

## London Workers Committee

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We draw the attention of our readers to 'Indonesian Tribune' – the paper produced by the PKI (Indonesian C.P) in Albania.

It is an excellent Marxist-Leninist paper of a high political standard. There are always detailed analyses of the imperialists' activities in Asia, Africa and Latin America, with specially helpful features on Indonesia itself.

The December issue carried a very full account of the inspiring 5th Congress of the Party of Labour of Albania. After the C.I.A. – inspired fascist coup of Sept. 1965, in which 500,000 Communists and patriots, men, women and children were massacred, and while 300,000 more face extermination and atrocity in concentration camps at the present time, the P.K.I. is already waging the armed struggle of peoples' war in the Indonesian countryside.

The P.K.I. has of necessity set up propaganda machinery for rallying international support in the fraternal socialist countries of Albania and China.

The P.K.I. leadership and rank and file have largely reorganised, and have undertaken necessary self-criticism after the massacre. They have analysed their errors in theory which led to this terrible unpreparedness in the face counter-revolutionary violence.

Although in many ways appearing as a genuine Marxist-Leninist Party, the P.K.I. had nevertheless succumbed to a hidden, revisionist idea of the Indonesian state, with the "Two Aspects Theory."

All along, since the Hatta 1949 agreement with the imperialist powers, the state had been the instrument of Indonesian bourgeois and landlord elements for the suppression of the workers and peasants. In spite of democratic concessions won by the mass struggle of the people led by the P.K.I., the essential nature of the state did not change.

However, certain P.K.I. theorists, exaggerating the gains won from the Indonesian bourgeoisie, put forward the theory of "two aspects" of the state, the 'pro-people' and 'anti-people'.

