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On March 14, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China sent a message to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist), warmly greeting the 10th anniversary of its founding. The message reads in full as follows:

Central Committee of the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist)

Dear Comrades,

On the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the founding of the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist), the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China extends warm, fraternal greetings to the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist).

Over the last ten years, the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist), under the leadership of its Central Committee headed by Comrade E.F. Hill, has held high the banner of Marxism-Leninism, resolutely opposed modern revisionism and waged persistent struggles in defence of the revolutionary principles of Marxism-Leninism, against U.S. imperialism and Soviet revisionist social-imperialism, in support of the revolutionary struggles of the peoples of all countries, against monopoly capital in Australia, in defence of national independence and for the realization of socialism, and has achieved significant successes. The Communist Party of China extends its warmest congratulations to the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist) for all its achievements.

The present international situation is characterized by worldwide great disorder. Beset with troubles at home and abroad, the two superpowers, the Soviet Union and the United States, find the going tougher and tougher. Countries want independence, nations want liberation, and the people want revolution. This has become an irresistible trend of history. We firmly believe that in such an excellent situation, the Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist), by persisting in integrating the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of revolution of its own country and maintaining close links with the masses, will certainly score still greater victories.

Our two Parties have always supported each other and learnt from each other in their common struggle. The unity of our two Parties, which is based on Marxism-Leninism and the principle of proletarian internationalism, is bound to be further consolidated and developed.

Long live the invincible Marxism-Leninism!

Central Committee of the Communist Party of China

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Comrades E.F. Hill and N. Gallagher Feted

Chou En-lai, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, Chang Chun-chiao, Member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the C.P.C. Central Committee, and Chiang Ching, Member of the Political Bureau of the C.P.C. Central Committee, met E. F. Hill, Chairman, and N. Gallagher, Vice-Chairman, of the Australian Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) and then gave a banquet in their honour on March 17. Hosts and guests had a very cordial conversation.

Among those attending the meeting and the banquet were Kang Piao, Member of the C.P.C. Central Committee and Head of the International

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Liaison Department of the C.P.C. Central Committee, and Feng Hsuin, Member of the C.P.C. Central Committee and Deputy Head of the International Liaison Department of the C.P.C. Central Committee.

Kuwait National Assembly Speaker Visits China

Khalid Salih Al-Ghuneim, Speaker of the National Assembly of Kuwait, his wife and the two other members of his party paid a friendly visit to China from March 9 to 14 at the invitation of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress.

Chairman Chu Teh, Vice-Chairmen Chou Chien-jen and Ngapo Ngawang-Jigme, of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, and Premier Chou En-lai met the Kuwaiti guests separately the day following their arrival. Hosts and guests had cordial and friendly conversations.

On the evening of March 10, the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress gave a banquet to warmly welcome Khalid Salih Al-Ghuneim and his wife.

In his toast, Vice-Chairman Chou Chien-jen said that Kuwait is a new emerging country and the Kuwaiti people have a glorious tradition of opposing imperialism. He praised their achievements in defending national independence and state sovereignty, safeguarding national resources and building the country and the new success in the struggle to recover their petroleum rights and interests.

"The Government and people of Kuwait," Chou Chien-jen said, "always firmly support the just struggle of the Palestinian people. They have worked energetically in co-ordination with the Egyptian, Syrian and Palestinian people in their war to counter Israeli aggression. They oppose the superpowers' interference in the affairs of the Gulf. They support the Afro-Asian nations' cause of unity against imperialism. The just stand of the Kuwaiti Government has won the respect and acclaim of the other countries of the Third World."

Chou Chien-jen went on: "China and Kuwait belong to the Third World. Both of us suffered from imperialist aggression and oppression in the past. Our two peoples now face the task of opposing imperialist and hegemonic aggression and expansion. The common struggle has bound the peoples of our two countries together."

Recalling the long history of relations between the Chinese and the Arab peoples, National Assembly Speaker Khalid Salih Al-Ghuneim said in his toast: "In modern history which witnessed oppression imposed on the people of various countries by imperialism, our people and the Chinese people both suffered from this oppression. We are deeply aware that imperialism intends to control the people of various countries and our wealth. We have therefore waged a common struggle to get rid of the evil influence of imperialism, and have made sacrifices to restore our sovereignty and dignity."

He said that the Kuwaiti people look forward to strengthening their relations with the Chinese people.

On March 11, before leaving for a visit to Shanghai, National Assembly Speaker Khalid Salih Al-Ghuneim and his wife gave a farewell banquet.

Booklets Criticizing Lin Piao and Confucius Widely Distributed

According to incomplete figures, more than 200 million copies of booklets criticizing Lin Piao and Confucius have been distributed in the past month by Hsinhua Bookstores all over the country. This has been done in close co-ordination with the struggle to criticize Lin Piao and Confucius.

Among the titles are: Selected Passages From Lu Hsun's Works in Criticism of the Doctrines of Confucius and Mencius, first two volumes of Collection of Articles Criticizing Lin Piao and Confucius, and An Anthology of Statements Since the May 4th Movement by Reactionaries, Feudal and Bourgeois Scholars Worshiping Confucius and Advocating Restoration of the Old Order. These booklets are warmly welcomed by the broad masses of workers, peasants and soldiers.

Hsinhua Bookstore packers and deliverers in the provinces, municipalities and autonomous regions made great efforts to get the booklets distributed quickly while conscientiously taking part in the movement to criticize Lin Piao and Confucius. For example, personnel in the Peking distributing department of Hsinhua Bookstore have further heightened their class consciousness by linking the current class struggle with the criticism of Lin Piao's crime in imitating Confucius' "restraining oneself and returning to the rites" and vainly trying to restore capitalism. By improving book loading and unloading equipment, they were able to get these booklets speedily to the country's border regions.

Hsinhua Bookstores in cities and counties made great efforts to ensure that the booklets reached the educated youth quickly. Bookstores in many regions have reading rooms for worker-peasant-soldier readers to borrow the booklets or other reference material.

Training Workers' Theoretical Group

The Party committee of the Peking People's Printing Plant has had good results in training a workers' theoretical group in the course of the movement to criticize Lin Piao and rectify the style of work. This group for studying Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought includes teams in all of the plant's seven workshops and five departments, totalling more than 80 members. Ninety percent of the members are workers and most of the 87 production shifts and teams have one or two worker theoretical instructors.

As the movement to criticize Lin Piao and rectify the style of work developed deeper and deeper in 1973, many workers wanted to arm themselves with revolutionary theory. Their desire was heeded by the Party committee and workers from the whole plant who were better ideologically, more politically conscious and willing to study hard were selected and organized into an after-work group to study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought.

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