Will There Be Peace In Vietnam?

The peace negotiations concerning the cessation of the imperialist war in Vietnam have stirred the hopes around the world of all decent and fair minded people. The glimpses of an end to the dirtiest and most aggressive war that USNA imperialism has waged, in which 15 million tons of explosives (more than were used by U.S. forces in WWII) were used in an attempt to annihilate the Vietnamese revolution (1), is certainly the center of attention in all corners of the world today. In its objective position as the apex of the world wide revolutionary struggle, the Vietnamese struggle and the attitude of all revolutionaries toward it is of utmost importance.

With all the clamoring and ravings of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union (CPSU) and its lapdogs, such as the CPUSA, to support the "Nixon Doctrine for Peace" it is our internationalist duty as Marxist-Leninists to put this "peace-offensive" in the perspective of the material conditions which have occurred. Only in this way can we show our support for the revolutionary aspirations of the Vietnamese people.

The cornerstone of recent USNA foreign policy has been to collude with the Soviet Union social-imperialists to strangle the revolutionary wave that is threatening their existence. As early as April, the USNA and USSR made agreements to try and force the Vietnamese into a rubber's peace. The mining of Haiphong Harbor, which included the bombing of 2 Soviet ships, was carried out with barely a whimper from the Soviet chieftains. Soviet aid, which in the past accounted for close to 65% of certain war materials for the Vietnamese liberation struggle has been dwindling rapidly (from 1 billion dollars from 1965 to 1971, to 100 million in 1971, as compared to 350 million for Egypt alone in 1977). (2) At the same time, the USNA imperialists have greatly stepped up its training and supplies to the South Vietnamese puppet government's army and air force, making them the third largest army in the world, supported by over 2000 planes. (3)

With all of its relative strength, why are the USNA imperialists trying to force a "peace agreement" in Vietnam? The first and most obvious explanation is to be found in the imperialists timing. Why was our support for the revolutionaries of the Vietnamese people.

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Proletarian revolutions and wars of national liberation are raging, and the struggle for socialism is being waged all over the world. While revolutions in the world today, we see throughout the whole world that fascism is increasing its attacks

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As is well known, the Communist Party of Quebec, M-L, is working in the U.S. within the U.S. We recognize with the support of the comrades, this is expressed concretely in the growing coalition of the U.S. and Canadian Marxist-Leninist intellectuals in an attempt to crush the proletarian revolution and increase their aggression against the peoples of the world. Within the U.S. we recognize the seriousness of the situation that the imperialists are developing to crush their propaganda about the re-election of Nixon; the imperialists are carrying out a steady vicious fascist drive against the working class of the U.S. In light of these trying conditions we view as a very serious matter that the revolutionary movement in the U.S. is disunited and its forces are not monolithic but instead dispersed and scattered in the form of many different and dispersed organizations throughout the U.S.

In opposition to the growing forces of fascism and to the disunity of the revolutionary movement there is arising a strong drive to develop unity among the revolutionary forces. This is expressed concretely in the writing of this call by several separate organizations in the U.S. as well as in Canada and Quebec. The organizations in the U.S. are working with the support of the comrades of the Communist Party of Canada, M-L, and the Communist Party of Quebec, M-L, for the development of the revolutionary movement in the U.S.

On what basis have these organizations united? We can only be united on the basis of the interests of the whole working class, that is, on the basis of the interests of the working class which is hostile to any struggle for personal interests or opinions. Marxism-Leninism is the theory of socialism, that is, it is based in objective reality as opposed to a subjective fight for individual ends.

It is out of this struggle for scientific socialism, for correct line, that the real unity of the revolutionary movement will develop, beyond its highest form: a single organization that fights for the whole working class to overthrow imperialism. In its struggle, our movement and history has confirmed that the Party of a New Type can only be built on the basis of the struggle against revisionism and opportunism (incorrect line). We don't want to unite purely for the sake of unity, but for the sake of struggling for the correct line for the working class in the struggle against the U.S. monopoly capitalist class.

We are uniting on the basis of Marxism-Leninism to organize a conference to be held sometime in 1973, where all honest revolutionaries would be minimally united on the basis of wanting to struggle for Marxism-Leninism against revisionism, for a vanguard party of the working class in the U.S.

The Preparatory Committee of the Conference of North American Marxist-Leninists calls on all those who agree in the main with the above points to attend this revolutionary conference. Those who call themselves Marxist-Leninists must hold themselves accountable in front of the people. There are many differences on the crucial task of building the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of a New Type. These differences can only be aired in this mass democratic conference. All organizations whatever their size and experience have equal right as well as every obligation to present their views openly for discussion. For among Marxist-Leninists, there is no jockeying for position and fame. Let all Marxist-Leninists be for the cause of proletarian revolution and the proletarian party.

Communist Party of Canada, M-L
Communist Party of Quebec, M-L
American Communist Workers Movement, M-L
Association of Communist Workers Louisville, Ky.
Red Collective, New Orleans, La.
Red Star, Tampa, Fla.
Communist League

its strength for a new offensive. Although we realize that prospects of any dull are slight, it is important for us to understand that even if there is a lapse in the war, its only purpose would be to allow the imperialists to change their present policies. Any "peace" at this time, could only be a robber's peace.

There is also no doubt of the relative strength of revisionism, led by the Soviet clique. Attempting to separate the war of national liberation in Vietnam from the world wide revolutionary upsurge, these opportunists are trying to open the back door to defeating the Vietnamese revolution by dangling the prospects of peace as a lure to counter-revolution. As Lenin said on the question of peace in the era of imperialism:

"Under capitalism, particularly in its imperialist stage, wars are unavoidable. On the other hand, Social-Democrats cannot overlook the positive significance of revolutionary wars..."

"A propaganda of peace at the present time, if not accompanied by a call to revolutionary mass actions, is only capable of spreading illusions, of demoralizing the proletariat by imbuing it with confidence in the humanitarianism of the bourgeoisie, and of making it a plaything of the imperialists through their secret diplomacy of the belligerent countries. In particular the idea of the possibility of a so-called democracy, without a series of revolutions is deeply erroneous." (4)

The peace plan being pushed by the USNA and the USSR shows all of the signs of treachery. One example is the fact that there are no provisions for the freeing of the well over 100,000 political prisoners (by conservative estimate) being held and tortured in Thieu's Tiger Cages. (5) The imperialists have shown their peaceful intentions by, at least temporarily, allowing the "North Vietnamese" troops to stay in South Vietnam. As is well known,
C.L. Reply to RU Threats

Under the pressure of current events, the so-called Left in this country is undergoing the dialectical process of splitting and turning upon itself.

The election of Nixon, the growing economic struggles, the grave fascist danger in this country have been answered by the ouster of those forces for unity amongst the Marxist-Leninist forces of North America. This was most concretely illustrated by the recent consultative conference in preparation for the coming Conference of North American Marxist-Leninists.

This struggle for unity has, of course, produced a developing antagonistic disunity within the "Left". This trend became objective and clear when the Revolutionary Union published a slanderous attack against the Communist League. The Communist League has been and is using the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as a旗帜 to clarify our position on the question of Party building as.

We have answered the slander of the RU with politics—with the struggle to clarify objective political realities in this country. These polemics have served to further isolate the RU within the Left movement. In incapable of arguing with Leninism, the RU has shown its true features as a gang and not a political organization. In several areas, and especially in Chicago, RU members have taken to the threat of violence as a substitute to political polemics.

The national leadership of the Communist League has called upon the national leadership of the Revolutionary Union to meet a stop to the threats before they become a reality. This plea for peaceful relations and political struggle was met with vulgarity, curses and further threats on the part of the RU national leader.

What is the real meaning of this current motion?

First of all it means that the struggle for unity of the revolutionary is going to a higher stage—because unity is unthinkable without disunity. Growth is the process of excreting the negative as assimilating the positive.

Secondly, this motion serves to deflect the fire from the real danger—the Communist Party of the United States.

The Communist League has, as long as it (and the state) can stir up violent struggles within the groupings that profess to be anti-revisionist.

Thirdly, we consider this motion to be a skilful manoeuvre on the part of the political police. It is impossible for us to accept the attitude of any Communist organisation while at the same time funding and protecting the CPUSA. This protection and development of revisionism is absolutely indispensable to the international split in and the destruction of the world revolution—movement. It has been on the basis of this analysis that the Communist League has felt it necessary to break out of the part of the police that would be directed solely against the C.L. However, the historical experience of the communist movement shows that any grouping that threatens to break out of the revisionist—syndicalist bag is bound to be attacked. We have always seriously considered that it would be gang, operating under the cover of "politics", rather than the police that would drive the League underground.

We very well understand that the "Left" is the nestling place for the FBI and every stripe of oppressor. It would be a simple matter for the provocateurs to trigger a situation where the entire "Left" would be drawn into a violent conflict within the "Left". The Revolutionary Union alone bears responsibility for the development of this situation.

The Communist League calls upon the entire Left to exert their influence to stay the hand of police and to have our members and friends to be vigilant, and to be prepared to take all necessary measures to defend the revolutionary movement.

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these "North Vietnamese" are in fact Jow Vietnamese fighters who joined their comrades to carry out people's war. The idea of war being successfully carried out by strangers to the land and people shows the bankruptcy of this "concession".

The Vietnamese people have fought consistently and heroically against all odds for many years to gain their freedom. There is no doubt that the war will continue to be waged. As in every process, the dialectical laws of development, of backsliding-crisis—leap forward are the inevitable rocky path to be traveled. To overlook the dangers facing the Vietnamese people by blindly supporting the peace settlement is the right deviation nurtured by the Soviet Union and her CPUSA and its conciliators. On the other hand, to condemn the Vietnamese for "selling out the revolution" is the "right deviation" being pushed by the opportunists. The essence of both types of deviations are imperialism. The imperialists at a time when the revolutionary Vietnamese must have the maximum support of all progressives and revolutionaries throughout the world.

To expect a "peace" with imperialism to last with all of history moving toward socialism is simply the belching of the opportunists. The imperialists want a Congo or Brazil kind of "peace", aided by the backstabbing of the USSR. With the world wide offen-

sive of revisionism, as the handmaiden to imperialism, Marxist-Leninists and all honest revolutionaries and progressives must fight for the clarity of the Marxist-Leninist line. As dialecticians, we realize that the Leninist policies are always opposed by opportunism, and this battle is intensifying as imperialism becomes more and more isolated and desperate. The relative strength shown by the USNA imperialists can slow down, confused and misled, but history is demanding revolution.

We don't know what events will occur in the future and we are not going to use our press to speculate. However, we do understand certain objective laws about imperialism. We know that even if the USNA imperialists should pull out of Vietnam in form, that they would still be present in content, that they would still remain the force behind Thieu, the So. Vietnamese puppet army and all reaction. We also know that "peace" campaigning on the part of the USNA, "ceasefire", etc., could only be temporary and that as long as imperialism exists wars of aggression will remain an inevitability. We stand firmly behind the demands of the Vietnamese people as expressed by Mrs. Ho Chi Minh, the VP. Nguyen Thieu in office, the Paris talks: "So long as Mr. Nixon is not ready to disengage himself from Vietnam and maintains Thieu in office, there can be no settlement, and therefore no ceasefire."

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