

EDITORIAL ON SHANGHAI "URGENT NOTICE"
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On 9 January, our paper carried an "Urgent Notice" issued by 32 revolutionary rebel organizations including the Shanghai Workers' Revolutionary Rebel General Headquarters. Holding high the great red banner of the proletarian revolutionary line represented by Chairman Mao, this "Urgent Notice" has firmly implemented Chairman Mao's correct directive of "grasping revolution and stimulating production." It is also another Marxist-Leninist big-character poster, as well as a document of vital historical significance.

The thought of Mao Tse-tung has incomparably strong power. The "Message to All Shanghai People" and the "Urgent Notice" fully embody the great thought of Mao Tse-tung.

Their appearance meant a fatal blow to counterrevolutionary, revisionist economism. In only a few days, the broad masses of revolutionary rebels and revolutionary workers enforced various policies specified in the

"Urgent Notice," and the whole situation changed largely. The rebel group of workers of the 5th division of Shanghai Harbor Bureau smashed the plot of a "harbor strike" hatched by the Shanghai Municipal Committee and righted the main orientation of the struggle. The revolutionary rebel workers of Shanghai Tram Depot No. 2 guaranteed uninterrupted tram service in Shanghai municipality and insured that sufficient number of trams would be put into service when the residents went to work in the morning and returned home in the evening. Deputy Mayors Chang Ch'eng-tsung and Sung Chi-wen who wantonly spread economism were seized by the revolutionary rebels and paraded around the streets before the public. Passenger and goods trains between Shanghai and Ningpo and between Shanghai and Hangchow resumed normal service. Many workers, who had been hoodwinked, consciously returned the bribe they had taken...Counterrevolutionary, revisionist economism was like a rat crossing the street and being chased by all passers-by. This news was really delightful!

What was still more delightful was that on 11 January the CCP Central Committee, the State Council, and the Military Committee and the Cultural Revolution Group of the CCP Central Committee sent a telegram conveying warm congratulations to all revolutionary rebel organizations in Shanghai municipality. This represented the greatest support, the greatest encouragement and the greatest spur that our most respected and beloved great leader Chairman Mao gave to the revolutionary masses in Shanghai. A "meeting to celebrate the telegram from the CCP Central Committee and take the oath of thoroughly smashing the latest counter-attack by the bourgeois reactionary line" was held yesterday in Shanghai, dealing a destructive blow at the latest counter-attack by the bourgeois reactionary line.

The latest counter-attack by the bourgeois reactionary line has been defeated but not yet been smashed thoroughly; the proletarian revolution line has won a great victory, but has not yet won a complete victory. We must see that the handful of diehards insistently enforcing the bourgeois reactionary line are still making resistance at the corner and attempting to launch a new counter-attack. This heap of rubbish does not disappear by itself unless we remove it. They are welcome if they want to match strength with us!

The handful of overlords of the Shanghai Municipal Committee are good for nothing. They will soon be repudiated thoroughly. At this critical juncture of the decisive battle between socialism and capitalism, we revolutionary rebels of the whole municipality must stand up and take prompt action to unite ourselves better and launch a struggle for seizing power. We must tightly grasp the destiny of the dictatorship of the proletariat, the destiny of the great proletarian cultural revolution, and the destiny of the socialist economy. We must immediately set up a joint organization of revolutionary rebels throughout Shanghai, put forth a positive program for the proletarian revolution, take resolute measures, mobilize the masses boldly, set up new, revolutionary order, and get ready at all times to smash the frenzied counter-attacks launched by the enemies. We firmly believe that, with the handful

of overlords in the Shanghai Municipal Committee kicked away, the cause of revolution and production in Shanghai will develop flourishingly under the leadership of the revolutionary rebels.

Unity is by no means eclecticism and mixing of earth. Ours is a big unity based on the principles of Marxism-Leninism and the thought of Mao Tse-tung. All revolutionary rebels should attach importance to the revolutionary interests of the whole situation, thoroughly repudiate any selfish and impure thoughts, and join our hands and fight shoulder to shoulder on Chairman Mao's revolutionary road. Therefore, the process of big unity is invariably a process of the struggle for eliminating bourgeois ideology and promoting proletarian ideology, and destroying selfish ideas and establishing the public concept.

We are happy to see that today's Shanghai is a world of revolutionary rebels!

Revolutionary rebels, unite!