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153 - BOSTON BRANCH OF COUSML ORGANIZES MEETING TO SUPPORT THE PALESTINIAN AND OTHER ARAB PEOPLES

Boston, November 15 (Workers' Daily) - On Saturday, November 3, the Boston Branch of the Central Organization of U. S. Marxist-Leninists held a meeting to support the struggle of the Palestinian and other Arab peoples and denounce the U. S. imperialist-Soviet social-imperialist collusion to suppress their just struggle against the super-power-backed Israeli Zionist aggression. The first speaker exposed and denounced the role of the two superpowers as the root cause of aggression and war waged by their tool, the Israeli Zionists against the Arab peoples. She said that the U. S. imperialists and Soviet social-imperialists have time and again colluded with one another to suppress the just struggle of the Palestinian people to regain their homeland and restore their national rights and the struggle of other Arab peoples to liberate their occupied territories and resist Zionist aggression. The present "cease-fire" is the joint plot of the two superpowers to impose their will on the Arab peoples and maintain a situation of "no war, no peace" in the Middle East where the Israeli Zionists have all rights to launch further aggression against the Arab peoples and the Arab peoples have no right to resist aggression and wage a sacred war for liberation of their occupied territories. She pointed out that the U. S. imperialists and Soviet social-imperialists collude with one another to suppress the struggle of the Arab people in order to escalate their contention and striving for hegemony in the area in their drive to exploit Arab labor, markets and resources. This is the true meaning of the "detente" in which the superpowers unite to suppress the peoples' struggles and contend for the position of number one exploiter of the people.

She said that the frantic maneuvering and plotting by the two superpowers was bound to fail because the Palestinian and other Arab peoples will never give up their just struggle to resist Israeli

aggressions and liberate their homelands. She said that the struggle of the Palestinian Arabs to liberate their country from Zionist occupation and restore their national rights is the firm rock upon which the struggle of all the Arab peoples rest, and the Palestinian people are bound to persist in armed struggle and wage protracted peoples' war to liberate their homeland from Zionist occupation. It is only with the success of the Palestinian revolution and the elimination of U. S. imperialist-Soviet social-imperialist domination of the Middle East, and of their creature, the Israeli Zionism, that the peace will come to the Middle East.

After the first talk, messages of solidarity with the struggle of the Arab peoples were presented by Afro-Asian comrades. Two Palestinian patriots affirmed that the "peace" plan that the two superpowers are attempting to impose on the Arab people is an imperialist plot to suppress their struggle and that aggression and war in the area will never end until the Palestinian people have liberated their homeland. They said that the Palestinian people will never lay down their arms and abandon their sacred struggle. A comrade from the Boston Indian Progressive Study Group also spoke in support of the Palestinian and other Arab people and denounced the U. S. imperialist-Soviet social-imperialist collusion against the Arab people. She said that the struggle of the Palestinian and other Arab people fully supports the struggles of all the peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America against imperialism and is fully supported by them.

The final speaker declared that the struggle of the Palestinian and other Arab people and all the peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America against U. S. imperialism is intimately linked up with the struggle of the American working class to overthrow U. S. imperialism in its heartland. He said that U. S. imperialism is based at once on the exploitation of the American working class

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and the plunder and pillage of the peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America, and that imperialist aggression and war will never end and the peoples never be liberated from exploitation unless the American working class and the oppressed peoples of the colonies and semi-colonies unite with one another to bury U.S. imperialism once and for all. He said that the American working class and people have always opposed imperialist aggression and war and that the decisive question in our movements against imperialist aggression is that we direct them squarely against the U.S. monopoly capitalist class and towards the seizure of state power by the proletariat. He said that just as the peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America have learned that the only path to liberation is the path of self-reliance and armed struggle which the Palestinian people are following, so too the American people are grasping that we cannot rely on the imperialists to change their nature and cease their aggressions, but must take matters firmly in our own hands and organize for the overthrow of the monopoly capitalist system. The most immediate and practical task facing us in organizing to overthrow the U.S. imperialists and make the working class the ruling class is the building of a Marxist-Leninist Communist Party as the leader and commander of the revolutionary movement on the basis of the proletarian revolutionary line. This is the path the American working class must follow to support the struggle of the peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America against imperialism and for national liberation.

Formal discussion continued for a long period of time in which several important questions were further clarified. It was shown that the elimination of imperialist war and aggression, such as the aggressions of the Israeli Zionists against the Arab peoples is dependent upon the elimination of the imperialist economic system which is the root cause of imperialist wars and aggression. As long as the U.S. monopoly capitalist class exists, it is bound to pursue military adventures and wars against the people in order to maintain the economic system of imperialism. This is a fundamental law of the world today and the people of the world are firmly grasping this fact and organizing for the overthrow of U.S. imperialism on a world scale. It was further clarified that for the American people to support the struggle of the colonial and semi-colonial peoples, it is essential that we grasp this law of imperialism and base our movements upon the struggle to overthrow the imperialist system in its heartland. History has shown time and again that without a Marxist-Leninist Party to lead our movements on the basis of the proletarian revolutionary line, they have all been liquidated and suppressed by the monopoly capitalist class which has led them into the blind ally of reformism, and far from being "reformed", have every day stepped up their aggression and war abroad and fascist suppression of the American working class and

people.

Informal discussion continued for several hours and the meeting concluded with all the comrades and friends reconvening to sing THE EAST IS RED and THE INTERNATIONALE.
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154 - UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN STUDENTS
DENOUNCE ISRAELI ZIONIST AGGRESSION AND
SUPPORT THE JUST STRUGGLES OF THE PALESTINIAN AND OTHER ARAB PEOPLES

Ann Arbor, November 15 (Workers' Daily) - The Afro-Asian Latin American Peoples' Solidarity Forum (Ann Arbor) and supporters of the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists held a militant week-long campaign on the University of Michigan campus recently to support the just struggles of the Palestinian and other Arab peoples against Israeli Zionist aggression and to condemn U.S. imperialist-Soviet social-imperialist collusion against the Arab peoples. The campaign included a successful meeting on November 1, a militant rally and mass democracy attended by hundreds of students on November 2, and wide-scale dissemination of the proletarian revolutionary line of support for the national liberation struggles of the Palestinian and other Arab peoples and of the necessity of proletarian revolution in the United States.

Over 600 people attended the meeting on November 1. Militant slogans denouncing Israeli Zionism, U.S. imperialism and Soviet social-imperialism and supporting the Palestinian and other Arab peoples decorated the room. A patriotic Palestinian, a representative of the Afro-Asian Latin American Peoples' Solidarity Forum (Ann Arbor) and a supporter of the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists addressed the meeting. They pointed out that Israeli Zionism and its backers and instigators, U.S. imperialism and Soviet social-imperialism, are the real source of aggression and war in the Middle East and that there can be no genuine and lasting peace in the area until the Zionists are driven out of all the land they occupy, the Palestinian people regain their homeland and the interference and bullying of the two superpowers against the Arab people is brought to an end. The supporter of the CO USML stressed that the American working class has great sentiment to support the national liberation struggles of the Palestinian and other Arab peoples and will make its concrete contribution to their struggle by organizing proletarian revolution in the United States to overthrow their common enemy, the U.S. monopoly capitalist class.

After the talks, a handful of Zionists who had sneaked into the meeting made a frantic attempt to disrupt and take over the meeting. At first their ringleader used bogus "questions" to divert the discussion. When this was exposed, he openly attacked all the Jewish people by saying "all Jews are Zionists". This was at once vigorously denounced by the masses present, including anti-Zionist Jews. Seeing all his attempts fail, he became frenzied. The enraged masses saw that no discussion was possible as long as the Zionist

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gang was allowed to stay. The chairman of the meeting led the masses in throwing out the Zionist disruptors. Vigorous discussion then followed in which a comrade pointed out that the Zionists are not just in the Middle East, they are also here. She said that just as the Arab people will never submit to Zionist racism and aggression in the Middle East, we will certainly not tolerate their bullying and disruptions here. Because of this resolute stand, the masses of students participated vigorously in the discussion, bringing up their experiences and uniting more closely with the Arab people.

On November 2, a vigorous rally was held at noon right in the middle of the university campus. Militant statements of solidarity were given and the slogans DEATH TO ZIONISM!! AND LONG LIVE THE PALESTINIAN REVOLUTION!! shook the University of Michigan campus. After the rally, a vigorous mass democracy was held in which large numbers of students participated in denouncing Israeli Zionism. Over 350 students took part in the rally and mass democracy which went on for three hours.

This campaign was a great victory for the revolutionary students at the University of Michigan in their efforts to build the revolutionary mass movement in support of the national liberation struggle of the Palestinian and other Arab peoples. In the course of the campaign, with the help of patriotic Arab students and other revolutionary activists, 7,000 revolutionary leaflets were distributed and many students came forward to support the struggle of the Palestinian and other Arab peoples and to denounce Israeli Zionism and the two superpowers. Because there are large numbers of Jewish students at the U. of M., the Zionists have done much propaganda there in order to raise money and recruit volunteers for Israel. The campaign showed that despite all their efforts, the Zionists are quite isolated and the masses of students support the Arab peoples' just struggle.

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155 - ISRAEL SUSTAINS HEAVY LOSSES IN WAR, FACES SERIOUS ECONOMIC PROBLEMS

Peking, November 4 (Hsinhua) - Israel is facing serious economic problems as a result of the heavy losses it has sustained in the war it provoked in the Middle East, according to reports from Tel Aviv.

Israeli Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir disclosed on November 1 that the first week of the war cost Israel nearly 8,000 million Israeli pounds (about 2,000 million dollars). This exceeds Israel's whole defense budget. Israel's defense spending which accounts for 18 percent of its gross output value product is the highest in the world.

Israeli rulers have been trying in every way to shift the heavy burden of war on to the people. A DPA report said that the people of Israel, "already burdened by an annual inflation rate of about 20 percent and income tax sometimes as high as 80 percent, now have to dig deeper into their pockets

to find the money for the war." The Israeli Finance Ministry Announced that by November 1, Israel had sold some 105 million dollars worth of "state bonds". The report said that Israel has decided that "a further 270 million dollars will flow from the population's pockets into the state coffers, in the form of compulsory government bonds". Israel's industries association predicted that "it would not be possible to avoid a two or three percent rise in industrial prices."

Israel's official estimates show that Israel's present gross national output value had dropped by one third as compared with that before the war since large numbers of people have been called up. The U.S. Christian Science Monitor said, "If there is to be a permanent, or semipermanent confrontation with Egypt and Syria along the present lines, then Israel faces very difficult choices in allocating manpower."

An article in this journal entitled "Israelis Sadly Tally War Costs; Unsure Peace Brings Prospect of Austerity" said, "Already there is talk that the Israel that will emerge from the ceasefire will have to be a more austere land, a land where the people are called upon to make greater sacrifices."

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156 - AN UNJUST CAUSE FINDS MEAGRE SUPPORT

Peking, November 4 (Hsinhua correspondent) - Eighteen African countries have severed diplomatic relations with Israel in less than one month since October 6 when it started a new war of aggression against Arab countries. They are Dahomey, Rwanda, Upper Volta, Cameroon, Equatorial Guinea, Tanzania, Madagascar, The Central African Republic, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Zambia, Gambia, Senegal, Ghana, Sierra Leone, Gabon, Kenya, and Liberia. This brings to 27 the total number of African countries which have broken diplomatic relations with Israel since it launched the "June 5" war of aggression in 1967, the other nine being Guinea, Uganda, Chad, the Congo, Niger, Mali, Burundi, Togo and Zaire. In other words, more than 80 percent of the 32 African countries which formerly had diplomatic relations with Israel have announced severance of diplomatic ties with Israel.

This has dealt a severe blow at the Israeli aggressors and constitutes a powerful support to the just struggle of the Arab people, the Palestinian people in particular. It is a reflection of the close unity of the African countries and the Arab countries in the struggle against Israeli aggression and demonstrates the great strength of the African countries' unity against imperialism.

For many years, Israel has made its way into Africa in the name of "aid" and "cooperation" and used its "diplomatic relations" with African countries as a "trump card" against the Arab countries. However, Israel's aggression against Arab countries and its criminal sabotage of the African liberation movements have aroused ever stronger indignation among the African countries and people. The Tenth Conference of the Heads of

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African States held this Spring adopted a resolution condemning Israel's continued occupation of Arab territories.

By launching the recent war of aggression, Israel has put itself in opposition to the Arab countries, the African countries and all countries and peoples the world over which cherish peace and uphold justice. Representatives of seventy non-aligned countries and thirty Islamic countries have held meetings at the United Nations and the leaders and governments of many Asian, African and Latin American countries have issued statements and declarations to express unanimous condemnation of Israeli aggression against the Arab countries. Protest mass rallies and demonstrations have been held in all parts of the world. A number of Jews in Los Angeles, the U.S., also participated in a meeting in support of the Arab peoples' just struggle. Even some West European countries have refused to allow U.S. aircraft rushing munitions to Israel to land in their airfields. This proves to the hilt that with the exception of the material and financial aid provided by U.S. imperialism and the manpower supplied by Soviet revisionism, the Israeli Zionists are utterly isolated. No wonder in a speech delivered at the end of last October, Israeli Prime Minister Golda Meir lamented: "We haven't got any particular surplus of friends in the world."

A just cause enjoys abundant support and an unjust cause has meagre support. The predicament in which the Israeli Zionists find themselves today once again testifies to this truth.

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157 - SUPERPOWERS CANNOT OBSTRUCT ARAB PEOPLE'S JUST STRUGGLE SAYS ORGAN OF NORWEGIAN WORKERS' COMMUNIST PARTY (M-L)

Stockholm, October 30 (Hsinhua) - "Class Struggle", organ of the Norwegian Workers' Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist), carried an editorial in its latest issue denouncing the superpowers for obstructing the Arab people's just struggle.

Entitled "The Superpowers Cannot Obstruct the Just Struggle", the editorial says: "The might of the fighting Syrian, Egyptian and other Arab peoples and Palestinian people has astounded the rulers in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv. It also caused uneasiness among the leaders of the superpowers."

The editorial notes that as the United States and the Soviet Union "are bound to rapidly restore the 'no war, no peace' situation which they think suit them best since they want to maintain their own spheres of influence and their control over oil and natural gas. Just as Chairman of the Chinese Delegation in the United Nations, Chiao Kuan-ihua has said, 'The situation of "no war, no peace" created

and maintained by the two superpowers serves them best in their scramble for spheres of influence, oil resources and strategic positions in the Middle East.' This exposure lays bare all Moscow's attempts to describe its Middle East policy as a policy in support of the Arab people. No matter what attitudes the parties concerned may take towards the so-called 'peace agreement', the will and interest of the Arab people to continue to fight until imperialism and Zionism are driven out of this region are clearly seen. 'Peace' today means nothing but an imperialist attempt to tighten chains on the necks of the (Arab) people."

End item.

158 - ITALIAN PAPER EXPOSES SUPERPOWERS' PLOT ON MIDDLE EAST CEASE-FIRE

Rome, November 2 (Hsinhua) - "The U.S. - Soviet accord on cease-fire in the Middle East was signed by the two superpowers behind the back of the Arab people" and was aimed at "carving up the energy resources and consolidating their spheres of influence," says an editorial of Nouva Unità, Organ of the Communist Party of Italy (Marxist-Leninist), on October 30.

The editorial notes "The U.S. - Soviet accord is a smokescreen war with which imperialism and social-imperialism try to cover up their plans for hegemony, rivalry and conspiratorial collusion."

Now the Arab people not only have to resist the Israeli aggression, but also to cope with intervention by the superpowers, it adds.

The editorial concludes by saying that the Communist Party of Italy (Marxist-Leninist) stands on the side of the Palestinian people who are struggling for the restoration of their rights and supports the cause of Arab people against Zionism and the policy of the two superpowers.

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