

Letter from Central Committee of Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile [on the death of Mao]

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The Central Committee of the Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile in a letter of September 9 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China expressed sincere condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: We are greatly shocked and deeply grieved at the sad news of the passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the esteemed and beloved great teacher of the international proletariat. September 9, 1976 brought enormous, grief and misfortune to our Party and all the proletarian fighters.

The letter says that Comrade Mao Tsetung was one of the greatest teachers of the proletarian revolution. Together with the immortal cause of Marx, Engels and Lenin, his exploits and eminent status will always remain as the prominent symbols of the progress of human history. Comrade Mao Tsetung made manifold contributions to the development of the Marxist-Leninist theories and enriched the theory of class struggle during the period of the socialist revolution and socialist construction and during the period of consolidating and developing the dictatorship of the proletariat. The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution was a manifestation of this theory. Comrade Mao Tsetung not only correctly

applied the" Marxist-Leninist theories to the reality in Chinese society and developed the Marxist-Leninist theories, with the rich and extremely extensive revolutionary experience of the Chinese people, but also scientifically analysed, with dialectical materialism, the major problems in the revolution of the contemporary era and pointed out the infallibly correct orientation and infinitely broad future for this revolution. All this is an inestimable contribution to the proletarians and the oppressed people of the whole world who are struggling for liberation, democracy, socialism and communism.

The letter says: Comrade Mao Tsetung will for ever live in the hearts and minds of all our revolutionaries.

We must be modest in learning from his exemplary deeds replete with dignity. His immortal image will for ever be imprinted on the minds of the Chilean proletariat and people who, guided by the great communist principles and theories Comrade- Mao Tsetung himself had fortified and developed, are struggling for their liberation, progress and well-being.

The letter says: The Revolutionary' Communist Party of Chile will never forget the encouragement given to us by Comrade Mao Tsetung. He encouraged and cordially helped us in integrating the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with our practice so that a correct path will be opened in our country!"