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Comrades
(Perspectiva Mundial
New York, U.S.A.)

Dear Comrades:

In consideration of their importance for the entire Fourth International, we are sending you copies of the resolutions on Fausto Amador and the Pluma Publishing House approved by the Central Committee of our party at its meeting on the 9, 10, 11, and 12 of December.

In consideration likewise of the fact that this situation endangers the Fourth International as a whole, and quite particularly the Latin American sections, we ask that our resolution be brought to the attention of the members of your section by publishing it in the Internal Bulletin.

Fraternally,

Socialist Workers Party PST
Executive Committee

Julio

For the Executive Committee PST

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Resolution on Fausto Amador

Whereas:

1. The activities of Fausto Amador which were the object of an investigation by the Fourth International constituted acts of collaboration with the Somoza dictatorship.

2. These acts disqualified Fausto Amador from exercising leadership posts in the Fourth International until a long period of testing demonstrated that he was morally capable of exercising them.

3. The question of Fausto Amador is of enormous political importance in Central America, an importance that is multiplied by the present crisis shaking the region and particularly Nicaragua, so that any support given by the Fourth International to Fausto Amador places in danger the very existence of the Fourth International in Central America.

4. The United Secretariat at its meeting of October 29-31, 1977, admitted Fausto Amador into our international with a status "the same as that of all members of organizations that have entered into fraternal relations with the Fourth International pending recognition by the next world congress," which means that in actuality he has been converted into a full member of our international.

5. The same resolution accepts Fausto Amador's residing in Costa Rica.

6. The only limitation established in said resolution is the "recommendation" that "for a probationary period of twelve months or until the eve of the next world congress... Comrade Amador function as a member...without accepting any

national leadership posts."

7. This final "recommendation" is absolutely formal, since Fausto Amador has ample recourse to the mass media of Costa Rica where he is well known as a sympathizer of the OST, and Intercontinental Press is trying to promote him to an international level by publishing articles bearing his signature.

The CC of the PST resolves:

1. To categorically reject the resolution of the United Secretariat with respect to Fausto Amador.

2. To demand that the USec rectify the cited resolution and replace it with a different one along the following lines:

In view of the fact that Fausto Amador acted as a collaborator of the Somoza dictatorship and was denounced as such by the heroic fighters of the Frente Sandinista de Liberación Nacional, the USec of the Fourth International resolves: not to admit Fausto Amador into the Fourth International, but test him for a minimum period of five years with rank-and-file tasks outside of Central America in a section of the Fourth International, and after this period has passed to rediscuss his entrance.

3. To repudiate IP's policy of promoting the figure of Fausto Amador as a Nicaraguan and Central American Trotskyist leader.

4. To call on the USec to censure any attempt similar to that of IP and require all publications of the Fourth International to refrain from promoting in any way the figure of

Fausto Amador as a Trotskyist leader.

5. To recommend to Revista de América that it follow a policy of not collaborating with any publication that promotes by any means whatsoever the figure of Fausto Amador as a Trotskyist leader.

6. To call on the USec to open a public debate regarding this case in the publications of the Fourth International, inviting the Frente Sandinista de Liberación in particular to participate in it.

7. To demand that the USec of the Fourth International place at the disposition of the PST all the documentation that it has on the Amador case.

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Resolution on the Pluma Publishing House

The CC of the PST

Whereas:

Pluma is one of the biggest Trotskyist publishing houses in the world and the biggest in Spanish-speaking Latin America. enterprise`

This has been attacked with bourgeois methods by JORGE ENRIQUE POSADA LALINDE (by way of clarification, the terms used in this whereas involves our concern not to leave any flank open for JORGE ENRIQUE POSADA LALINDE to again use bourgeois justice against us).

Be it resolved:

1. To defend the Pluma Publishing House unyieldingly, supporting the comrades of the party and the Bolshevik Tendency who are struggling to save it.

2. To declare Mr. JORGE POSADA and Mr. UMBERTO VALVERDE to be ENEMIES of the Fourth International and the Colombian SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY.

3. To make available to the members of the PST the report on the financial situation of the Pluma Publishing House.