

MR. SWP

FEB. 5, 1972

FROM: MR. FERNANDO GUERRERO

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After reviewing the past activities or lack of activities of the SWP in the Chicano Movement and the Labor Movement as a whole, it is totally ridiculous to consider the SWP a serious political organization that is trying to become the Vanguard of the American Revolution.

The lack of a Marxist approach to the world situation has brought the SWP to a position that it renounces (ie in word & deed) some of the basic axioms that Comrade Trotsky hoped would be learned from his writings against Shachtman and Burnham. Today you are sacrificing the long and hard earned traditions that the SWP developed in its early years, for a leadership role in sectors of society that have no relevant social weight (ie students, Gays, and petty-bourgeois feminists.) Your lack-handed support of movements like the Chicano Movement are a total disgrace. Your feeble participation in the L.A. Moratorium, and no participation in LA Huelga Movement are indication of your so-called priorities. I assume you, the Chicano Movement will be quit aware of its responsibility of dealing

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with organizations like the SWP, whose task is not to build and help guide the Chicago Movement; but to use it, and mold its energies to fit its own revisionist concepts of reality (sector theory of the Amer. Rev.).

The only service that the SWP can contribute to the coming Amer. Revolution is to continue to publish the writings of Lenin, Trotsky, and Cannon, and other revolutionaries. It's obvious that your only talent is to publish and not to assimilate or carry out the teachings of these revolutionaries. Your present leadership has only one place in history, and that is the obituary column for traitors and renegades from the Socialist movement. So continue to publish the writings of great revolutionaries of the past; but these gentlemen — step aside and let the masses of black, brown, and working class lead; for the only participation you will have in the revolution will be to wipe the dust out of your eyes as the working class obtains its rightful place in society — at the head of it.

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I trust that your gentlemen, although I prefer the word scoundrel to describe your activities in the socialist movement, and the Third world communities, to remove my good Chicago name off your despicable membership roll.

J. Fuentes

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Hilda Guerrero
Feb 6, 1972
Berkeley, Calif.

Socialist Workers Party:

The party that persists in dismissing the criticisms that have been leveled against it by present party members, is a party that will in all probability soon find itself dismissing, disregarding, and eventually deserting its own program.

However, here I will concern myself (and am most concerned) with the party's foolhardy policies regarding the nationalist question. The party that only tokenly considers the insurgent nationalist movements cannot hope to influence, in the slightest, the course of the coming American Revolution. The party that presently uses and abuses its limited resource of Black and Chicano party members, will never be an integral part of the political development of the nationalist movements. If the SWP continues only to use Black and Brown members as only a "cover" and refuses to use a significant part of its entire range of resources, the party's Third World fractions will remain small impotent and highly representative of the opportunistic seeking only full-time payroll status for a full-time commentator job.

Wishing not to be included in the former group.
I wish to resign from the Socialist Workers Party.

Hilda Guerrero