MEETING OF GERMAN AND BRITISH MARXIST-LENINISTS

In April 1999, representatives of the

Communist · Party · of · Germany · (Marxist-Leninist) (KPD/ML)

and the

Communist League (CL) of Britain

met in London and held a fruitful discussion on the contemporary world situation.

The representatives are pleased to report that the two organisations found that their views were in agreement on all the major issues of the past and present.

For example, both organisations agreed on the following <u>basic principles</u> of Marxism-Leninism:

- -- that the transition to socialism requires the revolutionary overthrow of the capitalist system and the establishment of the political power of the working class (the 'dictatorship of the proletariat') and of centralised state planning in place of the profit motive;
- -- that this transition can be brought about only under the leadership of Marxist-Leninist parties;
- -- that in every country Marxist-Leninist Parties shall attend to the political education of their members in the principles of Marxism-Leninism so that any future attempt on the part of leaders to divert a Party along the path of revisonism may be checked and eliminated before it has done any permanent damage;
- -- that the two organisations must work, in cooperation with other Marxist-Leninist organisations and parties, for the unification of the Marxist-Leninist forces in each country into a single Marxist-Leninist Party;
- -- that the two organisations agree to work for the reconstruction of an international Marxist-Leninist organisation on the principles of the former Communist Internation1.

The representatives also agreed:

- -- that the liquidation of socialism in the Soviet Union and Albania was due not to the failure of socialism but to its distortion by traitorous revisionists prentending to be 'modernisers' of Marxism-Leninism;
- -- that particular tribute should be paid to Josef Stalin and to the Party of Labour of Albania under the leadership of Enver Hoxha for their role in the international struggle against revisionism;
- -- that 'Mao Tse-tung Thought' and 'Kimilsungism' are not developments of Marxism-Leninism, but must be exposed for what they are -- brands of revisionism;

- -- that the continued existence of revisionism presents the most serious hindrance to Marxist-Leninist everywhere, and we must particularly beware of those who call themselves Marxist-Leninists but in reality practise revisonism;
- -- that, while condemning alike the military intervention of the NATO powers in Yugoslavia and the genocidal atrocities committed by the Serb social-fascists, full support must be given to the heroic fighters of the Kosova Liberation Army (KLA) in their correct struggle for the national liberation of the Kosovar people; however, the CPGer/ML express reservations on the role of some mafia-type elements which they believe to be operating within the KLA;
- -- that European integration in the EC helps the European imperialists, and particularly the German imperialists, in their struggle against the European working people and the peoples of the colonial-type countries and should therefore be opposed, as should rival attempts at globalisation on the part of American imperialism;
- that the current world situation reflects the accentuating crisis of decaying capitalist society at the end of the 20th century, and must be utilised by the working people to further the cause of socialist revolution.

During his visit to London, the visiting German comrade attended, by invitation, a meeting of the 'National Committee for the Marxist-Leninist Party' and gave a brief talk on the political situation in Germany.

Signed:

On hehalf of the Communist Party of Germany (Marxist-Leninist): by Wolfgang Eggers, Chairman;

On behalf of the Communist League:

Secretary.