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**Mourning With Deepest
Grief the Passing of the
Great Leader and Teacher
CHAIRMAN MAO TSETUNG!**

Eternal Glory to Chairman Mao, the Greatest Marxist of the Contemporary Era

— Comrades of foreign Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations, foreign friends and experts attend the mourning ceremony

Chairman Mao Tsetung, the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era, the great teacher of the international proletariat and oppressed nations and oppressed people, made great contributions in his life-long struggle for the Chinese people and the revolutionary people of the world and for the cause of communism. His passing is an inestimable loss to the international communist movement and has brought immense grief to the revolutionary people the world over. On September 14, comrades of foreign Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations now in Peking and experts from many countries helping the Chinese people in their socialist construction, with profound proletarian feelings, joined the masses in the capital to pay their respects to the remains of Chairman Mao at the Great Hall of the People.

With boundless esteem, comrades and friends from various countries praised the great teacher Chairman Mao for having inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism in the protracted revolutionary struggle. They praised him for his courage and vision as a proletarian revolutionary in launching the great struggle in the international communist movement to criticize modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, in promoting the vigorous development of the cause of the world proletarian revolution and the cause of the people in all lands fighting against imperialism and hegemonism, and in pushing the history of mankind forward.

The Party and state leaders who stood vigil by turns beside the catafalque on that day were Hua Kuo-feng, Wang Hung-wen, Yeh Chien-ying, Chang Chun-chiao, Yao Wen-yuan, Chi Teng-kuei, Wang Tung-hsing, Wei Kuo-ching, Wu Kuei-hsien, Su Chen-hua, Tan Chen-lin and Yu Chiu-li. They received the comrades and friends from various countries in the mourning hall and expressed deep gratitude to them. Keng Piao, Head of the International Liaison Department of the C.P.C. Central Committee, also stood vigil and took part in receiving the guests.

On the same day, tens of thousands of workers, peasants and soldiers as well as people from all walks of life in the city came to the Great Hall of the People to stand in deep mourning before the body of Chairman Mao. With strong resolve, they all pledged to carry out Chairman Mao's behests, uphold proletarian internationalism, strengthen their unity with the world's genuine Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations, unite with all the forces in the world that can be united with and carry the struggle against imperialism, so-

cial-imperialism and modern revisionism through to the end.

Among the foreign comrades and friends who attended the mourning ceremony on September 14 were:

Thakin Ba Thein Tin, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Burma; Jusuf Adjitorop, Head of the Delegation of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Indonesia and Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Indonesia; American friends Frank Coe, Ruth Coe and Sol Adler; British friend Pat Davies; friendly personage from New Zealand Rewi Alley; Djawoto, Secretary General of the Afro-Asian Journalists' Association, and members of the A.A.J.A. Secretariat; as well as foreign experts and friends from foreign cultural, sports, press, medical and other circles in Peking at the time.

His eyes filled with tears, Comrade Thankin Ba Thein Tin closely embraced Comrade Hua Kuo-feng and other leading comrades of the C.P.C. Central Committee and expressed his deep grief over the death of Chairman Mao. "At this sorrowful moment with the passing of Chairman Mao, the great leader of the Chinese people and the great teacher of the international proletariat," he said to Comrade Hua Kuo-feng, "we Burmese Communists are determined to unite closely with the Chinese Communists. We are deeply convinced that the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China will continue to implement Chairman Mao's revolutionary line. Our two Parties will continue to unite and fight together just as when Chairman Mao was by our side."

Firmly clasping hands with Comrade Hua Kuo-feng and other leading comrades on the Party Central Committee, Comrade Jusuf Adjitorop expressed his profound grief over the demise of Chairman Mao. He wrote in the book of condolences the following words: "The passing away of Comrade Mao Tsetung is a gigantic loss to the Chinese Communist Party and the Chinese people and to the Communists and revolutionary people the world over, the Communists and revolutionary people of Indonesia included. We Indonesian Communists are determined to be loyal to the doctrine of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era, unite as one and fight wholeheartedly throughout our lives for the liberation of the Indonesian people and for the lofty ideal of communism. Comrade Mao Tsetung will live for ever in our hearts."

At the mourning ceremony, comrades of the Marxist-Leninist Parties of some other countries also inscribed words in praise of Chairman Mao's magnificent exploits and invincible Mao Tsetung Thought as an expression of the boundless esteem of the people of various countries for Chairman Mao. Comrades from Peru wrote: "Chairman Mao, your thought is the guide to our struggle and is the sun that lights up our way to victory. Mao Tsetung Thought is invincible and for ever illuminates the world proletarian revolution." Comrades from Thailand wrote: "We mourn with the deepest grief the greatest Marxist-Leninist of the contemporary era whose immortal thought will for ever illuminate the advance of the Thai people."

In the mourning hall were wreaths from Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations of various countries and from foreign comrades and friends. They include:

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of Burma; the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Thailand; General Secretary Mit Smanant of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Thailand; the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Malaya; the Delegation of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Indonesia; the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Philippines; Chairman Wen Ming Chuan of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of North Kalimantan; the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Bolivia (Marxist-Leninist); the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Peru; the Communist Party of Brazil; the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Ecuador; the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Portugal (Marxist-Leninist); General Secretary Eduino Vilar of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Portugal (Marxist-Leninist); the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Communist Party of the U.S.A.; the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Italy (Marxist-Leninist); the Central Committee of the Organization of the Communists of Italy (Marxist-Leninist); the Central Leading Organ of the Marxist-Leninist Organization of the Italian Bolshevnik Communists; General Secretary Giovanni Scuderi of the Central Leading Organ of the Marxist-Leninist Organization of the Italian Bolshevnik Communists; the Austrian Revolutionary Workers' Association (Marxist-Leninist); the Marxist-Leninist Party of Austria; the Communist League of Austria; the Communist Unity Movement of the Netherlands (Marxist-Leninist); Ernst Aust of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Germany (Marxist-Leninist); the Communist League of West Germany; American friends Frank and Ruth Coe; American friend Sol Adler and British friend Pat Davies.



Above and below:
Party and state leaders
receiving comrades and
friends from various coun-
tries at the mourning cere-
mony.





The inscriptions on the ribbons on the wreaths flowed with profound feelings of proletarian internationalism. Some read: "Eternal glory to Comrade Mao Tsetung, great teacher of the international proletariat"; "You will always live in the hearts of the oppressed and enslaved people the world over"; "To Comrade Mao Tsetung, most beloved and esteemed successor to the Marxist-Leninist classic masters"; "Your brilliant thought will guide the people of the whole world to advance towards victory"; "Eternal glory to Chairman Mao, the great teacher and inspirer of the world front opposing imperialism and social-imperialism"; and "Eternal glory to Chairman Mao Tsetung, the developer of genuine and pure Marxism-Leninism, liberator of the labouring people and founder of the People's Republic of China."

The foreign comrades and friends who filed past to the strains of funeral music stood in silent tribute in front of the remains of Chairman Mao to express their high respects for him; many were seized with convulsive sobbing as they stood in mourning. A number of staunch anti-revisionist fighters in the international communist movement and many friends active in the struggle against imperialism, revisionism and hegemonism said with deep grief that Chairman Mao's life had been a great, militant and revolutionary one and that, like the sun, Mao Tsetung Thought will for ever light the road of advance for the Chinese people, the proletariat and the oppressed and exploited people throughout the world!

Foreign experts, who have lived and worked with the Chinese people for years and who have made contributions to China's socialist construction, have forged a militant friendship with the Chinese people. They

came to pay their respects to the remains of Chairman Mao with profound proletarian feelings.

Among them was Rose Smith, a British expert in her 80s who has worked in China for more than a decade. She stood before the catafalque and fixed her gaze on the body of Chairman Mao with tears welling in her eyes. Trying hard to restrain her grief, she said to the young Chinese comrades working with her: Chairman Mao was the great leader not only of the Chinese people but of the revolutionary people of the world as well. He achieved great accomplishments. The burden of the revolution is now on the shoulders of you young people. In mourning him, people will become even more determined to carry out Chairman Mao's behests and keep fighting on.

Many foreign experts came to the mourning ceremony with their children who too stood weeping before the catafalque. Nine of the children, whose average age was 13, could hardly contain their grief after hearing the news of Chairman Mao's death. They got together and made a wreath by themselves and brought it to the Great Hall of the People. They said: We will follow Chairman Mao's teaching: Study well and make progress every day.

Members of the Delegation of the France-China Cultural Centre of Marseilles, their eyes wet with tears, paid their respects to Chairman Mao. The leader of the delegation said: I find truth that is new to me every time I study Mao Tsetung's works. Chairman Mao belongs not only to China but to the whole world.

Wreaths from the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Sweden and the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of France were presented on September 16 and 17 respectively.

Comrade V.G. Wilcox

V.G. Wilcox, General Secretary, and R.C. Wolf, Secretary, of the Communist Party of New Zealand, called at the Chinese Embassy in Wellington on September 12 to express, on behalf of the National Committee of the N.Z.C.P. and the Party in general, condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung, beloved and great leader of the Chinese people.

C.R. Howell, President of the New Zealand-China Society, also made a condolence call at the Chinese Embassy.

Comrade E.F. Hill

E.F. Hill, Chairman of the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist), called at the Chinese Embassy in Canberra on September 11 to express his deepest condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Comrade Hill said to Chinese Ambassador Chou Chiu-yeh, "All the comrades of the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist) are extremely saddened by the death of Chairman Mao."

Vanguard, organ of the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist), published a special issue on September 10 to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. It carried a long article by Comrade Hill, entitled "Chairman Mao's Teachings Inspire Millions to Struggle for Liberation."

Marxist-Leninist Parties of France

The Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of France and the French Revolutionary Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) sent their delegations respectively to the Chinese Embassy in Paris on September 18 to extend deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The Delegation of the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of France stood in silent tribute before the portrait of Chairman Mao Tsetung and presented a wreath bearing the words: "To Comrade Mao Tsetung, the greatest Marxist-Leninist of the contemporary era."

The Delegation of the Central Committee of the French Revolutionary Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) also stood in silent tribute to the memory of Chairman Mao Tsetung and presented a wreath with the inscription: "Paying homage to Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the proletariat."

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 Piao 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.

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 Khrushchev 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

Britain

British government officials, personages of political circles, and leading members of various friendly organizations have since September 9 gone to the Chinese Embassy in London to offer condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Anthony Crosland, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, called at the Chinese Embassy on the afternoon of September 13 to offer condolence on behalf of the British Government.

Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath called at the Chinese Embassy in London on the evening of September 9 to extend condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. He also expressed profound sympathy to the Chinese people.

Mr. Heath presented a public statement by himself to the Chinese Charge d'Affaires ad interim. The statement says: "It has fallen to few men to play so large a part in the creation of their country as Mao Tsetung did for the People's Republic of China. As a man of action and as a philosopher he provided both the practical leadership and the intellectual support in the revolution from which a united China emerged."

The statement says: "His immense grasp of international affairs, combined with his knowledge of history, enabled him to think in terms of world strategy."

The statement says in conclusion: "I express my profound sympathy to his widow and the Chinese people at his death."

Calling at the Chinese Embassy were also: Reginald Maudling, Spokesman for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs of the Conservative Party; Lord Byers, leader of the Liberal Party in the House of Lords; Malcolm MacDonald, President, and Lord Trevelyan, Vice-President, of the Great Britain-China Centre; Felix Greene, Chairman of the Society for Anglo-Chinese Understanding; and Lord Nelson, President of the Sino-British Trade Council.

Reg Birch, Chairman of the Communist Party of Britain (Marxist-Leninist) also called at the Chinese Embassy on the afternoon of September 13 to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. Leading member of the Party William Ash and more than 40 Party members made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy on September 9.

With profound grief, British friends from various circles and Asian, African and Latin American friends residing in Britain streamed to the Chinese Embassy to offer condolences.

Patriotic overseas Chinese residing in various parts of the country also came to the Chinese Embassy to express deep condolences on the death of the great leader Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Memorial Meetings Held in Many Countries To Mourn Chinese People's Great Leader Chairman Mao

Finland

A SOLEMN memorial meeting was held by the Marxist-Leninist Groups of Finland on September 11 in Helsinki to deeply mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. More than 300 Finnish friends and friendly personages attended the meeting.

A message of condolence from the Marxist-Leninist Groups of Finland to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China was read.

The General Secretary and other leading members of the Marxist-Leninist Groups of Finland spoke at the meeting. They gave an account of Chairman Mao's great exploits in leading the revolution in China and in the struggle against modern revisionism. They pointed out that Mao Tsetung was the greatest Marxist-Leninist thinker and proletarian revolutionary of our time. He devoted all his life to the cause of socialism and communism. In half a century, Mao Tsetung applied the principles of scientific socialism to the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution, bringing about most profound changes in China's society. Mao Tsetung Thought is Marxism-Leninism of our time. The passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung is a tremendous loss to all the genuine communists and the people of the world. He will be respected for ever and Mao Tsetung Thought will be inherited from generation to generation.

France

MORE than 10,000 Parisians staged a march and rally on September 11 in the deepest mourning for Chairman Mao Tsetung.

At 3 p.m., workers, peasants, students, teachers and other working people, many of them women, began marching slowly and silently from The Republic Square. A big wreath at the head of the procession bore the inscription: "To Comrade Mao Tsetung, the greatest Marxist-Leninist." Big streamers read: "Eternal glory to Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great teacher of the international proletariat!" "Long live socialist China!" "Long live Mao Tsetung Thought — Marxism-Leninism of our time!"

Comrades Jacques Jurquet and André Roastan marched at the head of the procession.

A mourning ceremony took place at the Wall of the Communards, when the marchers arrived there at 4 p.m. They stood in silent tribute before a portrait of the late Chairman Mao Tsetung. The representatives of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of France and the French Revolutionary Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) respectively read out the messages of condolences of the two Parties addressed to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, and laid wreaths in the name of their Parties.

On September 9, more than 300 representatives of the French papers *L'Humanite Rouge* and *Quotidien du Peuple* deeply mourned the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung in front of the Chinese Embassy in Paris.

Political director of *L'Humanite Rouge* Jacques Jurquet handed in a letter of condolence to the Chinese Embassy.

On September 10, a delegation of the French Revolutionary Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) led by Max Cluzot went to the Chinese Embassy to pay their most profound respects to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The France-China Friendship Society held a meeting in Paris on September 17 in memory of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Among the more than 5,000 people attending the memorial meeting were former French Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann, former deputy to the National Assembly Mme. Irene de Lipkowski, political director of *L'Humanite Rouge* Jacques Jurquet, former French Ambassador to China Etienne Manac'h, the famous Dutch film director Joris Ivens, the famous woman writer Han Suyin and leaders of the France-China Friendship Society.

The meeting was presided over by the society's executive chairman Charles Bettelheim, who said in his speech: "The death of Chairman Mao presses an immense weight on the Chinese people and the peoples of the whole world conscious of the value of his work." He added: "With the development of the friendship

between France and China, the passing of Chairman Mao evokes particular deep emotion in France."

Charles Bettelheim emphasized: "Chairman Mao passed away but his thought lives and will always do so." He added that Mao Tsetung Thought will continue to guide the Chinese people's action and struggle, and that "the Chinese people will keep alive the cause which Mao Tsetung lived for and march continuously towards new victories."

Over 1,300 French friendly personages of various circles called at the Chinese Embassy on September 18 to express condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Five representatives of workers from the Renault Motor Factory in Billancourt in the suburb of Paris, presented a wreath of fresh roses before the portrait of Chairman Mao. They brought a message of condolence signed by workers of the factory which said: "Chairman Mao Tsetung 'restored dignity to the Chinese people. He struggled unremittingly against all enemies of the working class. We are grateful to him because he enriched revolutionary thought.'"

Many French friends came specially from Marseilles, Besancon, Bretagne, Lyons, Saint Etienne and other cities to the Chinese Embassy to mourn Chairman Mao.

On the afternoon of September 18, more than 1,500 French working people held a rally to deeply mourn Chairman Mao Tsetung in Gambetta Square near the Wall of the Communards. Representatives of the French Revolutionary Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) spoke at the rally. The participants took part in a march after the rally.

Greece

MORE than 2,000 people held a solemn memorial meeting on September 14 in Athens to deeply mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Stelios Manousakas, Member of the Central Committee of the Organization of the Marxist-Leninists of Greece, spoke at the meeting. He said: Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist-Leninist of the present era. Chairman Mao made great contributions to the victorious cause of the Chinese revolution, to the international communist movement and to the development of Marxism-Leninism.

Manousakas stressed that under Chairman Mao's initiative, the struggle against modern revisionism was unfolded and joined by more and more people in the world. By doing so Chairman Mao made immeasurable contributions to the cause of the world revolution. He said that the death of Chairman Mao was a tremendous loss to the people of the world. He called on all the participants to turn grief into strength, study Chairman

Mao's works more conscientiously and carry the struggle against revisionism through to the end.

More than 850 Greek people of various circles called at the Chinese Embassy from September 19 to 23 to express deep grief over the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The representatives of the Central Committee of the Organization of Marxist-Leninists of Greece called at the Chinese Embassy to convey their deep condolences. Condolence calls were also made by representatives of trade unions and other mass organizations.

On the evening of September 18, more than 1,000 people held a memorial meeting in Athens to deeply mourn the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

A huge streamer hung over the portrait of Chairman Mao Tsetung carried the inscription: "Eternal glory to Comrade Mao Tsetung, the greatest Marxist-Leninist of our times!" The meeting heard a memorial speech by the representative of the Revolutionary Communist Movement of Greece. The hall resounded with shouts of "Long live Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!" and "Long live the great, glorious and correct communist Party of China!"

Memorial meetings also took place in Salonika, the second largest city in Greece, and in Patras, a city in the Peloponnesus Region.

Sweden

SOME 1,200 members of the Swedish Communist Party and other Swedish people took part in a march and a memorial meeting in Stockholm on September 17.

Roland Pettersson, Chairman of the Swedish Communist Party, delivered a memorial speech. He said: "Mao Tsetung was the Lenin of our time. He drew a clear line of demarcation with modern revisionism in every sphere and firmly defended Marxism-Leninism. Mao Tsetung creatively applied Marxism-Leninism to settle the problems of the contemporary world and thus further developed it." He said: "The greatest Marxist-Leninist of the contemporary era — Mao Tsetung — has passed and we are most deeply saddened."

He pointed out: "Marxism-Leninism, Mao Tsetung Thought is a correct and powerful weapon. Let us try our best to master it in the struggle for building the Communist Party of Sweden, in the struggle for making preparations for socialism in Sweden and in the struggle against imperialism, particularly the two superpowers."

In conclusion, Pettersson shouted: "Long live Marxism-Leninism, Mao Tsetung Thought!" "Eternal glory to Mao Tsetung, the greatest Marxist-Leninist of our era!"

In his speech, Bent Lindqvist, First Vice-Chairman of the Communist Party of Sweden, pointed out that to remember Chairman Mao, the Communist Party of Sweden should study more assiduously his revolutionary strategy and tactics as well as his revolutionary foreign policy. "We will take Marxism-Leninism, Mao Tsetung Thought as a weapon to transform the world," he added.

Klas Borell, Second Vice-Chairman of the Party, representatives of the Red Youth and Circle also spoke. Chairman Mao's poems were then recited.

The Swedish-Chinese Friendship Association held a memorial meeting in Stockholm on September 23. Attending the meeting were more than 500 Swedish friends of various circles.

Christer Leopold, Chairman of the Swedish-Chinese Friendship Association, made a memorial speech. He eulogized Chairman Mao Tsetung's monumental exploits in leading the Chinese people to overthrow the three "big mountains," establish the New China and carry on the socialist revolution and socialist construction and in supporting the revolutionary struggles of the peoples of the world. He said: "We Swedish people, like the people of the world, feel a profound grief over the passing of Mao Tsetung, one of the greatest figures in the world and in history."

Speaking at the memorial meeting, Swedish writer Nils Holmberg, translator of the Swedish edition of the *Selected Works of Mao Tsetung*, gave an account of Chairman Mao Tsetung's creative development of Marxism-Leninism. He said that Chairman Mao had made many very important contributions in developing Marxism-Leninism. He and his deeds are immortal. Chairman Mao had left behind an extremely rich legacy — Mao Tsetung Thought. The Chinese people, armed with this invincible weapon and under the leadership of their glorious Party, will certainly continue to advance along the road opened up by Chairman Mao to win still greater victories.

Italy

OVER 10,000 Italian people, carrying a portrait of Chairman Mao and torches, staged a solemn march in Rome on the evening of September 16 to express their deep mourning for Chairman Mao Tsetung.

A Chinese five-star red flag was in the lead and was followed by red flags with black crepe and a big portrait of Chairman Mao. Some of the mourners carried big streamers inscribed with quotations from Chairman Mao Tsetung. The marchers shouted: "Long live Marxism! Long live Leninism! Long live Mao Tsetung Thought!" "Long live Marx, Engels, Lenin and Mao Tsetung!" "Mao Tsetung! Mao Tsetung! Mao Tsetung!"

The streets reverberated with slogans and the singing of *The Internationale*.

When the procession reached the Chinese Embassy, the marchers paid tribute to the memory of Chairman Mao by lowering their red flags diagonally and raising their fists. Their representatives called at the Chinese Embassy to express deep condolences.

The Communist Party of Italy (Marxist-Leninist) held a meeting in Rome on September 12 to pay tribute to Chairman Mao Tsetung. Similar memorial meetings were held there on September 13 by the Organization of the Communists of Italy (Marxist-Leninist) and other organizations.

In Milan, thousands of people rallied and marched through the streets on September 18 in deep mourning for Chairman Mao Tsetung.

A solemn memorial meeting was held by the Italian Association for Cultural and Friendly Relations With the People's Republic of China at the Borromini Palace in Rome on September 19 to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Giorgio Zucchetti, secretary-general of the association, delivered a memorial speech. He said: Chairman Mao Tsetung "was one of the greatest men of our times," the people of the world "know through personal experience the role played by Chairman Mao Tsetung in their struggle for progress and a bright future."

Denmark

THE Denmark-China Friendship Association held a memorial meeting in Copenhagen on September 14.

Among the more than 800 people from all walks of life attending the meeting were Danish Foreign Minister Knud Borge Andersen, President Per Fynbos and Vice-President Philip Arctander of the Denmark-China Friendship Association and former President of the association Paul Hansen.

In his memorial speech, Foreign Minister Andersen said that under the leadership of Chairman Mao Tsetung, "the wise and industrious Chinese people have made wonderful contributions which are unique in China's long history and have been closely watched and admired by many people the world over." He said that Chairman Mao Tsetung "was the greatest state leader of our time and one of the leaders in world history who achieved the greatest successes." Mao Tsetung Thought "has become the common wealth of the biggest nation in the world," he said.

In his memorial speech, Per Fynbos said: "The Chinese people, taking Mao Tsetung as their teacher and inspirer, have fully displayed their inexhaustible creative power." He said: "We are deeply convinced

that the Chinese people will turn grief into new strength by continuing the building of New China, on the basis of which friendship between the Danish and Chinese peoples will be developed and promoted."

Paul Hansen also made a memorial speech at the meeting.

More than 200 Chinese residents in Denmark and Danish friends held a solemn memorial meeting in Copenhagen on September 18.

Mr. Liao Wen-nan, a compatriot from Taiwan Province, specially came from West Germany to attend the memorial meeting. In his memorial speech, he expressed the Taiwan people's strong aspiration and determination for an early return to the embrace of their motherland. "Taiwan must be liberated, our fatherland must be unified, and the Chinese people illuminated by the radiance of Mao Tsetung Thought will certainly make still greater contributions to humanity," he stressed.

Switzerland

THE Switzerland-China Friendship Association in Bern held a memorial meeting on September 15 to express deep mourning for Chairman Mao Tsetung.

About 300 people, many of them from Zurich, La Chaux de Fonds, and Lausanne, attended the meeting.

Chairman of the meeting Margrit said that the Swiss people were mourning the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung with deep grief and with infinite sympathy for the Chinese people. She said that while expressing their mourning, they were deeply convinced that Chairman Mao's teachings would always be instructive to the present and future generations.

Pierre-Robert Gillieron, judge of the Vaud Cantonal Tribunal, said: Chairman Mao was great in many respects. The cause of Chairman Mao was not only the cause of the Chinese people, but also that of the people of the world. He made contributions not only to the Chinese people, but to the people of the world as well. The judge pointed out that the passing of Chairman Mao is a tremendous loss to the Chinese people who, however, will carry on the great cause initiated by Chairman Mao.

Madame Bridel, an activist in the women's movement, spoke of the great significance of the liberation of women and the equality between men and women achieved in China under the leadership of Chairman Mao.

In a message sent to the memorial meeting, Lois Snow said that the world has lost one of the greatest leaders in our century, but his teachings will remain.

The Association of Friendship With China in Zurich and the Society for Understanding China in Lausanne held separate memorial meetings for Chairman Mao Tsetung on September 21 and 23.

Four hundred people attended the Zurich meeting. Richardstaub, a leading member of the Association of Friendship With China in Zurich, gave an account of Chairman Mao's revolutionary life and exploits.

He noted that the life of Chairman Mao was devoted to the revolutionary cause of the Chinese people. Mao Tsetung Thought produces far-reaching influence not only on the Chinese people but also on the oppressed and threatened people the world over.

Chairman of the memorial meeting Monique Coray said: Though Chairman Mao has departed, his cause is immortal and we will cherish the memory of Chairman Mao for ever.

At the memorial meeting in Lausanne, chairman of the meeting Golay said that Chairman Mao Tsetung was the greatest statesman of the contemporary era. He said, "Chairman Mao's heart was closely linked with the hearts of the people, and he had been loyal to the people till the last moment of his life. Just as the Chinese people, we will follow his teachings with all our efforts and be always loyal to this great man and great soldier for whom we have boundless affection."

A memorial meeting was also held by the Switzerland-China Friendship Association in Geneva on the evening of September 17.

Federal Republic of Germany

A MEMORIAL meeting held in Duesseldorf on September 18 by the Germany-China Friendship Society was attended by more than 3,500 people including the organization's activists from more than 30 cities. The meeting heard addresses by Lois Snow, widow of American friend Mr. Edgar Snow, and other foreign friends who once worked in Yenan in the years of the War of Resistance Against Japan and during the Chinese Liberation War. They paid tribute to Chairman Mao Tsetung and gave personal reminiscences of their meetings and conversations with the Chairman in the difficult years of the revolutionary wars. Elo Baumberger, a leading member of the Federal Council of the Germany-China Friendship Society, reported on the revolutionary thought of Chairman Mao Tsetung and extolled its great significance.

Similar memorial meetings were held in more than 20 other West German cities on September 14 and 15. West German Marxist-Leninist organizations in Frankfurt, Hamburg, Mannheim, Koeln, Munich, Hanover, Stuttgart and other cities held torchlight marches on

memorial meetings on September 16 and 17 in tribute to the memory of Chairman Mao.

Norway

OVER 2300 people staged a torch march in Oslo on the evening of September 17 to deeply mourn Chairman Mao Tsetung. The march was sponsored by the National Norway-China Friendship Association.

On the same evening, the Oslo branch of the National Norway-China Friendship Association held a memorial meeting attended by about 1,200 people. Rongen, chairman of the branch, Paal Steigan, Chairman of the Norwegian Workers' Communist Party (M-L), and representatives of immigrant workers in Norway spoke at the meeting. They praised Chairman Mao's magnificent contributions in leading the Chinese revolution and the international struggle against revisionism. Rongen called for the concrete action of strengthening the friendship between the Norwegian and Chinese people to mourn the late Chairman. Steigan said that Chairman Mao Tsetung was the greatest revolutionary leader of the contemporary era and his works are an eternal contribution to the theory of communism. He added: Therefore, all those who cherish what Chairman Mao did for the Chinese people and the peoples of the world must read his works and study Mao Tsetung Thought.

The representative of foreign workers in Norway praised Chairman Mao as a genuine internationalist and a source of powerful inspiration to the people of the third world countries. The speaker was from one of these countries.

Chairman Mao's poems were recited at the memorial meeting.

Similar meetings were sponsored by the National Norway-China Friendship Association in 18 other Norwegian cities. Student councils in some universities and colleges also held memorial meetings.

The Netherlands

THE Netherlands-China Foundation held a memorial meeting in Amsterdam on September 16 attended by more than 600 people. A wreath presented by the foundation was placed in front of the portrait of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

V.D. Linden, council member of the foundation, delivered a memorial speech eulogizing the glorious life Chairman Mao had spent in revolutionary struggles.

Professor W.F. Wertheim also addressed the meeting. He said: "The death of Mao Tsetung, one of the greatest figures in human history, is not only a great

loss to the Chinese people, but also deprives all mankind of one of the world's greatest men."

He added: "Mao Tsetung was an outstanding revolutionary thinker, who most successfully applied his revolutionary thinking to practice."

Similar memorial meetings were held by the foundation in Utrecht, Nijmegen, The Hague, Rotterdam, Tilburg and other cities.

Austria

A SOLEMN memorial meeting attended by about 500 people was held by the Communist League of Austria in Vienna on September 17.

K. Puchinger, Member of the Central Committee of the Communist League of Austria and Secretary of the League's Vienna Municipal Committee, presided over the meeting. Walter Linder, Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist League of Austria, delivered a memorial speech. He recalled the militant, revolutionary life of Chairman Mao Tsetung and praised his magnificent contributions to the Chinese people, the international working class and the peoples of various countries fighting for their emancipation.

On the same day the branches of the Communist League of Austria in other cities also held memorial meetings.

The Austrian Revolutionary Workers' Association (Marxist-Leninist) held a memorial meeting for Chairman Mao Tsetung in Vienna on September 21.

In his memorial speech, Alfred Jocha, chairman of the association, pointed out that the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung is an irreparable loss not only to the Chinese people but also to the proletariat and revolutionary people of the world.

He noted: "Comrade Mao Tsetung has departed, but his thoughts are immortal and will serve as a radiant signpost for the working people for ever. Let us study and master these thoughts as an invincible weapon of the working people in the struggle for their own interests."

Memorial meetings for Chairman Mao Tsetung were held earlier by branches of the association in Bregenz and Innsbruck.

Belgium

THE Belgium-China Association held a memorial meeting in Brussels on September 25. It was attended by about 1,000 people. A huge portrait of Chairman Mao hung in the centre of the rostrum and a streamer below the portrait read: "Mao Tsetung Thought is invincible."

The meeting was presided over by Robert Hamaide, Honorary Chairman of the Association. In his memorial speech, he said: Chairman Mao was a great revolutionary theorist and activist. Chairman Mao, looking far ahead and aiming high, dominated all the changes of our times, and his merits are indelible.

Secretary-General of the Association Serge Pairoux acquainted the participants with the revolutionary life and work of Chairman Mao. Vice-Chairman of the Association Jean Nihon told the meeting about the great successes made by the Chinese people in socialist revolution and socialist construction under the wise and correct leadership of Chairman Mao and the Communist Party of China.

Vice-Chairman of the Association Xavier Relecom and other leading members of the association also attended the meeting.

Also present was Fernand Lefebvre, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Belgium.

Luxembourg

THE Luxembourg-China Friendship Association held a memorial meeting in Luxembourg on September 23 with more than 100 people attending.

Adolphe Franck, President, Jean Georges Pierre Heisbourg, Secretary-General, of the Luxembourg-China Friendship Association, and Charles Doerner, Secretary of the Political Bureau of the Communist League of Luxembourg, spoke at the meeting to mourn Chairman Mao Tsetung's passing.

A worker-poet read poems of Chairman Mao at the meeting.

Britain

A MASS rally was held in London on September 25 to pay tribute to Chairman Mao Tsetung. It was jointly sponsored by the Communist Federation of Britain (Marxist-Leninist), the Communist Unity Association (Marxist-Leninist) and the East London Marxist-Leninist Association.

The rally first heard the message issued to the whole Party, whole army and people of all nationalities throughout China by the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China, the State Council of the People's Republic of China and the Military Commission of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, in connection with the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. Also read at the rally was the memorial speech delivered by Comrade Hua Kuo-feng, First Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and Premier of the State Council, at

the mass memorial meeting in Peking for the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Chairman Mao's famous article "Serve the People" was read at the rally.

Many people spoke at the rally and extolled Chairman Mao's magnificent contributions to the Chinese revolutionary cause and the international communist movement. They pledged to turn their grief into strength, conscientiously study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, and act accordingly in memory of Chairman Mao.

Chinese residents in Britain also held a memorial meeting.

Spain

THE Spain-China Friendship Association held a mass memorial meeting for Chairman Mao Tsetung in Madrid on September 26 with over 2,000 working people and personages of various circles taking part.

Dr. Jose Toran Pelaez, Honorary President of the International Commission on Large Dams and President of the Spanish National Committee of Large Dams, Jose Maria Gomez-Salome, President of the Spain-China Friendship Association and other friendly personages spoke, eulogizing the great life of Chairman Mao Tsetung and expressing deep condolences on his departure.

Iceland

THE people of Iceland expressed profound grief on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. From September 9 to 18, over 1,000 people made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy. Some came from remote mountains and small islands, some with whole families. Some workers were in overalls and many arrived late at night after work shifts. A young mother helped her young child write his name in a condolence book in front of a portrait of Chairman Mao. An old man who twice called at the Chinese Embassy with his grandson said: "I extend deep condolences to the entire Chinese people and wish them continued advance along the road charted by Chairman Mao."

Portugal

THE Portugal-China Friendship Association held a memorial meeting for Chairman Mao Tsetung in Lisbon on October 1, the 27th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China, with more than 800 persons attending.

Present at the meeting were: Secretaries of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Portugal (Marxist-Leninist) Alvaro Vasconcelos, Carlos Guinote and Jose Santos; Tomas Rosa, Administrator of Por-

tuguese Radio and Television; Hugo dos Santos, Commander of the Central Military Region; Maria Barroso, Member of the National Commission of the Socialist Party and wife of Portuguese Prime Minister Mario Soares; Helena Roseta, leading member of the People's Democratic Party and Member of the Secretariat of the Portugal-China Friendship Association; Pedro Vasconcelos, leading member of the Party of the Democratic and Social Centre; Antonio Abreu, Member of the National Council of the Democratic National Front; Carlos Ricardo, Member of the Secretariat of the Portugal-China Friendship Association and Deputies of the Socialist Party, the People's Democratic Party and the Party of the Democratic and Social Centre.

Prime Minister Mario Soares and other high-ranking Portuguese officials sent messages of condolence or representatives to the meeting.

Speaking at the meeting were representatives of the Democratic National Front, the Party of the Democratic and Social Centre, the Communist Party of Portugal (Marxist-Leninist), the People's Democratic Party, the Socialist Party and the Secretariat of the Portugal-China Friendship Association.

Carlos Guinote, Member of the Secretariat of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Portugal (Marxist-Leninist), said that with the passing of Chairman Mao, all progressive humanity, all those upholding peace and fighting for the liberation and independence of their countries have lost a great friend.

Chairman Mao, he added, forged millions of fighters for the cause of the people and led the Chinese people in building a new society and preventing the reproduction of the tragedy of the Soviet Union in China.

"Today," he stressed, "Russian social-imperialism is the most aggressive and expansionist force in the world." "To ward off the danger, we know well that the battle will be hard. But Chairman Mao Tsetung has pointed out: 'Nothing is hard in this world if you dare to scale the heights.'"

Chairman Mao's poems were recited by Portuguese friends at the meeting.

Canada

OVER 1,000 workers, students, teachers and representatives of the overseas Chinese attended a memorial meeting for Chairman Mao Tsetung in Montreal on September 19. The meeting was jointly sponsored by the Canada-China Society of Montreal and the Chinese Community Council of Montreal.

Professor Paul T.K. Lin, Director of the Centre for East Asian Studies at McGill University, delivered a speech saying that to the Chinese and to all peoples, the passing of Chairman Mao "is a grievous loss of incalculable proportions. Yet he left a rich, a living legacy. His work was not for a single generation, but for a whole epoch." Continuing, he said that Chairman

Mao was the greatest revolutionary leader in China's history. Chairman Mao has passed, but he has left behind him millions of successors, steered in struggle and armed with Mao Tsetung Thought.

Josee Lamoureaux, a member of the Canada-China Society of Montreal and a teacher at the University of Quebec, said that Chairman Mao Tsetung devoted his whole life to the service not only of the Chinese people but also of the peoples of the whole world, promoted the unity of the world's peoples and supported their struggles against slavery and exploitation. His merits "are a source of inspiration and hope for the oppressed peoples and nations of the world."

A memorial meeting was also held on September 16 in Toronto, Canada's second largest city. Among the over one thousand participants were overseas Chinese from various circles, overseas Chinese students and Canadian friendly personages.

A memorial meeting was held by the Canada-China Friendship Society in Vancouver on September 22. Earlier, a memorial meeting was also held in Regina.

U.S.A.

VARIOUS forms of memorial meetings and activities, on scales ranging from dozens to thousands, took place in Washington, New York, San Francisco, Detroit, Chicago, Los Angeles, Albany, New Orleans, Louisville, Milwaukee, Baltimore, Birmingham, Seattle, Boston, Atlanta and other cities.

The mourners all eulogized Chairman Mao's contributions of historic significance to the people of China and the whole world and paid high tribute to the indelible tremendous influence of Mao Tsetung Thought on the masses of U.S. people. They recalled Chairman Mao's concern and support for the struggle and revolutionary cause of the U.S. people.

At a memorial meeting in New York on September 18, a spokesman of the October League (Marxist-Leninist) dwelt upon Chairman Mao's important theses on the struggle of the U.S. people. "In an interview with Anna Louise Strong after World War II," he said, "Chairman Mao laid stress on differentiating between the American people and the handful of U.S. rulers." "Chairman Mao paid close attention to the development of the communist movement in the United States and sent a telegram to William Z. Foster on the occasion of the re-establishment of the C.P.U.S.A." he continued. "Chairman Mao took great interest in the Afro-American people's struggle, delivering two major statements, one in 1963 and the other in 1968 after the assassination of Martin Luther King," the speaker added.

At many of these meetings, speakers reviewed Chairman Mao's statement of May 20, 1970, his conversations with Edgar Snow and numerous other important talks in which Chairman Mao expressed his concern and support for the American people.

At the mass memorial meeting in Chicago on September 19, Bob Avakian, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Communist Party of the United States of America, said that Chairman Mao Tsetung pointed the direction for the working class and oppressed people not only of China but of the whole world, including those of the United States. He praised Chairman Mao for integrating the universal truths of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution, leading the Chinese people from victory to victory, summing up the experience of the revolutionary struggles of China and the world, particularly the lessons of capitalist restoration in the Soviet Union, putting forward the theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, and inheriting and developing Marxism-Leninism. He said in conclusion that hundreds of millions of people will continue the cause for which Chairman Mao fought and to which he devoted his entire life, until the great goal of eliminating exploitation and oppression and of communism is finally achieved. "This is the best way for us to honour the memory of Mao Tsetung, and it's the encouragement in their struggles.

Speaking in the light of the practice of their struggle, many workers and other labouring people said at the memorial meetings that Chairman Mao in his talks gave the U.S. working class inspiration and encouragement in their struggles.

Speaking at a memorial meeting in Boston, a workers' leader recalled Chairman Mao's statement of May 20, 1970, which pointed out that the American people who are fighting valiantly will ultimately win victory. This teaching, he said, is an inspiration to the American people.

Many Afro-Americans cherished the memory of Chairman Mao's great encouragement and support for their struggle. Addressing a mass meeting at the Martin Luther King Centre in Atlanta, Georgia, a number of Afro-American leaders recalled the two statements by Chairman Mao in 1963 and 1968 in support of the Afro-American struggle. They said that the firm support Chairman Mao expressed on behalf of the Chinese people was a powerful encouragement and assistance to the Afro-American people's struggle.

At the memorial meetings, Americans from all walks of life, including women and young people, praised the radiant thought of Chairman Mao for guiding their lives and struggles. "Chairman Mao will live in our hearts for ever," they said.

In mourning Chairman Mao, many revolutionaries laid particular emphasis on his historic contributions to the worldwide struggle against modern revisionism headed by the Soviet social-imperialists. Some revolutionaries also stressed the international significance of the struggle in China led by Chairman Mao against cap-

italist-roaders Liu Shao-chi, Lin Biao and Teng Hsiao-ping. A speaker of the October League (Marxist-Leninist) said: "For the U.S. communist movement, our task is to make a clean break with revisionism and to construct a new communist party based on Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought." Many revolutionaries, while mourning Chairman Mao, also expressed their determination to strengthen their revolutionary unity in accordance with Chairman Mao's teachings. A memorial meeting in Los Angeles was jointly organized by several revolutionary organizations. They also jointly prepared a memorial speech for the meeting.

At their memorial meetings for Chairman Mao, friendly American personages and organizations of various circles paid tribute to Chairman Mao's contributions to the strengthening of the friendship between the peoples of the United States and China.

Chinese residents and Taiwan compatriots in the United States also held respective memorial meetings on September 17 and 18.

Australia

THE memorial meeting in Melbourne on September 19 was attended by more than 700 workers, farmers, students and personages from other circles. Speaking at the meeting, E.F. Hill, Chairman of the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist), recounted Chairman Mao's exploits in leading the Chinese revolution and in the struggles against modern revisionism and the bourgeoisie within the Party. He said that Chairman Mao "was an outstanding teacher of the working class, working and oppressed people — a great proletarian internationalist just as he was a great patriot of China — the greatest Marxist-Leninist of our time." "Chairman Mao's death is an inestimable loss to the Chinese people and the oppressed people throughout the world," he added.

Chairman Mao's poems and articles were read at the memorial meeting.

Jointly sponsored by 12 organizations, a memorial meeting of around 1,000 people took place in the Sydney town hall on September 19. Addressing the meeting, three professors of Sydney University paid tribute to great Mao Tsetung Thought, citing their own experience in the fields of education, political economy and agriculture.

On September 16, 300 people, including representatives from various parts of the country and friendly personages, held a memorial meeting in Cobera. Thomas Uren, deputy leader of the Labour Party, representatives of the Foreign Ministry and personages from various circles addressed the meeting presided over by Geoffrey Stillwell, National President of the Australia-China Society. Speakers hailed the great victories

won by the Chinese people in revolution and construction under the leadership of Chairman Mao, and expressed deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao. In his speech, Thomas Uren said: "The thoughts of Chairman Mao will live long in the future achievements of New China. They will be a guide to the future shaping of all human society." With profound grief, a representative of the Australian aborigines said that the people of China have lost the greatest leader of all times, and the aboriginal people have lost a compassionate friend and that the Australian aborigines "join with the Chinese people in their grief."

In Adelaide, capital of South Australian State, a memorial meeting was held on September 18 with more than 200 people from all walks of life participating. Representatives of the state's Governor and Premier addressed the meeting to express profound condolences on Chairman Mao's passing. They said that Chairman Mao's contribution to Chinese society will go down in history and that as history develops his place in the world will become more important.

Many Australian friends travelled long distances to call at the Chinese Embassy to mourn with grief the passing of Chairman Mao. A disabled and retired seaman and Secretary of the South Australian Branch of the Australia-China Society, Roy Baynes flew from the south to make his condolence call. Eighty-seven year-old W. Morrow, who for several decades has done much work to promote friendship between Australia and China, made a special trip from Queensland to call at the Chinese Embassy to offer his condolences.

New Zealand

A MEMORIAL meeting held by the Auckland Branch of the New Zealand-China Society on September 19 was attended by 300 people including Comrade V.G. Wilcox, General Secretary of the Communist Party of New Zealand, C.R. Howell, National President of the New Zealand-China Society, Dove-Meyer Robinson, Mayor of Auckland, and R. Fairley, Chairman of the Auckland Branch of the New Zealand-China Society.

Comrade Wilcox said in his memorial speech that Chairman Mao Tsetung was the greatest man of our time and will rank among the greatest of all times. He expressed profound grief on behalf of the Communist Party of New Zealand, and went on to say that Chairman Mao's contributions to Marxism-Leninism are immortal and will continue to inspire and guide the people of the whole world in their struggle for the liberation of mankind.

Chairman Mao was not only the theoretical and practical leader of the historic Chinese revolution, but also the leader of the world proletarian revolution, Comrade Wilcox declared.

He continued: In the course of the glorious victories in the Chinese revolution, people throughout the

world were inspired and gained confidence in their own ability to shake off oppression and win socialism. It was in these struggles that Chairman Mao established himself as the foremost theoretician and strategist of the people's war. He saw that class struggle continued after the initial victory over the class enemy and must be conducted vigorously within the framework of the socialist base. Thus in China he barred the door to capitalist revival in all forms. This was a major factor that led to the correct struggle against the revisionists of the Soviet Union.

In his speech, C.R. Howell said: Chairman Mao Tsetung had transformed the poor and backward old China, which was bullied by the imperialists, into a great new nation based on Marxism. In a very real sense Chairman Mao is not dead. He lives today and will live for ever in the lives of millions who have been inspired by his greatness, by his words and thought, his actions and his standards of value.

The representative of the New Zealand-Chinese Cultural Society said in his memorial speech: "Chairman Mao has left us. But his teachings, his thought, his spirit, his name will be with us for ever."

A memorial meeting was held by the Christchurch Branch of the Society on September 18 with 150 people participating.

Western Samoa

A MEMORIAL meeting for Chairman Mao Tsetung was held in Apia on September 18 by people from various circles and Chinese residents in Western Samoa.

Attending the meeting were Tupua Tamasese Lealofi IV, Deputy Head of State of Western Samoa; Topuola Efi, Prime Minister; cabinet ministers and ranking government officials and friends from various circles.

Speaking on behalf of the Government, Prime Minister Topuola paid high tribute to the tremendous achievements in various fields scored by the Chinese people led by Chairman Mao Tsetung. He said that the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung "is a loss to humanity." Chairman Mao Tsetung's "exploits in uniting, by means of his own example and thought, the compatriots of his country to triumphantly fight against the enemies at home and abroad are an inspiration to the people fighting for national independence. He inspired the Chinese people to realize economic independence by means of the principle of self-reliance, thus bringing hope to millions of Asian people." Topuola said: "China treats big and small countries alike," an attitude which has left "a profound impression" on the Government and people of Western Samoa.

He said: "On behalf of the Deputy Head of State, Government and people of Western Samoa, I share the grief of the Chinese people at the passing of the great leader Chairman Mao Tsetung. I express condolences on the death of the great man."

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

Message From Central Committee of Communist Party of Thailand

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of China

Dear Comrades:

We learnt with deepest grief of the passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the great leader of the Chinese people, the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and oppressed people of the world, and the esteemed and beloved friend of the Thai people. We, on behalf of the entire membership of the Party, the fighters of the

People's Liberation Army and all the revolutionary people of Thailand, extend to you comrades and, through you, to the entire membership of the Communist Party of China, the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the entire Chinese people our deepest condolences.

Comrade Mao Tsetung was the greatest Marxist-Leninist of our time. He inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism in the struggle against the class enemies inside and outside the Party, at home and abroad. Throughout his lofty life he made great, splendid and immortal contributions to the cause of emancipation of the proletariat and the oppressed nations and oppressed people of the world and to the international communist movement. He creatively developed Marxism-Leninism by integrating its universal truth with the practice of the Chinese revolution and

the world proletarian revolution. He put forward a whole set of great theories and tactics on the making of revolution in colonial and semi-colonial countries, pointed to the road of using the countryside to encircle the cities and seizing political power by armed force, linked the new-democratic revolution with the socialist revolution, and put forth the theory on continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, thus further enriching the treasury of Marxism. All this constitutes a radiant beacon light for the proletariat and the oppressed nations and oppressed people of the world.

Comrade Mao Tsetung founded the great, glorious and correct Communist Party of China, the powerful Chinese People's Liberation Army and the prosperous People's Republic of China. In the course of acute and protracted revolutionary struggle, he waged the struggle between the two lines and triumphed over opportunist lines of all descriptions, thus providing a guarantee that the Chinese people's revolution marched from victory to greater victory. He led the new-democratic revolution to victory, causing the situation in Asia and the rest of the world as well as the balance of forces between revolution and reaction to develop in a direction still more favourable to the revolution, and blazed a new trail for the victory of the cause of emancipation of the oppressed nations and oppressed people of the world.

Comrade Mao Tsetung led the Chinese people in building China into a powerful socialist country in the economic and political fields, in science and technology, and in national defence. Comrade Mao Tsetung set forth the theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. The victories of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution and the struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing correct verdicts have further consolidated the dictatorship of the proletariat and made socialism an unwavering orientation. This was the great contribution made by Comrade Mao Tsetung to the history of the contemporary world.

Comrade Mao Tsetung was a great Communist. He was concerned about and wholeheartedly supported and helped the revolutionary struggles of the oppressed nations and oppressed people the world over. In the international communist movement, Comrade Mao Tsetung fought resolutely against modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core. He summed up a whole set of fresh experiences in combating and preventing revisionism, preventing capitalist restoration, building socialism and consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat. This has resulted in the vigorous development of the revolutionary cause of the proletariat, of the oppressed nations and oppressed people the world over, and pushed the history of mankind triumphantly forward.

The life of Comrade Mao Tsetung was the greatest and most brilliant one. The victories of the Chinese people's revolution in all periods and all fields were

won under the leadership of Comrade Mao Tsetung, and they were victories of great Mao Tsetung Thought. The victories of the oppressed nations and oppressed people of the world in their struggle for liberation were won under the illumination of brilliant Mao Tsetung Thought.

The passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung is an inestimable loss to the Chinese people, the international proletariat, the revolutionary people of all countries and the international communist movement. His passing is bound to evoke unspeakable grief among all the revolutionary people.

The Communist Party of Thailand is loyal to Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought. The growth and development of the Communist Party of Thailand and the successes it won in the people's war were victories of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought in Thailand. The Communist Party, the People's Liberation Army and the entire revolutionary people of Thailand will turn their grief into strength. They will persist in studying and grasping Mao Tsetung Thought in a better way, unite widely with all the labouring people and all the forces that can be united, carry the people's war through to the end, drive out U.S. imperialism, overthrow the reactionary government and establish an independent, democratic and prosperous new Thailand. The Communist Party of Thailand supports the socialist revolution and socialist construction carried out by the Communist Party and people of China. The Communist Party of Thailand will persist in working together with the Communist Party of China, other Marxist-Leninist Parties, the oppressed nations and oppressed people and revolutionaries the world over, to carry the struggle against imperialism, modern revisionism and reaction through to the end, and push forward the struggle of the world revolutionary people for independence, democracy and socialism.

Eternal glory to Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great teacher of the proletariat and revolutionary people of the world!

The Central Committee of
the Communist Party of Thailand

Thailand, September 10, 1976

Letter From Chairman Wen Ming Chuan of Communist Party of North Kalimantan

The Central Committee of the
Communist Party of China

Dear Comrades:

We have learnt with shock and boundless grief the sad news of the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the great leader and teacher of the proletariat and revolutionary people of the world.

Chairman Mao Tsetung was a great leader and teacher boundlessly admired and wholeheartedly loved by the proletariat and revolutionary people of the world and was the greatest Marxist of our time. His death is an incalculable loss to the Chinese people, the proletariat and revolutionary people of the world and the international communist movement.

For decades Chairman Mao Tsetung, in accordance with the principle of combining the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the revolution and in a protracted, arduous, tortuous and acute struggle against the class enemies at home and abroad, inside and outside the Party, inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism, greatly enriched the theoretical treasury of Marxism and made magnificent contributions to the international communist movement.

During the period of the new-democratic revolution, Chairman Mao Tsetung incisively analysed the intricate and complex situation in the Chinese society, laid down the tasks for different stages of the revolution, masterly generalized the functions and interrelations of the united front, armed struggle and Party building, creatively opened up a road for the colonial and semi-colonial people of waging people's war, building revolutionary rural base areas, using the countryside to encircle the cities and finally seizing political power. Under the leadership of Chairman Mao, the Chinese people, after more than 20 years of arduous and bitter armed struggle, overthrew the three mountains of imperialism, feudalism and bureaucrat-capitalism weighing down on them, seized the great victory of the new-democratic revolution and set a shining example for the cause of liberation of the oppressed people and oppressed nations.

In the period of the socialist revolution, Chairman Mao Tsetung, looking far ahead and aiming high, set forth for the first time in the history of the international communist movement the theory and measures of continuing the revolution under the condition of the dictatorship of the proletariat. Chairman Mao pointed out that class struggle has not ended after the socialist transformation of the ownership of the means of production has in the main been completed. In 1962, he declared that in the historical period of the socialist revolution there are still classes, class contradictions and class struggle and there is still the danger of capitalist restoration. Recently, he further expounded the economic foundation and political and ideological cause for the emergence of the new bourgeoisie, revealed its ways of existence, drew the scientific conclusion that the bourgeoisie is right in the Communist Party, set forth a series of measures to restrict and eradicate step by step bourgeois right, and viewed the matter from the strategical height of consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat, preventing capitalist restoration and eventually wiping out classes and realizing communism. Under the guidance of this basic line, the Chinese people have won tremendous victories in the socialist revolution and

socialist construction, particularly in the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, in criticizing Lin Biao and Confucius and in criticizing Teng Hsiao-ping and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing correct verdicts.

Chairman Mao Tsetung had answered in theory the problem of how to combat and prevent revisionism. Moreover, with the exceptional courage and daring of a proletarian revolutionary and the spirit of going against the tide, he had in practice led the Communist Party of China, together with all the genuine Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations the world over and uniting with all the forces that can be united, in carrying out an uncompromising tit-for-tat struggle against modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, thus pushing the international communist movement to a new stage, greatly promoting the world people's cause of combating imperialism and hegemonism and propelling the course of the history of mankind.

We will turn grief into strength with determination, hold aloft the great red banner of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, advance bravely along the road of people's war opened up by Chairman Mao Tsetung for the colonial and semi-colonial people to strive for the victory of the new-democratic revolution in North Kalimantan, and advance bravely along the road guided by Chairman Mao Tsetung of continuing the revolution under the condition of the dictatorship of the proletariat in the stage of the socialist revolution to strive for the victory of communism in North Kalimantan. We will turn grief into strength with determination, stand together with the great, glorious and correct Communist Party of China that has consistently upheld the proletarian revolutionary theory and practice and heroically fought for the fundamental interests of the proletariat and the labouring people and for the liberation of the whole mankind, and fight through to the end for the final victory of communism in the whole world.

We are mourning with deepest grief the death of the respected and beloved Chairman Mao Tsetung. He lives for ever in the hearts of us North Kalimantan Communists and revolutionary people and lives for ever in the hearts of millions upon millions of people the world over.

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 of the proletariat and revolutionary people of the world Chairman Mao Tsetung!

Wen Ming Chuan

Chairman of the Central Committee
of the Communist Party of
North Kalimantan

September 9, 1976

Letter From Central Committee Of Communist Party of Peru

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of Peru on September 12 sent a letter to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing its deepest condolences over the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "We are very much shocked by the news of the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. In a situation of great upheaval in the world arena, his death is an inestimable loss to the Chinese Communist Party, the Chinese people's army and the Chinese people, to the proletariat of all lands and the revolutionary people the world over, to the international communist movement of which he was the leader and teacher, as well as to our Party, the Peruvian revolution and the Peruvian people. Chairman Mao Tsetung was the most outstanding and the greatest Marxist-Leninist of the contemporary era; he inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism and creatively integrated Marxism-Leninism with the concrete conditions of the revolution and socialist construction in China. He unified theory with practice, combined the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete conditions of the revolution and firm principle with flexible tactics." Comrade Mao Tsetung's life, one of "serving the people wholeheartedly and thoroughly and of serving communism is an immortal example," the letter adds.

The letter says: "His revolutionary thinking, the correctness of which has been proved by the raging flames of the Chinese revolution and the world revolution, is the most advanced, most scientific and most revolutionary theory of the contemporary era—an inseparable part of Marxism-Leninism; it is an indispensable weapon of all revolutionaries and the people of all lands fighting against imperialism, social-imperialism, revisionism and Trotskyism."

The letter says: "Amid fierce class struggle, Chairman Mao Tsetung founded the Communist Party of China and the People's Liberation Army, led the Chinese Communist Party and rallied the Chinese people, guided them to win victory in the struggle against colonial, semi-colonial and semi-feudal rule, and founded the People's Republic of China. In the course of this struggle, he discovered the general law of revolution in the colonial, semi-colonial and semi-feudal countries, the general law of people's war and its special features in China, correctly solved the question of the Chinese revolution—the road of encircling the cities from the countryside. Today, the People's Republic of China is a socialist state of the dictatorship of the proletariat, which is led by the working class and based on a worker-peasant alliance."

The letter says: "Chairman Mao's theory that there are classes and class struggle throughout the period of socialist revolution, that there is struggle between the two roads of socialism and capitalism, and that there is the danger of capitalist restoration, as well

as the launching of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, have given an answer, both in theory and practice, to the question of how to ensure a continued revolution and the prevention of capitalist restoration. This is a development of Marxism-Leninism of historic significance."

The letter continues: "Chairman Mao Tsetung played an outstanding role in the struggle against modern revisionism in defence of Marxism-Leninism. We can see today that the international communist movement is growing in strength steadily in the course of struggle while revisionism is disintegrating and has met with disastrous defeats. His uncompromising and principled stand in defending Marxism-Leninism and in ruthlessly combating modern revisionism and opportunism of all descriptions is a glorious example for all the proletarian revolutionaries to resolutely follow."

The letter concludes: The death of Comrade Mao Tsetung has bereft "the international communist movement and revolutionary peoples throughout the world of their principal guide and teacher. Our Party, which is fostered by his revolutionary thinking, feels extremely grieved. Like the Chinese Communist Party, the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the Chinese people who turn grief into strength, we Peruvian people, the revolutionaries in our country and our whole Party, with clenched fists, will further strengthen our unity, enhance our militancy a hundredfold, and fight indefatigably for the triumphant cause of communism, a cause which Chairman Mao strove for all his life."

Letter From Central Committee Of Communist Party of Poland

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of Poland in a letter of September 10 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China expressed its most profound condolences on the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "The heart of the leader of the world's biggest nation, a Marxist-Leninist thinker, revolutionary, theoretician, and strategist of revolutionary war, and the organizer and builder of socialism in a state of the dictatorship of the proletariat has ceased beating and his mind has ceased working. A man known for his great spirit and revolutionary exploits has passed away. The Chinese people and the whole progressive mankind have suffered a heavy, grievous and irretrievable loss. The Communist Party of Poland and the working class and the entire working people of Poland wish to extend to the Communist Party of China, the Chinese working class and the Chinese people their most profound revolutionary condolences."

It says that in a period of two generations, Mao Tsetung, founder and builder of the Communist Party of China, stood dauntlessly in the forefront of the Marxist-Leninist revolutionary tide in China. Basing himself on the universal principles of Marxism-Lenin-

ism, he formulated the general line of the Communist Party of China in the War of Liberation and the general line for continuing the socialist revolution in the period of the dictatorship of the proletariat.

It goes on to say that Mao Tsetung had guided the broadest masses of poor peasants to advance along the road to victory under the leadership of the working class and its vanguard, the Communist Party of China, up to the founding of the People's Republic of China. "It is a brilliant theoretical development and successful and practical fulfilment of Karl Marx's idea about 'the possibility of backing the proletarian revolution by some second edition of the Peasant War.' This historic step which carried Marxism forward turned into a magnificent action and became the greatest event in the history of mankind after the great October Revolution. The world's biggest nation thus took the road of revolution and socialist construction and of strengthening socialist unity of that multinational state of the dictatorship of the proletariat. This places Mao Tsetung in the ranks of the most distinguished classical theoreticians of Marxism, Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin."

The letter says: "Any stagnation is alien to Mao Tsetung Thought. Throughout his life, he was loyal to the revolutionary principle of class struggle which is the main motive force of progress of the whole mankind."

It points out: "The Communist Party of China has grown up in the revolutionary struggle against the 'Left' dogmatist tendency and the Right opportunist forces of which Khrushchov's modern revisionism is the most striking embodiment in the international communist movement and workers' movement. Mao Tsetung was the first to come out against the Khrushchov clique of renegades to communism and stood in the very forefront of the revolutionary struggle to combat modern revisionism and uphold revolutionary Marxism-Leninism, revolution and the dictatorship of the proletariat. Mao Tsetung guarded the Communist Party of China against the possibility of degeneration into a bourgeois party and protected the Chinese working class from possible degeneration of the dictatorship of the proletariat. At the same time, in the struggle against imperialism, social-imperialism, modern revisionism and reactionaries of all countries, he held high the revolutionary banner of Marxism-Leninism thrown down by renegades to communism such as Khrushchov and his like."

The letter says that the Chinese people have won great victories in the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution initiated and led personally by Mao Tsetung. They smashed the revisionist line of Liu Shao-chi, Lin Piao and Teng Hsiao-ping and exposed and hit hard at the Khrushchov-Brezhnev clique of social-imperialists. "Mao Tsetung raised the spirit of revolutionary struggle and rebellion against modern revisionism, a spirit cherished by the Marxist-Leninists throughout the world. The Communist Party of China has been strengthened and tempered and the People's Republic of

China has become a powerful socialist state commanding high prestige among the peoples of the world," it points out.

The letter says: "Mao Tsetung has passed away, leaving behind his behest of continuing the revolutionary struggle in China and the world as a whole, and the task of strengthening the revolutionary unity of the Communist Party of China with the whole international Marxist-Leninist movement and making continuous advance along the road to win new victory in socialist revolution. Imbued with a sense of revolutionary honour, we shall accomplish this task."

The letter points out that the Communist Party of China—the Party of Mao Tsetung—and its strong contingents of revolutionary cadres comprising the three generations—the old, the middle-aged and the young—who have been tempered in the class struggle and the invincible people's revolutionary army follow Mao Tsetung's correct line, namely, the line of continuing the socialist revolution and further consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat as a fortress of the powerful socialist state, the world revolution and socialism. The great Chinese people will protect Mao Tsetung Thought as the apple of their eye, unite round the glorious Party to seize new victory in socialist revolution and march forward towards communism.

The letter says: "Mao Tsetung himself followed with concern the developments of the December incident and the June incident in Poland and highly evaluated the revolutionary spirit of the Polish working class. The Polish Communists and proletariat will cherish the memory of Mao Tsetung and derive from the history of his life an inspiration to make continuous struggle for the victory of socialist revolution in Poland."

The letter concludes by saying: "Mao Tsetung has passed away but the creative cause which he championed throughout his life is immortal!"

Message From General Secretary Fosco Dinucci of Central Committee Of Communist Party of Italy (M-L)

Fosco Dinucci, General Secretary of 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, expressing his deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The message says: "At a time when the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people are in great grief over the loss of the great and respected leader Chairman Mao, we stand with you with the same feeling of deep grief as yours."

It says: "The passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung has left an incurable wound in the hearts of the Communists, revolutionaries and peoples of the whole world. The merits of Comrade Mao Tsetung belong to

the international proletariat, the people the world over and the cause of the proletarian revolution and the cause of struggle for liberation. Mao Tsetung Thought is a fundamental contribution to the development of Marxism-Leninism."

The message adds, "With proletarian tenacity and great far-sightedness, Comrade Mao Tsetung laid down a correct Marxist-Leninist line and smashed all sorts of Right and 'Left' lines pursued by those from Chen Tu-hsiu to Wang Ming. Thanks to Chairman Mao's correct proletarian revolutionary line, the revolution triumphed over imperialism, feudalism and bureaucrat-capitalism, liberated China and built the people's power."

The message notes, "Comrade Mao Tsetung made a contribution of historic and fundamental importance to Marxism-Leninism and the international communist movement on the question of how to combat and prevent the restoration of capitalism in a socialist country."

The message says, "Chairman Mao's call to conduct the movement to criticize Lin Piao and Confucius, his appeal to profoundly study the theory of the dictatorship of the proletariat and his directives to limit bourgeois right mobilized the Party and people of China in waging the struggles against the counter-revolutionary lines and schemes of Lin Piao and Teng Hsiao-ping. They also enabled the proletariat of China to become more conscious of their historical task and the necessity of exercising all-round dictatorship of the proletariat over the bourgeoisie not only in the economic base but also in all branches of the superstructure."

The message says in conclusion, "In the complex international situation in which the danger of war is growing as a result of the contention for world hegemony between the two superpowers, the United States and the U.S.S.R., the great internationalist teachings of Comrade Mao Tsetung have indissolubly united us. The road is tortuous, but the future is bright. We will hold aloft for ever the red banner of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought in our advance. Victory belongs to the Marxist-Leninist Parties of all countries, to the proletariat and the peoples of the world. Imperialism, social-imperialism, revisionism and all reaction will inevitably be defeated. When socialism and communism are realized in the whole world tomorrow, people also will remember for ever Comrade Mao Tsetung's thought and exploits."

Message From Central Committee Of Revolutionary Communist Party of U.S.A.

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of
China,

Peking

When the mountains thunder the grim word, the
quiet tears bathe the valley.

October 15, 1976

The working class and the oppressed peoples of the world have lost a champion precious to their cause, and the deprivation is sore to bear.

Phrases pale in the attempt to measure this loss. The struggles of the Chinese people brought forth a Mao Tsetung and the world is illumined by that strength. The battle swells and his rich thought flies as a leading banner in the march.

His memory has many monuments more substantial than granite, more enduring than difficulty or danger, more vital than death can overcome. For all who struggle against exploitation and oppression there are the means and the method, the courage to conquer difficulty and danger, the confidence to persevere to working-class victory. And in the last great continuing battle of his life, the consolidation of working-class rule and the prevention of Soviet-style reversion, we cherish our trust in the revolutionary successors, nourished by his thought and steeled in the battles he led, to overcome all obstacles and, in his name, to lead the way forward.

We merge our grief with that of his widow and family, with the grief of the comrades of the Communist Party of China, and the world's revolutionary peoples, and pledge ourselves to continue the fight until the basis for twisting human labour into private gain has been wiped from the face of the earth for ever.

Long live the great unity of the peoples of the world! Long live Marxism-Leninism, Mao Tsetung Thought!

The Central Committee of the Revolutionary Communist Party of the
United States of America

Chicago, September 10, 1976

Message From Keerveld of Communist Party of Surinam

The Communist Party of China,

Peking

Our hearts are full of grief for today's greatest
defender of Marxism-Leninism has passed away.

Keerveld
The Communist Party of Surinam

Paramaribo, September 9

(To be continued.)

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

Message From Central Committee of Communist Party of Malaya

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of Malaya sent a message on September 10 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing most profound and keenly felt condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao. The message reads:

"Chairman Mao Tsetung was the greatest proletarian revolutionary and thinker of the contemporary era. He founded and led the Communist Party of China, the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the People's Republic of China, building the Communist Party of China into a great, glorious and correct Marxist-Leninist political party, the Chinese People's Liberation Army into an invincible people's army, and the People's Republic of China into an indestructible revolutionary bulwark. He dedicated all his wisdom and energies throughout his life to the victory of the cause of liberation of the Chinese people and the world people and to the victory of the cause of communism, making magnificent contributions which can never be erased.

"Under the wise leadership of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people, following the road blazed by Chairman Mao of using the countryside to encircle the cities and seizing political power by armed force, fought valiantly, overthrew the reactionary rule of imperialism, feudalism and bureaucrat-capitalism with people's war and won a great victory of historic significance in the new-democratic revolution.

"Under the wise leadership of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people, following Chairman Mao's teachings on continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, took class struggle as the key link, built their country independently and with the initiative in their own hands, through self-reliance, hard struggle, diligence and thrift, and won great victories of historic significance in the socialist revolution and socialist construction.

"Initiated and led personally by Chairman Mao, the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, the movement to criticize Lin Piao and Confucius and the struggle to criticize Teng Hsiao-ping and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing correct verdicts destroyed the two bourgeois headquarters with Liu Shao-chi and Lin Piao as the chieftains, smashed Teng Hsiao-ping's scheme to restore capitalism, and further consolidated

the dictatorship of the proletariat in China so that socialist China is exerting an ever greater influence on the progress of the world revolution.

"In the international communist movement Chairman Mao, holding aloft the revolutionary banner of Marxism-Leninism, led the genuine Marxist-Leninists all over the world to wage a principled and tit-for-tat struggle against modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, and won an epoch-making great victory.

"Chairman Mao Tsetung was the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era. For more than half a century, integrating the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution and the world revolution, he inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism in the protracted, acute and complicated struggle against the class enemies at home and abroad, both inside and outside the Party. Chairman Mao's theories on the new-democratic revolution, on people's war, on continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, on Party building, and on philosophy and literature and art, and his series of scientific theses on major issues of the contemporary era enriched the theoretical treasury of Marxism. Invincible Mao Tsetung Thought indicates the orientation of struggle for the revolutionary people of various countries and is illuminating the road of their advance.

"As the greatest proletarian internationalist of the contemporary era, Chairman Mao was very much concerned for the revolutionary struggle of the people of various countries of the world including our country. Holding aloft the banner of proletarian internationalism, he resolutely opposed the capitulationism, great-power chauvinism and hegemonism of the Soviet revisionist renegade clique, and energetically supported and aided the proletariat of various countries and the oppressed nations and oppressed people in their revolutionary struggles. He made most valuable contributions to the strengthening of the revolutionary friendship and militant unity between our two Parties and two peoples, to the strengthening of the revolutionary friendship and militant unity between the Communist Party of China and the genuine Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations of the whole world and to the strengthening of the revolutionary friendship and militant unity between the Chinese people and the people of various countries, the people of the third world countries in particular.

"The passing of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss not only to the Chinese people but also to the revolu-

tionary people in our country and the rest of the world and to the international communist movement.

"We firmly believe that in order to carry on the cause left behind by our esteemed and beloved great teacher Chairman Mao, the Chinese people will surely rally closely around the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, turn grief into strength, implement Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line thoroughly, seize still greater victories in the socialist revolution and socialist construction, build China into a powerful socialist state and proceed to realize communism.

"In order to carry on the cause left behind by our esteemed and beloved great teacher Chairman Mao, the Malayan Communists and people are determined to turn grief into strength. We will assiduously study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, persevere in and develop the revolutionary armed struggle, and fight to seize the complete victory of the new-democratic revolution of our country. We will unite closely with the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people as well as the genuine Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations and revolutionary people of various countries, and fight together with them for the downfall of imperialism, modern revisionism and all reaction and for the realization of communism."

Letter From Central Committee Of Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Ecuador

The Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Ecuador on September 12 sent a letter to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: With the death of Comrade Mao Tsetung, "the Chinese revolution and the world's proletarian revolution, the Chinese people and the people of all lands have lost the most outstanding Marxist-Leninist leader of the contemporary era, the most selfless, the staunchest, the most beloved and esteemed proletarian revolutionary fighter who fought for the cause of communism." "Comrade Mao Tsetung had made many contributions of far-reaching significance to the liberation cause of the people the world over and this makes him as great as Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, the great teachers of the proletariat."

The letter notes: "Under the leadership of the Communist Party of China headed by Comrade Mao Tsetung, the Chinese people waged a heroic struggle; the old China is gone for good and a revolutionary New China full of vitality has emerged to take its place." "Socialist New China has now become the solid bastion and reliable rear area of the world's proletarian revolution."

"To avert the danger of the restoration of capitalism," the letter continues, "the Communist Party of

China under the wise leadership of Comrade Mao Tsetung carried out the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, mobilizing the people and the Red Guards to struggle against the counter-revolutionary revisionist line of Liu Shao-chi, Lin Biao and Teng Hsiao-ping and prevent China from changing its political colour." "Comrade Mao Tsetung laid down the general line for the Chinese revolution in the entire period of socialism. We are firmly convinced that the Party, working class and people of China will surely fulfil this mission with credit and ultimately realize communism."

The letter adds: "To defend the world's proletarian revolution, the purity of the Marxist-Leninist principles, Comrade Mao Tsetung led the Communist Party of China in denouncing, exposing and dealing blows at modern revisionism and brought to light the essence of Soviet social-imperialism, alerting the people of all countries to the social-imperialists' menace to the world revolution and world peace." "In this struggle the genuine Marxist-Leninist Communist Parties had the firm proletarian internationalist support of the Communist Party of China and Comrade Mao Tsetung." "Our Party has all along enjoyed the sincere and firm support of the Communist Party of China and Comrade Mao Tsetung. The relation between us is fraternal and is becoming ever closer and consolidated."

In conclusion the letter says: "Our Party has always held the world's revolutionary teacher Comrade Mao Tsetung in great esteem. Members of our Party must study and have a good grasp of his invaluable teachings and put them into practice. We reiterate our determination to study his writings in a more deep-going way and integrate the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought with the concrete conditions in our country.

"The Central Committee of our Party calls on the whole Party to turn grief into a new motive force against imperialism, revisionism and the ruling class and march forward courageously in the course of struggle for national liberation."

Letter From Chairman Aust of Communist Party of Germany (M-L)

Ernst Aust, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Germany (Marxist-Leninists) has sent a letter to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China and the State Council of the P.R.C., expressing deepest condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "Comrade Mao Tsetung was the greatest Marxist-Leninist of the contemporary era. His immortal accomplishment was in carrying on the cause of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin. The death of Chairman Mao Tsetung is an inestimable, grievous loss to the glorious Communist Party of China, the heroic Chinese people, the international communist movement, the

working class of all countries and the people throughout the world.

Comrade Mao Tsetung led to victory the cause of revolution and socialism in China which has the largest population in the world. He was the founder of the Communist Party of China. Comrade Mao Tsetung integrated the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution and persisted in the proletarian revolutionary line in the struggle against Right and "Left" opportunism of all descriptions. Thanks to the principled struggle waged persistently by Comrade Mao Tsetung, the Communist Party of China has won the trust of the broad masses of the people and assumed leadership of their struggle. The highly principled struggle carried out by Comrade Mao Tsetung set a great example for the Communist Parties of various countries and provided them with rich experience.

The letter goes on to say: "The victory of the Chinese revolution and the founding of the People's Republic of China were the most important event since the October Revolution in Russia, having dealt a heavy blow at imperialism and reactionaries on a worldwide scale. They were a great victory for the world socialist revolution."

"Under the leadership of Chairman Mao Tsetung," the letter says, "the Chinese people were engaged in the gigantic undertaking of building a socialist New China. Once the most backward and poorest country in the world, China has now become a great and prosperous socialist state and a bulwark of the world revolution. It is loved and supported by the international proletariat and enjoys profound respect and sympathy among the world peoples. This brilliantly testifies to the correctness of the revolutionary line of Chairman Mao Tsetung."

The letter continues: "Comrade Mao Tsetung and the Communist Party of China under his leadership stood in the forefront of the struggle to defend Marxism-Leninism, safeguard the unity of the international communist movement, oppose the betrayal of the Khrushchov revisionists and combat their splitting activities against the international communist movement." "By its unswerving struggle against modern revisionism, the Communist Party of China led by Chairman Mao Tsetung performed indelible meritorious deeds for the international communist movement and the international proletariat. This will be remembered for ever by all the Communists and workers with class consciousness the world over."

It notes: "Comrade Mao Tsetung initiated and led the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, through which the Chinese working class and the masses of Chinese people routed the forces which tried to restore capitalism in China. The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution smashed two bourgeois headquarters, one led by Liu Shao-chi and the other by Lin Biao, and defended and consolidated the dictatorship of the proletariat. This victory won by the Chinese working class and the masses of Chinese people under the personal

leadership of Chairman Mao Tsetung was also a victory for the working class of the whole world."

"The triumphant progress of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution shows that revisionist degeneration and capitalist restoration are not necessarily destined to take place in socialist countries. Basing itself on the Marxist-Leninist revolutionary line, the working class can repulse any counter-revolutionary attack and safeguard and consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat," the letter says.

The letter says: "The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution has triumphed because Comrade Mao Tsetung analysed and summed up with mastery the experience of the dictatorship of the proletariat and the lessons of the Soviet Union and some other socialist countries having degenerated into revisionist countries, from which he drew necessary conclusions and laid down the basic line for the historical stage of socialism."

It continues: "Comrade Mao Tsetung's theses on continuing the revolution under the conditions of the dictatorship of the proletariat constitute an important development of the Marxist-Leninist theory on the dictatorship of the proletariat. This question is of vital significance to the working class. The victory in the present struggle against the unrepentant capitalist-roader Teng Hsiao-ping's attempt to reverse the correct appraisal on the Great Cultural Revolution and restore capitalism in China once again forcefully proves the correctness of Chairman Mao Tsetung's revolutionary line."

The letter says: "Comrade Mao Tsetung dedicated his whole life to the cause of the world revolution and communism. He consistently encouraged the working class of all countries and the oppressed peoples to carry firmly through to the end the struggle against imperialism, reaction and revisionism." "Today, the people of all countries stand more and more firmly against the two superpowers and realize ever more clearly the danger of war arising from the two superpowers' contention for world hegemony. Today, Russian social-imperialism, a superpower which is most aggressive than the other, is being seen through, and the international united front against hegemonism is developing and gaining in strength. All this is favourable to the peoples of the world and is inseparably linked with the name of Comrade Mao Tsetung," the letter says.

It continues: "Comrade Mao Tsetung has passed away but his cause is immortal. Like the works of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, Comrade Mao Tsetung's theory will for ever be a guide to the world communist movement, the international working class and the revolutionary peoples in their struggle to overthrow imperialism in the whole world and to win the victory of the world socialist revolution.

"Communists the world over, the international working class and the revolutionary people will be loyal to Chairman Mao Tsetung's revolutionary thought, turn grief into strength and further strengthen the struggle against imperialism, reaction and revisionism."

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

Letter From Central Committee of Communist Party of Brazil

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of Brazil on September 11 sent a letter to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, offering deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "With deep grief we learnt the sad news about the departure of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the founder and leader of the glorious Communist Party of China and the most distinguished figure of the world communist movement today. His decease greatly grieves the Brazilian revolutionaries who regard him as a great friend of the Brazilian people, a prominent Marxist-Leninist and an indefatigable fighter for the noble cause of communism."

The letter says: "The life of Comrade Mao Tsetung was closely linked with the tremendous changes of historic world significance that have taken place in China." "During the long years of fighting against the powerful enemies, Comrade Mao Tsetung led the Chinese revolution, united the Chinese people under the leadership of the Communist Party, strove for the growth and consolidation of the Communist Party and created the invincible People's Liberation Army in the flames of struggle. He surmounted all the obstacles placed by the reactionary forces and imperialism and

turned the age-long aspiration of the broad masses into reality. Eventually, on October 1, 1949, the state power passed into the hands of the people and the country achieved full sovereignty and independence. A new period thus began in the development of the valiant Chinese nation."

The letter says: Comrade Mao Tsetung elaborated and provided a proletarian orientation of revolution for the building of the new society. He pointed out that victory could emerge only out of a struggle against the line of the capitalist-roaders. The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, which mobilized hundreds of millions of people, reflected the acute contradictions between the two lines and administered defeat to the opportunist current.

The letter says: "Comrade Mao Tsetung perceived with great acuteness the danger of modern revisionism which manifested itself in the 20th congress of the communist party of the Soviet Union. He called on revolutionaries of all lands to defend the purity of Marxism-Leninism and to fight determinedly to smash the treachery of Khrushchov. He exposed the counter-revolutionary essence of revisionism and pointed out that its principal representatives are members of the Soviet clique which is today headed by the renegade Leonid Brezhnev. He stressed that under this new tendency, the Soviet Union has turned from a socialist country into a social-imperialist state. In so doing,

Comrade Mao Tsetung made an outstanding contribution not only to the revolutionary forces but also to those nations which are fighting for national independence."

The letter says: Comrade Mao Tsetung developed Marxism-Leninism in all its aspects. "He knew how to apply the universal truth of the doctrine of the proletariat to the practice of the Chinese revolution, discover laws through practice and seek for victory in their light. His unique contributions enriched Marxism-Leninism and assisted those fighting for liberation. The victories of the Chinese people were victories of the Marxist-Leninist revolutionary thought of Mao Tsetung. He was one of the great teachers of the proletariat throughout the world."

The letter says: "A staunch internationalist, Comrade Mao Tsetung gave faithful and firm support to the struggle of the people in all countries. He frequently raised his prestigious voice to condemn aggression and reactionary violence, oppose the hegemonism of the two superpowers, and unveil the danger of a new world war. Whenever necessary, he rendered generous support to those who fought for freedom and independence."

The letter says: "The Communist Party of Brazil takes pride in the fact that it has received attention, firm support and valuable teachings from Comrade Mao Tsetung." The moment the Communist Party of Brazil had been reorganized, it gained the support of this world leader of the proletariat. We shall never forget his encouragement to and his confidence in our Party.

The letter says: Although Comrade Mao Tsetung is no longer with us, his work and his feats are immortal. "His thinking will remain resplendent, vivid and vigorous, illuminating the road to national and social emancipation, guiding the building of socialism, reinforcing the dictatorship of the proletariat which has to continue until the attainment of a society without classes and the exploiters and oppressors — the brilliant peak of communism."

In conclusion the letter says: "The Communist Party of Brazil joins the others in sorrowfully paying posthumous homage to the leader of the Communist Party of China and world revolution."

Message From Central Committee of Japanese Communist Party (Left)

The Central Committee of the Japanese Communist Party (Left) sent a message on September 10 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing heartfelt condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. The message says:

Upon learning of the passing 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, all the members of the Japanese Communist Party (Left) extend with boundless grief our heartfelt condolences.

Comrade Mao Tsetung inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism in the course of protracted struggle to advance the Chinese revolution and the world revolution and oppose the class enemies, making great contributions to the international communist movement and to the development of the world revolution. Comrade Mao Tsetung was the respected and beloved great leader of the Chinese people and the revolutionary people the world over and the greatest Marxist of our time.

The passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung is an inestimable loss not only to the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people but also to the world proletariat and the revolutionary peoples of the world as well as the international communist movement.

Comrade Mao Tsetung personally founded the Communist Party of China, carried out staunch struggles against "Left" and Right opportunism in the Party and developed the Communist Party of China into a great, glorious and correct Marxist-Leninist Party.

Comrade Mao Tsetung led the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people in overthrowing the reactionary rule of imperialism, feudalism and bureaucrat-capitalism through protracted armed struggle, winning the victory of the great new-democratic revolution, founding the People's Republic of China and then carrying out the socialist revolution and socialist construction. The Chinese revolution led by Comrade Mao Tsetung has marched from victory to victory, changing the situation in the East and the world, and opening a new path for the cause of liberation of the oppressed nations and oppressed people, and, in particular, exerting a far-reaching and immeasurable influence on the development of the liberation cause of the proletariat and revolutionary people of Japan.

Comrade Mao Tsetung summed up the historical experience of the international communist movement and the dictatorship of the proletariat, developed the theory on classes and class struggle in socialist society and at the same time personally initiated the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, making the socialist revolution and socialist construction advance victoriously. All this is of important significance for smashing the plot of the bourgeoisie to turn socialism into capitalism through "peaceful evolution," and for charting the orientation of the march from socialism to communism.

Comrade Mao Tsetung played a leading role in and made a great contribution to the development of the international communist movement after the death of Lenin and Stalin. Especially in the periods after World War II, he pointed out to the world's revolutionary people the world strategy of the international proletariat, gave boundless inspiration to the oppressed nations and oppressed people in their struggle against imperialism, social-imperialism and the reaction of various countries and showed them the prospects of victory. At the same time, he led the struggle against modern revisionism inside the international communist movement and with the Soviet revisionist clique at the core, thoroughly unmasking modern revisionism and making the international communist movement develop into a new stage.

In the protracted struggle against the class enemies, Comrade Mao Tsetung enriched the theoretical treasury of Marxism-Leninism, led the revolutionary movement of the proletariat to a new stage and gave a powerful impetus to the development of the history of mankind.

The great life of Comrade Mao Tsetung was a life dedicated tirelessly to the cause of liberation of the Chinese people and the oppressed nations and oppressed people the world over, a cause led by the proletariat, and to the cause of communism. It serves as a model of indomitable struggle against the class enemies.

We will learn deeply from the great life of Comrade Mao Tsetung, take him as our example, commemorate him for ever, turn grief into strength and stride ahead for the victory of the revolutionary cause.

The struggle of the genuine Marxist-Leninists in Japan against the Miyamoto revisionist clique in 1966, the founding of the Japanese Communist Party (Left) in 1969 and its subsequent development — these events of decisive importance to the success or failure of the Japanese revolution represent great victories won under the guidance of Mao Tsetung Thought. In order to win the victory of the people's democratic revolution in Japan, we pledge once again that we will take Comrade Mao Tsetung as our example, uphold proletarian internationalism and consistently keep to the road of integrating the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought with the concrete practice of the Japanese revolution.

Long live invincible Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!

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

Eternal glory to Comrade Mao Tsetung, the esteemed and beloved great leader of the revolutionary people of the world!

Letter From Mohammed Toaha on Behalf of Communist Party of Bangladesh (M-L)

In the name of the Communist Party of Bangladesh (Marxist-Leninist), Mohammed Toaha sent a letter dated September 9 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, extending profound condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says, "We are deeply grieved at the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the heartily respected and beloved leader of the Chinese people and the heartily esteemed and beloved comrade-in-arms of the people of the whole world."

The letter says: "Chairman Mao was one of the outstanding leaders in the history of development of human society. Under his leadership the liberated Chinese people have built a new society without exploitation. Mao Tsetung Thought will be shining forever in the struggle of the exploited, oppressed and down-trodden people in the world and in the history of the future development of human society."

The letter says in conclusion: We will turn grief into strength with determination and, following Chairman Mao's teachings we pledge to march forward on the road of uncompromising revolutionary struggle.

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

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of Switzerland (Marxist-Leninist) has sent a message to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China to express sincerest condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The message says: "Our Party and the Swiss people, with their hearts linked with the great Communist Party of China and the glorious Chinese people, deeply feel the enormous loss on the death of the venerated Chairman Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people and the greatest Marxist-Leninist theorist of our time."

The message continues: "Comrade Mao Tsetung led the Chinese people in their struggle for liberation, in their struggle for socialism and in the consolidation of the dictatorship of the proletariat. Comrade Mao Tsetung teaches us that in everything it is necessary to take class struggle as the key link. His theoretic and practical contribution is guiding the Marxist-Leninists, the proletariat and the peoples of the world in the struggle against revisionism — the counter-revolutionary bourgeois line."

The message says: "The analysis of the present world made by Comrade Mao Tsetung is an inestimable reinforcement of the world current of the struggle of the peoples for independence, freedom and revolution and of the struggle against the biggest oppressors and exploiters of the world, the two superpowers."

The message concludes: "All the peoples of the world love and esteem Comrade Mao Tsetung. The Communist Party of Switzerland (Marxist-Leninist) and the Swiss people extend to you their sincerest condolences and will keep high the revolutionary banner of Comrade Mao Tsetung."

Message From Central Committee of Organization of Marxist-Leninists Of Greece

The Central Committee of the Organization of Marxist-Leninists of Greece sent a message on September 9 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing deepest condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. The message reads:

"With immense sorrow and deep grief we heard the news of the passing away of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Communist Party of China who founded New China. Chairman Mao has been the greatest Marxist-Leninist of our time. He continued the work of Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin and he has been the wise teacher and the leader of the proletariat and the oppressed people and the oppressed nations the world over. He was a man with great vision and a contributor to a new life for humanity. We express sincerely the deep grief and sorrow of the Communists (Marxist-Leninists), of the working class, of the revolutionary youth, of the working people of Greece and our deepest condolences on the passing away of Comrade Mao Tsetung and our fighting sympathy and communist solidarity to the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people."

Message From Chairman Hoogh and Secretary Petersen of Marxist-Leninist Party of the Netherlands

Chairman Hoogh and Secretary Petersen of the Marxist-Leninist Party of the Netherlands sent a message on September 9 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, which says:

"On behalf of the members and the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Party of the Netherlands, we send our sincerest condolences on the passing away of the brilliant Marxist-Leninist, our beloved comrade and your Chairman Mao Tsetung.

"His historical place lies unshakably anchored in the hearts of the workers all over the world.

"Our main task must be to continue following his unforgettable example."

Message From Secretariat of French Revolutionary Communist Party (M-L)

The Secretariat of the French Revolutionary Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) sent a message on September 10 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. The message says:

We have learnt with profound emotion of the death of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the international proletariat. The passing away of Comrade Mao Tsetung has plunged the peoples and all revolutionary forces in the world into mourning.

Leading the Chinese Communist Party and relying on the formidable revolutionary energy of the Chinese people, Comrade Mao Tsetung guided the Chinese people in the great struggle for their liberation and emancipation.

He drew lessons of universal significance from the revolutionary experience of the Chinese people, enriching inestimably the theory of Marxism-Leninism.

From the stage of new democracy to the period of socialist transformation of Chinese society, Comrade Mao Tsetung blazed the trail for the victory of the Chinese people, for their liberation and the building of a socialist society. He initiated and promoted the struggle against modern revisionism and all attempts of the bourgeoisie to regain power in China.

Under his wise leadership the Chinese proletariat and people have consolidated their power, the dictatorship of the proletariat, frustrating schemes of restoration of capitalism.

Taking Mao Tsetung Thought as the guide and relying on the lessons of the Chinese revolution, the revolutionary proletariat of our country, in mourning today, will turn grief into much greater determination to win the victory of socialist revolution.

Our Party affirms its militant solidarity with the Chinese people and the Communist Party of China and, together with them, pays glowing homage to Comrade Mao Tsetung.

Long live Marxism-Leninism!

Long live Mao Tsetung Thought!

(To be continued.)

Memorial Meetings Held in Many Countries To Mourn Chinese People's Great Leader Chairman Mao

Finland

A SOLEMN memorial meeting was held by the Marxist-Leninist Groups of Finland on September 11 in Helsinki to deeply mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. More than 300 Finnish friends and friendly personages attended the meeting.

A message of condolence from the Marxist-Leninist Groups of Finland to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China was read.

The General Secretary and other leading members of the Marxist-Leninist Groups of Finland spoke at the meeting. They gave an account of Chairman Mao's great exploits in leading the revolution in China and in the struggle against modern revisionism. They pointed out that Mao Tsetung was the greatest Marxist-Leninist thinker and proletarian revolutionary of our time. He devoted all his life to the cause of socialism and communism. In half a century, Mao Tsetung applied the principles of scientific socialism to the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution, bringing about most profound changes in China's society. Mao Tsetung Thought is Marxism-Leninism of our time. The passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung is a tremendous loss to all the genuine communists and the people of the world. He will be respected for ever and Mao Tsetung Thought will be inherited from generation to generation.

France

MORE than 10,000 Parisians staged a march and rally on September 11 in the deepest mourning for Chairman Mao Tsetung.

At 3 p.m., workers, peasants, students, teachers and other working people, many of them women, began marching slowly and silently from The Republic Square. A big wreath at the head of the procession bore the inscription: "To Comrade Mao Tsetung, the greatest Marxist-Leninist." Big streamers read: "Eternal glory to Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great teacher of the international proletariat!" "Long live socialist China!" "Long live Mao Tsetung Thought — Marxism-Leninism of our time!"

Comrades Jacques Jurquet and Andre Roastan marched at the head of the procession.

A mourning ceremony took place at the Wall of the Communards, when the marchers arrived there at 4 p.m. They stood in silent tribute before a portrait of the late Chairman Mao Tsetung. The representatives of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of France and the French Revolutionary Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) respectively read out the messages of condolences of the two Parties addressed to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, and laid wreaths in the name of their Parties.

On September 9, more than 300 representatives of the French papers *L'Humanite Rouge* and *Quotidien du Peuple* deeply mourned the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung in front of the Chinese Embassy in Paris.

Political director of *L'Humanite Rouge* Jacques Jurquet handed in a letter of condolence to the Chinese Embassy.

On September 10, a delegation of the French Revolutionary Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) led by Max Cluzot went to the Chinese Embassy to pay their most profound respects to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The France-China Friendship Society held a meeting in Paris on September 17 in memory of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Among the more than 5,000 people attending the memorial meeting were former French Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann, former deputy to the National Assembly Mme. Irene de Lipkowski, political director of *L'Humanite Rouge* Jacques Jurquet, former French Ambassador to China Etienne Manach, the famous Dutch film director Joris Ivens, the famous woman writer Han Suyin and leaders of the France-China Friendship Society.

The meeting was presided over by the society's executive chairman Charles Bettelheim, who said in his speech: "The death of Chairman Mao presses an immense weight on the Chinese people and the peoples of the whole world conscious of the value of his work." He added: "With the development of the friendship

between France and China, the passing of Chairman Mao evokes particular deep emotion in France."

Charles Bettelheim emphasized: "Chairman Mao passed away but his thought lives and will always do so." He added that Mao Tsetung Thought will continue to guide the Chinese people's action and struggle, and that "the Chinese people will keep alive the cause which Mao Tsetung lived for and march continuously towards new victories."

Over 1,300 French friendly personages of various circles called at the Chinese Embassy on September 18 to express condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Five representatives of workers from the Renault Motor Factory in Billancourt in the suburb of Paris, presented a wreath of fresh roses before the portrait of Chairman Mao. They brought a message of condolence signed by workers of the factory which said: "Chairman Mao Tsetung 'restored dignity to the Chinese people. He struggled unremittingly against all enemies of the working class. We are grateful to him because he enriched revolutionary thought.'"

Many French friends came specially from Marseilles, Besancon, Bretagne, Lyons, Saint Etienne and other cities to the Chinese Embassy to mourn Chairman Mao.

On the afternoon of September 18, more than 1,500 French working people held a rally to deeply mourn Chairman Mao Tsetung in Gambetta Square near the Wall of the Communards. Representatives of the French Revolutionary Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) spoke at the rally. The participants took part in a march after the rally.

Greece

MORE than 2,000 people held a solemn memorial meeting on September 14 in Athens to deeply mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Stelios Manousakas, Member of the Central Committee of the Organization of the Marxist-Leninists of Greece, spoke at the meeting. He said: Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist-Leninist of the present era. Chairman Mao made great contributions to the victorious cause of the Chinese revolution, to the international communist movement and to the development of Marxism-Leninism.

Manousakas stressed that under Chairman Mao's initiative, the struggle against modern revisionism was unfolded and joined by more and more people in the world. By doing so Chairman Mao made immeasurable contributions to the cause of the world revolution. He said that the death of Chairman Mao was a tremendous loss to the people of the world. He called on all the participants to turn grief into strength, study Chairman

Mao's works more conscientiously and carry the struggle against revisionism through to the end.

More than 850 Greek people of various circles called at the Chinese Embassy from September 10 to 18 to express deep grief over the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The representatives of the Central Committee of the Organization of Marxist-Leninists of Greece called at the Chinese Embassy to convey their deep condolences. Condolence calls were also made by representatives of trade unions and other mass organizations.

On the evening of September 18, more than 1,000 people held a memorial meeting in Athens to deeply mourn the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

A huge streamer hung over the portrait of Chairman Mao Tsetung carried the inscription: "Eternal glory to Comrade Mao Tsetung, the greatest Marxist-Leninist of our times!" The meeting heard a memorial speech by the representative of the Revolutionary Communist Movement of Greece. The hall resounded with shouts of "Long live Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!" and "Long live the great, glorious and correct communist Party of China!"

Memorial meetings also took place in Salonika, the second largest city in Greece, and in Patras, a city in the Peloponnesus Region.

Sweden

SOME 1,200 members of the Swedish Communist Party and other Swedish people took part in a march and a memorial meeting in Stockholm on September 17.

Roland Pettersson, Chairman of the Swedish Communist Party, delivered a memorial speech. He said: "Mao Tsetung was the Lenin of our time. He drew a clear line of demarcation with modern revisionism in every sphere and firmly defended Marxism-Leninism. Mao Tsetung creatively applied Marxism-Leninism to settle the problems of the contemporary world and thus further developed it." He said: "The greatest Marxist-Leninist of the contemporary era — Mao Tsetung — has passed and we are most deeply saddened."

He pointed out: "Marxism-Leninism, Mao Tsetung Thought is a correct and powerful weapon. Let us try our best to master it in the struggle for building the Communist Party of Sweden, in the struggle for making preparations for socialism in Sweden and in the struggle against imperialism, particularly the two superpowers."

In conclusion, Pettersson shouted: "Long live Marxism-Leninism, Mao Tsetung Thought!" "Eternal glory to Mao Tsetung, the greatest Marxist-Leninist of our era!"

In his speech, Bent Lindkvist, First Vice-Chairman of the Communist Party of Sweden, pointed out that to remember Chairman Mao, the Communist Party of Sweden should study more assiduously his revolutionary strategy and tactics as well as his revolutionary foreign policy. "We will take Marxism-Leninism, Mao Tsetung Thought as a weapon to transform the world," he added.

Klas Borell, Second Vice-Chairman of the Party, representatives of the Red Youth and Circle also spoke. Chairman Mao's poems were then recited.

The Swedish-Chinese Friendship Association held a memorial meeting in Stockholm on September 23. Attending the meeting were more than 500 Swedish friends of various circles.

Christer Leopold, Chairman of the Swedish-Chinese Friendship Association, made a memorial speech. He eulogized Chairman Mao Tsetung's monumental exploits in leading the Chinese people to overthrow the three "big mountains," establish the New China and carry on the socialist revolution and socialist construction and in supporting the revolutionary struggles of the peoples of the world. He said: "We Swedish people, like the people of the world, feel a profound grief over the passing of Mao Tsetung, one of the greatest figures in the world and in history."

Speaking at the memorial meeting, Swedish writer Nils Holmberg, translator of the Swedish edition of the *Selected Works of Mao Tsetung*, gave an account of Chairman Mao Tsetung's creative development of Marxism-Leninism. He said that Chairman Mao had made many very important contributions in developing Marxism-Leninism. He and his deeds are immortal. Chairman Mao had left behind an extremely rich legacy — Mao Tsetung Thought. The Chinese people, armed with this invincible weapon and under the leadership of their glorious Party, will certainly continue to advance along the road opened up by Chairman Mao to win still greater victories.

Italy

OVER 10,000 Italian people, carrying a portrait of Chairman Mao and torches, staged a solemn march in Rome on the evening of September 16 to express their deep mourning for Chairman Mao Tsetung.

A Chinese five-star red flag was in the lead and was followed by red flags with black crepe and a big portrait of Chairman Mao. Some of the mourners carried big streamers inscribed with quotations from Chairman Mao Tsetung. The marchers shouted: "Long live Marxism! Long live Leninism! Long live Mao Tsetung Thought!" "Long live Marx, Engels, Lenin and Mao Tsetung!" "Mao Tsetung! Mao Tsetung! Mao Tsetung!"

The streets reverberated with slogans and the singing of *The Internationale*.

When the procession reached the Chinese Embassy, the marchers paid tribute to the memory of Chairman Mao by lowering their red flags diagonally and raising their fists. Their representatives called at the Chinese Embassy to express deep condolences.

The Communist Party of Italy (Marxist-Leninist) held a meeting in Rome on September 12 to pay tribute to Chairman Mao Tsetung. Similar memorial meetings were held there on September 13 by the Organization of the Communists of Italy (Marxist-Leninist) and other organizations.

In Milan, thousands of people rallied and marched through the streets on September 18 in deep mourning for Chairman Mao Tsetung.

A solemn memorial meeting was held by the Italian Association for Cultural and Friendly Relations With the People's Republic of China at the Borromini Palace in Rome on September 19 to mourn the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Giorgio Zucchetti, secretary-general of the association, delivered a memorial speech. He said: Chairman Mao Tsetung "was one of the greatest men of our times," the people of the world "know through personal experience the role played by Chairman Mao Tsetung in their struggle for progress and a bright future."

Denmark

THE Denmark-China Friendship Association held a memorial meeting in Copenhagen on September 14.

Among the more than 800 people from all walks of life attending the meeting were Danish Foreign Minister Knud Borge Andersen, President Per Fynbos and Vice-President Philip Arctander of the Denmark-China Friendship Association and former President of the association Paul Hansen.

In his memorial speech, Foreign Minister Andersen said that under the leadership of Chairman Mao Tsetung, "the wise and industrious Chinese people have made wonderful contributions which are unique in China's long history and have been closely watched and admired by many people the world over." He said that Chairman Mao Tsetung "was the greatest state leader of our time and one of the leaders in world history who achieved the greatest successes." Mao Tsetung Thought "has become the common wealth of the biggest nation in the world," he said.

In his memorial speech, Per Fynbos said: "The Chinese people, taking Mao Tsetung as their teacher and inspirer, have fully displayed their inexhaustible creative power." He said: "We are deeply convinced

that the Chinese people will turn grief into new strength by continuing the building of New China, on the basis of which friendship between the Danish and Chinese peoples will be developed and promoted."

Paul Hansen also made a memorial speech at the meeting.

More than 200 Chinese residents in Denmark and Danish friends held a solemn memorial meeting in Copenhagen on September 18.

Mr. Liao Wen-nan, a compatriot from Taiwan Province, specially came from West Germany to attend the memorial meeting. In his memorial speech, he expressed the Taiwan people's strong aspiration and determination for an early return to the embrace of their motherland. "Taiwan must be liberated, our fatherland must be unified, and the Chinese people illuminated by the radiance of Mao Tsetung Thought will certainly make still greater contributions to humanity," he stressed.

Switzerland

THE Switzerland-China Friendship Association in Bern held a memorial meeting on September 15 to express deep mourning for Chairman Mao Tsetung.

About 300 people, many of them from Zurich, La Chaux de Fonds, and Lausanne, attended the meeting.

Chairman of the meeting Margrit said that the Swiss people were mourning the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung with deep grief and with infinite sympathy for the Chinese people. She said that while expressing their mourning, they were deeply convinced that Chairman Mao's teachings would always be instructive to the present and future generations.

Pierre-Robert Gillieron, judge of the Vaud Cantonal Tribunal, said: Chairman Mao was great in many respects. The cause of Chairman Mao was not only the cause of the Chinese people, but also that of the people of the world. He made contributions not only to the Chinese people, but to the people of the world as well. The judge pointed out that the passing of Chairman Mao is a tremendous loss to the Chinese people who, however, will carry on the great cause initiated by Chairman Mao.

Madame Bridel, an activist in the women's movement, spoke of the great significance of the liberation of women and the equality between men and women achieved in China under the leadership of Chairman Mao.

In a message sent to the memorial meeting, Lois Snow said that the world has lost one of the greatest leaders in our century, but his teachings will remain.

The Association of Friendship With China in Zurich and the Society for Understanding China in Lausanne held separate memorial meetings for Chairman Mao Tsetung on September 21 and 23.

Four hundred people attended the Zurich meeting. Richardstaub, a leading member of the Association of Friendship With China in Zurich, gave an account of Chairman Mao's revolutionary life and exploits.

He noted that the life of Chairman Mao was one devoted to the revolutionary cause of the Chinese people. Mao Tsetung Thought produces far-reaching influence not only on the Chinese people but also on the oppressed and threatened people the world over.

Chairman of the memorial meeting Monique Coray said: Though Chairman Mao has departed, his cause is immortal and we will cherish the memory of Chairman Mao for ever.

At the memorial meeting in Lausanne, chairman of the meeting Golay said that Chairman Mao Tsetung was the greatest statesman of the contemporary era. He said, "Chairman Mao's heart was closely linked with the hearts of the people, and he had been loyal to the people till the last moment of his life. Just as the Chinese people, we will follow his teachings with all our efforts and be always loyal to this great man and great soldier for whom we have boundless affection."

A memorial meeting was also held by the Switzerland-China Friendship Association in Geneva on the evening of September 17.

Federal Republic of Germany

A MEMORIAL meeting held in Duesseldorf on September 18 by the Germany-China Friendship Society was attended by more than 3,500 people including the organization's activists from more than 30 cities. The meeting heard addresses by Lois Snow, widow of American friend Mr. Edgar Snow, and other foreign friends who once worked in Yanan in the years of the War of Resistance Against Japan and during the Chinese Liberation War. They paid tribute to Chairman Mao Tsetung and gave personal reminiscences of their meetings and conversations with the Chairman in the difficult years of the revolutionary wars. Edo Baumberger, a leading member of the Federal Council of the Germany-China Friendship Society, reported on the revolutionary thought of Chairman Mao Tsetung and extolled its great significance.

Similar memorial meetings were held in more than 20 other West German cities on September 14 and 15. West German Marxist-Leninist organizations in Frankfurt, Hamburg, Mannheim, Koeln, Munich, Hanover, Stuttgart and other cities held torchlight marches on

memorial meetings on September 16 and 17 in tribute to the memory of Chairman Mao.

Norway

OVER 2,300 people staged a torch march in Oslo on the evening of September 17 to deeply mourn Chairman Mao Tsetung. The march was sponsored by the National Norway-China Friendship Association.

On the same evening, the Oslo branch of the National Norway-China Friendship Association held a memorial meeting attended by about 1,200 people. Rongen, chairman of the branch, Paal Steigan, Chairman of the Norwegian Workers' Communist Party (M-L), and representatives of immigrant workers in Norway spoke at the meeting. They praised Chairman Mao's magnificent contributions in leading the Chinese revolution and the international struggle against revisionism. Rongen called for the concrete action of strengthening the friendship between the Norwegian and Chinese people to mourn the late Chairman. Steigan said that Chairman Mao Tsetung was the greatest revolutionary leader of the contemporary era and his works are an eternal contribution to the theory of communism. He added: Therefore, all those who cherish what Chairman Mao did for the Chinese people and the peoples of the world must read his works and study Mao Tsetung Thought.

The representative of foreign workers in Norway praised Chairman Mao as a genuine internationalist and a source of powerful inspiration to the people of the third world countries. The speaker was from one of these countries.

Chairman Mao's poems were recited at the memorial meeting.

Similar meetings were sponsored by the National Norway-China Friendship Association in 18 other Norwegian cities. Student councils in some universities and colleges also held memorial meetings.

The Netherlands

THE Netherlands-China Foundation held a memorial meeting in Amsterdam on September 16 attended by more than 600 people. A wreath presented by the foundation was placed in front of the portrait of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

V.D. Linden, council member of the foundation, delivered a memorial speech eulogizing the glorious life Chairman Mao had spent in revolutionary struggles.

Professor W.F. Wertheim also addressed the meeting. He said: "The death of Mao Tsetung, one of the greatest figures in human history, is not only a great

loss to the Chinese people, but also deprives all mankind of one of the world's greatest men."

He added: "Mao Tsetung was an outstanding revolutionary thinker, who most successfully applied his revolutionary thinking to practice."

Similar memorial meetings were held by the foundation in Utrecht, Nijmegen, The Hague, Rotterdam, Tilburg and other cities.

Austria

A SOLEMN memorial meeting attended by about 500 people was held by the Communist League of Austria in Vienna on September 17.

K. Puchinger, Member of the Central Committee of the Communist League of Austria and Secretary of the League's Vienna Municipal Committee, presided over the meeting. Walter Linder, Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist League of Austria, delivered a memorial speech. He recalled the militant, revolutionary life of Chairman Mao Tsetung and praised his magnificent contributions to the Chinese people, the international working class and the peoples of various countries fighting for their emancipation.

On the same day the branches of the Communist League of Austria in other cities also held memorial meetings.

The Austrian Revolutionary Workers' Association (Marxist-Leninist) held a memorial meeting for Chairman Mao Tsetung in Vienna on September 21.

In his memorial speech, Alfred Jocha, chairman of the association, pointed out that the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung is an irreparable loss not only to the Chinese people but also to the proletariat and revolutionary people of the world.

He noted: "Comrade Mao Tsetung has departed, but his thoughts are immortal and will serve as a radiant signpost for the working people for ever. Let us study and master these thoughts as an invincible weapon of the working people in the struggle for their own interests."

Memorial meetings for Chairman Mao Tsetung were held earlier by branches of the association in Bregenz and Innsbruck.

Belgium

THE Belgium-China Association held a memorial meeting in Brussels on September 25. It was attended by about 1,000 people. A huge portrait of Chairman Mao hung in the centre of the rostrum and a streamer below the portrait read: "Mao Tsetung Thought is invincible."

The meeting was presided over by Robert Hamaide, Honorary Chairman of the Association. In his memorial speech, he said: Chairman Mao was a great revolutionary theorist and activist. Chairman Mao, looking far ahead and aiming high, dominated all the changes of our times, and his merits are indelible.

Secretary-General of the Association Serge Pairoux acquainted the participants with the revolutionary life and work of Chairman Mao. Vice-Chairman of the Association Jean Nihon told the meeting about the great successes made by the Chinese people in socialist revolution and socialist construction under the wise and correct leadership of Chairman Mao and the Communist Party of China.

Vice-Chairman of the Association Xavier Rellecom and other leading members of the association also attended the meeting.

Also present was Fernand Lefebvre, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Belgium.

Luxembourg

THE Luxembourg-China Friendship Association held a memorial meeting in Luxembourg on September 23 with more than 100 people attending.

Adolphe Franck, President, Jean Georges Pierre Heisbourg, Secretary-General, of the Luxembourg-China Friendship Association, and Charles Doerner, Secretary of the Political Bureau of the Communist League of Luxembourg, spoke at the meeting to mourn Chairman Mao Tsetung's passing.

A worker-poet read poems of Chairman Mao at the meeting.

Britain

A MASS rally was held in London on September 25 to pay tribute to Chairman Mao Tsetung. It was jointly sponsored by the Communist Federation of Britain (Marxist-Leninist), the Communist Unity Association (Marxist-Leninist) and the East London Marxist-Leninist Association.

The rally first heard the message issued to the whole Party, whole army and people of all nationalities throughout China by the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China, the State Council of the People's Republic of China and the Military Commission of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, in connection with the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. Also read at the rally was the memorial speech delivered by Comrade Hua Kuo-feng, First Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and Premier of the State Council, at

the mass memorial meeting in Peking for the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Chairman Mao's famous article "Serve the People" was read at the rally.

Many people spoke at the rally and extolled Chairman Mao's magnificent contributions to the Chinese revolutionary cause and the international communist movement. They pledged to turn their grief into strength, conscientiously study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, and act accordingly in memory of Chairman Mao.

Chinese residents in Britain also held a memorial meeting.

Spain

THE Spain-China Friendship Association held a mass memorial meeting for Chairman Mao Tsetung in Madrid on September 26 with over 2,000 working people and personages of various circles taking part.

Dr. Jose Toran Pelaez, Honorary President of the International Commission on Large Dams and President of the Spanish National Committee of Large Dams, Jose Maria Gomez-Salome, President of the Spain-China Friendship Association and other friendly personages spoke, eulogizing the great life of Chairman Mao Tsetung and expressing deep condolences on his departure.

Iceland

THE people of Iceland expressed profound grief on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. From September 9 to 18, over 1,000 people made condolence calls at the Chinese Embassy. Some came from remote mountains and small islands, some with whole families. Some workers were in overalls and many arrived late at night after work shifts. A young mother helped her young child write his name in a condolence book in front of a portrait of Chairman Mao. An old man who twice called at the Chinese Embassy with his grandson said: "I extend deep condolences to the entire Chinese people and wish them continued advance along the road charted by Chairman Mao."

Portugal

THE Portugal-China Friendship Association held a memorial meeting for Chairman Mao Tsetung in Lisbon on October 1, the 27th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China, with more than 800 persons attending.

Present at the meeting were: Secretaries of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Portugal (Marxist-Leninist) Alvaro Vasconcelos, Carlos Guinote and Jose Santos; Tomas Rosa, Administrator of Por-

Portuguese Radio and Television; Hugo dos Santos, Commander of the Central Military Region; Maria Barriso, Member of the National Commission of the Socialist Party and wife of Portuguese Prime Minister Mario Soares; Helena Roseta, leading member of the People's Democratic Party and Member of the Secretariat of the Portugal-China Friendship Association; Pedro Vasconcelos, leading member of the Party of the Democratic and Social Centre; Antonio Abreu, Member of the National Council of the Democratic National Front; Carlos Ricardo, Member of the Secretariat of the Portugal-China Friendship Association and Deputies of the Socialist Party, the People's Democratic Party and the Party of the Democratic and Social Centre.

Prime Minister Mario Soares and other high-ranking Portuguese officials sent messages of condolence or representatives to the meeting.

Speaking at the meeting were representatives of the Democratic National Front, the Party of the Democratic and Social Centre, the Communist Party of Portugal (Marxist-Leninist), the People's Democratic Party, the Socialist Party and the Secretariat of the Portugal-China Friendship Association.

Carlos Guinote, Member of the Secretariat of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Portugal (Marxist-Leninist), said that with the passing of Chairman Mao, all progressive humanity, all those upholding peace and fighting for the liberation and independence of their countries have lost a great friend.

Chairman Mao, he added, forged millions of fighters for the cause of the people and led the Chinese people in building a new society and preventing the reproduction of the tragedy of the Soviet Union in China.

"Today," he stressed, "Russian social-imperialism is the most aggressive and expansionist force in the world." "To ward off the danger, we know well that the battle will be hard. But Chairman Mao Tsetung has pointed out: 'Nothing is hard in this world if you dare to scale the heights.'"

Chairman Mao's poems were recited by Portuguese friends at the meeting.

Canada

OVER 1,000 workers, students, teachers and representatives of the overseas Chinese attended a memorial meeting for Chairman Mao Tsetung in Montreal on September 19. The meeting was jointly sponsored by the Canada-China Society of Montreal and the Chinese Community Council of Montreal.

Professor Paul T.K. Lin, Director of the Centre for East Asian Studies at McGill University, delivered a speech saying that to the Chinese and to all peoples, the passing of Chairman Mao "is a grievous loss of incalculable proportions. Yet he left a rich, a living legacy. His work was not for a single generation, but for a whole epoch." Continuing, he said that Chairman

Mao was the greatest revolutionary leader in China's history. Chairman Mao has passed, but he has left behind him millions of successors, steered in struggle and armed with Mao Tsetung Thought.

Josee Lamoureux, a member of the Canada-China Society of Montreal and a teacher at the University of Quebec, said that Chairman Mao Tsetung devoted his whole life to the service not only of the Chinese people but also of the peoples of the whole world, promoted the unity of the world's peoples and supported their struggles against slavery and exploitation. His merits "are a source of inspiration and hope for the oppressed peoples and nations of the world."

A memorial meeting was also held on September 16 in Toronto, Canada's second largest city. Among the over one thousand participants were overseas Chinese from various circles, overseas Chinese students and Canadian friendly personages.

A memorial meeting was held by the Canada-China Friendship Society in Vancouver on September 22. Earlier, a memorial meeting was also held in Regina.

U.S.A.

VARIOUS forms of memorial meetings and activities, on scales ranging from dozens to thousands, took place in Washington, New York, San Francisco, Detroit, Chicago, Los Angeles, Albany, New Orleans, Louisville, Milwaukee, Baltimore, Birmingham, Seattle, Boston, Atlanta and other cities.

The mourners all eulogized Chairman Mao's contributions of historic significance to the people of China and the whole world and paid high tribute to the indelible tremendous influence of Mao Tsetung Thought on the masses of U.S. people. They recalled Chairman Mao's concern and support for the struggle and revolutionary cause of the U.S. people.

At a memorial meeting in New York on September 18, a spokesman of the October League (Marxist-Leninist) dwelt upon Chairman Mao's important theses on the struggle of the U.S. people. "In an interview with Anna Louise Strong after World War II," he said, "Chairman Mao laid stress on differentiating between the American people and the handful of U.S. rulers." "Chairman Mao paid close attention to the development of the communist movement in the United States and sent a telegram to William Z. Foster on the occasion of the re-establishment of the C.P.U.S.A." he continued. "Chairman Mao took great interest in the Afro-American people's struggle, delivering two major statements, one in 1963 and the other in 1968 after the assassination of Martin Luther King," the speaker added.

At many of these meetings, speakers reviewed Chairman Mao's statement of May 20, 1970, his conversations with Edgar Snow and numerous other important talks in which Chairman Mao expressed his concern and support for the American people.

At the mass memorial meeting in Chicago on September 19, Bob Avakian, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Communist Party of the United States of America, said that Chairman Mao Tsetung pointed the direction for the working class and oppressed people not only of China but of the whole world, including those of the United States. He praised Chairman Mao for integrating the universal truths of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution, leading the Chinese people from victory to victory, summing up the experience of the revolutionary struggles of China and the world, particularly the lessons of capitalist restoration in the Soviet Union, putting forward the theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, and inheriting and developing Marxism-Leninism. He said in conclusion that hundreds of millions of people will continue the cause for which Chairman Mao fought and to which he devoted his entire life, until the great goal of eliminating exploitation and oppression and of communism is finally achieved. "This is the best way for us to honour the memory of Mao Tsetung, and it's the encouragement in their struggles.

Speaking in the light of the practice of their struggle, many workers and other labouring people said at the memorial meetings that Chairman Mao in his talks gave the U.S. working class inspiration and encouragement in their struggles.

Speaking at a memorial meeting in Boston, a workers' leader recalled Chairman Mao's statement of May 20, 1970, which pointed out that the American people who are fighting valiantly will ultimately win victory. This teaching, he said, is an inspiration to the American people.

Many Afro-Americans cherished the memory of Chairman Mao's great encouragement and support for their struggle. Addressing a mass meeting at the Martin Luther King Centre in Atlanta, Georgia, a number of Afro-American leaders recalled the two statements by Chairman Mao in 1963 and 1968 in support of the Afro-American struggle. They said that the firm support Chairman Mao expressed on behalf of the Chinese people was a powerful encouragement and assistance to the Afro-American people's struggle.

At the memorial meetings, Americans from all walks of life, including women and young people, praised the radiant thought of Chairman Mao for guiding their lives and struggles. "Chairman Mao will live in our hearts for ever," they said.

In mourning Chairman Mao, many revolutionaries laid particular emphasis on his historic contributions to the worldwide struggle against modern revisionism headed by the Soviet social-imperialists. Some revolutionaries also stressed the international significance of the struggle in China led by Chairman Mao against cap-

italist-roaders Liu Shao-chi, Lin Biao and Teng Hsiao-ping. A speaker of the October League (Marxist-Leninist) said: "For the U.S. communist movement, our task is to make a clean break with revisionism and to construct a new communist party based on Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought." Many revolutionaries, while mourning Chairman Mao, also expressed their determination to strengthen their revolutionary unity in accordance with Chairman Mao's teachings. A memorial meeting in Los Angeles was jointly organized by several revolutionary organizations. They also jointly prepared a memorial speech for the meeting.

At their memorial meetings for Chairman Mao, friendly American personages and organizations of various circles paid tribute to Chairman Mao's contributions to the strengthening of the friendship between the peoples of the United States and China.

Chinese residents and Taiwan compatriots in the United States also held respective memorial meetings on September 17 and 18.

Australia

THE memorial meeting in Melbourne on September 19 was attended by more than 700 workers, farmers, students and personages from other circles. Speaking at the meeting, E.F. Hill, Chairman of the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist), recounted Chairman Mao's exploits in leading the Chinese revolution and in the struggles against modern revisionism and the bourgeoisie within the Party. He said that Chairman Mao "was an outstanding teacher of the working class, working and oppressed people — a great proletarian internationalist just as he was a great patriot of China — the greatest Marxist-Leninist of our time." "Chairman Mao's death is an incalculable loss to the Chinese people and the oppressed people throughout the world," he added.

Chairman Mao's poems and articles were read at the memorial meeting.

Jointly sponsored by 12 organizations, a memorial meeting of around 1,000 people took place in the Sydney town hall on September 19. Addressing the meeting, three professors of Sydney University paid tribute to great Mao Tsetung Thought, citing their own experience in the fields of education, political economy and agriculture.

On September 16, 300 people, including representatives from various parts of the country and friendly personages, held a memorial meeting in Canberra. Thomas Uren, deputy leader of the Labour Party, representatives of the Foreign Ministry and personages from various circles addressed the meeting presided over by Geoffrey Stillwell, National President of the Australia-China Society. Speakers hailed the great victories

won by the Chinese people in revolution and construction under the leadership of Chairman Mao, and expressed deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao. In his speech, Thomas Uren said: "The thoughts of Chairman Mao will live long in the future achievements of New China. They will be a guide to the future shaping of all human society." With profound grief, a representative of the Australian aborigines said that the people of China have lost the greatest leader of all times, and the aboriginal people have lost a compassionate friend and that the Australian aborigines "join with the Chinese people in their grief."

In Adelaide, capital of South Australian State, a memorial meeting was held on September 18 with more than 200 people from all walks of life participating. Representatives of the state's Governor and Premier addressed the meeting to express profound condolences on Chairman Mao's passing. They said that Chairman Mao's contribution to Chinese society will go down in history and that as history develops his place in the world will become more important.

Many Australian friends travelled long distances to call at the Chinese Embassy to mourn with grief the passing of Chairman Mao. A disabled and retired seaman and Secretary of the South Australian Branch of the Australia-China Society, Roy Baynes flew from the south to make his condolence call. Eighty-seven year-old W. Morrow, who for several decades has done much work to promote friendship between Australia and China, made a special trip from Queensland to call at the Chinese Embassy to offer his condolences.

New Zealand

A MEMORIAL meeting held by the Auckland Branch of the New Zealand-China Society on September 19 was attended by 300 people including Comrade V.G. Wilcox, General Secretary of the Communist Party of New Zealand, C.R. Howell, National President of the New Zealand-China Society, Dove-Meyer Robinson, Mayor of Auckland, and R. Fairley, Chairman of the Auckland Branch of the New Zealand-China Society.

Comrade Wilcox said in his memorial speech that Chairman Mao Tsetung was the greatest man of our time and will rank among the greatest of all times. He expressed profound grief on behalf of the Communist Party of New Zealand, and went on to say that Chairman Mao's contributions to Marxism-Leninism are immortal and will continue to inspire and guide the people of the whole world in their struggle for the liberation of mankind.

Chairman Mao was not only the theoretical and practical leader of the historic Chinese revolution, but also the leader of the world proletarian revolution. Comrade Wilcox declared.

He continued: In the course of the glorious victories in the Chinese revolution, people throughout the

world were inspired and gained confidence in their own ability to shake off oppression and win socialism. It was in these struggles that Chairman Mao established himself as the foremost theoretician and strategist of the people's war. He saw that class struggle continued after the initial victory over the class enemy and must be conducted vigorously within the framework of the socialist base. Thus in China he barred the door to capitalist revival in all forms. This was a major factor that led to the correct struggle against the revisionists of the Soviet Union.

In his speech, C.R. Howell said: Chairman Mao Tsetung had transformed the poor and backward old China, which was bullied by the imperialists, into a great new nation based on Marxism. In a very real sense Chairman Mao is not dead. He lives today and will live for ever in the lives of millions who have been inspired by his greatness, by his words and thought, his actions and his standards of value.

The representative of the New Zealand-Chinese Cultural Society said in his memorial speech: "Chairman Mao has left us. But his teachings, his thought, his spirit, his name will be with us for ever."

A memorial meeting was held by the Christchurch Branch of the Society on September 18 with 150 people participating.

Western Samoa

A MEMORIAL meeting for Chairman Mao Tsetung was held in Apia on September 18 by people from various circles and Chinese residents in Western Samoa.

Attending the meeting were Tupua Tamasose Lealofi IV, Deputy Head of State of Western Samoa; Topuola Efi, Prime Minister; cabinet ministers and ranking government officials and friends from various circles.

Speaking on behalf of the Government, Prime Minister Topuola paid high tribute to the tremendous achievements in various fields scored by the Chinese people led by Chairman Mao Tsetung. He said that the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung "is a loss to humanity." Chairman Mao Tsetung's "exploits in uniting, by means of his own example and thought, the compatriots of his country to triumphantly fight against the enemies at home and abroad are an inspiration to the people fighting for national independence. He inspired the Chinese people to realize economic independence by means of the principle of self-reliance, thus bringing hope to millions of Asian people." Topuola said: "China treats big and small countries alike," an attitude which has left "a profound impression" on the Government and people of Western Samoa.

He said: "On behalf of the Deputy Head of State, Government and people of Western Samoa, I share the grief of the Chinese people at the passing of the great leader Chairman Mao Tsetung. I express condolences on the death of the great man."

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

Letter From Delegation of Central Committee of Communist Party of Indonesia

The Delegation of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Indonesia on September 11 sent a letter to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing deepest condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter, which was signed by head of the delegation Comrade Jusuf Adjitorop, says: "Comrade Mao Tsetung was the founder and wise leader of the Communist Party of China, the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the People's Republic of China, and the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era. Comrade Mao Tsetung dedicated all his energies throughout his life to the liberation of the Chinese people, to the emancipation of the oppressed nations and oppressed people, and to the cause of communism. The theory of Comrade Mao Tsetung, that is, Mao Tsetung Thought, encourages and guides the revolutionary people throughout the world in the great revolutionary struggle to

oppose imperialism, social-imperialism and all reaction and strive for genuine national liberation, socialism and communism.

"In the past half a century and more, Comrade Mao Tsetung led the Communist Party of China in waging a protracted, acute and complex struggle against the Right and 'Left' opportunist lines in the Party. Led by Chairman Mao Tsetung, the Communist Party of China has developed into a great, glorious and correct Marxist-Leninist Party and become a brilliant example for the international communist movement."

The letter says that Comrade Mao Tsetung, by combining the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution, set forth the thesis on the new-democratic revolution. Under the wise leadership of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the Communist Party of China led the Chinese people in winning the historic victory of the new-democratic revolution. The great victory of the Chinese people's revolution changed the outlook of Asia and the world. The road to victory for the Chinese revolution charted by Comrade Mao Tsetung blazed a new trail for the emancipation of the oppressed nations and oppressed people.

The letter says: In the period of the socialist revolution, Comrade Mao Tsetung comprehensively summed up the positive as well as the negative experience of the international communist movement, penetratingly analysed the class relations in socialist society and, for the first time in the history of the development of Marxism, unequivocally pointed out that there are still classes and class struggle in socialist society, drew the scientific conclusion that the bourgeoisie is right in the Communist Party, put forth the great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. The victory of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution personally initiated and led by Comrade Mao Tsetung is of great historic significance; it smashed the schemes of various renegade cliques and capitalist-roaders to restore capitalism, and provided invaluable fresh experience for the international communist movement in combating and preventing revisionism, consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat, preventing capitalist restoration and building socialism.

The letter says that in the international field, the greatest proletarian revolutionary Comrade Mao Tsetung initiated and carried on the great struggle of far-reaching historic significance of exposing and criticizing modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, drew a clear demarcation line between Marxism-Leninism and modern revisionism, strengthened the unity among the Marxist-Leninists the world over, and pushed forward the revolutionary cause of the international proletariat. In the struggle against hegemonism of the two superpowers — the United States and the Soviet Union and for promoting the world revolution, Comrade Mao Tsetung dedicated all his energies and did everything in his power to unite with all the forces that can be united, first of all the nations and people of the third world countries.

The letter says: "In all his revolutionary activities, Comrade Mao Tsetung inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism. The contributions he made to the proletariat of China and the Chinese people, to the international communist movement and the world revolution are inestimable and immortal."

It adds: Guided by Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Indonesia summed up the experience gained by the Party in its past struggle, unequivocally pointed out the path which the Indonesian revolution must take, and set forth the tasks to be carried out under the three new banners of the Party.

At this grievous moment, the letter notes, the Indonesian Communists are resolved to be always loyal to the theory of Comrade Mao Tsetung and make still greater effort to integrate the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought with the concrete practice of the Indonesian revolution. The Indonesian Communists are determined to strengthen their unity and fight wholeheartedly throughout their lives for the liberation of the Indonesian people and for the realization of the lofty ideal of communism.

The letter says: The Chinese people and the Communist Party of China nurtured and led by Chairman Mao Tsetung are the true friends of the people and the Communist Party of Indonesia. The relations of friendship and unity between our two Parties and two peoples are bound to develop continuously, to be consolidated day by day and will last for ever.

The letter says: "The passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung is a tremendously great loss to the entire Chinese people and the entire international proletariat and the revolutionary people of all countries including the proletariat and revolutionary people of Indonesia who wholeheartedly love him."

The letter says: "Comrade Mao Tsetung has departed from us for ever. But we are convinced that the great Communist Party of China and the Chinese people armed with Mao Tsetung Thought will closely rally round the Party Central Committee, resolutely march along the proletarian revolutionary line indicated by Chairman Mao Tsetung, build socialist China into a revolutionary bulwark that will never change its political colour and make still greater contributions to the cause of the world revolution."

The letter says that Comrade Mao Tsetung will live for ever in the hearts of the revolutionary people of the whole world. Mao Tsetung Thought will remain a North Star that encourages and arms the oppressed nations and oppressed people of various countries in their great revolutionary struggle to destroy the old world and build a new one.

The letter concludes by saying: "Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought is invincible!"

"Eternal glory to Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great leader and teacher of the proletariat and the revolutionary people of the whole world!"

Letter From Central Committee of Communist Party of the Philippines

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Philippines on September 9 sent a letter to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. The letter reads:

With deepest sorrow we learnt of the passing away of the great teacher of the proletariat and beloved leader of the Chinese people, Comrade Mao Tsetung. The Central Committee and all the members of the Communist Party of the Philippines, the red commanders and fighters of the New People's Army and the revolutionary Filipino people share with the Chinese people and the entire revolutionary people of the world immense grief at this immeasurable loss.

Comrade Mao Tsetung, founder and wise leader of the Communist Party of China and the Chinese People's Liberation Army, was the great strategist of the

Chinese revolution. It was Comrade Mao Tsetung's correct line which guided the new-democratic revolution of China to its world historic victory in 1949 and brought the bright new day of liberation to the Chinese people. After founding the People's Republic of China, Comrade Mao Tsetung brilliantly led the Chinese Communist Party and the Chinese people in winning great victories in socialist revolution and construction. It was he who initiated in time the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, a historically unprecedented great political revolution to prevent capitalist restoration and build socialism. A China transformed within a short span of time from a backward semi-colonial and semi-feudal country into a modern socialist state with a consolidated dictatorship of the proletariat — this is Comrade Mao Tsetung's monumental contribution to the world. Comrade Mao Tsetung has passed away, but he has left behind his great Marxist-Leninist thought which is the invincible weapon of the Chinese people for winning still greater victories in the struggle ahead.

Comrade Mao Tsetung is the great teacher of the proletariat and the revolutionary peoples of the whole world. In the international communist and workers' movement, Comrade Mao Tsetung stood in the forefront of the great struggle to criticize Soviet modern revisionism and defend Marxism-Leninism. With the far-reaching vision and courage of a great proletarian revolutionary, Comrade Mao Tsetung in good time exposed to the world's people the increasing menace of Soviet social-imperialism. Upholding the banner of proletarian internationalism, he warmly supported all the just struggles of the labouring peoples and all the national-independence and national-liberation movements in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the rest of the world. He had great confidence in the peoples of the world and placed his hopes on them. He tirelessly worked to promote the great unity of the people of the third world and of the whole world in their struggle against imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism, particularly against the hegemonism of the two superpowers. His incisive analysis of the world situation is of tremendous significance.

Comrade Mao Tsetung was the most outstanding Marxist-Leninist of our time. In the course of more than 50 years of revolutionary practice, Comrade Mao Tsetung made immortal new contributions in every field of Marxist science. He propounded comprehensively the theory of the new-democratic revolution, the concept of protracted people's war and the strategy of encircling the cities from the countryside, all of which have enormously enriched the Marxist theory of revolution in colonies and semi-colonies. In the course of socialist revolution, Comrade Mao Tsetung systematically summed up the historical experience of the dictatorship of the proletariat, analysed and drew lessons from the restoration of capitalism in the Soviet Union, unequivocally pointed out for the first time in history that classes and class struggle still exist in socialist society after the socialist transformation of the ownership of the means

of production has in the main been completed and that the bourgeoisie is right in the Communist Party and put forth the brilliant theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. In the course of unremitting struggle against the Right and "Left" opportunist lines and counter-revolutionary revisionist lines within the Party at various stages of the revolution, Comrade Mao Tsetung developed a series of principles which are of extreme importance in the building of a correct Marxist-Leninist Party of the proletariat. By exposing and opposing the betrayal of communism by the Khrushchov-Brezhnev revisionist renegade clique, Comrade Mao Tsetung developed greatly the Marxist-Leninist cause of uncompromising struggle against opportunism and revisionism.

Comrade Mao Tsetung dedicated his all to the great cause of the people's emancipation and communism. For this, he has earned the boundless love and esteem of the proletariat and oppressed peoples of the world. The teachings of Comrade Mao Tsetung are enshrined for ever in their hearts.

Though the Chinese people are today bereft of their beloved leader, we are sure that, uniting closely around the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, they will continue to march along the glorious road illumined by Comrade Mao Tsetung, take class struggle as the key link and persist in the basic line of the Party, continue the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, build China into a powerful modern socialist state and make still greater contributions to humanity and to the cause of the world proletarian revolution and communism.

We in the Philippines bow in homage to the great Mao Tsetung. We will always remember and hold dear in our hearts the warm concern that Comrade Mao Tsetung showed towards the just revolutionary cause of the Filipino people. We are determined to turn grief into courage, strengthen the militant unity between our two Parties and peoples, hold high the invincible banner of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, persist in our people's democratic revolution, overcome all difficulties and contribute our share to the triumphant advance of our common revolutionary cause.

Our great teacher Mao Tsetung is immortal!

Long live Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!

Letter From Member of Secretariat Nadunge of Central Committee of Communist Party of Sri Lanka (M-L)

D.N. Nadunge, Member of the Secretariat of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Sri Lanka (Marxist-Leninist), sent a letter on September 11 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, offering most profound condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "The Central Committee and all members of the Communist Party of Sri Lanka (M-L) are filled with deepest grief at the sad news of the passing away of Comrade Mao Tsetung, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the most respected and beloved great leader of the Chinese people, great teacher of the international proletariat and oppressed nations and oppressed people of the world."

It says: Chairman Mao Tsetung was "the architect and leader of the Chinese revolution. He masterly integrated the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution. He inspired and led the Chinese people in a protracted and arduous struggle against all enemies of the Chinese people, transforming backward, feudal old China into the modern, socialist New China of today. All the victories and achievements of the Chinese people are inseparable from the leadership of Chairman Mao Tsetung. His teachings inspired and guided the revolutionary struggle of the international proletariat and all oppressed nations and people of the world. Chairman Mao Tsetung inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism."

It adds: "Chairman Mao Tsetung dedicated all his energies throughout his life to the liberation of the Chinese people, to the emancipation of oppressed nations and oppressed people the world over and to the cause of communism. His brilliant and inestimable contributions to the Chinese people, the international proletariat and revolutionary people of the whole world are immortal."

It says: "The death of Chairman Mao Tsetung is an immense and irretrievable loss to the Chinese people and all oppressed humanity. The beacon of Mao Tsetung Thought will shine for ever more brilliantly and continue to inspire and guide all mankind."

Message From Central Committee of South Korea's Revolutionary Party for Reunification

The Central Committee of South Korea's Revolutionary Party for Reunification sent a message on September 11 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, offering deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The message says: "The passing away of Comrade Mao Tsetung is a great loss not only to the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people but also to us south Korean people and the revolutionary people of the world."

It adds: "Comrade Mao Tsetung was the great leader of the Chinese people who dedicated himself completely to the victory of the Chinese revolution and the revolutionary cause of the international working

class from the time he embarked on the road of revolutionary struggle to the last breath of his life."

It says: "Comrade Mao Tsetung extended class solidarity and support to our Revolutionary Party for Reunification in the struggle for realizing the revolutionary cause of reunification and encouraged with might and main the entire south Korean people who have risen in the anti-U.S., national salvation war under the leadership of our Party.

"The whole life and shining fighting exploits of Comrade Mao Tsetung are the living example of a proletarian revolutionary who dedicated his all to the struggle for the victory of the liberation cause of the oppressed people.

"Though the heart of Comrade Mao Tsetung ceased beating, his precious exploits will be immortal."

Letter From First Secretary Zamora Of Central Committee of Communist Party of Bolivia (M-L)

Oscar Zamora, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Bolivia (Marxist-Leninist), on September 10 sent a letter to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, mourning the departure of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "With deepest sorrow we mourn the departure of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Chinese people and all the oppressed nations and oppressed people of the world and the indisputable teacher of the world proletariat."

It says: "The Chinese revolution initiated and led to victory by Comrade Mao Tsetung liberated one-fourth of mankind, thereby ushering in a new epoch in the history of the oppressed nations and oppressed people."

It adds: The revolutionary action and revolutionary thought of Comrade Mao Tsetung have exploded into pieces the myth about the invincibility of the imperialists and colonialists. The road of the Chinese revolution has inspired the oppressed and exploited peoples to rise firmly against their oppressors. Correct application of the teachings by Comrade Mao Tsetung in leading the Chinese revolution has already resulted in victory for the people of many countries. Meanwhile, under the inspiration of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, some other nations and peoples, such as the Bolivian people, are marching towards the same historical goal.

The letter says: The great and glorious exploits performed by Comrade Mao Tsetung in his life also consist in his firm, fraternal, revolutionary and militant support to the liberation struggle of the oppressed peoples. His call for the oppressed nations and oppressed

people to unite against imperialism is a call from the indisputable leader of the people of various countries fighting for liberation and against imperialism, colonialism and social-imperialism. It will be engraved for ever in the hearts of the people of the third world.

The letter says: Comrade Mao Tsetung, "in the light of the new circumstances of class struggle under the dictatorship of the proletariat, led the Chinese people in building socialism without interruption, exposing and defeating 'Left' and Right opportunism and capitulationism which interfered with the correct line of the Party Central Committee. Comrade Mao Tsetung, relying on the masses and holding aloft the banner of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, formulated with a far sight the revolutionary theory and revolutionary political principles for the period of the dictatorship of the proletariat. Armed with these theory and principles, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, at the head of the whole Party and the entire Chinese people, will certainly advance the Chinese revolution steadfastly and correctly along the road of the dictatorship of the proletariat, the road leading to the communist society."

The letter says: "The world proletariat will always remember that it was their teacher and leader Comrade Mao Tsetung who stood in the forefront of the world revolutionary movement in firm opposition to the attacks mounted by modern revisionism against the basic principles of Marxism-Leninism."

It says: "He led the Communist Party of China in the uncompromising defence of Marxism-Leninism and the denunciation of the new tsars' revisionism. It is an inestimable education for us and is part of the great legacies he left to the people and revolutionaries of the world."

The letter stresses: "Comrade Mao Tsetung took a direct part in the revolutionary practice all his life and enriched Marxism-Leninism with magnificent contributions. His thought is Marxism-Leninism of the contemporary era. The thought of Comrade Mao Tsetung, alongside the thought of the great teachers of the world proletariat, Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, is the powerful invincible weapon of revolution for the proletariat and the oppressed nations and oppressed people of the world to win social and political liberation. The Communist Party of Bolivia (Marxist-Leninist) proudly announces and insists that Mao Tsetung Thought, Marxism-Leninism of the contemporary era, is the ideological and political basis of our Party. So long as our Party applies this thought to the concrete practice of the Bolivian revolution in a creative manner, it will certainly be able to lead our people to triumph over the imperialist oppressors and their lackeys in our country. This magnificent contribution from Comrade Mao Tsetung is the greatest assistance to the Bolivian people's liberation struggle. It will be safeguarded and enhanced by the Bolivian Communists as the most valuable thing in their life."

The letter says: "The Communist Party of Bolivia (Marxist-Leninist) and the Bolivian people have particularly cordial feelings for Comrade Mao Tsetung to whom they are especially grateful. During the strenuous years of fighting against the fascist dictatorship, the oppressor of our people, the Communist Party of China led by Comrade Mao Tsetung gave us consistent support and sympathies for which we owe the endless gratitude which the Bolivian people will always feel in their hearts."

Concluding, the letter says: "It is our revolutionary decision that the best way to pay homage to his memory is to be unswervingly faithful to the ideals of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, notably to creatively further Comrade Mao Tsetung's revolutionary ideals in our country, which are the most precious behests he provided for the revolutionary cause of the peoples and proletariat of the world."

Letter From General Secretary Douglas Bravo of Party of Venezuelan Revolution

Douglas Bravo, General Secretary of the Party of Venezuelan Revolution, on behalf of the Party's Central Committee, wrote a letter in September to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing profound grief over the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "Comrade Mao Tsetung left the people of all lands the weapon by which he pioneered his great cause, the contribution of this creative weapon to the science of revolution is inestimable. He and Marx, Engels and Lenin were all giants of the thought of the world revolution."

The letter adds: "Comrade Mao Tsetung's wise teaching concerning the unfolding of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution marks a step of far-reaching significance in the Chinese people's struggle for genuine socialism. The influence of this teaching has gone far beyond the Chinese boundary line for it shows the exploited throughout the world the new road to take and the new struggle to wage after the revolution."

The letter continues: "Founded under the leadership of Comrade Mao Tsetung, China has waged struggles in defence of the principles of proletarian internationalism and proletarian unity."

The letter says in conclusion: "We are firmly convinced that Comrade Mao Tsetung's teachings will certainly further inspire the Chinese people and the world's oppressed nations and people to continue their fight against their enemy."

Message From General Secretary Irusta of Revolutionary Communist Party of Argentina

Rosendo Irusta, General Secretary of the Revolutionary Communist Party of Argentina, sent a message on September 13 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China. The message says:

We express our deep grief at the passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Party and people of China and the great leader and teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples. Mourning with our combat standards, we swear ourselves to defend through to the end the cause and the doctrine of the proletariat to which Mao Tsetung contributed his life.

Message From Communist Party Of Argentina (M-L)

The Communist Party of Argentina (M-L) sent a message on September 9 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, the State Council, and the Military Commission of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The message says: The passing of Mao Tsetung, our beloved comrade and Chairman of the Communist Party of China, plunged all revolutionaries and peoples of the world into deep sorrow.

It says: Comrade Mao Tsetung was the indisputable leader of the Chinese people during the period of struggle for China's liberation and against imperialism and its lackeys. Comrade Mao Tsetung gave masterly leadership to the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people when they undertook the glorious task of socialist construction, thus making our dear China begin to be a model in the eyes of the peoples of the world, in socialist construction and in the maintenance of revolutionary banners.

It adds: Comrade Mao Tsetung, with his thought and his practice of leading the Chinese people, has demonstrated the fact that the banner of Marxism-Leninism is more powerful than ever before and that the revolutionary current of mankind is irresistible. Thus the People's Republic of China has become the secure reserve of Marxism-Leninism and of the peoples fighting for liberation, and the Communist Party of China with Comrade Mao Tsetung as Chairman is the general staff which conducts this process.

The message says: The contributions made by Comrade Mao Tsetung to revolution and the development of Marxism-Leninism are invaluable. With his experience in leading the Chinese revolution, he has contributed to the development of the revolution of the

oppressed countries and peoples. The exposure before the whole world of the counter-revolutionary role played by imperialism and social-imperialism is another contribution made by the Chinese revolution led by Chairman Mao. When the revisionist general headquarters headed by Khrushchov was preaching "the extinction of class struggle in the socialist period," Comrade Mao Tsetung at the head of the Communist Party of China proved to the whole world that there still exists class struggle in other forms in the period of socialist construction and courageously launched the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution. At the difficult moment when bourgeois dictatorship was re-established in the first socialist state, the homeland of Lenin, and attempts were made to divert the peoples and the proletariat from the revolutionary course, Comrade Mao Tsetung was the guide to the world revolution.

The message says: Comrade Mao Tsetung has left to the people of China and the whole world teachings that can never be erased, because they correspond with the progress of history and mankind.

The message concludes by saying: The proletariat and the people of Argentina feel deeply grieved at this irreparable loss. We will make all necessary efforts so that the banner of our late great leader will be raised higher and higher, proletarian internationalism will be carried forward and communism, for which Comrade Mao Tsetung has fought, will be realized throughout the world.

Letter From Political Bureau of Central Committee of Communist Party of Honduras (M-L)

The Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Honduras sent a letter on September 10 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "The news of the departure of Comrade Mao Tsetung, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and the great leader of the Chinese people and the world proletariat, has deeply disturbed all members of our Party, the masses of people in our country and all progressive mankind. The passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung is an immense loss to the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people, and to the proletariat and all oppressed people of the world. It is an immense loss for the cause of revolution, socialism and communism. The Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Honduras shares with the fraternal Chinese people and the Communist Party of China the deep grief evoked by the departure of the great revolutionary leader and teacher, Comrade Mao Tsetung."

The letter says: Comrade Mao Tsetung was the greatest revolutionary of the world in our times. As the

founder and principal leader of the Communist Party of China during the past 55 years, he led the Chinese people to the victory of the revolution along a correct proletarian line and through a prolonged people's war. In the period of building socialist society, he, proceeding from Marxism-Leninism and the objective existence of class contradictions and class struggle throughout the historical period of transition, elaborated the most important theory of continuing the revolution under the conditions of the dictatorship of the proletariat. This theory has been a very powerful ideological and political weapon in the hands of the Communists, proletariat and people of China. It is also a powerful weapon and guide to the proletariat and oppressed peoples of our planet.

The letter says: Comrade Mao Tsetung carried out a sustained struggle of principle against the various Right or "Left" opportunist lines, principally revisionism, not only within the Communist Party of China but also in the international communist movement. The exposure he made of the revisionist degeneration of the clique headed by Khrushchov, Brezhnev and company who have turned the Soviet Union, the first country in which socialist revolution triumphed, into a social-imperialist superpower as predatory, expansionist and exploitative as the old-line imperialism, contributed extraordinarily to the struggles in which the peoples are engaged.

The letter says: Comrade Mao Tsetung not only firmly defended Marxism-Leninism throughout his life, but made numerous contributions to it in all its aspects, from philosophy and political economy to the theories on the party, the revolution, the state, the dictatorship of the proletariat, socialism and communism. Thus, he developed and enriched the revolutionary doctrine created by Marx, Engels and Lenin and made it an ideology which guides the proletariat and the oppressed people in their struggle for revolution and socialism.

The letter says: The recent Second National Congress of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Honduras reaffirms that "the theoretical basis guiding its activity is Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, under the victorious banner of which, our Party is carrying out its present political tasks and directing the struggle of the Honduran people for democratic rights, the achievement of national independence in opposition to U.S. imperialism, the elimination of feudal remnants and the building in future of a socialist society in Honduras."

The letter concludes: Our Party will always learn from the brilliant revolutionary example and the sublime qualities of the proletarian leader, Comrade Mao Tsetung. Together with the heroic Chinese people and the Chinese Communists, with the workers, peasants and Marxist-Leninists all over the world, we will turn our deep grief for the departure of Comrade Mao Tsetung into vigorous strength and develop the revolutionary struggle for national liberation, socialism and communism.

Letter From Political Bureau of Central Committee of Peruvian Communist Party

The Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Peruvian Communist Party sent a letter on September 9 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, extending deepest condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: Chairman Mao Tsetung, the greatest proletarian revolutionary of the contemporary era, dedicated all his energies throughout his life to the heroic Chinese people. He personally led the Chinese people in the cause of national and social liberation. And through protracted people's war, he led the Chinese people in seizing the state power and finally founding the People's Republic of China. The letter continues: "In the course of revolution, Chairman Mao Tsetung always integrated theory with practice, thus not only defending the purity of Marxism-Leninism, but also developing it in an all-round way. His political thinking guided the Chinese revolution to victory in socialist construction and ensured the transition of China into a communist society."

The letter says: The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution personally initiated and led by Chairman Mao has dealt a fatal blow at those in authority who have taken the capitalist road and crushed one counter-revolutionary plot after another, thereby shattering the illusions harboured by the U.S. imperialists and Soviet social-imperialists.

The letter says: "Comrade Mao Tsetung dedicated all his energies throughout his life to the people and served them wholeheartedly, thus living deeply in the hearts of the people. Therefore, his political thinking shone with radiance and lighted the road for the Chinese revolution. We are firmly convinced that it will continue to light the road forward for the Chinese revolution."

The letter adds: "Comrade Mao Tsetung also loved the oppressed peoples and oppressed nations the world over and also lives deeply in the hearts of the hundreds of millions of exploited and oppressed peoples on earth. Therefore, his thought is not only a property of the heroic Chinese people, but also a revolutionary property of the entire oppressed peoples and oppressed nations of the world. More and more workers, peasants and students of the world, in a word, the entire labouring people, all hanker after and want to master his immortal theoretical works, for these works meet the needs of revolution and enrich the treasure house of Marxism-Leninism."

The letter says: "The passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung is a tremendous irreparable loss not only for the fraternal Chinese people but also for all the revolutionaries of the world and all the oppressed peoples and nations of the world." The letter says: "Here we reas-

sure you our fraternal revolutionary friendship and reaffirm our firm resolve to defend Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought."

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.

Letter From Central Committee of Revolutionary Communist Party Of Chile

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

Message From Political Committee of Red Line of Dominican "June 14" Revolutionary Movement

The Political Committee of the Red Line of the Dominican "June 14" Revolutionary Movement sent a message on September 9 to First Vice-Chairman Hua Kuo-feng of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, which says:

"Comrade Mao Tsetung, the most illustrious leader of the world proletariat in our epoch, has passed away.

"His physical disappearance has shocked and saddened the hearts of all Marxist-Leninists, revolutionaries and patriots in all countries who are engaged in the struggle for national liberation and in socialist revolution.

"The whole of our organization expresses to the Party, Government and people of China the profound sorrow it is in, and reiterates its absolute belief that the Communists and the entire people of China, under the leadership of their well-tested glorious Party and guided by Mao Tsetung Thought, will strengthen their unity still further, redouble their vigilance, consolidate their successes in the socialist construction carried out in the conditions of dictatorship of the proletariat, and continue their unreserved support for national-democratic revolution and socialist revolution all over the world until imperialism, social-imperialism and all reaction are utterly defeated."

Letter From National Direction of Marxist-Leninist League Of Colombia

The National Direction of the Marxist-Leninist League of Colombia on September 12 sent a letter to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, extending profound condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: With sentiments of the proletariat, we express profound sorrow on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Chinese people and the teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed people and oppressed nations of the whole world.

The letter says: "Chairman Mao Tsetung, the founder of the glorious Communist Party of China, was a vigorous proletarian revolutionary who led his Party in the armed struggle of peasants and the people in a prolonged and great revolutionary war and seized victory of the new-democratic revolution for the working class and the Chinese people, thereby pointing out a brilliant road of victory for the revolution of colonial and semi-colonial countries."

The letter says: Since the victory of the new-democratic revolution in 1949, Chairman Mao Tsetung had firmly led the Chinese working class and the entire Chinese people in the struggles against the bourgeoisie and for the strengthening of the proletarian dictatorship and socialist construction. Chairman Mao Tsetung formulated the general line for the socialist revolution, opening up a new and magnificent future. He personally led the Chinese working class and the entire Chinese people in the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution for the consolidation of the proletarian dictatorship and against those in power within the Party who had taken the capitalist road.

The letter continues: "Mao Tsetung was the greatest proletarian internationalist of the present time who led the Chinese people in giving internationalist support to the working class and the oppressed people and oppressed nations of the whole world. At the same time, he waged a resolute struggle against modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist clique at the centre, and in this complicated and arduous struggle he laid down the general line for the international communist movement. It was under his wise guidance that the present authentic international Marxist-Leninist movement had come into being and made tremendous progress."

The letter says: "Mao Tsetung made a deep-going study of the contradictions of the present world and pointed out the principal objects for the world revolution. Together with the Chinese people, he sided with the peoples, nations and countries of the third world in the struggle against the two superpowers, the Soviet Union and the United States."

The letter adds: "Carrying on the splendid cause of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, Chairman Mao Tsetung creatively developed the science of the proletariat. His thought has become Marxism-Leninism of our epoch. The death of Chairman Mao Tsetung is an irreparable loss to the Chinese people, the international proletariat and the peoples of the world. But we are convinced that they will certainly turn grief into strength and push forward the world revolution."

The letter says in conclusion: "Like all the Marxist-Leninists of Colombia, we will uphold Mao Tsetung Thought and integrate Mao Tsetung Thought with the concrete reality of our country, build a proletarian party and take the victorious road of the new-democratic revolution and socialist revolution. We

will follow the brilliant example set by the revolutionary life of our beloved teacher, Chairman Mao Tsetung."

Message From Central Committee of Workers' Party of Guadeloupe

The Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Guadeloupe on September 18 sent a message to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China. The message reads:

With profound grief we learnt of the departure of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the greatest proletarian revolutionary of the Chinese people, which inflicted an immense loss on the Chinese people and the peoples of the world. In the name of the Workers' Party of Guadeloupe and the Guadeloupian people, we express sincere and painful condolences to the glorious Communist Party of China and the fraternal Chinese people. We are convinced that the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people will continue to hold aloft the red banner of the revolutionary line of Chairman Mao.

Letter From Haitian Workers' Party

The Haitian Workers' Party sent a letter on September 12 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China, the Military Commission of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people, extending profound condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "The passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung is that of the greatest Marxist-Leninist of our time. Consequently, his death has aroused grief not only in the hearts of the Chinese people, but also in the hearts of the proletariat and the peoples throughout the world who are fighting for national independence, the establishment of socialism and the realization of communism."

The letter says: Comrade Mao Tsetung has passed away, but his accomplishments and thought will serve as a guide to the Haitian Workers' Party and revolutionaries of various countries. He made inestimable contributions to Marxism-Leninism. Comrade Mao Tsetung waged fierce and acute struggles against the Right and "Left" opportunist lines within the Communist Party of China. Comrade Mao Tsetung taught the Haitian Workers' Party and the revolutionaries the world over that a genuine Marxist-Leninist Party, a united front and a people's army must be founded in order to defeat national and international enemies. He also taught us that there are still classes and class struggle after the socialist transformation of the ownership of the means of production has in the main been com-

pleted and it is necessary to continue the revolution under the all-round dictatorship of the proletariat.

The letter concludes by saying: The Haitian Workers' Party reiterates, as a homage to the memory of Comrade Mao Tsetung, its unshakable determination to creatively apply the scientific principles of Marxism-Leninism and Mao Tsetung Thought. The Haitian Workers' Party solemnly pledges that it will carry through to final victory the struggle of the Haitian people and the entire oppressed people against imperialism, social-imperialism, revisionism, hegemonism, racism, colonialism and neo-colonialism.

Message From Chairman Rubin Lie Pauw Sam of People's Party of Surinam

Chairman Rubin Lie Pauw Sam of the People's Party of Surinam on September 9 sent a message to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the State Council of the People's Republic of China, the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, expressing deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung. The message says:

"With the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the Chinese people and the world have lost one of the greatest revolutionary leaders of this century who dedicated all his life and work to eliminating imperialism and feudalism in China and building a modern socialist society free from oppression and exploitation. The thinking of Chairman Mao Tsetung will live for ever! Long live the memory of Chairman Mao Tsetung!

Letter From Secretary Schmierer of Communist League of West Germany

Hans-Gerhart Schmierer, Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist League of West Germany, has sent a letter to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China and the State Council of the People's Republic of China. The letter says:

The Central Committee of the Communist League of West Germany extends to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the Chinese working class and the entire Chinese people its deep condolences on the passing 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. The passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung is an extremely great and most grievous loss to the Chinese working class, the

Chinese people and the Communist Party of China, as well as to the international working class and the peoples and all Marxist-Leninists of the world.

Lenin pointed out in 1919: "The period of the awakening of the East in the contemporary revolution is being succeeded by a period in which all the Eastern peoples will participate in deciding the destiny of the whole world, so as not to be simply objects of the enrichment of others. The peoples of the East are becoming alive to the need for practical action, the need for every nation to take part in shaping the destiny of all mankind." This prophecy has become a reality. Under the leadership of Chairman Mao Tsetung and the Communist Party of China, the Chinese working class and the people of all nationalities throughout China led by the working class have, through revolution, transformed the formerly backward China under the rule of feudalism, bureaucrat-capitalism and imperialism into a thriving and prospering socialist country. Thus, they made an enormous contribution to the world revolution of the proletariat, dealt a powerful blow to imperialism and revisionism, established a strong bulwark for the world revolution of the proletariat, and inspired the working class of various countries to continuously march forward in the struggle to wipe out capitalism and achieve the victory of socialism. The socialist People's Republic of China has steadfastly pursued proletarian internationalism, unswervingly strengthened its solidarity with the proletariat and oppressed people of various countries in the just struggle against imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism, and particularly against hegemonism of the two superpowers. Chairman Mao Tsetung's instruction that "the working class must exercise leadership in everything" enabled the Communist Party of China to win one new victory after another in the successive struggles between the two lines, to give full play to the revolutionary initiative and creativeness of the masses and, in accordance with the policy of "maintaining independence and keeping the initiative in our own hands and relying on our own efforts," to smash the attacks by all class enemies at home and abroad and build the powerful New China.

Under the leadership of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the Communist Party of China repulsed the frenzied attacks on Marxism-Leninism by the Soviet revisionist clique, and defended and developed Marxism-Leninism. The aim of all revisionist fallacies such as "the peaceful path" and "the theory of the dying out of class struggle" is nothing but to disarm the working class which is fighting for the triumph of the proletarian revolution and the consolidation of the dictatorship of the proletariat.

The political power of the socialist Soviet Union has been temporarily seized by the revisionist renegade clique. "The rise to power of revisionism means the rise to power of the bourgeoisie"—the international proletariat should never forget this important teaching if it does not want to suffer serious setbacks on the road of eventually shaking off exploitation and oppression.

To consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat, prevent capitalist restoration and further build socialism, Chairman Mao Tsetung personally initiated and led the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution. Through full mobilization of the masses and realization of the slogan "grasp revolution, promote production," he smashed the counter-revolutionary conspiracy of the bourgeoisie. The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution has, in theory and practice, solved the most important problem in the international communist movement of our time: In socialist society, there are still struggles between the two classes, two roads and two lines, and it is necessary to continue the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat.

* Chairman Mao Tsetung creatively developed Marxism-Leninism and enabled the international proletariat and the international communist movement to distinguish more clearly Marxism from revisionism and to establish the party of the working class on the basis of genuine Marxism-Leninism.

Chairman Mao Tsetung made the call: "Let the Marxist-Leninists of all countries unite, let the revolutionary people of the whole world unite and overthrow imperialism, modern revisionism and the reactionaries of every country! A new world without imperialism, without capitalism and without any system of exploitation is certain to be built." This call is bound to be realized.

The international proletariat and the oppressed peoples will turn their deep grief over the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung into revolutionary strength. With his theory and exploits, Chairman Mao Tsetung made indelible contributions to the proletarian world revolution. His theory, his example and his exploits will forever be engraved upon the minds of the working class.

Message From Secretariat of Communist Workers' Union of Germany

The Central Leadership-Secretariat of the Communist Workers' Union of Germany has sent a message to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, extending deep condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The message says that the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung "has deprived the international proletariat and the peoples of the world of their most outstanding leader." "As the founder of the Communist Party of China," it continues, "he led the Chinese people in overcoming all difficulties and dangers, smashing all attacks by the imperialists and reactionaries, and victoriously engaging in the socialist revolution. In the socialist construction, Comrade Mao Tsetung penetrat-

ingly expounded and developed the theory on the dictatorship of the proletariat, pointing out that class struggle continues to exist in socialist society, and applied this thought to the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution."

The message says: "Chairman Mao Tsetung summed up the experience of the Chinese revolution and the international workers' movement, and greatly developed dialectical materialism and historical materialism. Throughout his life he struggled against opportunism of all forms, particularly modern revisionism, and defended Marxism-Leninism. After the revisionist betrayal, it is precisely Mao Tsetung Thought that once again gave courage to the proletarians and peoples of the world, and charted the orientation for them."

The message says in conclusion: "Chairman Mao Tsetung taught us that we must consistently take class struggle as the key link and never divorce from the masses. To conduct class struggle in our country will be the best contribution we can make to engage in and inherit Chairman Mao Tsetung's cause."

Message From Chairman Jocha of Revolutionary Workers' Association Of Austria (M-L)

Alfred Jocha, Chairman of the Revolutionary Workers' Association of Austria (M-L) sent a message on September 9 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China. The message says:

Extremely shocked, the revolutionary workers of Austria share your grief over the death of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the most respected and beloved inheritor of the great revolutionary theory of the world proletariat. He had charted for hundreds of millions of the world's oppressed toiling masses a road leading to a bright future for mankind. We shall turn our grief into strength and unswervingly continue the struggle against imperialism, hegemonism and capitalism. The Austrian workers, labouring peasants and entire working people will, following the Marxist-Leninist thought of Mao Tsetung, fight for the emancipation of themselves and all mankind and against the outbreak of a world war brought near by the rivalry between the superpowers.

Letter From Secretary Walter Lindner of Central Committee of Communist League of Austria

Walter Lindner, Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist League of Austria, on September 9 sent a letter to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China. The letter reads:

We are intensely shocked to learn of the passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung. We avail ourselves of this occasion to extend to you our most cordial revolutionary regards.

Comrades, we join you in grieving over this tremendous loss—the passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung, and share your sorrow. With the passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the Chinese people as well as the international proletariat and the people of all countries sustained a great loss. You have lost the greatest Marxist-Leninist and an outstanding leader and teacher of the contemporary era.

The development and growth of the Marxist-Leninist movement in Austria is inseparably linked with the brilliant example of socialist construction and continued revolutionary class struggle in China and with the great historic struggle initiated and promoted by Comrade Mao Tsetung against modern revisionism. China's revolutionary masses and their great leader Mao Tsetung have made inestimable contributions to the communist cause of the whole world as well as Austria. Workers with class consciousness and Marxist-Leninists in our country cherish the memory of Comrade Mao Tsetung with great respect and tender highest gratitude to him and the Party he led.

The greater our shock caused by the death of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the deeper our grief and sympathy, and the more we would like to express our revolutionary solidarity with your Party and people. Comrades, we wish to pledge to you that we will turn grief into strength as the Chinese people do and fight with greater determination for the emancipation of the Austrian working class and people and for the friendship and solidarity between the peoples of China and Austria and among the peoples of the world.

Message From Organization of Communists of Italy (M-L)

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

The message says: "We are deeply grieved when the news of the passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung, Chairman of the Communist Party of China, spreads all over the world."

It continues: "Chairman Mao Tsetung was the great leader of the Chinese people in their epic revolutionary struggles against imperialism, social-imperialism, domestic reactionaries and bourgeoisie and in their struggle for building socialism. He brought up the great and

correct Communist Party of China in the struggle against all erroneous lines.

"Chairman Mao Tsetung pointed out to the people of various countries the road of heroic struggle against imperialism and the two superpowers, the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R., and for independence and autonomy. He personally directed the struggle against modern revisionism, educated a new generation of Marxist-Leninists on the basis of proletarian internationalism and made fundamental contributions to the establishment of Marxist-Leninist Parties in the world."

The message says: "The thought shaped by Comrade Mao Tsetung in his militant life has defended and developed Marxism-Leninism." "The example and teachings provided by his thought, life and deeds are our wealth and the invincible weapon in the hands of the Communists, the proletariat and the peoples."

The message says: "The immense wealth left over by the deeds of Comrade Mao Tsetung will certainly live on for generations to come and bear ripe fruits, and a communist world, a new world without capitalism and imperialism, war and oppression, will certainly be born in the struggles of the people of various countries."

The message says: "Our mourning for Comrade Mao Tsetung will stimulate us to assimilate and apply more often Marxism-Leninism, Mao Tsetung Thought in reality and to work hard in class struggle with greater determination and a higher sense of responsibility."

Message From Political Bureau Of Communist League of Luxemburg

On behalf of the Political Bureau of the Communist League of Luxemburg, Robert Medernach sent a message on September 10 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China. The message says:

We have learnt with great shock and profound grief the news of the passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung, Chairman of the glorious Communist Party of China and the great leader of the Chinese people.

The Communists and progressives of Luxemburg are shocked by the death of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great Marxist-Leninist and the teacher of the world proletariat and the oppressed people and nations.

Comrade Mao Tsetung was the founder and wise leader of the Communist Party of China. He applied with mastery the theory of Marxism-Leninism to the concrete conditions of China. Under the guidance of the proletarian revolutionary line of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people successfully got rid of the rule of imperialism,

feudalism and bureaucrat-capitalism, carried the new-democratic revolution through to victory and consolidated the dictatorship of the proletariat. Comrade Mao Tsetung was a tireless fighter against Right and "Left" opportunism and revisionism. He pointed out that after the socialist transformation of the ownership of the means of production, there are still classes, and class struggle continues to exist unabated. In the struggle against revisionism, Comrade Mao Tsetung was the great teacher of the communist movement of the world. The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution which he led personally helped many West European and Luxemburgian revolutionaries shake off revisionism and firmly turn to Marxism-Leninism.

The teachings of Chairman Mao Tsetung have a prominent significance to the world communist movement fighting against modern revisionism headed by the Soviet renegade clique, against imperialism and hegemonism. Comrade Mao Tsetung made important contributions to the progress of mankind.

The passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung is an inestimable loss to the Communist Party of China, the Chinese people, the world communist movement and all progressive mankind.

We are convinced that the Communist Party of China and the whole Chinese people will turn their deep grief into strength, continue to carry out class struggle, repulse the Right*deviationist attempt at reversing correct verdicts, restrict bourgeois right and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat.

The Communist League of Luxemburg extends deep condolences to the Communist Party of China and the entire Chinese people, and will take Comrade Mao Tsetung as its example in the struggle against imperialism, social-imperialism and reaction.

The Communists of the world and people of various countries will always remember Comrade Mao Tsetung.

Comrade Mao Tsetung has passed away, but Marxism-Leninism and Mao Tsetung Thought will live for ever.

Message From Central Committee of Spanish Revolutionary Organization of Workers

The Central Committee of the Spanish Revolutionary Organization of Workers has sent a message to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The message says: "The passing of the great leader of the Chinese people and teacher of the world proletariat is undoubtedly an unmatched loss. The name of Mao Tsetung will live for ever in the hearts of the working class and masses of people of China. Comrade Mao Tsetung made decisive contributions in leading the Chinese Communist Party in the struggle

to wipe out exploitation, oppression and enslavement. His name will always be linked with the independence of the Chinese nation, the establishment and consolidation of the dictatorship of the proletariat, and the building of socialism."

It adds: "Mao Tsetung was the great leader of the world proletariat. He carried on the cause pioneered by Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, and immensely enriched the theory of Marxism-Leninism. His contributions to the proletarian revolutionary theory on the materialist philosophy, the military doctrine, the people's democratic political power and other important questions constitute an irreplaceable guide to the struggle of the working class of all countries for emancipation and socialism."

The message notes: "We will remember for ever the vivid and important lessons Mao Tsetung taught us in leading the Communist Party of China in the resolute struggle against modern revisionism and in the struggle to consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat by means of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution."

Message From General Secretary Vincenzo Calò of Central Committee Of Party of Socialist Revolution Of Italy

Vincenzo Calò, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Party of Socialist Revolution of Italy, on September 9 sent a message on behalf of the Party's Central Committee to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing most profound condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The message says: "With hearts full of sorrow, we extend to you our most profound and fraternal condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. The working class, labouring masses and intellectuals of Italy learnt of the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung with profound emotion and immense grief." "Chairman Mao Tsetung has left us the testimony of his life as a proletarian revolutionary, his works and thought—all precious legacies of universal value to the international proletariat and all the oppressed classes, nations and people." The message says: "Chairman Mao Tsetung was the founder and the victorious leader of the Communist Party of China and the Chinese People's Liberation Army, who directed the various phases of development of the Chinese revolution, founded the People's Republic of China, and, in his late years, initiated and led the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution. He maintained close contact with the masses, developed his creative thinking on the basis of practice and enabled the masses to have a splendid grasp of his revolutionary spirit. Chairman Mao Tsetung elevated Marxism-Leninism of our epoch to a new phase."

The message says: "Chairman Mao Tsetung conducted a strenuous and uninterrupted struggle against

the enemies of and traitors to Marxism-Leninism and the international workers' movement."

The message says: "We are determined to strive for the socialist revolution and the triumph of the proletarian dictatorship in Italy," and to remain "true to proletarian internationalism and to the profound and indissoluble bonds that unite us with the great and glorious Communist Party of China and the People's Republic of China."

Message From Executive Committee Of Marxist-Leninist Groups Of Finland

The Executive Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Groups of Finland sent a message on September 10 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing deep condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. The message says:

"With deepest grief we learnt of the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the esteemed and beloved leader of the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people, the greatest Marxist-Leninist of the contemporary era and a proletarian revolutionary.

"Comrade Mao Tsetung led the Chinese revolution to which he dedicated his whole life. In theory and practice, he solved many basic questions existing in the revolution of our time. With the practice of the revolution of the Chinese people as a source, Comrade Mao Tsetung developed Marxism-Leninism in the various main realms. Mao Tsetung Thought is Marxism-Leninism of our time.

"Being the founder of the Communist Party of China, Comrade Mao Tsetung played a decisive role in the building of a party fighting against opportunist currents; being the founder of the Chinese Red Army, he developed its strategy and tactics and led it in a heroic struggle. Guided by Comrade Mao Tsetung, tens of millions of Chinese masses united under the leadership of the Communist Party, took up arms and overthrew imperialism and domestic reactionaries in the revolutionary people's war. In October 1949, Comrade Mao Tsetung proclaimed the founding of the People's Republic of China on Tien An Men Square.

"In over one quarter of a century, Comrade Mao Tsetung, in a struggle for continuing the revolution, led the Chinese people in building a new and daily thriving and prospering socialist China and in consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat. During the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution personally initiated and led by Comrade Mao Tsetung, the workers, peasants and soldiers smashed the counter-revolutionary revisionist headquarters of Liu Shao-chi and Lin Biao and the revisionist line of Teng Hsiao-ping for capitalist restoration in China.

"Under the leadership of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the Chinese Communists waged an epoch-making struggle against modern revisionism headed by the Soviet Union, and made decisive contributions to the rebuilding of the world communist movement after the revisionist betrayal. China's foreign policy of opposing imperialism and social-imperialism, a policy developed by Comrade Mao Tsetung and based on proletarian internationalism, has won tremendous respect. Comrade Mao Tsetung's activities in exposing Soviet social-imperialism, the main enemy of world peace, were of particular significance.

"Comrade Mao Tsetung was the Lenin of our time, an outstanding revolutionary leader and statesman of the proletariat and a developer of the revolutionary theory of the working class, and a brilliant example to all Communists. His death is a big loss to the Communist Party of China, the Chinese people and all revolutionaries of the world.

"We shall for ever keep in memory Comrade Mao Tsetung and the immortal work of his whole life. We shall turn grief into strength and apply the universal principles of Marxism-Leninism, Mao Tsetung Thought to the concrete practice in the struggle against modern revisionism."

Letter From Political Secretary Boer Of Central Committee of Communist Unitarian Movement of the Netherlands (M-L)

K. de Boer, Political Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Unitarian Movement of the Netherlands (Marxist-Leninist), sent a letter on September 11 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing most profound condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "Comrade Mao Tsetung was a distinguished leader, deeply loved by the Communist Party of China, the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the people of all nationalities throughout China. His whole life was most closely linked with the revolutionary struggle of the Chinese people and their glorious Communist Party. Under the wise leadership of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the Party has developed, in the acute and continuous struggle against all the opportunist lines in the Party, into a leading force of the proletariat and the labouring masses in waging class struggle in the new-democratic revolution and the socialist revolution. The great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution personally led by him are great contributions of world historic significance to the whole international communist movement."

The letter says: "Mao Tsetung Thought is an immortal contribution to the development of the Marxist-

Leninist movement the world over and to the cause of communism.

"Comrade Mao Tsetung was the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era.

"The passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung is an inestimable loss to the Chinese people, the Communist Party of China and the Chinese People's Liberation Army, as well as to the international proletariat, the revolutionary people of all countries and the international communist movement.

"Comrade Mao Tsetung further developed Marxism-Leninism in the uncompromising struggle against modern revisionism headed by the Soviet revisionist renegade clique."

Letter From Chairman Birch of Central Committee of Communist Party Of Britain (M-L)

Reg Birch, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Britain (Marxist-Leninist), sent a letter on September 10 on behalf of the Party's Central Committee to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, extending deepest condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "The Central Committee of C.P.B. (M-L) is profoundly shocked and grieved to learn about Chairman Mao's death. It sends its deepest fraternal condolences to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, all comrades and the people of China."

It says: "Today revolutionaries throughout the five continents feel great sadness but also a new resolve. Mao Tsetung's work and thinking remain to instruct and illuminate the long bitter years ahead of fighting and destroying capitalism. Our strength and our determination, like that of the great Chinese people, must not falter. Then, as he wrote in one of his magnificent poems,

'We can clasp the moon in the Ninth Heaven
And seize turtles deep down in the Five Seas:
We'll return amid triumphant song and laughter,
Nothing is hard in this world
If you dare to scale the heights.'

Letter From First Secretary Strobl Of Central Committee of Austrian Marxist-Leninist Party

Franz Strobl, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Party of Austria, has sent a letter on behalf of the Central Committee of his Party to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of

China, expressing deep condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "The heart of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the greatest revolutionary of our times, most sincerely esteemed and loved by millions upon millions throughout the world who are struggling for freedom, progress and social justice, has stopped beating. Mankind's greatest brain in the contemporary era has stopped thinking. We were profoundly shocked at the bottom of our hearts by this sad news."

The letter says: "To us, Comrade Mao Tsetung was not only the distinguished leader of the glorious Communist Party of China, but also the reliable ideological leader who could point out a clear orientation under most difficult circumstances for the entire revolutionary movement and Marxist-Leninist movement in the world, including the young Marxist-Leninist movement in our country. In theory as in practice, Comrade Mao Tsetung's numerous teachings and directives, his speeches and works, all his theses in politics, philosophy, history, military science, tactics and strategy are an inexhaustible source of revolutionary understanding and correct direction in struggle for us and for all genuine revolutionaries in the world. These theses are immortal."

The letter continues: "We will follow the immortal theory of Mao Tsetung in our work and struggle, study his works more conscientiously and in a more deep-going way, and more firmly transform his directives into practice."

The letter says: "We will turn all our grief and sorrow into strength, fight ever more staunchly against revisionism, bourgeois ideas in all forms, imperialism, social-imperialism and all reaction and deal them fresh and more powerful blows."

Message From Central Leading Organ of Marxist-Leninist Organization of Italian Bolshevik Communists

The Central Leading Organ of the Marxist-Leninist Organization of the Italian Bolshevik Communists sent a message on September 9 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing deepest condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The message says: "With the same sadness as that cherished by the world proletariat when Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin died, we extend to you our deepest condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the great teacher of the world proletariat and the defender of the oppressed nations and oppressed people."

The message adds: "It is for ever impossible for us to recount to the finish all the illustrious exploits per-

formed by Comrade Mao Tsetung on the Chinese front and the world arena, because he devoted the long span of his whole life to the cause of the proletariat, the revolution and socialism. At every moment, at every crucial moment of national and international politics, he was learned in giving the correct answer and just direction to the Party, the army and the people of China and to the whole international communist movement."

The message notes: "The theoretical works of Comrade Mao Tsetung represent a vivid, creative and unequalled enrichment of the patrimony of Marxism-Leninism. Comrade Mao Tsetung defended, consolidated and developed Marxism-Leninism in the ideological, philosophical, political, military, diplomatic, cultural, organizational and other fields, especially on the questions of the establishment, development and building of the Communist Party and of the dictatorship of the proletariat. The discovery of the political and organizational forms of continuing the socialist revolution under the conditions of the dictatorship of the proletariat is wholly the immortal historic merits of Comrade Mao Tsetung himself."

The message says: "That we can be here today, that Marxism-Leninism is triumphing in the whole world, that revolution is developing tempestuously in all the countries, and that revisionism is discredited and defeated and is heading for collapse together with imperialism — all this is the great merit of Comrade Mao Tsetung. As soon as revisionism emerged, Comrade Mao Tsetung saw through its bourgeois nature and struck it with the unrelenting hammer of Marxism-Leninism."

The message concludes: "We should turn grief into strength, into revolutionary energy and resolve, and dedicate, as Chairman Mao did, our whole life to the common cause of socialism so as to achieve in Italy such fruits as the heroic Chinese people achieved under the leadership of Chairman Mao."

Letter From Political Bureau of Central Committee of Labour Party Of Spain

The Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Labour Party of Spain sent a letter on September 9 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "Comrade Mao Tsetung, one of the greatest leaders of the international proletariat, has passed away. Like Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, he marked out a complete historical stage of mankind with his tremendous revolutionary wisdom, his fidelity to Marxism-Leninism and his staunch confidence in the masses."

The letter continues: "Mao Tsetung raised Marxism-Leninism to a new level, and applied it creatively to socialist revolution in colonial, semi-colonial and semi-feudal countries, and to the struggle against imperialism and social-imperialism under new conditions, thereby guiding the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people to success in socialist construction." "Comrade Mao Tsetung's contribution to revolutionary theory and practice has become an inseparable part of the scientific thought of mankind, and will be an inestimable weapon in our hands in the struggle for democracy, for the establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat and for the realization of communism."

The letter says in conclusion: "Our whole Party and the people of all nationalities in Spain, together with the Communist Party of China and the fraternal Chinese people, mourn for the great Marxist-Leninist revolutionary and the leader of the proletariat and the oppressed people of the world. We share your grief."

Letter From Executive Committee Of Spanish Communist Party (M-L)

The Executive Committee of the Spanish Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) has sent a letter to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people, expressing deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "The death of Comrade Mao Tsetung is an irreparable loss to all Marxist-Leninists and the people of the whole world. The Spanish Marxist-Leninists and revolutionaries are much grieved by this deplorable occurrence."

The letter says: "The Executive Committee of the Spanish Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) deeply mourns, in the name of the Central Committee and the entire membership of the Party, the greatest Marxist-Leninist leader of the contemporary era, the heroic and untiring revolutionary, the undisputed leader of the working class and revolutionaries of the world, the proletarian internationalist, the great man who dedicated his whole energies to the working class, the people and the revolutionary cause, and the pure and iron-willed Communist who left a deep, indelible and far-reaching influence on the history of the Chinese revolution and the revolution of mankind."

The letter says: "The outstanding Marxist-Leninist Comrade Mao Tsetung knew how to creatively and vividly integrate Marxism-Leninism with the practical situation in China and thus immensely enriched Marxism-Leninism and made extremely important contributions to the development of Marxism-Leninism in various fields. Therefore, the proletariat and revolutionaries of the whole world highly appraise the historical contributions made by Comrade Mao Tsetung to

the cause of socialist revolution and construction. His teachings and all his writings are of immense benefit to us Communists and a genuine guide to our revolutionary action."

The letter concludes: "We are determined to turn our grief into strength and intensify our struggle for the ideal of communism for which Comrade Mao Tsetung fought throughout his life."

Message From Political Bureau of Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) Of San Marino

The Political Bureau of the Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) of San Marino has sent a message to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China. The message reads:

The Marxist-Leninists of San Marino are profoundly grieved at the death of Comrade Mao Tsetung. But the exploits and teachings of the greatest Marxist-Leninist in our epoch are immortal and will live for ever in the people's struggle for liberation, independence and the victory of the world proletarian revolution. We wish to extend our condolences to the Chinese Communists. We will persist in the struggle against imperialism, social-imperialism and revisionism, and in this way mourn for Comrade Mao Tsetung.

Letter From National Committee of Communist Federation of Britain (M-L)

The National Committee of the Communist Federation of Britain (Marxist-Leninist) sent a letter on September 11 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, extending deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "Chairman Mao tirelessly defended and developed the universal working-class truths of Marxism-Leninism in the struggle against class enemies within China and throughout the world."

The letter says: "Chairman Mao Tsetung led the Chinese people in making the People's Republic of China a great bastion and faithful supporter of the ever-growing struggles of the oppressed people and nations of the world against the two superpowers, the United States and Soviet social-imperialism."

The letter says: "We deeply mourn his death." "We are determined to turn our grief into strength by learning from his teachings, by always upholding the working-class truths of Marxism-Leninism, and by throwing ourselves wholeheartedly into the glorious,

tempestuous and victorious battles of the international working class that lie ahead."

Message From Chairman Andresson And General Secretary Gudlaugsson Of Communist Party of Iceland (M-L)

Gunnar Andresson, Chairman, and Kristjan Gudlaugsson, General Secretary, of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Iceland (Marxist-Leninist), sent a message on September 13 to Premier Hua Kuo-feng, Vice-Chairman Li Su-wen of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress and comrades in the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, expressing their deepest grief and condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The message says: "Chairman Mao Tsetung was the best son of the heroic Chinese people, a valiant fighter for revolution and the greatest Marxist-Leninist of our era. He was the teacher and leader of the proletariat, oppressed nations and oppressed people in the world. His death has caused deep sorrow in the hearts of millions throughout the world. A great leader has passed away, his death is a tremendous loss to the revolutionary proletariat and working masses in every corner of the world."

The message says: "Comrade Mao Tsetung devoted all his life to revolution. His extraordinary theoretical brilliance and his outstanding ability to connect correctly theory and practice, always enabled him to lead the heroic and strong-willed Chinese people to victory over the class enemies."

The message notes: "Under the dictatorship of the proletariat and in socialist construction, he never tired in teaching that 'there are still classes, class contradictions and class struggle' in the period of the dictatorship of the proletariat. He led personally the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution and the struggle against those within the Party who took the capitalist road."

The message continues: "Comrade Mao Tsetung's work to unite the international Marxist-Leninist movement and his struggle against modern revisionism made him the leader of the world's proletarian movement. His lifework and his communist spirit will live for ever in the hearts of many millions of workers and oppressed people."

In conclusion, the message says: "His passing away is a great loss to all who are concerned about the future of mankind. His memory will live for ever in the minds of the working masses of Iceland."

Message From Chairman Gudmundsson Of Central Committee of Communist League of Union (M-L) of Iceland

Ari Trausti Gudmundsson, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist League of Union (Marxist-Leninist) of Iceland, on behalf of the Standing Committee of the Central Committee, sent a message on September 9 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and Premier Hua Kuo-feng, expressing sincerest condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The message says: "With utmost grief we have received the sad news stating that Comrade Mao Tsetung, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, has passed away."

It says: "Chairman Mao, the great leader of the correct Communist Party of China and the world revolution, was the most outstanding Marxist-Leninist of our time.

"His life constitutes to us the best example of a wise and brave Communist."

It says: "In our struggle for socialism and the dictatorship of the proletariat in Iceland against the bourgeoisie, imperialism, the two superpowers, U.S.A. and U.S.S.R., and against modern revisionism, the struggle waged by Chairman Mao and his works are a brilliant source of knowledge and set a fine example. They will live among the works of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin for the proletarian cause for ever."

It says: "We know that the heroic Chinese people and Communists will spare nothing to continue resolutely along the path shown by Chairman Mao to win still greater victories for socialism and communism. For this you will have our fullest support."

It concludes: "Eternal glory to Comrade Mao Tsetung!"

Letter From Central Committee of Marxist-Leninist Union of Struggle Of Sweden

The Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Union of Struggle of Sweden sent a letter on September 10 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the National People's Congress and the Government of the People's Republic of China, extending deep condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The letter says: "Comrade Mao Tsetung was in the long and crowded months and years a most esteemed, beloved and respected leader of the Communist

Party of China, the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the whole Chinese people."

The letter says: "Comrade Mao Tsetung was a great Communist. He developed scientific socialism, thus serving the interests of the international proletariat and the people of various countries.

"The Chinese Communist Party under the leadership of Comrade Mao Tsetung reminded the people in various countries of the consequences of the bourgeoisie's usurpation of power in the Soviet Union in the middle of the fifties as well as the threat to the world's people and to world peace posed by the present Soviet leaders."

The letter adds: "The passing of Comrade Mao Tsetung has caused deep grief. In China and in the whole world, people will cherish the memory and sing praises of Mao Tsetung and his magnificent contributions."

Message From Central Committee of Canadian Communist League (M-L)

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

The message says: "The death of Chairman Mao is an immense loss to the Chinese people, to the peoples of the world, to the working class and people of Canada, as well as to the international workers' movement and to the international Marxist-Leninist movement.

"Chairman Mao was a great teacher of the international proletariat. He contributed greatly to the development of Marxism-Leninism. He enriched dialectical and historical materialism and, through the experience of the revolutionary struggle of the Chinese people, developed the strategic principles of people's war. He also furthered the Marxist theory of socialist construction and the dictatorship of the proletariat, developed the theory of the continuation of class struggle under socialism and made immense contributions to the struggle against modern revisionism."

It says that he was in the vanguard of this struggle against modern revisionism, firmly guiding the Chinese Communist Party and leading the genuine Marxist-Leninist forces. It continues: "He fought revisionism and its chief of staff, Soviet social-imperialism relentlessly. Chairman Mao was able to draw important lessons from the degeneration of the once socialist Soviet Union into a social-imperialist country."

The message says: "He led and participated in all the great battles of the Chinese people, including the Long March." "Mao Tsetung initiated and personally

led many struggles around political line in the Party itself. It was under his leadership that the Chinese masses were mobilized in the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution against the influence of Liu Shao-chi's bourgeois headquarters. The struggle against Lin Piao and Confucius and against Teng Hsiao-ping's Right deviationist wind, initiated under the leadership of Chairman Mao, contributed greatly to the prevention of the restoration of capitalism in China."

The message continues: "The life of Chairman Mao is a vibrant example of proletarian internationalism. He always took the side of the working class in its struggle against capitalism, and the side of the oppressed peoples, supporting all those who struggled against colonialism, imperialism, and the hegemonism of the two superpowers.

"Comrade Mao Tsetung will live for ever in our hearts and minds as one of the great teachers of the proletariat and leaders of the international Marxist-Leninist movement, side by side with Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin."

The message concludes: "The Chinese people, inspired by the example and revolutionary line of Chairman Mao, will certainly reinforce their unity around the Central Committee of the Communist Party and achieve still greater victories in the building of socialism and then communism."

Message From Canadian Marxist-Leninist Group "In Struggle"

The Canadian Marxist-Leninist Group "In Struggle" sent a message on September 10 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, offering deep condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The message says that the demise of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Chinese revolution and the great successor to the cause of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, is an immense loss not only to the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people, but also to the international Marxist-Leninist movement and all the peoples of the world.

The message says: "Chairman Mao led the Chinese people in the Chinese revolution and the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution. His leadership was decisive in the worldwide struggle against imperialism, social-imperialism and modern revisionism.

"Chairman Mao has deceased, but his thought will continue to serve as the fundamental guide for the international Marxist-Leninist movement, the international proletariat and all the peoples of the world." "As an exemplary fighter and a great theoretician and teacher, Chairman Mao will remain immortal in the memory and the hearts of all Marxist-Leninists, all the proletarians and all the peoples of the world."

Messages or Letters From Marxist-Leninist Parties and Organizations Abroad

Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations of a number of countries have sent messages or letters of condolence to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, and the State Council, of the People's Republic of China and Party and state leaders, expressing deepest condolences on the passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The messages and letters highly praise Chairman Mao for inheriting, defending and developing Marxism-Leninism. They point out that Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era and the great teacher of the proletariat and the oppressed people of the whole world and that the magnificent contributions he made to the Chinese revolution and the world revolution are indelible. The passing of Chairman Mao Tsetung, they say, is a great loss beyond measure not only to the Chinese people but also to the revolutionary people of the world. The Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations all express determination to turn their grief into strength, study and disseminate Mao Tsetung Thought more assiduously and carry the cause of the proletarian revolution through to the end.

The messages or letters of condolence were from the Revolutionary Communist Party of Uruguay; the Central Bureau of the Voice of the Proletariat, and the Central Committee of the Red Banner, of Dominica; the Central Committee of the Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist); the Political Bureau of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Organization of Reunion; the Executive Committee of the Workers' Union for the Reconstruction of the Communist Party of Germany; the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Germany (Marxist-Leninists) (*New Unity*); the Central Committee of the League of Marxist-Leninists, the Central Committee of the Communist Workers' Organization, and the Central Committee of the Broda Communist Group (M-L), of the Netherlands; the Working Committee of the Groups for Communist Unity of Sweden; the Coordinating Committee for Unity of Marxist-Leninists of Italy; the Central Committee of the Labourers' Movement for Socialism of Italy; the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Communist Movement of Greece; the National Committee of the Communist Unity Association (Marxist-Leninist) in Britain; the Organizing Committee for a Marxist-Leninist Party (U.S.A.); the East London Marxist-Leninist Association; and the Marxist-Leninist Organization of the Faroe Islands.

CORRECTION: In issue No.44, page 47, left column, lines 22 and 23 should read "us to honour the memory of Mao Tsetung, and it's the cause for which the working class today and our future generations will work."

World's People Praise Chairman Mao's Immense Contributions

MORE than three months have elapsed since the passing of the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung. Like the Chinese people, the people the world over still mourn him and pay tribute to him. He is eulogized by all the revolutionary people, revolutionary political parties and organizations and progressive public opinion in all countries as well as by many leaders of the third world. In different languages, they say: Although Chairman Mao Tsetung passed away, Mao Tsetung Thought and the revolutionary cause he pioneered "have taken root in the earth," his teachings are "deeply printed in our hearts," "the immense contributions of Mao Tsetung will warm for ever the hearts of all the revolutionary people in the world," his name is "engraved in golden letters in the hearts of the working class throughout the world," and his image "will shine for ever on mankind like the sun and the moon."

Glorious Road

The people of the world deeply cherish the memory of Chairman Mao. The victory of the revolution of the Chinese people led by Chairman Mao blazed a new trail for the cause of liberation of the oppressed nations and oppressed people of the world.

Many foreign friends have pointed out that the great socialist China founded by Chairman Mao and standing erect like a giant in the East "has an inestimable influence" on all countries, nations and people that want independence, liberation and revolution. A Japanese radio operator on board ship unfolded a map of the world as he thought of Chairman Mao. He noted the drastic changes that had taken place in the world in the past 20 years and more as an increasing number of countries won independence, while imperialism, colonialism and hegemonism found the going tougher and tougher. All these changes, he said with emotion, were inseparable from the influence of the victory of the Chinese revolution. That was why

the people in Asia, Africa and Latin America praised Chairman Mao for "founding a new China which has changed the face of the world." They regarded the victory of the Chinese revolution as "an encouragement to the militancy of the Asian, African and Latin American people in their struggle for liberation."

The oppressed nations and oppressed people of the world have come to realize through their own experience that the road of armed struggle pointed out by Chairman Mao is the only road to their liberation. The people of Algeria who fired the first shot in the war against French colonial rule, fighters in some Latin American countries who are continuing their struggle in prison, revolutionary fighters in the jungles of some Southeast Asian countries, Palestinian guerrillas and the freedom fighters in Zimbabwe and Namibia expressed profound sentiments in writing poems praising Chairman Mao and letters paying tribute to him and held rallies commemorating him. What their words boil down to is that the road charted by Chairman Mao is "a new and broad road" for the cause of liberation of the oppressed nations and oppressed people the world over. Chairman Mao "made great historic contributions that opened a new period for the cause of liberation of the people throughout the world," and Chairman Mao's brilliant thesis that "political power grows out of the barrel of a gun" is a "beacon" and an "irrefutable great truth" guiding the world's people in their revolutionary struggle.

The glorious road opened by the Chinese people under the leadership of Chairman Mao is encouraging the world's people to win new victories in their struggle for independence and liberation.

Wise Strategy

The people of the world deeply cherish the memory of Chairman Mao, because it was he who, using the Marxist method of class analysis and applying dialectical materialism and histori-

cal materialism, advanced the wise thesis of the three worlds after making a penetrating analysis of the basic contradictions in the contemporary era and the division and realignment of the international political forces.

Revolutionaries in many countries describe the following analysis of Chairman Mao's as absolutely correct: The two superpowers — the Soviet Union and the United States — who belong to the first world are the biggest international oppressors and exploiters in the contemporary era and the source of a new world war; the developed countries of the second world oppress and exploit the third world countries, while at the same time they are oppressed, exploited, controlled and intimidated by the superpowers; oppressed and exploited by colonialism and imperialism, the numerous third world countries are the main force in opposing imperialism, hegemonism of the two superpowers in particular. Comrade E.F. Hill, Chairman of the Australian Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist), said: "Chairman Mao's Marxist-Leninist proletarian foreign policy with its profound analysis of the three worlds and the implication of this analysis correctly answered the all-important question in the world class struggle — who are our friends and who are our enemies. It correctly identified the world domination strivings and menace of the two superpowers, emphasized the grave danger of Soviet social-imperialism, showed the decisive role of the third world and correctly estimated the position of the countries between the two superpowers and the third world. Such an analysis is a powerful weapon in the hands of the proletariat and peoples of the world — it fills them with optimism." *Octobre*, organ of the Communist Party of Switzerland (Marxist-Leninist), noted: "Comrade Mao Tsetung studied and analysed the world situation in the past years. His analysis is the basis of the revolutionary foreign policy of the People's Republic of China and the general strategy of the Marxist-Leninists of various countries." The works of Comrade Mao Tsetung are "a compass in the struggle against the enemies."

The wise strategic thought of Chairman Mao has been repeatedly borne out by the development of the objective reality and understood by more and more people and has become

a powerful ideological weapon for the people of all countries in their struggle against the two superpowers. A Japanese journal said: "Major events in real life have proved time and again the correctness of Chairman Mao's views of the world situation. The strategic thought expounded by Chairman Mao is giving more and more people the firm conviction that the worldwide struggle against hegemonism is rapidly growing and gaining momentum."

As the main force in the current worldwide struggle against imperialism, colonialism and hegemonism, the third world countries have further strengthened their unity and are playing a more and more important role. As a member of the third world, socialist China firmly sides with it and has won praise from the people of the third world countries. The Malian paper *L'Essor (Progress)* said: "We can say that Mao Tsetung, through his contributions to Marxism, integrated the demands of the socialist revolution with those of the national-liberation movement. Indeed, since the October Socialist Revolution, people have said that the national revolution of the people of the colonies and dependencies has become an integral part of the socialist revolution — the great world revolution against imperialism. However, it was Mao Tsetung who made the greatest contribution in making the third world realize this itself."

Struggle Against Modern Revisionism

The people of the world deeply cherish the memory of Chairman Mao because it was he who initiated the struggle against modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the centre, inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism, greatly enriched the theoretical treasure house of Marxism and advanced the international communist movement.

As a result of the usurpation of the Soviet Party and state power by the Khrushchov-Brezhnev renegade clique, the Soviet Union, the birthplace of Leninism, changed political colour and the international communist movement was once thrown into a difficult situation — "Winter clouds snow-laden, cotton fluff flying, none or few the unfallen flowers," a situation described by Chairman Mao in his poem *Winter Clouds* in December 1962. The world's Marxist-Lenin-

ists and revolutionaries will never forget Chairman Mao's indelible contributions to the international communist movement in initiating with the sharpest farsightedness the movement to repudiate modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the centre. They will never forget that it was Chairman Mao who "pointed out the orientation of advance for the proletarian revolution" and "pushed human history forward." This is another "great struggle of far-reaching historic significance" after the great struggles launched by Marx and Lenin in the history of the international communist movement. The Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations and revolutionary people of all countries sincerely praised Chairman Mao when they recalled this vigorous international anti-revisionist struggle. They pointed out: "Chairman Mao Tsetung became the guide for the world revolution at the difficult moment" when the Soviet revisionists "attempted to divert the people and proletariat of various countries from the road of revolution"; Comrade Mao Tsetung "once again pointed to the road to be followed by the working class and the Communist Party to accomplish the socialist revolution"; he "provided the Communists of the world with a weapon so that they can carry aloft the banner of communism cast aside by the revisionists and carry on the struggle against capitalism and imperialism and for national and social emancipation until final victory."

Tempered in this anti-revisionist struggle of world historic significance, Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations in many countries have plunged into the new struggle with greater resolve. Max Cluzot, General Secretary of the Marxist-Leninist Revolutionary Communist Party of France, wrote in an article that Chairman Mao "strengthened politically and ideologically the revolutionary will of the working class enfeebled by revisionism and by the effects of the domination of revisionism." French revolutionaries have regarded the struggle against revisionism of all descriptions as "a decisive task." Some Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations in Western Europe have voiced their determination to carry on the struggle against revisionism and opportunist ideas of all sorts, taking Mao Tsetung Thought as "the guide to action." And Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations throughout the world are growing in strength

in this struggle. Workers, peasants, students and progressives in many capitalist countries are conscientiously studying the works of Chairman Mao and disseminating Mao Tsetung Thought, pledging to work harder than ever for the overthrow of capitalism.

The struggle against revisionism is also the greatest encouragement to the people of the countries ruled by revisionist cliques. A Soviet citizen said that the Soviet people and all true Communists "must follow the example of Mao Tsetung and continue to persevere in revolutionary struggle." A Polish worker said: We must continue to advance on the revolutionary road charted by Chairman Mao.

Continuing the Revolution

People all over the world deeply cherish the memory of Chairman Mao, because it was he who, for the first time in the history of the development of Marxism, explicitly advanced the great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat.

Summing up the historical experience of the proletarian revolution and the proletarian dictatorship at home and internationally, the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung personally initiated and led the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, and solved the problem of combating and preventing revisionism and continuing the revolution by integrating theory with practice.

The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution is a brilliant embodiment of Chairman Mao's great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. This revolution has been highly extolled by the revolutionary people of all countries. Some of them have pointed out that "this revolution is aimed at ensuring and consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat," that "the great revolution testifies to the necessity of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat," and that it is "a landmark guiding Communists of all countries in the struggle against the bourgeoisie and revisionism and to advance on the road leading to communism."

Through his thoroughgoing revolutionary spirit, Chairman Mao provided the true Marxist-Leninist Parties and revolutionary people of the whole world with the theory and practice con-

cerning how to prevent capitalist restoration in socialist society. An editorial in *Nueva Democracia*, organ of the Marxist-Leninist League of Colombia, pointed out: How can the proletariat prevent capitalist restoration? What is to be done to solve this problem? "The great Lenin passed away before solving these questions in practice. Summing up the new experiences of the dictatorship of the proletariat, principally those of China and the Soviet Union, and uncompromisingly defending the legacy of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, Mao Tsetung pointed out explicitly for the first time in the history of Marxism that classes and class struggle still exist after the socialist transformation of the ownership of the means of production has been fundamentally completed, and that the bourgeoisie is right in the Communist Party. He elaborated the whole theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. One practice of this theory has been the Great Cultural Revolution participated in by China's millions of proletarian masses." This great theory and shining practice are new contributions of paramount importance by Chairman Mao in the history of the development of Marxism; they represent a most brilliant chapter in the history of proletarian revolution.

The great leader and teacher Chairman Mao has left us for ever. While the proletariat and revolutionary people throughout the world were overwhelmed with grief and deeply mourned him, they all hoped that the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people would carry out the late Chairman's behests and persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat to ensure that China will never change political colour. Carrying out his predecessor's behests, Chairman Hua Kuo-feng, the wise leader of the Chinese people and the successor personally selected by the late great leader and teacher Chairman Mao, shattered at one stroke the counter-revolutionary plot of the "gang of four" — the anti-Party clique of Wang Hung-wen, Chang Chun-chiao, Chiang Ching and Yao Wen-yuan — to usurp Party and state power. This great political revolution is a momentous application of Chairman Mao's great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. It will further consolidate and develop the fruits of victory of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution and

is of great immediate and far-reaching historical significance for China as well as the whole world. This great victory has had a tremendous worldwide impact and has been enthusiastically hailed by the people of all countries. A statement issued by a delegation of the Marxist-Leninist Communists of France said: "The victory over the clique of ambitious, anti-Party and anti-people elements is a historic guarantee that China will remain red under the leadership of its Communist Party headed by Chairman Hua Kuo-feng." Kang Hyon Su, Member of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers' Party and Chief Secretary of the Party's Pyongyang Municipal Committee, pointed out that the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people have smashed the plot of the "gang of four" to usurp Party and state power and that they support Hua Kuo-feng, successor to Chairman Mao, as Chairman of the C.P.C. Central Committee and Chairman of its Military Commission, "thus carrying out Comrade Mao Tsetung's behests and advancing triumphantly along the road of socialism and communism charted by Chairman Mao Tsetung." This is why the world's Marxist-Leninists and revolutionary masses speak with one voice: "This is a great victory of Mao Tsetung's Marxist-Leninist proletarian line over the bourgeois revisionist line."

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Like the sun and the moon, Chairman Mao's great thought shines brightly and his glorious contributions will live for ever! The revolutionary people of many countries are resolved to study more conscientiously the works by Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin and Chairman Mao's works and carry out the late Chairman's behests with concrete action. An American friend said: "We, the working people of the world, are Mao's successors" and "we will continue the cause for which he fought" until the great goal of "communism has finally been achieved." A Sri Lankan friend wrote fervently in his poem *Eternal Glory to Comrade Mao Tsetung*:

"Bringing into reality your optimistic dreams
'East is red' and 'world is red' is left to us.

"That world will be dedicated to your
golden name, holding aloft the banner of
victory."

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