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To
The United Secretariat,
Fourth International,
Paris.

Dear Comrades,

The Central Secretariat of the Communist League, Indian Section of F.I. at its meeting held on 21-22 October, 1978 discussed the Draft of The World Political situation and The tasks of the Fourth International - Draft Resolution for Fifth World Congress submitted for discussion by Majority of the United Secretariat. (I.I.D.B. Vol. XV. No:5, July, 1978).

It was unanimously decided to convey following comments for your consideration.

Comrades were unanimous in feeling that this Draft marks a considerable advance on the question of party building and F.I. in changed favourable global political situation.

Nonetheless the reaction of the comrades was that barring Latin America, not much attention has been devoted to the problems of former colonial or semi-colonial or newly independent countries in this Draft. This omission might be due to the practical difficulties of obtaining assistance of or association from comrades of such countries while framing portions of Draft relating to such countries. It might in part be due also to the fact that at present F.I. is not growing at a similar pace as it is, for example, in Western countries.

While in general, the Draft contributes a lot to getting a correct global orientation for comrades of such countries, it is apprehended that it has not much to offer so far as some of the specific problems relating to this sector of the world revolutionary process are concerned.

On the question of Vietnam, the Draft seems to maintain more than necessary silence.

It would also be better if the revised Draft notes the recent developments in Peru and participation of comrades there. We feel that the revolutionary use of bourgeois State institutions made by our comrades - especially C. Hugo Blanco - and the way in which it was made - is going to have far-reaching implications and lessons for the entire International. Its significance cannot be confined to backward countries alone. Final Draft should try to draw a correct balance-sheet of our growth in Peru.

The comrades found that in the Draft, lessons of Portugal for party building are not drawn adequately at all. Several interrelated questions are to the point here: How to win the workers from the corrupting influences of social-democratic and communist parties? How best to approach the question of dual power in such revolutionary situations? How best the party can be built rapidly during the struggle itself during such crisis? The role and function of bourgeois-democratic demands and their relation to ongoing struggles of the workers and their organs of self-organisation need to be discussed.

Perhaps, the discussion relating to Portugal and Spain might properly be the subject matter of a separate resolution on Western Europe.

The recent discussion on Cuba and the nature of the Cuban State in SWP-U.S.A. and in F.I. Press is very instructive. Perhaps the United Secretariat could present a rounded present view of F.I. Leadership on this question. Admittedly, Cuba's role in Africa and its stand on African struggle for independence has already become controversial. It would be better if F.I. membership is given correct Marxist orientation on this question.

With greetings,

fraternally,

Shared Javari
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on behalf of Central Secretariate,
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