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**A Straight Race Between the Two
Superpowers**

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CHAIRMAN of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China Hua Kuo-feng on February 12 met and had a cordial and friendly conversation with the Delegation of the Norwegian Workers' Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) headed by its Chairman Paal Steigan.

Attending the meeting were Li Hsien-nien, Member of the Political Bureau of the C.P.C. Central Committee, and Keng Piao and Feng Hsuan, Members of the C.P.C. Central Committee

and Head and Deputy Head of its International Liaison Department.

After the meeting, Chairman Hua gave a banquet to warmly welcome Chairman Steigan on his visit to China at the head of the delegation.

In his toast, Comrade Li Hsien-nien pointed out that the present international situation is excellent and continuing to develop in a direction favourable to the people throughout the



world but unfavourable to the two superpowers, the Soviet Union and the United States. "Under the leadership of the Party Central Committee headed by Chairman Hua," he added, "we smashed at one blow the anti-Party 'gang of four,' thus bringing about in our country an excellent situation which is becoming better and better. Filled with pride of victory, the hundreds of millions of people in our country are deepening the great mass movement to expose and criticize the 'gang of four,' grasp revolution, promote production and other work and preparedness against war and are striving for new and greater victories in our country's socialist revolution and socialist construction."

He continued: "The Norwegian Workers' Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) has worked energetically to integrate the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with concrete practice in the Norwegian revolution, resolutely opposed modern revisionism, opposed the two hegemonic powers, the Soviet Union and the United States, especially the aggression and expansion of Soviet social-imperialism, opposed the monopoly capitalist class at home, struggled for the realization of socialism and made beneficial contributions to the working class and other labouring people of Norway. We are deeply convinced that you will win even greater victories in your future struggle."

"The fraternal friendship between our two Parties," Comrade Li added, "is founded on the basis of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism. We have supported and learnt from each other in our common struggle. Through the current visit of the delegation led by Comrade Paal Steigan, our revolutionary friendship and militant unity will certainly be further strengthened and enhanced."

Comrade Steigan said in his toast: "The smashing of the counter-revolutionary 'gang of four' at one stroke by the Central Committee headed by Comrade Hua Kuo-feng shows that he is the worthy successor to Chairman Mao." He pointed out: "The 'gang of four' decked themselves out as 'radicals,' but their sole aim was to wave the red flag in order to oppose the red flag. What they had in mind was to undermine the dictatorship of the proletariat and set up the dictatorship of the bourgeoisie."

"The smashing of the 'gang of four,'" he added, "has crushed the class enemies' plot to restore capitalism in China. During our visit, we have seen for ourselves that the situation in China is excellent and that the masses are rallying round the Party Central Committee and its Chairman Comrade Hua Kuo-feng. A new upsurge has been brought about in the movements to learn from Tachai in agriculture and to learn from Taching in industry."

Expressing his deep condolences over the death of Chairman Mao and Premier Chou En-lai, he said: "Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist-Leninist of our time. His immortal works will give us strength and enable us to continue our advance along the road pioneered by him."

Exposing the threat to Norway by the two superpowers, by Soviet social-imperialism in particular, he said: "Social-imperialism has even resumed the territorial claims of the old tsars on Norway and carried out military provocations against it."

He said: "The scramble by the two superpowers for world hegemony has greatly increased the danger of world war. Today, it is social-imperialism that is most likely to start a new world war. Hence, it is particularly dangerous to underestimate it. Likewise, to underestimate the struggle of the third world peoples is also dangerous since today they are the main force opposing the two superpowers and fighting for revolution. In this situation, China's revolutionary foreign policy formulated by Chairman Mao and implemented by Premier Chou is a great, significant support to the people of the world."

Comrade Steigan said: "We are very glad to note that the international Marxist-Leninist movement is developing steadily, while modern revisionism is moving toward deepening crises. Our Party will strive to enhance the unity and fighting strength of the international Marxist-Leninist movement."

The Norwegian comrades arrived in Peking on January 26 at the invitation of the C.P.C. Central Committee.