## **Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile**

## International rally in Rome: Speech by the PCR delegate

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## Rome, January 23, 1977

The working class and the Chilean people are fighting with ever greater breadth and determination against the fascist military junta and North American imperialism, enemies of more than 90% of our people. However, as you know, we are not all united against the dictatorship. The main cause of this division is the existence of two completely opposite lines within the political forces that oppose the fascist military junta.

Our Party has, from the start, expressed a deeply revolutionary line of struggle by the working class and the people to bring down the dictatorship. We consider this struggle as an integral part of the struggle of our people for their final liberation. The more forces the working class and the people accumulate in the struggle against the dictatorship, simultaneously with the development of the popular armed struggle and the formation of their army, the more they will be able to gain democratic guarantees after having defeated the fascist dictatorship, the more they will approach the conquest of power and popular democracy, towards socialism.

This clear line of struggle and its continuous assimilation on the part of the combatants of the masses allows the Party to develop constantly and to count on

the support of ever larger sectors of the masses and the respective bases of the anti-fascist parties. The Party appealed to the widest unity of all the anti-fascist sectors and did not stop there, like the others, but it gave the impetus for the development of the People's Front (*Frente del Pueblo*).

Resistance Committees and other grassroots organizations are multiplying rapidly in factories, in the countryside, in schools, in offices, in universities, etc.

In the same way this line manifests itself in the Party and in the People's Front abroad. We denounce the crimes of the junta, we support the boycott of the dictatorship, give impetus to international solidarity and thank all those who help to develop it, without this solidarity our people would have great difficulty in triumphing; we always put in the foreground the propaganda of the struggle of our people and we seek support for those who fight in Chile.

The Revisionist Party, on the contrary, from the start has always boycotted the fight against the dictatorship. Now he opposes the development of Resistance Committees and other organizations of struggle and works to keep the masses in a standstill. He sought to conspire with the so-called "democratic sectors" of Pinochet's armed forces and unity with Christian democracy in Frey, the pawn of Yankee imperialism in Chile.

Now, with Carter's triumph in the USA, the revisionists have put themselves in the service of the DC to take advantage of the so-called "democratization" of the country that the DC is promoting. This new edition of the "historic compromise" is another great betrayal of revisionism that our people will not forgive.

The treacherous line of revisionism is expressed just as clearly abroad. In their activity, the revisionists put in the foreground the denunciation of the crimes of the dictatorship, they say demagogically to boycott the junta but in reality they collect funds to maintain their bureaucrats. They expect everything from abroad and from Mr. Carter. They hide - or ignore the heroic struggle of our people against fascism.

But the line which is based on the principle of counting on its own forces and on its own struggle to bring down the dictatorship, is getting stronger and stronger because the masses, guided by the PCR, have been able to "take advantage" of the tragic Chilean experience. We, Chilean revolutionary communists will never tire of repeating and deepening this line. The collapse of Popular Unity was not the failure of the revolutionary movement of our people, nor of socialism, but the failure of revisionism and its "peaceful way". It was the defeat of his attempt to establish a social-fascist regime in Chile through the development of state monopoly capitalism in the service of the revisionist bureaucracy and Russian social-imperialism.

The Chilean experience has proven once again that the one and only path that will lead us to independence and true national liberation, popular democracy and socialism is the long-term popular armed struggle, led by our Marxist Party -Leninist and developed by the working class and by the great popular masses.

In countries like ours, we govern either with or against imperialism, or with. or against the masses, there is no intermediate solution. It has been proven once again that without fighting revisionism among the proletariat and the masses, it is impossible to fight in a coherent and victorious manner against imperialism and the reactionaries.

The Chilean revisionist party has been an accomplice of the fascist coup, prepared and financed by Yankee imperialism and by the most reactionary sectors of the country, by disarming the masses from an ideological, political and military point of view, by feeding illusions about the so-called "constitutionalist", "progressive" and "professional" spirit of the reactionary armed forces, by systematically opposing the development of the mass struggle against reaction and the fascism which was brewing, etc.

The Chilean experience also proves that the revisionists do not change, that they are reactionary to the core. Luis Corvalan, secretary general of the Chilean revisionist party, whom the fascist military junta recently released by exchanging him for the political prisoner Boukovski, after more than two years in prison, declared that " *the major part of the Chilean Armed Forces is democratic and contrary to dictatorship, and that it is certain that these majority sectors of the Armed Forces will liquidate the "few treacherous generals"*.

However, he knows perfectly well that these Armed Forces murdered more than 30,000 Chileans, tortured and locked up in concentration camps hundreds of thousands of men, women and children: he knows that, despite the farce of the liberation of all political prisoners that the junta has recently mounted, at this time, there are still thousands of "disappeared" people and other thousands of hidden prisoners, many of whom continue to be brutally tortured, even in new

camps where experimented with new torture techniques such as that of "Colonia Dignidad" in Parral.

The brutality with which Yankee imperialism, our main enemy, unleashed the fascist coup in Chile has three basic causes:

• the great development of the mass struggle which was on the point of overflowing the revisionist leadership;

the pretension of Russian social-imperialism to transform Chile into a new base of support in Latin America;

the fact that certain reforms had affected the interests of imperialism and the most reactionary sectors of the country. Experience shows that the claims of Russian social-imperialism to supplant North American imperialism as the dominant power in Chile and Latin America, instead of diminishing, will tend to increase.

To achieve this goal, he preferably uses his lackeys: the revisionist parties. Intensifying the fight against their criminal policy is a mission inseparable from the fight against imperialism and against national reaction.

Comrades,

The development and the aggravation of the contradictions formerly analysed by Lenin led to a situation in which increase both the factors in favour of the revolution and those in favour of the imperialist war. Mao Tsetung said that the main trend is currently revolution but that we must be ready to face a war.

Today, the two superpowers, USA imperialism and USSR social-imperialism, are the main international exploiters and oppressors. From their rivalry to dominate the world arises the main danger of war. In the general context, the two superpowers are the main enemy of the national emancipation of the oppressed peoples and of the social emancipation of the exploited classes. Peoples must simultaneously fight against the two superpowers and cannot rely on or rely on one to fight or break free from the other.

We believe that, under the present conditions, it is essential that the ml parties unite and support each other, to promote and take the direction of a wide world front which integrates all the forces likely to be united and united to oppose the domination and hegemonism of the two superpowers.

From these links between the ml parties, parties in the midst of which the CCP and the PTA occupy a prominent place, must arise both coordination and mutual support to develop and direct this world front against the two superpowers and to strengthen and direct this front in his own country.

In each country it is the duty of the Marxist-Leninists to support and promote, as an essential part of the united world front against the two superpowers, the movement for national independence and for the revolution led by the proletariat and by his Party, the only one that guarantees a coherent struggle against the hegemonism of the two superpowers and the class, proletarian and socialist future of this same movement.

The contradictions of the nationalist, bourgeois and progressive sectors against one or against the two superpowers must be stimulated and exploited without, however, allowing these sectors to take control of the fight against these superpowers.

It is necessary to support the struggle led by the Marxist-Leninists of each country against the superpower which is dominant there as well as against the dominant sectors of the class at its service.

The contradictions that these dominant sectors may have against one of the superpowers does not justify tolerance towards them, on the part of the Marxist-Leninists insofar as they are always at the service of the other superpower and where they exploit the people.

The fight centered against the dominant superpower in a country cannot either mean: deviating from the fight to prevent any attempt to penetrate the other superpower nor, even less to ally with it or facilitate its penetration, under the pretext to thwart that which already exercises its domination, as do the revisionists who facilitate the penetration of social-imperialism under the pretext of fighting American imperialism.

Comrade Mao Tsetung said: "*Either the revolution prevents war or the war brings about revolution*." This is a position identical to that of Stalin. It is the same and unique Marxist-Leninist position, and the two leaders of the proletariat

and of the peoples of the world not only contented themselves with pronouncing these sentences but they applied them, one at the head of the Bolshevik Party and the other at the head of the Party of China.

In both cases, it is the revolution and only the revolution, it is the class struggle between the proletariat and the bourgeoisie which will open the way to a classless society, without exploitation and without wars, that this struggle is expressed. , as a national liberation struggle, as a liberation struggle of the people guided by the proletariat for the conquest of power or that it expresses itself as a socialist revolution.