Message to the Party of Labor of Albania

On November 1, the Party of Labor of Albania opened its Seventh Congress shortly before Albania celebrated the 35th anniversary of the founding of the Party on November 7. At the opening of the Congress, delegates and fraternal representatives stood in silent tribute to members of the PLA who have died since the last Congress and in tribute to Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Communist Party of China. Enver Hoxha, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the PLA and its outstanding leader, gave the main report to the Congress, standing below a banner which read, "Workers of All Countries, Unite!" The Seventh Congress came at a time of great victories in the class struggle and socialist construction.

The text of Enver Hoxha's report, which constitutes a highly important statement by the Albanian Party, has been published in English by Albania and is available in the U.S.

To the Central Committee of the Party of Labor of Albania:

Please accept our warmest greetings on the occasion of the Seventh Congress of the Party of Labor of Albania and the thirty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the vanguard Party of the working class in your country.

The courageous struggle of the Albanian working class and people, led by the PLA and its great and time-tested, battle-tested leader, Enver Hoxha, and the great victories won are a tremendous source of inspiration for the revolutionary working class in our country, as well as throughout the world.

By relying on their own efforts and guided by the correct Marxist-Leninist line of the PLA, the Albanian people defeated the fascist powers occupying Albania during the Second World War and established the People's Republic of Albania, a socialist state under the rule of the working class. Since then, the Party, working class and people have persevered in the class struggle, beaten back all attempts by the bourgeoisie to restore capitalism, defeated attempts by the imperialist powers to strangle socialist Albania, made great advances in socialist construction, and given internationalist support to the world revolutionary struggle.

When the modern revisionists usurped leadership of the Soviet Party and state and the leaders of the majority of Communist Parties followed them down the path of betrayal, the world communist movement confronted a grave crisis. It was at that time that Enver Hoxha and the PLA united closely with the Communist Party of China and its great leader, Mao Tsetung, in defending Marxism-Leninism and standing up to the bullying and threats of the Soviet Union.

The example of the firm stance of Albania in the face of imperialist encirclement by both the U.S. and the USSR is a living refutation of the fallacy promoted by imperialism and revisionism that the working class and people, especially in a small country, cannot take the destiny of their country into their own hands, but must rely on the gangster-like "protection" of one or another imperialist marauder.

At the Seventh Congress, the great Marxist-Leninist, Enver Hoxha pointed out that the two superpowers, the U.S. and the USSR, represent to the same extent and to the same degree, the common enemy of the international working class and the people of the world, reaffirmed the truth that the people of a country can never rely on one superpower for protection against the other, and condemned both imperialist blocs headed by the two superpowers. This was of great encouragement to the struggle of the working class and people of the United States in our struggle to overthrow the criminal rule of the monopoly capitalist class.

We are confident that, under the leadership of Enver Hoxha, the Party of Labor of Albania will continue to advance in the front ranks of the world revolution, win even greater victories in the class struggle and socialist construction, and remain a beacon light of socialism for the peoples of the world.

Central Committee of the Revolutionary Communist Party, USA.