

## Soviet - Vietnamese aggressors

With typical reactionary arrogance the Soviet-Vietnamese aggressors and puppets and stooges around the world are falling over each other to congratulate themselves on their capture of the main roads and towns of Democratic Kampuchea, including the capital Phnom Penh. Their rejoicing is premature.

### People's war

Certainly the Kampuchean people led by their Communist Party and Comrade Pol Pot have suffered a setback. But the Kampuchean revolutionaries have made an in-depth study of Comrade Mao Tse-tung's theories of people's war. They know that in a predominantly agrarian country, such as Kampuchea, it is not the cities that are decisive. The rational economic policies pursued by our Kampuchean comrades have in any case ensured that there was no longer an over-large population in the cities (as was the case during the previous period, when millions had to take refuge in the cities to escape the US bombardment). What is decisive is the vast rural areas where the party enjoys the support of the masses and from where it can wage a protracted resistance war.

The Kampuchean comrades knew that they were faced with a massive aggression that they could not hope to defeat by conventional warfare. Therefore, they made plans well in advance to move their administration into the rural areas, from where Comrade Pol Pot leads the resistance fight whilst Comrade Ieng Sary leads the diplomatic fight from Peking.

# HANDS OFF KAMPUCHEA!

PICKET  
VIETNAMESE  
EMBASSY!

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THE ANCIENT TEMPLE of Angkor Wat is the national symbol of Kampuchea. It was protected by the revolutionary fighters during the liberation war and is a tribute to the talents of the working people of Kampuchea.

The Vietnamese aggressors may have succeeded in occupying large areas of Kampuchea, but they will find no peace! With over-extended supply lines, and in the midst of a hostile population they will be harried, attacked, pursued and eventually engulfed in a mighty ocean of people's war and driven from Kampuchea for ever, just like the US-backed Lon Nol traitor clique before them.

Like the US aggressors who fought in Vietnam, most of the Vietnamese troops have no will to fight, and the continuing war will fuel the discontent of the Vietnamese people, where already many of the minority nationalities have

risen in armed struggle against the Hanoi ruling clique.

### Call to the nation

Comrade Pol Pot made a radio speech on January 5th. He said that the Kampuchean nation and people have a lofty spirit of patriotism and a fine tradition of resisting enemies who tried to trample Kampuchea underfoot.

He pointed out that Vietnam had set all its forces in motion, including its vast numbers of ground troops, along with tanks, canon and aircraft, to continue its invasion of Kampuchea. Vietnam was determined to exterminate the Kampuchean nation and people.

Comrade Pol Pot said that the heroism displayed by the Kampuchean army and people in resisting the aggressors deserves respect and honour. "This lofty revolutionary heroism should be written in gold letters in the annals of our struggle to defend our country."

Comrade Pol Pot stressed, "No matter how far the Vietnamese and Soviet expansionists drive their forces into our country they will inevitably be submerged in a sea of people's war waged by the Kampuchean people."

"In face of the valiant struggle of the armed forces and people of Kampuchea, Vietnam and the Soviet international expansionists will never be able to anne

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Comrade Pol Pot

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the country and exterminate the Kampuchean race. The Kampuchean nation and people will never kneel down before the Vietnamese enemy. We will for ever hold aloft the banner of independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity and national dignity."

Comrade Pol Pot put great emphasis on the need to consolidate and develop the party leadership at all levels so as to make the party a vanguard in accomplishing its tasks, which he summarised as follows:

\* continuously defend, build, consolidate and develop the people's forces throughout the country on the basis of the worker-peasant

alliance;

\* unite with compatriots at home and abroad;

\* continuously build, consolidate and develop the revolutionary army and wage a people's war under the leadership of the party;

\* strengthen and develop production on industry, agriculture and handicrafts to enable the people to have food and enough materials;

\* consolidate both old and new revolutionary bases in all regions so as to carry out protracted war independently;

\* close ranks with all foreign friends both far and near.

Comrade Pol Pot went on to point out that the Vietnamese enemy is facing serious difficulties in the military, political, economic, financial and diplomatic fields. The Soviet international expansionists are trying hard to bolster Vietnam, "but," he said, "this can only solve its difficulties temporarily. From the viewpoint of the protracted people's war, the Vietnamese enemy will be doomed to failure in the end."

During the 1960s and early 1970s progressive people throughout the world built up a mighty mass movement in opposition to the aggressive wars of US imperialism against the peoples of Kampuchea, Laos and Vietnam. Today the social-fascist Vietnamese leaders

are attempting to colonise Laos and Kampuchea and are practising genocide against the minority nationalities in Vietnam itself.

Today it is incumbent upon all progressive people to build an equally large mass movement against the Vietnamese revisionist renegades, whose treachery and hypocrisy are of a scale rarely seen in history. There must be no double standards. The CWM says:-

DOWN WITH THE VIETNAMESE  
REVISIONISTS !

HANDS OFF KAMPUCHEA !

LONG LIVE THE COMMUNIST PARTY  
OF KAMPUCHEA !

UNITE AGAINST THE SOCIAL  
IMPERIALIST WAR MENACE !

# PEOPLES WAR WILL WIN

## Barefaced aggression

If anyone harboured any illusions about Vietnamese intentions, those illusions must surely have been erased now.

With the occupation of Phnom Penh has ended the act of revenge by the Soviet Union for recent successes by China in its foreign policy, and for the Soviet Union's long-standing hatred of the people of Kampuchea for the way the Soviet diplomats were humiliatingly expelled from Phnom Penh after the liberation of Kampuchea in 1975. The invasion also serves the Soviet Union's strategic needs for sources of raw materials and control of supply routes to Australia, Japan and the US.

### Hitlerite aggression

Vietnam invaded Kampuchea with tanks and aircraft, bombing hospitals and schools and killing and maiming many people. It was a massive blitzkrieg operation, like the Hitlerite invasions of Poland and France in 1939-1940, with the added horrors of chemical warfare which had revolted world opinion when used by the US aggressors in Vietnam itself.

The Vietnamese claim that the invasion was the work of Kampuchean rebels is such a patent lie that even they sometimes forget to tell it, preferring instead to make bellicose statements about their determination to overthrow the Kampuchean government and their ability to reach Phnom Penh in 24 hours.

Where on earth is the one-month-old 'front', reckoned to have 300 members, supposed to have conjured up a 100,000 strong, heavily-armed force, tanks, MIG fighter bombers (expertly piloted by obliging Russians), etc., if

Vietnam has kept its 'solemn' promise not to interfere in the internal affairs of other countries or act as an agent of subversion?

### Vietnam's chauvinist policies

Because of recent reverses in the grand designs of the social imperialists it was important for the puppet regime in Vietnam to suppress the Kampuchean people quickly.

As for the Vietnamese revisionists themselves, they are in desperate straits at home with many

### PROLETARIAN INTERNATIONALISM THROWN TO THE WINDS BY VIETNAMESE REVISIONISTS.

tion of Vietnamese of Chinese origin. They attacked Kampuchea many times, and even infringed on the territory of China, and attacked and killed Chinese fishermen.

This is all in pursuit of the national chauvinist daydream of the Vietnamese authorities; a colonial empire in the form of an 'Indochinese federation'.

### Agents of social imperialism

It is important for the people of Britain and Europe to see what the ambitions of the Soviet Union

This is because the very fact that China is in the process of socialist modernisation frightens the Soviet revisionists. This in turn shows how the 'Gang of Four' aided the imperialists, particularly the social imperialists, by attempting to keep China backward. As a modern socialist state, China can better combat and thwart the grand designs of the Soviet imperialists.

### People's war will win

It is a lot easier to over-run a country than to hold it. Kampuchea has faced invasions before and has won through. Once again in the future it will inflict a resounding defeat against its invaders.

Besides invading Kampuchea, Vietnam has betrayed the revolutionary people throughout South East Asia, by agreeing with the governments of Malaysia, Thailand and other countries not to aid the banned communist parties. This is something China has never done. Both before and during his recent visit to Thailand, Comrade Teng Hsiao-ping stressed the differences between party-to-party and state-to-state relations, and said that if China ever followed the Vietnamese in renouncing support to the Marxist-Leninist parties it would be something "despicable", "tantamount to raising the white flag" ... "China would not be a socialist country."

It is easy to see why Vietnam refuses to support these parties and fighters, because they are close friends of China and Kampuchea, and staunch opponents of revisionism. This is the same reason why the Soviet Union supported the traitorous US-backed Lon Nol regime.

## Picket Vietnamese Embassy!

Saturday, February 3rd.  
Assemble at Vietnamese Embassy,  
12 - 14, Victoria Rd., London,  
W.8. at 2 pm. March to Soviet  
Embassy at 3 pm.  
Called by the CWM.

people discontented. They have been scouring the world with a begging bowl, in contrast to Kampuchea, which has been exporting food.

Not long after liberation in 1975, the Vietnamese government began to put into effect policies of 'northern chauvinism', by putting cadres from the North into the South and giving the former NLF cadres menial tasks. The revisionists next set about purging the party of all comrades friendly to China, and instigated persecu-

## Public meeting on Kampuchea

7.30 pm, Saturday February 3rd.  
Co-op Hall, Seven Sisters Rd.,  
London N4 (Finsbury Park tube).

Organised by the London Districts of the Revolutionary Communist League of Britain and the CWM, with speakers from both organisations. Speakers from fraternal organisations to be invited.

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The Soviet Union has no respect for the sovereignty of any state or any people. If anyone dares to stand firm, they are threatened with being trampled underfoot like Czechoslovakia, Eritrea and now Kampuchea. To do this it uses its puppets, like Cuba and Vietnam and Eastern Europe (with the exception of Romania and Yugoslavia).

The Soviet Union tries to stop any country acting in the interests of China, as in the recent case of Britain's Harrier jump-jet deal.

# International Solidarity With Kampuchea

The rabid aggression of the Soviet social imperialists and their Vietnamese revisionist sidekicks against socialist Democratic Kampuchea has further exposed their ugly features to the peoples of the world. A rain of condemnation has come down on their heads;

## China — complete solidarity

Standing at the forefront is socialist China, which is giving all-sided support to the Kampuchean people. On January 8th, Chairman Hua said, "The Chinese government and people firmly support the government and people of Democratic Kampuchea in their struggle against Vietnamese aggression."

Whilst on a visit to Africa, Comrade Li Hsien-nien said, "We will certainly support Kampuchea wherever we can. By committing aggression against Kampuchea, Vietnam has set itself not only against the Kampuchean people but also against the people of South East Asia and the whole world."

## Korea speaks out

Socialist Korea has sharply denounced the Vietnamese aggressors. "Rodong Sinmun", organ of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, accused the Vietnamese of "open armed intervention" and accused them of betraying the cause of socialism. The paper continued;

"The government of Democratic Kampuchea is an independent, lawful government established at the general will of the Kampuchean people.

"Even according to the announcement of the Vietnamese side, the 'National United Front for the National Salvation of Kampuchea' was formed about a month ago. How can it mobilise in such a short period vast quantities of military equipment including so many planes, tanks and artillery

more than 10 divisions? This surpasses the imagination of ordinary people.

"It is intolerable to resort to an open armed action against a legitimate revolutionary power and overthrow it, under whatever pretext it may be committed."

"This is an open challenge discrediting socialism and endangering peace.

"In particular, the Kampuchean people offered...many...areas of Kampuchea as operational and supply bases and actively supported and cooperated with the Vietnamese people materially and morally at the difficult time of the Vietnamese people's war of resistance against US aggression... in defiance of the wanton pressure and armed intervention by the imperialists and the reactionaries at home.



Korean leader,  
Comrade Kim Il Jung.

"It must be said that the act of Vietnam is an ungrateful act discarding the revolutionary

The present developments in Kampuchea give a serious lesson to the world people.

"It is clear that if a precedent of one country dominating and controlling another country with strength is overlooked today, some other country will conquer and subjugate still another country tomorrow.

"Therefore the world people should heighten vigilance against all sorts of dominationist aggressive manoeuvres and unite... in opposing them.

"Only by waging a vigorous struggle against imperialism and dominationism can the people consolidate national independence... and build a free and peaceful, new world free from all manner of domination and subjugation.

"As historical experience shows, the action of dominating and ruling others would bring nothing good."

## Balkan rebels

"Scintea", organ of the Communist Party of Romania, said, "No reasons and arguments whatsoever can justify intervention and interference in the affairs of another state.

"Nothing can justify support given to elements rising against their own government, against those who wage a hard anti-imperialist battle, who opened the road of socialist, free and independent development for the Kampuchean people."

The paper called for the immediate withdrawal of foreign troops from Kampuchea to allow the Kampuchean people to run their own country.

The government of Yugoslavia called on the United Nations Security Council to "take necessary measures aimed at protecting the territorial integrity, independence and sovereignty of Kampuchea, as well as its non-aligned status.

The Yugoslav Foreign Ministry said, "Any sort of foreign intervention or aggression under any pretext, was not permissible."

The Soviet news agency TASS had the cheek to censure Yugoslavia for its support for the legal government of Kampuchea.

neighbours are also supporting her fight against aggression. Deputy Prime Minister of Thailand Boonchai Baarungpong said that Thailand supports the Kampuchean government led by Pol Pot. He said that the invasion of Kampuchea was aimed at materialising Hanoi's dream of an 'Indochina federation', and it is possible that Hanoi would later proceed to threaten Thailand.

## Demonstrations and protests

Marxist-Leninist parties and organisations, and progressive parties, organisations and individuals of many countries have issued statements, published articles or held demonstrations in support of Kampuchea, including in Bangladesh, Turkey, Venezuela, Greece, Japan, Sweden, Tanzania, Sri Lanka, Germany, Belgium, Spain, Italy, Norway, Portugal, etc. Reports are still coming in as "New Age" goes to press.

In Canada, over 100 people braved bitter cold to demonstrate outside the Vietnamese Embassy in Ottawa. The Chairman of the Canadian Communist League (Marxist-Leninist) Comrade Roger Rashi gave a press conference in which he described the conditions he saw in Kampuchea during his visit last December. He described Vietnamese aggression as "a part of the world strategy of the Soviet Union."

A thousand workers, students and overseas Kampucheans took part in a Paris demonstration called jointly by three French Marxist-Leninist organisations. The demonstrators distributed a leaflet pointing out, "In Kampuchea today as in Czechoslovakia ten years ago, the same sinister tentacles are on the move. They belong to the Moscow neo-Nazis."

The secretariat of the Unified Communist Party of Italy said that the Vietnamese invasion of Kampuchea reminds people of the Nazi invasion of Spain and the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia.



# BRITAIN'S QUISLINGS

The events in South East Asia show that it's high time that those who have got themselves mixed up with the Labour 'left', revisionists and Trotskyists stopped a moment to take a look at international affairs and tried to realise what they've got themselves into.

As for Labour, the current, towards 'appeasement' of Soviet aggression (i.e. allowing it to gather momentum) is stronger than immediately meets the eye. It is not only the crude gimmickry and publicity-seeking of a few 'Tribune' MPs and suchlike (for instance Frank Allaun and Joan Maynard, who recently called on the government to change its decision to sell the Harrier jump-jet to China, so as not to upset the New Tsars). Even at the highest levels of policy-making in the Labour Party, appeasement is becoming 'the thing'. For instance, a recent document circulated by the National Executive Committee under the title "Cold peace — Soviet power and Western security" (to be reviewed in a future issue of "New Age") is virtually a manifesto for appeasement. From top to bottom, the Labour Party is riddled with those who sing us lullabies about how unrealistic or 'alarmist'

it is to call for opposition to Soviet warmongering.

The 'Communist' Party of Great Britain makes a big hoo-ha (largely through its rag, the "Morning Star") about being opposed to the most blatant aspects of Soviet imperialism, such as the invasion of Czechoslovakia in 1968. But when it comes to the invasion of an Asian country, they are all smiles and Goebbels-like talk of "liberation". This reveals the fundamental racism that lies behind the would-be 'human face' of social-fascism. Their attitude to the Soviet Union is: 'It's OK if you invade a third world country or two, just as long as you stay 'human' and keep your hands off whites'.

What about the various varieties of Trots? Don't some of them take a firmer stand against Soviet aggression? Hardly. Even the SWP, which admits that the Soviet Union is a capitalist country, does not take the crucial step of acknowledging that this makes it an imperialist country. And with the SWP's typical Trotskyite feature of propagating the most fanciful and reactionary lies cooked up by the CIA, etc. (which have been heaped on Democratic Kampuchea in greater quantities than can be remembered

since Lenin in 1917 was represented as hell-bent on exterminating the Russian race) the SWP has 'stood on the fence' over Kampuchea (i.e. cynically hopes its members will be sufficiently unconcerned with international affairs for them not to wake up and realise that their leadership has effectively placed them in the social-imperialist camp). As for the more pro-Soviet IMG and their paper, "Socialist Challenge", whose pen-pusher-in-chief Tariq Ali had a journalistic orgasm when the Soviet Union moved into Afghanistan last year, their line boils down to open and blatant support for Hitlerism. What sort of 'friends' are such people going to be in our anti-fascist and other class struggles in Britain?

What all these would-be 'leftists' have in common is their lack of revolutionary experience. They wouldn't know a revolution if one was served up for them for breakfast. Even among the few who do get involved in workers' struggles, such as 'anti-revisionist' Reg Birch, 'hero' of recent struggles at Heathrow Airport, the "Daily Express", and Fords, their record stinks of betrayal of workers' interests. Birch's 'party', the Communist Party of Britain (Marxist-Leninist) have been gadding about telling us all how much more 'left wing' they are than anyone else.

But now they have their knickers in a twist. For they have throughout been the staunchest supporters of Vietnamese aggression. They are therefore now shown up to be not 'the leftest of them all', but just one more element in the Labour-revisionist-Trotskyite rag-bag which is prepared to collaborate with the most aggressive imperialist power of our time.

Only the CWM and other genuine Marxist-Leninist organisations have a clean record of paying attention to world events and sounding the alarm about the truth of Soviet intentions.

To those who are still mixed up with the appeasers, we say: Wake up! Break away! Join up with the Marxist-Leninists to build a new revolutionary leadership.

