

Workers of all countries, unite!

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The massacre of protesters in Beijing by the Chinese army is an act of fascist terrorism.

The Communist Party of New Zealand strongly condemns this brutality in a statement of its National Executive on page 2.

CHINA PROTESTS

The current social unrest in China and the Soviet bloc arises because socialism has been betrayed in these countries.

Enver Hoxha, the great Albanian Communist leader, in a speech to the General Council of the Democratic Front of Albania, on September 20, 1978, made this clear.

"The capitalist and revisionist countries, where they pretend that man allegedly enjoys all democratic freedoms and blessings, are seething with mass protests. If there is real freedom and the masses enjoy all material blessings, as they pretend, then why are the millions of people continually turning out in the street and clashing with the police of the bourgeoisie?"

"It is plain that the masses are protesting because their life is far from good, that they suffer economically, politically and in many other directions, therefore they try to overthrow the state which is against genuine democracy."

COMMUNIST PARTY CONDEMNS BEIJING MASSACRE

Statement By The National Executive Communist Party Of New Zealand

The Communist Party of New Zealand condemns the massacre of students and workers in Beijing's Tiananmen Square.

This massacre is a fascist action from a desperate ruling class led by the dominant faction in the anti-Marxist Communist Party of China (CPC).

The use of tanks and machine guns on unarmed civilian protesters is a crime comparable with those of the German nazis, the crimes of the US imperialists in Vietnam and those of the Soviet imperialists in Afghanistan.

The protests in China result from the inequalities and corruption rife in Chinese society. They arise from the decline in living standards as China becomes more and more closely integrated into the world capitalist economy.

The Chinese workers and peasants shed rivers of blood to liberate themselves from the Japanese invaders and the repressive regime of Chiang Kai Shek. But the CPC, which led them to liberation in 1949, betrayed the sacrifices of the Chinese people by allowing capitalist ownership to continue and re-gain domination, all done under the name of "Chinese socialism".

While the standard of living of the Chinese people

at first rose from the pre-liberation rock-bottom level, so too did the influence of the new capitalist class, linked to the remnants of the old elites.

Steadily under the leadership of Mao Tsetung, who paraded himself as a great Marxist and had a pseudo-Marxist phrase for every situation, the seeds were planted for re-opening China's resources and vast labour market for exploitation by foreign capital.

Mao's policies set the stage for a new alliance with US imperialism and the present closer alignment with the Soviet Union. The present day Chinese leaders play Mao's game of using one super-power against the other to serve their own ends.

It is no accident that the US Government, and other capitalist governments, have made such weak protests against the Beijing massacre, nor that the Soviet leadership have not condemn it at all!

Politically all these representatives of the exploiting classes have much more in common with the regime of Deng Xiaoping than with the students and workers who occupied Tiananmen Square and marched in other Chinese cities, making their calls

for an end to corruption and falling living standards and the removal of Deng and Premier Li Peng.

The Communist Party of New Zealand says that the belated and weak-kneed protests of the NZ Government are not enough!

The NZ Government should stop immediately the sale of NZ Steel, established with taxpayers' money, to the huge Chinese state-owned monopoly Min-Metals.

The NZ Government should also block the plans for investment in the NZ forest industry by Min-Metals.

Ultimately the future of China must be decided by the Chinese working people, who will have to counter the might of the regime's military force with the might of an organised, united and determined people.

The continued protests throughout China, against the regime and the Beijing massacre, are signs that this unity and determination are developing. What forces will rise to lead it at present are not clear.

The NZ working people can best assist that struggle by fighting the same class of exploiters who are driving down the standards of living of the NZ people, and attacking the right of NZ workers to strike and resist the increasing attacks on jobs and living standards.

While it may use different tactics in different circumstances, monopoly capital is equally ruthless and merciless whether it carries a Chinese, Russian, American or NZ face.

Workers of all countries unite! We have nothing to lose but our chains!

CHINESE GOVERNMENT STATEMENT

In the first official statement on the Beijing massacre, spokesman for the Chinese State Council, Yuan Mu, said that the known death toll was nearly 300. The dead were mainly soldiers and only 23 students were confirmed dead.

This statement is like a sick joke against the Chinese people.

A highly trained army, equipped with tanks and machine guns attacks peaceful, unarmed protesters and, it is claimed, five-sixths of those killed are soldiers!

SUP SUPPORTS CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY

CHINESE STUDENTS CONDEMN FASCIST CRIMES

The fascist Chinese leadership is getting support from the revisionist Soviet leaders and the pro-Soviet Socialist Unity Party in NZ.

The latest issue of the SUP paper, "Tribune", contains articles distorting the struggles of the Chinese students, praising the Communist Party of China, and reporting the agreements reached during the recent meeting between Soviet leader Gorbachev and Chinese military strong-man Deng Xiaoping.

According to "Tribune" there are imperfections in the Chinese social system and there is corruption. "But these shortcomings are being tackled by the government through extensive talks between students, workers, intellectuals and community leaders."

Had this issue of "Tribune" appeared a week later they could have added to "extensive talks", "and with tanks and machine guns".

"Tribune" lays the ground for eventual repressive action in China by claiming that the protests are being used by "a small number of people in China who have ulterior motives", "criminal elements" and "reactionary forces" which are allegedly conspiring "from inside and outside China to try to destabilise society, create disorder and undermine the role of the CPC."

"Tribune" praises the so-called "reform" programme of the CPC leadership. But it says that "Generally there has been a tendency in China

to be impatient for quick results. Price controls were relaxed and the role of central planning weakened as the so-called "market forces" were given great play. This policy created new economic and social problems."

While recognising that the demands of the students, workers and others are for democratic rights and against corruption, "Tribune" claims that "this is also the aim and task of the CPC. The Party and the Chinese people, including the youth have the same goal and the same task."

This is an outright lie! As subsequent events have shown. The CPC and the leadership dominated by Deng Xiaoping and Premier Li Peng is opposed to the demands raised by the students and vast numbers of the Chinese people.

"Tribune" concludes by restating this lie. "The aims of the students, the Party, the police and the broad masses are the same. They all want to extend socialist democracy, to curb inflation, quicken the pace of modernisation and root out and punish corrupt officials. Working together they can overcome the mistakes of the past."

"Tribune" scabs on the Chinese students who have shed blood, and the mass of Chinese workers who have gone on strike and marched in opposition to the effects of the policies pursued by the corrupt CPC and Government hierarchy.

Open Letter To The Government And People Of New Zealand.

The bloody course of events that began in Peking on the 4th of June, 1989, clearly illustrates that the current regime in China is carrying out a reign of terror.

On that day, an army equipped with armoured vehicles, automatic rifles and flamethrowers viciously slaughtered hundreds if not thousands of defenseless students and other local citizens.

The unthinkable events of that day provide conclusive evidence that the one remaining function of the present regime is the systematic slaughter of its own people.

Not only has the Chinese Government denied its own people their basic right to a secure existence, it has also violated the fundamental principles of humanity.

Their abominable actions - which can only be compared to the worst crimes of the Gestapo of Nazi Germany - have earned the present Chinese Government the odium of all civilized people throughout the world.

We earnestly call upon the people and Government of New Zealand:

- * to take whatever economic, political and diplomatic measures they can to express their abhorrence of such actions.

- * to come to the aid of those Chinese people caught in the current bloodbath, and

- * to condemn and to urge restraint upon the authorities in China in the most effective way available to them.

Sincerely,

The Committee for Chinese Democracy in a Time of Crisis.

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NZ Friendship Society Criticises Killings

The New Zealand China Friendship Society has been a strong supporter of the Chinese government for many years.

Before the massacre in Beijing, a spokesman said that the Peoples' Liberation Army would never be used against the people.

The following statement from the Society records their condemnation of the outrage:

The New Zealand China Friendship Society is shocked by the brutal suppression of the demonstration in

Beijing.

We deplore this use of violence and are horrified by the tragic loss of life it has already cost.

The People's Liberation Army, with its proud record of serving the people, has been used as a machine of repression.

We hope that the Government of China will immediately recall the army to its duty of protecting the people, and will urgently carry out the democratic reforms to repair the damage before still more lives are lost.

All the world's people know that repression breeds repression. We do not want China to go down that path.

The New Zealand China Friendship Society supports the New Zealand Government's condemnation of the army's actions in Beijing and its opposition to such violent repression.