

# Editorial part 2

In the first part of this editorial we gave a summary of the first two parts of the resolution approved in the Congress held by the Young Lords Party, on the days of June 30, 1, 2, 3, of July.

Briefly, in the Congress we went over the world situation, and reviewed the history of the 3 years the Young Lords Party has existed. It is very important this part about the history of the Young Lords Party, because we discussed our achievements, as well as criticize our ideas and actions of the past.

We believe that organizations that exist to serve the people, have a responsibility of being frank and honest with the people, summing up also the good and the bad; correcting and learning from our errors, with the purpose of moving forward in the interest of the people.

To begin to correct our errors and to advance in what we understand, we move on to the next part of the resolution titled:

### OUR TASKS:

On examining our errors, we saw that in the U.S. we first had to correct the way in which we were organizing. We have said that the first task of any Puerto Rican in the U.S. was to fight for the National Liberation of Puerto Rico because "we were 1/3 of the nation." As we have said several times this is incorrect. Puerto Rico, the nation constructed by the sweat of the working class, the farmers and of the poor people, is a nation within the island.

In the United States there exist many people that have come from many different places in the world. There exist workers from Asia, Africa, Latin America including almost 2 million Puerto Ricans and many northamerican workers of European descent, some that were born and raised here in the U.S.. In the U.S., most of the workers, migrated from many nations, have come one time or other as slaves, as migrant workers, to wash dishes, to make clothing in factories, to work in the northamerican nation. With our sweat we have constructed but yet the government and the rich of the U.S. is destroying Vietnam, stealing in Asia, Africa and Latin America. The U.S. is making us pay taxes for wars and spaceships to the moon by wringing us dry to rob from the rest of the world.

For that reason we understand that our task in the U.S. is to organize ourselves here. Organize to bring together all the working people everywhere - Puerto Ricans, Blacks, Chicanos, Chinese, White, Japanese, whatever nationality because, more important than the nationality, is that we are all workers. That's why we came to the U.S. and to work means to struggle, to eat, to clothe our children. This is a day to day struggle to survive.

For these reasons we believe that any revolutionary organization in the U.S. that fights for the interest of the people has to organize on that basis that the U.S. is a multi-national country. That would be the first task of the Puerto Rican Revolutionary Workers Organization (YLP), organizing especially in the workplaces to defend the rights and the interests of all workers.

As part of the first task, we will continue struggling to defend the Puerto Ricans in the U.S. because it is a reality that we are discriminated against, abused by governmental agencies, etc. mainly because we are poor, but also because we're Puerto Ricans. We also believe that organizations such as, Black Workers Congress, I Wor Kuen (a Chinese revolutionary organization), Puerto Rican Revolutionary Workers Organization (YLP), are needed. Knowing that our responsibility is to organize ourselves with the purpose of uniting ourselves with the same force that unites the people in a factory.

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to raise money to help the struggle in Puerto Rico. Brothers and sisters who have lived in the U.S. for a long time are going to live and work in Puerto Rico. They are going to learn from the people, from the workers, the campesinos about the actual conditions so that they can find the best way to contribute to the struggle in Puerto Rico.

We see it important that more brothers and sisters from the caserios (public housing), factory workers, construction workers, petro-chemical and housewives to intergrate into the struggle in Puerto Rico and create an organization. Although today there exist organizations such as P.I.P. and P.S.P., who are actively involve in the struggle against northamerican imperialism, none of these parties represent the working people.

In Puerto Rico there is a need for a Party which is based and consturcted for the struggle of the working class.

All of the political parties in Puerto Rico say they struggle in the interest of the working class from P.P.D. to P.I.P. and P.S.P.. But in Puerto Rico there has not been constructed a political party which bases itself from and in the interest of the working class. The political parties that exist represent the interest of the yankees and its lackeys, the interest of the Puerto Rican middle class or the revisionist who say that they are socialist in word but in practice they are capitalist.

In the mean time, our organization will be working in Puerto Rico to unite with other revolutionaries to build that party in Puerto Rico.

A party in Puerto Rico and another in the United States both guided by the ideology of the working class - Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tse Tung thought, will lead the way for the liberation and the progress of humanity - To This We Are Committed.

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