C.L. Reply to R.U. 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 growing struggle for unity amongst the Marxist-Leninist forces of North America. This motion is best exemplified 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 occassion of the attack to clarify our position on the question of Party building as well as to clarify what is Marxism-Leninism and what is economism and great nation chauvinism within the movement in the United States of North America (USNA).

We have answered the sland- Vietnam er 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. 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 put 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?

er on the part of the political police. It is impossible for the police to attack any Communist organization while at the same time funding and protecting the CPUSA. This protection and development of revisionism is absolutely indispensible to the international split in and the destruction of the world revolutionary movement. It has been on the basis of this analysis that the Communist League has felt relatively secure from any attack on the part of the police that would be directed solely against the CL. 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 gangs, 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 provocatuer. It would be a simple matter for the provocatuers to trigger a situation

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these "North Vietnamese" are in fact South Vietnamese fighters who joined their comrades to carry out people's war. The idea of people's 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 overwhelming odds for many years to gain their freedom. There is no doubt that this struggle will continue to be waged. As in every process, the dialectical laws of development, of backslidingcrisis-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 here by the CPUSA and its conciliators. On the other hand, to condemn the Vietnamese for "selling out the revolution" is the "left" form that is being pushed by the opportunists. The essence of both types of deviations are to aid imperialism at a time when the revolutionary Vietnamese must have the maximum support of all progressives and revolutionaries throughout the world.

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 this gang. We call upon our members and friends to be vigilant, and to be prepared to take all necessary measures to defend the revolutionary movement.

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 mislead, 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 any "peace agreement", "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 MME. Nguyen Thi Binh at 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." (6)

First of all it means that the struggle for unity of the revolution is moving to a higher stage--because unity is unthinkable without disunity. Growth is the process of excreting the negative as well as assimilating the positive.

Secondly, this motion serves to deflect the fire from the real danger -- the Communist Party of the United States. The CPUSA is quite safe 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 skillful manouv-

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.

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1) Time Magazine, Nov. 6, 1972, p. 33 2) New York Times, Nov. 19. 1972, p. 4, Sec. 1 3) Newsweek 4) "Pacifism and the Peace Slogan", V.I. Lenin, Collected Works, Vo. XVIII, Int. Pub. New York, 1930. 5) Chicago Sun Times, Oct. 26, 1972, p. 10 6) Chicago Daily News, 10/25/72