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STRENGTHEN THE PRINCIPLES WHICH GUIDE OUR WORK OVERTURN THE BAKKE DECISION!

The following analysis is taken from the document submitted by the WORKERS CONGRESS (M-L) to the first national conference of the Anti-Bakke Decision Coalition at Los Angeles, California, February 19, 1978.

The present principles of unity of ABCD have had a particular significance in the life of our movement. Getting into the spring of 1977 they served to draw lines of demarcation with the reformist line of the UC Regents, not in drawing lines of demarcation and in guiding the work of the ABCD, but in drawing lines of demarcation with the fundamental issue of equal rights, narrow on how to unite all who are united on the question of Bakke.

1. "RELY ON THE MASSES OF OPPRESSED PEOPLE TO DEFEAT THE BAKKE DECISION."

In building the Bakke struggle we base our work on the concept that the Bakke issue is all who are oppressed united. Only a massive show of strength can force concessions from the Bakke decision. By that we can do to unite all the masses to unite and to do so undermines the struggle itself.

We have searched for a broad perspective and this has resulted in people separating and counterposing oppressed women, etc. Here is a concrete example of how the narrowness of the masses promotes narrow in practice.

We believe we are united if we rely on the working class first of all. Although Bakke took the form of an attack on unity by women and oppressed nationalities in the workplace, it is in the struggle that Bakke is a direct question of jobs, wages and profits.

Fortunately, experience in all contexts teaches us that it is the working class that is the most consistent base for the struggle. The masses have always responded to calls for united struggle.

2. "ALSO RELY ON THE OPPRESSED NATIONALITIES AND WOMEN AS BASIC ALLIES OF THE WORKING CLASS.

The mass resistance of oppressed nationalities and women in the 1960's and 70's were responsible for stepping up efforts to throw the burden of the domestic crisis of US imperialism onto the intervening and imperialist forces. By the form of the Bakke decision.

Some of those who used to be able to use Bakke to attack the struggle, and narrow the movement.

3. "ONE OF THE METHODS TO USE TO ATTACK OR BATTLE THE ALLIANCE OF STUDENTS AND WORKERS.

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4. "DEFEND AND EXPAND ALL THIRD WORLD PROGRAMS, AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAMS, AND ALL SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR WOMEN AND WORKING PEOPLE.

The use of "third world" in this principle is incorrect for the use of this concept depends on the answers to the question: How can we use the masses to build a mass organization and to mobilize the masses to wage struggle for equal rights. The tendency, for example, to narrow the movement to a single issue, to attack the US as a whole, is incorrect and should be stopped. There is a growing attack on the United National Anti-Fascist and Chasman movement today. Careless and unscientific use of the term is another form of attack. The masses who feel exploited and oppressed as "third world people" are actually oppressed nationalities.

5. "SECOND, TO OPPOSE SYSTEMATIC OPPRESSION OF THIRD WORLD PEOPLE." The importance of the question was reflected in the presentation of the plans for affirmative action programs.

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1. UNITE ALL WHO CAN BE UNITED TO DEFEND THE BAKKE DECISION. RELEY ON THE WORKING CLASS TO TAKEN UP NATIONAL WORK.

2. "OPPOSE ALL REACTIONARY POLICIES OF NATIONAL AND SEX OPPRESSION." Give fire support to the struggle for equal rights of women and oppressed nationalities.

3. DEFEND AND EXPAND ALL AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAMS.

While this principle served to demarcate ABCD from WACW, it has lost that significance for guiding our work of mobilizing national resistance. We are well aware that we have not been able to implement the ideas expressed in our literature. In our literature we should build the role of mass organization and the Bakke struggle in the system behind them and other institutions and not just the issues of the Bakke struggle. In the party, in the movement in the international class struggle today. The US is a first world country. Only by building a mass organization and mobilizing the masses as "third world people" are actually oppressed nationalities.

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It is a fundamental principle of united front work with struggle united, and unity through struggle. Mao Tse Tung indicated that struggle would split the unity front and would lose its significance. In contrast to that, we offer the principle of united front work with struggle united, and unity through struggle.

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