its interests dragged in the dirt by the fascist military junta.

The Chilean trade union movement has a rich fighting tradition which goes back to the beginning of this century. Nonetheless, it started getting weaker from the time certain opportunists and traitors began to sell or ignore demands, boycott strikes, confine them within the framework of the bourgeois laws and divide the forces of the workers. They have acted in this manner according to the needs of different bourgeois sectors, interested in weakening, dividing and dragging the trade union movement behind their own anti-people policies.

They are the same ones who now are trying to hide their part in the bringing about of the coup and the fascist dictatorship attempting to confuse the people, so that we have faith in the U.S. imperialists and the reactionary Armed Forces which they control.

Experience has shown that when we have fought, organized in a consequent manner, we have achieved the best victories. Thus it is crucial to take up active and organized struggle such as slowdowns, work stoppages for minutes at a time, partial or complete work stoppage, as well as the organization of workers committees, clandestine trade union committees, which coordinate the struggle until it is effective.

## Extracts from the Open Letter of the Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile to the Socialist Party (NCR) and MAPU

September 18, 1977

Comrades,

The Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile has watched with profound interest, sympathy and solidarity the process of struggle that the base and revolutionary leaders of the Socialist Party, MAPU and other organizations have waged and continue to wage in support of genuine anti-fascist politics designed to unite the forces to overthrow the dictatorship which brutally oppresses and superexploits our people. This fight is the expression of the irreconcilable battle between the two lines which is being waged within the Chilean Left, around the attitude which must be taken up against the military dictatorship. On one hand is the traitorous and capitulationist line advocated particularly by the leadership of the so-called "Communist" Party of Chile; on the other hand, the line which is genuinely anti-fascist which is advocated through the development of numerous mass struggles and, particularly, through the people's armed struggle, to smash the instruments of repression of the dictatorship, overthrow it and in this manner, open the way for the process of national and social liberation of our people, with genuine socialism as the aim . . . The struggle of the revolutionary sections of MAPU, the National Coordination of the Regions of the Socialist Party and other sections against the capitulationist line of the leadership of the "C" P, as well as the tendency of these forces to close the ties between them and get rid of the opportunists, to give the popular anti-fascist Resistance a united and correct political leadership, are very promising for the future of our people.

The Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile, in the context of the most broad unitarian spirit and without attempting to impose

on anyone its interpretation of the past or present events, not only resolutely supports this process, but is willing to coordinate its efforts with all the political sectors genuinely willing to encourage the struggle for the overthrow of the dictatorship. Our attitude is not a mere circumstantial manoeuvre to obtain a "formalistic" recognition of other forces. The important thing is for everyone to lead their struggles. As far as the RCP is concerned, this is the attitude which we have had since our birth as a party more than ten years ago, in full accord with the Programme and the revolutionary line put forward by our Constitutional Congress in 1966. We wish to unite and fight together with those and only those who share a common anti-fascist line and we reject any agreement on the basis of capitulationist politics. We consider this political anti-fascist and revolutionary unity as an urgent and necessary step for the formation, under proletarian leadership, of a broad mass front designed to overthrow the dictatorship in Chile and realize the indispensable transformations to end the crisis and the suffering of our people. The splittists are those who pretend to "unite" behind a politics that serves the reactionary interests. Their own honest rank-and-file will understand this and will join those of us who put forward a correct line.

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## MAPU

We are reproducing below extracts of the statement of the Local Committee in France of the MAPU Party produced on the occasion of the fourth anniversary of the fascist coup d'état this past September. The statement is entitled: "Four Years of Fascist Military Dictatorship — Four Years of Defeat in the Anti-Dictatorial Struggle Under the Reformist and Bourgeois Leadership".

Four years have passed since the big monopoly bourgeoisie, the landlords and U.S. imperialism employ their armed forces to overthrow the reformist government of the Popular Unity and above all put a violent stop to the revolutionary upsurge of the workers and popular movement.

In the four years of the dictatorship, the Popular Unity has not only not yet undertaken to produce a genuine critical and self-critical account of its basic responsibility in the coup d'état, but it furthermore persists in its reformist line of conciliation with the Freist bourgeoisie, deepens its betrayal of the working class and the people who resist in Chile, vainly tries to liquidate the revolutionary sections of the Chilean left (for example, of MAPU, the National Coordination of Regions of the SP), or to subordinate them unconditionally.

The triumph of the Chilean revolution will not come about as a result of "deals" and "arrangements" with Carter, neither will it come as a result of compromises with the social democrats. The revisionist leadership of the "C" P and the right wing of the SP led to the September defeat and in the present struggle against the dictatorship — **After Four Years of Pinochet** — they can only lead to further defeats.

In another paragraph, the statement of MAPU points out:

Nonetheless, the revolutionary alternative grows and develops in the **Popular Resistance in Chile** and not in superstructural meetings in the different capitals of the world. It is in the popular Resistance in Chile, through the Anti-Fascist Resistance Committees, the Workers' Commissions in the factories, the Peasants' Councils, etc., where day by day the unity of the revolutionaries is built, where the genuine anti-fascist Front is formed . . .

The statement ends with the slogan:

**ACTIVELY SUPPORT FROM EXILE THE CHILEAN POPULAR RESISTANCE!**



## Socialist Party (NCR)

We are printing below extracts from the editorial of *Revolution*, official organ of the Socialist Party of Chile (National Region Coordination), abroad.

The self-proclaimed "Foreign Secretary" installed in Eastern Europe, lives at the expense of governments, without contacts with the organization in the interior and abroad and comes under the dictates of the Communist Party, attempting to engage the Socialist Party in a bourgeois political project. This is perfectly clear in Altamirano's September 1976 Report when he offers a complete adherence to workers' reformism, and in his scandalous statements to the Mexican daily *El Sol* on his second to last trip to that country, in which he excludes the bloody government of Videla, in Argentina, from those who trample human rights.

This parasitical group has emasculated the party organization, through co-optation, to manipulate false directions in the interior, and through verticalism, to drown all democratic expression in the organizations in exile. He has used the financial sources donated by the solidarity of the workers of the world to maintain a regal existence abroad and corrupt the militants in the interior and abroad.

It is they who are the liquidators of the Socialist Party.

They have no right, as a result, to present to our Party those bureaucratic and corrupt leaderships which gyrate around the so-called "Foreign Secretary". They do not have it because they have lost the respect of the interior, because they have betrayed the strategic socialist concepts, because the mandates of their godchildren have expired and because the Socialist Party, reconstructed in the interior, has given itself other leadership in the face of the political void left behind by the Central Committee which deserted.

The crisis of the Socialist Party and of the ensemble of the left abroad, is expressed in the absurd tenacity to hold on like desperate shipwrecked people, to an illusionary and demobilizing political project. The Popular Unity is dragging itself, in fact, towards the antechambers of the Department of State searching for magic solutions put forward by imperialism itself, instead of helping, if it can no longer lead, the Chilean people in their heroic struggle against the military dictatorship.

Its opportunism is not cowed down either by the refusals of Frei to make compromises to the left-wing parties, nor by the acquiescence of Carter to the grotesque promises of Pinochet to "democratize" Chile within one generation. Sad truth it is that compromises at once all the parties of the left-wing so long as the real betrayal of the Chilean people is not confronted resolutely!

## News . . . News . . . News . . . News . . . Nev

### STATE OF SEIGE EXTENDED

The state of seige was extended for another six months, together with the state of emergency throughout all the regions, provinces and communes of the country. That is to say, all the exceptional laws imposed by fascism four years ago, continue in effect, including the curfew.

The fascist military junta justifies these measures saying that "the causes which gave rise to them are still in effect".

### EXPLOSION OF BOMBS IN SANTIAGO

On the night of September 12, three bombs exploded in different parts of the capital. One of them exploded in a branch of the Bank of Chile in Manquehue, the others in the central offices of the South American Bank and across from the Air Force Club.

### MORE THAN 20,000 WORKERS UNEMPLOYED AS A RESULT OF THE BANKRUPTCY OF 44 BUSINESSES

As a result of the nefarious economic politics of the fascist military junta, more than 44 businesses have gone to their ruin in the first six months of 1977. As a result of this, more than 2,000 workers have been thrown into the ranks of the unemployed.

Amongst the most important businesses are to be found: Graham Agencies S.A.C. which fired 401 workers, Andes Steel Works with 314 workers, Fernandez Drey and Co. Construction Company with 121 workers, Revion Textile Industries S.Ac. with 109 workers and Pubill and Co. Ltd. which sent 120 workers into the ranks of the unemployed.

### ANOTHER SEVEN BUSINESSES GO BANKRUPT IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST

Continuing with the flurry of bankruptcies in industries and businesses, which condemn thousands of workers to unemployment and their families to poverty, the "magicians" of the Chilean economy, guided by the "Chicago Boys", have led another seven companies to bankruptcy in the month of August alone. The companies which have declared bankruptcy are: Sina Traverzo Construction Company, S.A., ABACO Supplies, S.A., Guillermo Letelier, Llonca, Stahl Engineering Ltd., Elias Delgado Zúñiga, Fleurette Blouse Making Factory Ltd. and Mortonfly Co. Ltd.

The statistics for the month of September are not yet known, but already the civil tribunals have let it be known that two large companies are bankrupt. One of them is the chassis industry for buses "Zamora and Co. Ltd." which was authorized to carry out the assemblage in Chile of the Brazilian business Marco Polo.

The other industry of significance which has just declared bankruptcy during the month of September is the old industry "Cecinas Loewer", which sent 190 workers into the ranks of the unemployed when it closed its doors. This industry was one of the most important and most modern in this sector. It produced up to 120 thousand kilos of salted beef per month. The debts incurred by the company attain the figure of 40 million pesos (nearly two million dollars) which represents more than three times the capital it had invested in machines and vehicles.



The 190 workers have requested the trade union of Bankruptcies in Santiago that the contracts be respected and that the compensations for years of service be paid up, since he who has worked in the business for the shortest period of time has done so for over twenty years.

#### NEW DETENTIONS AND TRIALS

At the end of August, the repressive forces invaded the Nursery "Sol Naciente", situated in El Salto, Santiago and proceeded to detain eleven people accused of organizing a "Resistance Committee".

According to the version put forward by the fascist press, amongst the people detained are to be found social workers and teachers of infant children. These people, who are accused of participating in "clandestine meetings of a political nature" in the Conchali sector and of possessing Marxist literature, including pamphlets by Mao Tsetung, books, pamphlets and notes, were put at the disposal of the First Military Commission and they will be put on trial by a war-time military tribunal.

#### TRADE IN PRIVATE EDUCATION

Allowing ever greater freedom to those who make money out of education, the fascist government has declared that as of 1978, the state will not fix the rate of fees of the private schools. This means that the owners of the private schools can fix at their own free will the prices of the inscriptions and the monthly fees, thus intensifying the manoeuvres of fascism to install a class education.

#### FASCISM CLEANS THE CITY OF "BEGGARS, ALMS-SEEKERS AND PEDDLARS"

During the week prior to the 11th of September, the repressive forces formed dragnets in the central sector of Santiago with the objective of "cleaning up" the image of poverty which is observed all over and try to "give the city a new face".

The motive invoked on this occasion was the control of the peddler. According to the data handed over to the fascist daily *El Mercurio*, over 100 people fell into the dragnets, "including beggars, alms-seekers and others". In statements to the same daily, one of the Chiefs of Police said: "The police will be inflexible in the task of getting the beggars, vagabonds and merchants without a licence off the streets."

This is how fascism resolves the problem of poverty — with their jails.

#### OPERATION "UNITAS XVIII"

Once again, the U.S. warships have entered into the Chilean territorial waters with the blessings of the military fascists. On this occasion, as well as the U.S. warships, Peruvian warships participated together with the Chilean ones.

This operation which imperialism holds year after year to reassert its domination and parade its prowess on our continent, is presented by the military fascists as simple technical manoeuvres and "a way of keeping the Armed Forces of the participating countries on a really efficient footing."

In Valparaiso as well as in the other ports in which the yankee ships moored, thousands of leaflets repudiating and unmasking the real objectives of the ships and the imperialist marines in our ports were distributed.

## The Propaganda of the Resistance

The propaganda of the Resistance continues to increase and every day attains larger and larger sections of our people. This increase in the propaganda shows the deep wish for organization and struggle demonstrated by the broadest sections of the Chilean people. Following we reprint certain leaflets which have been distributed widely in our country.

#### BOYCOTT AND STRUGGLE AGAINST THE DICTATORSHIP

Four years of tyranny, poverty and repression in Chile. The increases continue, the crisis and bankruptcy of the economy is nearly total. They glut themselves with fabulous wages and the most modern weapons. That handful of generals sold out to the biggest exploiters and to imperialism, are the ones responsible for the malnutrition of thousands of children, the ever growing unemployment, the decreasing possibility of getting an education or health care. They are responsible for the hunger, the assassinations and the tortures. For all this, they will have to answer before **popular justice**.

The people are answering with greater determination and effort and they are already rising up organized and united, preparing themselves to **Overthrow the Dictatorship**.

One thing is clear: the people do not have illusions about the fascist promises of elections in the year 2,000; we know that that is not the solution. Neither should the people allow themselves to be disorientated along the road of passivity and pessimism that some people advocate. The destiny of Chile depends on the struggle of the worker, peasant, the student and of all the genuine patriots who love liberty, people's democracy and independence. The Resistance exists, organized underground to fight effectively against the enemy.

**What Is to Be Done?** 1) Fight for trade union freedom, 2) Form clandestine organizations of the Resistance, on your work front or educational front (small groups), 3) Participate in the trade union or other existing organizations; encourage the struggle around the problems which affect your mates. 4) Encourage work slowdowns, strikes, boycotts, and sabotage. Disseminate and publish propaganda of the Resistance, 5) Organize activities to isolate and punish the agents, informers and sold-out elements, 6) Make contact with a member of the People's Front in order to orient and further develop the struggle.

**A FIGHTING PEOPLE WILL NEVER BE DEFEATED!** *People's Front*

## Record in Support of the Resistance

The musical group of the OSLAI (Organization of Latin American Students in Italy) and the People's Front in Florence, have published a first record in support of the Chilean Resistance.

This record has four songs, two which are dedicated to the Chilean people and the other two are Colombian songs, composed by the workers of a sugar plantation in Rio Paila during a heroic strike struggle which they waged last year.

This effort on the part of OSLAI and the People's Front is designed to collect money for the Chilean Resistance. At the same time, based on the line of struggle, it is a challenge against the defeatism of many musical ensembles and singers from Latin America, especially the Chilean ones, who are still crying over the tragedy of our people, disseminating through music, feelings of pity towards them.

In this record, simple and without any technical sophistication, songs are popularized which, although they are previously unpublished, are very much linked to the struggles of the peoples on our continent. They are songs full of revolutionary optimism and which show how our peoples have not prostrated in front of the oppression and continue to fight with determination.

To obtain this record, write to: National Publications Centre, P.O. Box 727, Adelaide Station, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, with a check or money order for \$4.00, or write to ANCHA, P.O. Box 59, Cedex 13, Paris 75623 with a cheque or money order made out to Bernard Guerrien for the amount of 15 francs.





## "Call"

To the students, teachers and student community of the secondary education:

The news issued by the government of the new system of charging for education in 1977 has caused extensive uneasiness amongst broad sections of the population. This attempt to privatize education and convert education into an inscrutable business venture must be stopped.

We call for discussion on this serious attempt against the right to study.

Let us demonstrate our repudiation publicly against the so-called "quotas of learning", the payment of the second quotas this second semester and all excessive payment of tuition fees and other fees.

Enough misuse of tax money for arms and war materials!

**UNITY, ORGANIZATION AND STRUGGLE IS THE SOLUTION!**

Anti-Fascist Committee in Primary Education (CAFME)  
People's Front

## International Solidarity



The fourth anniversary of the fascist coup d'état in Chile was denounced throughout the world. From all sides the dictatorship was condemned and active solidarity with the struggle of the Chilean people developed.

The People's Front greatly encouraged this campaign by publishing a communique to numerous anti-imperialist organizations throughout the world as well as a call to the Chileans in exile. On the basis of the news which has reached us to date, and awaiting the news from the other places, we are printing a brief summation of the activities organized during this month of September.

### ITALY

The People's Front developed a campaign throughout Italy. It published 5,000 copies of the newspaper *Chilean Resistance* and 2,000 copies of a special issue of *ANCHA*. It also made a large number of posters on the four years of the Resistance to support the anti-fascist struggle.

In Carrara, the Committee in Support of the Chilean Resistance of Tuscany, held a programme on the autonomous Carrara television which lasted for forty minutes. In Savona, the People's Front of Chile participated for an entire week in the festival of the "Communist Youth" and on September 4 a comrade of the Front delivered a speech on the development of the struggle and the organization of the Resistance during these four years. In Ostia, on September 10, the Anti-Fascist and Anti-Imperialist Committee from this city organized a discussion meeting in which the comrades from the People's Front spoke. Throughout Italy the record edited by the musical ensemble from the People's Front and OSLAI has met with great success.

### NORWAY

On September 9, the Chilean Embassy in Norway was occupied by a group of demonstrators, in support of the Resistance and demanding the expulsion of the ambassador of the dictatorship and the breaking of trade and diplomatic relations. The same day, in the house of Norwegian artists in Oslo, a dinner was given in which comrades from MAPU, the SP(CNR) and the People's Front were invited. They explained the situation in Chile and the perspectives of the anti-fascist struggle.

On the morning of September 10, the Chile-Committee organized a big demonstration and action in solidarity with the Chilean Resistance, in which 2,400 people participated. The demonstration passed in front of the embassies of Chile and the United States, where the demonstrators shouted: "Out With the Ambassador of the Junta" "Support the Struggle of the Chilean People Against Fascism and Imperialism" "The Armed People Will Never Be Crushed" etc. During the main activity, a dock worker spoke as did a comrade from the SP(NRC). In the afternoon it continued with a political and cultural meeting, in which comrades from MAPU, the SP(NRC) and the People's Front spoke, as well as the Norwegian Chile-Committee. It is important to emphasize the profoundly united character and the similarity between the fundamental points in the speeches of the Chilean comrades. The Chile-Committee held over 15 meetings throughout Norway in which more than 6,000 people participated. A special edition of *ANCHA* was published in Norwegian which was widely distributed.

### PORTUGAL

On September 11, a big meeting was held in the Vasco Santana Theatre in Lisbon, in support of the Chilean Resistance, on the initiative of the Committee in Support of the Struggles of the Latin American People (CALPAL). The meeting, in which hundreds of

Portuguese comrades participated, was held under the slogan **The Chilean People Will Win!** and the meeting was presided over by comrades from CALPAL, deputies of the Democratic Popular Union (UDP) and the Socialist Party as well as an anti-fascist Chilean comrade.

### GREECE

During the month of September, the Communist Party of Greece (Marxist-Leninist) and the cultural and progressive committees from various districts organized meetings and photo exhibitions on the struggle of the Chilean people and the People's Front, as well as distributed leaflets analyzing the Chilean experience and supporting the Resistance struggle.

In Vizonas a meeting was held on September 21, in a cinema, in which a homage to the Chilean martyrs was held and the anti-fascist struggle was resolutely supported. The call was issued to support the Chilean Resistance in moral and material terms.

In many districts such as Calithea, Gizi, Holazo, Nea Elvetia, Kessaziano and other places photo exhibitions were held and examples of clandestine propaganda from the Chilean Resistance viewed.

### ALBANIA

In Albania the activities in support of the Chilean people were intensified throughout the month of September. The newspaper *Zëri i Popullit*, published on September 11 an important article on the situation in Chile, supporting the anti-fascist Resistance. The article was also published in *ATA* (Albanian Telegraphic Agency). The Albanian television aired a special programme on Chile and *Radio Tirana* disseminated a large number of articles denouncing the bloody Pinochet dictatorship and supporting the Resistance struggle.

At the end of September in Elbasan, the 7th Congress of the Labour Youth Union of Albania took place, to which a delegation from the youth of the Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile was invited. Comrade Emilio Gomez, head of this delegation, spoke to the 7th Congress delivering the greetings of the Marxist-Leninists and the anti-fascist Chilean youth.

### SWEDEN

A representative of the Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile, during the month of September, participated in four solidarity meetings with the Chilean people and other peoples of Latin America. The meetings were held in the cities of Göteborg, Norokoping, Uppsala and Stockholm, organized by the Communist Party of Sweden. In his speeches, the comrade from the Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile analyzed the national situation, the manoeuvres by U.S. imperialism and the Chilean bourgeoisie and denounced the reformist leaders who are attempting to drag the anti-fascist movement at the tail end of these manoeuvres. At the same time he raised the alternative of the popular Resistance, clearly showing that this is the only road which will allow the Chilean people to really advance to their liberation. In three of the meetings a discussion was organized after, in which the Swedish people showed their interest and support for the struggle of the Chilean people. A special issue of *ANCHA* in Swedish was published during the month of September and widely distributed throughout the country.

### FRANCE

**Paris:** The People's Front carried out intensive anti-fascist agitation and propaganda work during the month of September. It set up a photographic exhibition and a stall of material from the Chilean Resistance in the Montparnasse Station, in the doors of



the Georges Pompidou Centre, in the universities of Nanterre, Jussieu, Vincennes, Cencieur and in the International Cité Universitaire. All this ended with an important meeting organized by the People's Front on September 30, in the Maison d'Italie at the Cité Universitaire, attended by over 300 people.

In the meeting, a slide show was shown of the anti-fascist struggle in Chile and a comrade from the People's Front read a speech which was enthusiastically supported by the participants who shouted various times the slogan **The Armed People Will Never Be Crushed!**

MAPU and the Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile sent messages and greetings to the meeting organized by the People's Front, as did the comrades from the bulletin *Argentine Reality*, the Committee in Support of the Struggle of the Bolivian People, the Committee in Support of the Ecuadorian People, the United Committee in Support of the People's of Spain (CUSPE), FRAP, the FUDE and the Republican Convention of Spain, the Democratic Popular Union of Portugal (UDP), the Progressive All-Student Trade Union of Greece (PPSP), the Student Federation of Black Africa in France (FEANF), MONIMA, the Association of Students of Malgache Origin (AEOM), and the Committee in Support of the Thai People.

The People's Front, MAPU, the National Coordination of Regions of the Socialist Party and the Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile installed a stand in which a large quantity of material was sold. The meeting ended with a discussion on the situation in Chile and the development of the anti-fascist Resistance.

**Montpellier:** The Committee of the People's Front from this city, to mark the four years of Resistance, published a leaflet which was distributed widely at the exit of the factories, the popular

districts and the universities. They also placed stands to sell anti-fascist material which were greeted enthusiastically.

**Strasbourg:** The France-Latin America Committee held a meeting on September 11th in which 200 anti-imperialist militants participated. Slides were shown in which the role of the Chilean Armed Forces as guardians of the bourgeois state was illustrated. The fascist military junta was denounced and the call was issued to broaden the solidarity movement with the struggle of the Chilean people. In the meeting the lessons of the Chilean experience were discussed, as well as the need of armed struggle to smash fascism and the tasks of international solidarity. The People's Front distributed a leaflet and set up a stand of material together with MAPU, the RCP, MIR and the Socialist Party of Chile.

#### UNITED STATES

Together with the distribution of ANCHA in English, various articles of the People's Front were reproduced by progressive newspapers, by the radio programme "The Hour of Chile" which is transmitted through the WUIÇ airwaves, radio of the University of Illinois and by the bulletin of the Chilean refugees.

#### VENEZUELA

The newspaper *Que Hacer* published a big report on Chile and the struggle of our people, as well, together with the Committees of People's Struggle, published a special issue of ANCHA which was disseminated largely throughout Venezuela.

(In the next issue of ANCHA we will publish other news of international solidarity with the Resistance struggle of the Chilean people.)

## Latin American News

### COLOMBIA

Between the months of August and September, the struggles of the Colombian working masses experienced an extraordinary upsurge. This upsurge of the people's struggles is the result of, among other things, the constant worsening of the living conditions, the repression and the unemployment which the "democratic" government of Alfonso Lopez Michelsen subjects the people.

This impossible situation led the workers to put forward the need for a general strike on September 14 in protest against the high cost of living, that in the last eighteen months rose over 50 percent and to demand wage increases.

This day of struggle enjoyed the broadest popular support. The country's most important cities were completely paralyzed and the workers held important demonstrations. On its part, the Lopez

Michelsen government mobilized tens of thousands of soldiers and police to repress the demonstrations. The police and the Army, acting with their usual brutality, left in their wake over twenty dead and 400 wounded. Furthermore, more than 6,000 people were imprisoned.

The days following the general strike were the scene of big fights and confrontations between the workers and the police forces. The government decreed a curfew and a state of siege, threatening the strikers with massive firings and with prison sentences of 30 to 180 days for anyone who promoted actions or incited the strike.

These important struggles of the working class and the Colombian workers are one more step in the unmasking of the reactionary government of Lopez Michelsen which appears before world public opinion as "respectful of democratic rights", while in reality it massacres and represses the people to maintain them in abject poverty.

### BRAZIL

Wednesday, September 21, the police of Sao Paulo impeded the holding of the Third National Student Conference (ENE) which was to be held on the campus of the University of Sao Paulo. This conference had as its aim the formation of the National Student Union which was dissolved in 1964, shortly after the military coup against Joao Coultart.

On that day close to 200 students were detained and access to the city was impeded to the delegates from the other states.

The following day, more than 2,000 students met in the Pontificia Universidad Católica of Sao Paulo to protest the repression of the Conference. Faced with this, the police and the Army decided to assault the university with tear gas bombs and other arms. The universities appendages were completely demolished, destroying important and valuable pedagogical material. Dozens of students were wounded, and others suffered serious burns. The number of detained was over 300.

### LATIN AMERICA

Recently issue No. 2 of the Bulletin *Pensamiento Y Accion Marxista-Leninista en America Latina* (*Marxist-Leninist Thought and Action in Latin America*) was published in which documents from the Marxist-Leninist parties of Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador and Uruguay are reproduced.



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Venezuela:

## Successful Escape of 13 Political Prisoners

It is seldom one thinks of Venezuela when one hears of repression in Latin America, of the tortures, political prisoners and "missing" persons, the assassinations by the forces of repression.

On the contrary, the reactionary international news media, and the Venezuelan government itself in the international forums and in its official statements always tries to show that Venezuela is the "exception" in South America, that it is a country in which the government greatly respects democratic rights and human rights.

Nonetheless, the reality is very different.

In the last few months alone, the pro-imperialist government of A. Perez and the repressive forces have made illegal and unleashed a brutal repression against the workers of the Banana Company in Yacaruay, against the textile workers in Maracay; they have imprisoned and subjected to military justice Dilicia Petit, member of the national leadership of the Committee in Defence of Human Rights, and have unleashed a host of warrants, arbitrary detentions and tortures, particularly in the eastern part of the country.

To these facts is added the existence for years of dozens of political prisoners in different prisons throughout the country.

In this manner, on the night of August 14, thirteen revolutionary prisoners in the prison of La Pica, carried out a courageous operation coordinated between themselves and a Comando of the Americo Silvo Front (FAS), military forces of the Red Flag Party (Partido Bandera Roja), escaping and incorporating themselves in the guerrilla struggle in the mountains.

ANCHA greets the successful completion of this revolutionary action and reproduces below the second part of the "Vicente Contreras Duque" operation, released by the FAS, which came to our editorial board from Venezuela.

### OPERATION "VICENTE CONTRERAS DUQUE", Second Part

1. The Americo Silva Front (FAS), after successfully completing the operation led by the National Political Committee of our Party Bandera Roja, to guarantee the escape of a group of thirteen revolutionaries imprisoned in the La Pica Prison, addresses all the Venezuelan people to inform them that all our escaped comrades, together with all our effectives that participated in the operation, are to be found in the mountains of Venezuela in perfect condition and carrying out their duties.

2. In opposition to the speculations, lies and confusions spread by the present rulers in regards to the operation which was carried out, we point out the following:

a) It cannot be denied that the enemy maintains a fairly considerable armed force to protect and guard the La Pica penitentiary. The correlation of the forces on the material level shows our weakness and the strength of the enemy. Notwithstanding, it has been shown that from the military standpoint, it is possible to fight against and overthrow a powerful enemy if one relies on the people, in the struggle for a just cause and if one follows correct political-military tactics.

b) All our thinking and action were based in a patient preparation which eliminated any accidents from taking place which would impede the successful conclusion of the revolutionary action with which we were charged. We knew that the achievement of our task to liberate the prisoners would be the result of a combined effort between our fighters outside and the imprisoned comrades themselves. For this reason, our operational command proceeded to take a sector of the jail, where six fighters were placed with long arms and grenades; other fighters similarly held by arms the adjacent highway to protect the access roads to the place chosen for the escape, and a third group waited by the cars placed strategically with the aim of ensuring a rapid displacement and evacuation from the area. Meanwhile, the prisoners provided with small arms, grenades and tear bombs, overpowered a civil guard, a task which was accomplished by Comrades Andres Cova Mata and Faustino Lugo. Immediately other comrades, members of the Luis Tineo Gamboa cell provoked a blackout and proceeded to cut the power on the electrified fence which borders the prison.

c) The escape took place under an intense shootout which lasted over ten minutes between the National Guard and our fighters. Our entire operational personnel and the escaped comrades managed to get away without a single wound.



The thirteen revolutionaries who escaped from the La Pica Prison, presently in the mountains of Venezuela.



Militants and leaders of the Bandera Roja Party, liberated with the other revolutionaries who were kidnapped in the La Pica Prison.

d) The escapees from La Pica Prison are revolutionary militants, and the escape of all of them was decided by the **National Political Committee of Bandera Roja**. In this manner we expose the information which the government spokesmen are spreading which claims that two of the escapees are common delinquents who escaped by taking advantage of the confusion created by the escape of the revolutionaries.

3. The part of the Operation "Vicente Contreras Duque" executed by the imprisoned comrades was under the direction of Andres Cova Mata, who, together with Roberto Rincon and Faustino Lugo constituted the command which, within the prison, took care of all the planning, preparation and execution of the operation.

4. We clearly state that our imprisoned comrades at no time had any dealings with any other prisoners or guards. All the plans on the rescue operations were at all times kept under strict secrecy. Thus, the detentions and trials which are being carried out now, accusing the administrative and military personnel, and punishing other prisoners, are nothing but the manifestation of the incapacity of the government, which is punishing those who had nothing to do with the escape.

5. The sure and successful development of the "Vicente Contreras Duque" Operation allowed Bandera Roja to resolutely implement the principle of revolutionary solidarity towards other imprisoned comrades, members of the organizations fighting the exploiters and imperialists.

**THE ESCAPE FROM LA PICA IS THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR IN PROGRESS!**

**THE WORKING CLASS DOES NOT TAKE POWER THROUGH ELECTIONS!**

**PEOPLE'S WAR IS THE ONLY ROAD FOR THE SEIZURE OF POWER!**

**FOR THE UNITY OF ALL THE EXPLOITED IN THE STRUGGLE FOR PEOPLE'S DEMOCRACY!**

**LONG LIVE THE WORKING CLASS!**

**LONG LIVE THE AMERICO SILVA FRONT (FAS)!**

**LONG LIVE BANDERA ROJA!**

*Leadership of the Americo Silva Front (FAS),  
Venezuela, August 30, 1977*