

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!

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

The Central Committee of the
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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 intinsigent 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 Biao. 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 revisionists 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 Biao 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 detente 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.

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