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This is the first issue of "Demarcation", a Marxist-Leninist theoretical journal put out by a circle in the New York metropolitan area. The principal task of all US communists and advanced workers today is the building of a new vanguard Marxist-Leninist party, using the Bolshevik Party as our model. We base ourselves on the scientific teachings of Marx, Engels, Lenin, and Stalin, and oppose all forms of revisionism, whether Soviet, Yugoslav, Chinese, or "eurocommunist". At this time, the Party of Labor of Albania plays the leading role in the international communist movement. Our basic views are explained throughout this journal. We encourage criticism and correspondence, and in appropriate cases will print letters and responses.

Previously we had been associated with a circle called the Red Dawn Committee, and played a major role in putting out the first issue of the "Red Dawn" in April, 1978. Shortly after that issue came out, we resigned from that circle because of its inability and resistance to addressing the burning questions of the US and international communist movement, because it became clear to us that small circle spirit and bowing to spontaneity were hopelessly embedded in that group, because of their refusal to engage in any serious ideological work or struggle, and because of their unprincipled maneuvering. The attentive reader will note that many of the views we express now are at variance with positions we advocated in the pages of "Red Dawn". In future issues, we will elaborate more on this and also why we resigned from that group.

There are two articles in this issue. The first, "MLOC vs. Leninism", exposes the opportunist line and history of MLOC, including their latest charade of declaring themselves a "party", the socalled "CPUSA(M-L)". The second article, "The New Centrism", explains why we must direct our main blow at centrism in the communist movement, and critiques the major forms centrism takes today. Both these articles are designed to sharpen the ideological struggle in the US communist movement so we can draw clear lines of

demarcation between Marxism-Leninism and revisionism.