BUILD THE REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT-YOUTH MOVEMENT!

The effects of the present capitalist crisis on the working class and oppressed masses is clearly seen. The rising inflation, unemployment, layoffs, and cutbacks haven't been coming to an end as the bourgeois claim, but have continued to go higher. Now the working class suffers and the finance capitalists gain from this crisis can be seen clearly in NYC's so-called 'fiscal crisis.' The banks and monopoly capitalists continue to make profits while the city workers get laid off, have their wages frozen for 3 years, and face a continuously rising cost of living.

Students and youth too have been hit by severe attacks because of this crisis. Students and youth are a strata in class society—i.e., they are not a class of themselves, but rather are composed of students and youth from different classes, such as the proletariat, the petty-bourgeoisie, and the bourgeoisie. In the present crisis, most affected among the students and youth are those from the working class, especially the oppressed nationalities. The American working class has historically fought for their sons and daughters to gain a quality education with the aim of bettering their lives and society. The imperialists, on the other hand, have historically used the education system for their aims. The early capitalists at first opposed the education of the working class; but later, as capitalism developed, they saw that compulsory public education could be used not only to train workers with the minimum education necessary for them to work in the factories, but also to combat the growing workers' movement and the communist influence within it by strengthening bourgeois ideology among the young, future workers.

Bourgeois reformers and apostate socialists like Horace Mann and Robert Owen developed plans to use schooling to “improve” working-class attitudes, to take the children of the working class at an early age, isolate them from “bad” influences.

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EDITORIAL: EXPOSE HAVANA CONFERENCE

SOCIAL-IMPERIALIST SCHEME TO LEECH OFF PUERTO RICO’S STRUGGLE

The national liberation struggle of Puerto Rico is part of the storm center of revolution in the world today. It is part of the battle of the Third World which have played and continue to play a principal role in sending U.S. imperialism and Soviet social-imperialism to its grave. The long flight of the Puerto Rican people to kick out U.S. imperialism has been an inspiration to people all over the world. In the U.S. itself, thousands of people have rallied to the cause of Puerto Rican liberation.

The PRENO wholeheartedly supports the complete liberation of Puerto Rico and all other colonies of U.S. imperialism and Soviet social-imperialism. Our organization, in fact, developed from the struggles in this country to build a firm front of mass support for Puerto Rico’s fight. Along with the people of the world, we know that the victory of the liberation struggles of Puerto Rico will be a real blow to U.S. imperialism and Soviet social-imperialism.

At the same time, we understand that the U.S. is not the only enemy that Puerto Rico and other Third World countries must fight. U.S. imperialism is being very seriously challenged by Soviet social-imperialism for the top dog position as exploiter of the world peoples. The great victories of the Cambodian and Vietnamese people have struck a damaging blow and greatly weakened it. This is without a doubt a matter for great rejoicing. U.S. imperialism’s grip has been weakened everywhere, including in Puerto Rico.

The USSR under the guise of detente and their distortion and revision of the policy...
Above, striking Puerto Rican workers confront National Guard. The revisionists are trying to use the Havana Conference to capture the righteous struggle of the Puerto Rican people against on superpower and bring under the hegemony of the other superpower, the USRR.

of peaceful coexistence have united with the U.S. imperialists in suppressing the national liberation struggles. At the same time, the Soviet Union is rushing in to fill the “vacuum” — including in Puerto Rico. Everywhere it seeks to take advantage of the U.S. imperialists’ weaknesses. It has replaced U.S. troops with Soviet troops in Laos. It urges the Middle East nations who have broken with the U.S. to let it set up bases on their soil. It uses arms sales to control the power of these countries and make them dependent upon it and then as a lever to force them to follow the Soviet line. It has asked the Vietnamese to allow them to set up a naval base on their soil. It already has thousands of troops and aircraft in Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Poland and Germany. It has turned Cuba into a Soviet satellite and mouthpiece for Soviet policy. This is consistent with their overall treacherous policy. While posing as friends of the national liberation struggles, they have:

1. Refused support to the Philippine people in their struggle for liberation.
2. Supported the Lon Nol clique in Cambodia.
3. Withdrew support from the Algerian revolutionaries, until victory was certain, saying that Algeria’s liberation was an “internal affair of France”.

Like the U.S., Soviet social-imperialism is an imperialist expansionist power. Both countries constantly strive to extend their markets, their spheres of influence, hegemony over the world’s people.

The Soviet social-imperialism are very happy to see the Puerto Rican people opposing U.S. imperialism, especially since the struggle of this time is not being led by a truly Communist Party. Its motives in this are in accord with its objective position as a rival of U.S. imperialism. Within the broad anti-imperialist movements Puerto Rico and the U.S. however, the Soviet social-imperialists have their agents, the PSP and the “CPUSA”. These people try to ensure that the US. imperialists remain the only target of attack. They try to stifle attacks on both superpowers and play up the Soviet social-imperialists as friends of Puerto Rico. They attack the Chinese revolution and "Naxalism" as an enemy of Puerto Rico.

It is in this light that the International Conference in Solidarity with the Independence of Puerto Rico being held in Havana, Cuba must be analysed. This conference was set up by the Soviet Union, through its front organization, the World Peace Council and is supported by the Cuban Revolutionary government which recently hosted a meeting of Soviet-controlled parties of Latin America who publically attacked the People’s Republic of China.

While they excluded the true friends of the Puerto Rican masses and the world people, the CPUSA sided for the real enemies, among them the leadership of PSP as well as the members of the CC of the CPUSA(b), who are included in the U.S. delegation to the conference. The “CPUSA” believes in and pushes that we can get socialism peacefully. They do not believe that armed struggle is the only means of liberation. It was exactly the struggle of the CP of Chile which disarmed the Chilean workers, setting them up for a massacre and a fascist coup. This is what the CP has to offer Puerto Rico.

The Havana Conference will be used to push the treacherous line that the possibility of a world without war exists today because U.S. imperialism is becoming more "reasonable" and is ready to change. What follows from this, according to the Soviets and their supporters, is that countries must not upset the "world balance of forces" that is being achieved" because this might lead to a nuclear war. Therefore smaller countries have to limit their "sovereignty" and come under the influence of one or the other superpower.

PSP has called the "CPUSA" an external organization. PSP not only defends Soviet social-imperialism, but unites with them in pushing revisionist theories like "detente", which was put forward by Juan Maria Bran, Secretary General of PSP at the PSP’s 27th rally in NYC last year.

"Washington has seen itself forced to retreat to a certain degree of softening in its line towards the two great powers of the socialist camp, the USSR and the People’s Republic of China... The relaxing of tensions is limited in its immediate effects at least to the sphere of relations between the Great Powers... and in any case, the European Panorama."

1. He states that the USSR is a socialist country, still paddling the line of a socialist camp. This completely belittles the worldwide significance of the rise of socialism and the restoration of capitalism in the Soviet Union and the subsequent split of the socialist camp, part of the struggle against the modern revisionists, Khrouchev and Co., led by the CPC and the PLA.

2. U.S. imperialism never relaxes tensions. Imperialism’s nature is to be aggressive and exploitative in its drive for more and more profits. In reality, the U.S., caught in the grip of a worldwide crisis has intensified its counter-revolutionary efforts, both abroad and at home. Mariela Brase’s slogan is that the main trend is the line of the international communist movement, which recognizes that far from being an area of "relaxed tension", Europe is the focal point of the superpowers’ contention and collision.

These friends of the social-imperialists will lead the national liberation struggle of Puerto Rico to neo-colonialism. They seek to play off the Soviet revisionists. Such has been the case in Cuba, which has been made financially dependent on the Soviet imperialists — who don’t want Cuba to be self-reliant. In Sept. 1973, at the conference of Non-Aligned nations in Algiers, Cuban Premier Fidel Castro was booted by the Third World countries, who know too well what Soviet “aid” means, for attempting to raise the USSR as a “friend of the Third World”.

At this time, Puerto Rico lacks a genuine communist party. This is one of the things holding back the struggle of the Puerto Rican masses and the world people. The CPUSA has sided for the real enemies, among them the leadership of PSP as well as the members of the CC of the CPUSA(b), who are included in the U.S. delegation to the conference. The CPUSA believes in and pushes that we can get socialism peacefully. They do not believe that armed struggle is the only means of liberation. It was exactly the struggle of the CP of Chile which disarmed the Chilean workers, setting them up for a massacre and a fascist coup. This is what the CP has to offer Puerto Rico.

The revisionists say that China doesn’t support the national liberation struggle. They ignore the fact that just last week, the People’s Republic of China showed its support for the liberation of Puerto Rico by refusing to allow the mayor of San Juan a comprador lackey of U.S. imperialism, to attend the conference.
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presentes, los aumentos en el costo educativo, etc., son los manifestaciones de la crisis del imperialismo. Ya se puede notar el desarrollo del levantamiento estudiantil juvenil. A través de los Movimientos Revolucionarios, los estudiantes han unido muchas de estas luchas en un esfuerzo por construyendo un movimiento revolucionario imperialisista. Más y más jóvenes estudiantes están acudiendo al Marxismo-Leninismo y Pensamiento Mao Tse Tung. Es importante que les ayudaremos a entender qué es la lucha y por qué se está moviendo el estudiante. En las universidades, los estudiantes están luchando por beneficios etéreos, insistiendo en aumentos de salarios, atención a estudiantes bie nescolarizados en escuelas de la ciudad, la lucha por el control de los libros, etc. El movimiento estudiantil juvenil debe estar siempre con el pueblo en el frente de la lucha por el poder y el desarrollo del país.

Havana Conf.
Continued from page 2 (English) enter China representing Puerto Rico in a visiting delegation of U.S. majors.

Nothing would suit the Soviet social-imperialists more than to have the revolutionary movement in Puerto Rico and the U.S. end up the world ignore it, or praise it as a friend and supporter. Nothing would damage the Puerto Rican revolutionary movement more than to show the world that this is happening. The role of the Soviet social-imperialists today must be explained to the people.

It is the responsibility of all honest people to expose the Soviet social-imperialists, their supporters in the CPUSA and PSI, who are dangerous and how they are trying to disrupt the revolution. This responsibility and stand with Marxism-Leninism and Mao Tse-Tung Thought. We criticize those groups who give defense of American imperialism to "anti-Communists" and to expose the treachery of these attacks on the greatest revolutionary