Message From Chairman Paal Steigan Of Workers' Communist Party (M-L) of Norway

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of China,

The Government of "the People's Republic of China

Comrades:

We have learnt with deep sorrow that Comrade Mao Tsetung, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, has passed away. This is a grievous loss for the Party and the people of China; for all the members of our Party and the labouring masses of Norway, for the whole communist movement of the world and for the world proletariat, as well as for all the peoples fighting for liberation.

Comrade Mao Tsetung devoted all his life to the struggle for Marxism-Leninism and the proletarian world revolution.

Comrade Mao Tsetung was the greatest Marxist-Leninist of our time. He was a worthy successor to the other great leaders and teachers of the world proletariat: Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin. Comrade Mao Tsetung defended and further developed scientific socialism. His works are a mighty weapon for Communists and all those who are waging a revolutionary struggle.

Comrade Mao Tsetung and the Communist Party of China stood in the forefront of the struggle to expose modern revisionism which had usurped power in the Communist Party of the Soviet Union after Stalin's death. Comrade Mao Tsetung pointed out that socialism and the proletarian dictatorship had been overthrown in the Soviet Union, and that they were replaced by capitalism and fascist dictatorship under Khrushchov and Brezhnev. This struggle has a worldwide historical significance. It has exposed the revisionists as the enemy of the world's people, thereby enabling Communists in all countries to discover and fight the sabotage of the revisionists against the world communist movement.

For more than 50 years Comrade Mao Tsetung and the Communist Party of China stood in the forefront of the greatest revolutionary movement ever seen in world history: the great Chinese revolution. Chairman Mao Tsetung personally led in the founding of the Communist Party of China in 1921 and the Red Army in 1927. He led the revolutionary armed struggle against Japanese imperialism, U.S. imperialism and Chinese reaction till the victory of the national-democratic revolution in 1949.

Starting from 1949, Chairman Mao and the Communist Party of China led the struggle to consolidate the proletarian dictatorship and lay the foundation for socialism. He personally initiated the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution in 1966 to strengthen the proletarian dictatorship and prevent the restoration of capitalism in China. Chairman Mao continued to develop and sharpen the struggle against revisionism till the end of his life. In the last ten years of his life, he led the struggle to expose and smash the counter-revolutionary headquarters of Liu Shao-chi, Lin Piao and Teng Hsiaoping.

Comrade Mao Tsetung stood in the forefront of the struggle against imperialism, revisionism and all reaction till his last breath. He stood in the forefront of the struggle against the two superpowers, the Soviet Union and the United States. He resolutely supported the liberation movements and the fighting peoples of the third world, the genuine socialist countries and the revolutionary struggle of the world proletariat.

The Workers' Communist Party (M-L), the proletarian revolutionary party of Norway, owes its existence to Comrade Mao Tsetung. In Norway, revisionist poison has penetrated deep into the communist movement. But the Norwegian Communists failed to sum up by themselves what was wrong, to criticize modern revisionism, or to reorganize the communist movement in Norway. It was the struggle of the international communist movement against modern revisionism, and, above all, it was the struggle waged by Comrade Mao Tsetung in the van of the Communist Party of China, that has made it possible for us to see clearly what we must do to victoriously accomplish the task of building up this new Party of ours.

Comrade Mao Tsetung has left us. But his merits are immortal. His works, together with other Marxist classics, will continue to guide Communists and the world proletariat in their revolutionary struggle. When imperialism and capitalism are got rid of and communism triumphs all over the world, the labouring people will commemorate Comrade Mao Tsetung and be grateful to him for his titanic historical exploits in promoting the emancipation of mankind.

Long live Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!

(Signed) Paal Steigan Chairman

For the Central Committee of the Workers' Communist Party (M-L) of Norway

Oslo, September 9, 1976

Message From Chairman Pettersson Of Communist Party of Sweden

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of China

Dear Comrades:

Shocked and dismayed, the Communist Party of Sweden has received the news about the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. With extreme sorrow and mourning we want to convey our warmly felt condolences to the Communist Party of China, to the Government of the People's Republic of China and to the whole Chinese people.

For half a century, Chairman Mao Tsetung led the struggle of the Chinese people against imperialism and the Chinese exploiting classes. He formulated concretely, vividly and successfully a correct line for the Communist Party of China, in the struggle against erroneous and counter-revolutionary currents.