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Question

Could you tell me what "Blandism" is?

I guess it is connected with Bill Bland.

ANSWER

Yes, you are right, "Blandism" is connected with Bill Bland. We created the term "Blandism" by ourselves. We explained this term in the following (very important) book which is, unfortunately still not translated into English language. "Über die Grundlagen und zu den Fragen des Stalinismus" written by Wolfgang Eggers

This whole book draws the principled demarcation-line between Stalinism-Hoxhaism and Blandism. Our different definitions of Blandism were created in different way according to each of the special chapters of the book. In 1999 we traveled to London for a meeting with Bill Bland. A Communique was issued which was the basis for possible future cooperation with Bill Bland. [See Below] However, after that meeting we studied critically the works of Bill Bland and in the result we decided to unmask his ideology as "Blandism".

Bill Bland represented the unsustainable thesis of the "*domination of revisionism in the Soviet Union SINCE 1934*" (!!!).

Bill Bland defended especially Beria, and also Malenkov and other traitors of Stalin - why we unmasked Blandism as Anti-Stalinism-Hoxhaism. We described Blandism as a defence of Beria-ism, as Neo-Menshevism ("Anti-Menshevism in words and Menshevism in deeds"). In this book we unmasked Beria as a "Stalinist" in words, and Anti-Stalinist in deeds (according to the critical teachings of comrade Enver Hoxha in his book "The Krushchevites"). We also claimed Beria as the murderer of our beloved comrade Stalin. Our merit is not having

unmasked the terrorist crimes of Beria (this was done by others). Our merit is that we have unmasked the bourgeois ideological roots of Beria-ism on which we based our Stalinist-Hoxhaist struggle against the "supporters" of Beria - to which also Bill Bland must be counted.

The reason why we mentioned "Blandism" in the book "100 Years of struggle against betrayal of the October Revolution" was our refusal of being allegedly "followers of Bill Bland" which is claimed by supporters of the neo-revisionist ICMLPO. Bill Bland has a lot of sympathizers (also in Russia) who are convinced about Bill Bland as a "critic" of Soviet revisionism (his famous "studies" about "restoration of capitalism in the USSR"). There are some people all over the world who believe that Bill Bland would be allegedly an "anti-revisionist". We destroyed this myth in our book. He is "anti-revisionist" in words and revisionist in deeds. Nevertheless, the ICMLPO spread the untruth that our criticism on Dimitrov would be allegedly "identically" with Bill Bland's criticism on Dimitrov. However, in contrast, we criticize Dimitrov in defence of Stalin while Bill Bland was "Stalinist" in words but anti-Stalinist in deeds. Please, study the book. It is impossible to repeat all the definitions of "Blandism" in this short answer.

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Communique: Meeting of German and British Marxist - Leninists

In April 1999, representatives of the [Communist Party of Germany \(Marxist - Leninist\) \[KPD/ML\]](#) and the [Communist League \(CL\) of Britain](#) met in London and held a fruitful discussion on the contemporary world situation.

The representatives are pleased to report that the two organisations found that their views were in agreement on all the major issues of the past and present.

For example, both organisations agreed on the following basic principles of Marxism - Leninism:

- that the transition to socialism requires the revolutionary overthrow of the capitalist system and the establishment of the political power of the working class (the `dictatorship of the proletariat`), and of centralised state planning in place of the profit motive;
- that this transition can be brought about only under the leadership of Marxist - Leninist parties;
- that in every country Marxist - Leninists Parties shall attend to the political education of their members in the principles of Marxism - Leninism so that any future attempt on the part of leaders to divert a Party along the path of revisionism may be checked and eliminated before it has done any permanent damage;
- that the two organisations must work, in cooperation with other Marxist - Leninist organisations and parties, for the unification of the Marxist - Leninist forces in each country into a single Marxist - Leninist Party;

- that the two organisations agree to work for the reconstruction of an international Marxist - Leninist organisation on the principles of the former Communist International.

The representatives also agreed:

- that the liquidation of socialism in the Soviet Union and Albania was not due to the failure of socialism, but to its distortion by traitorous revisionists pretending to be `modernisers` of Marxism - Leninism;
- that particular tribute should be paid to Josef Stalin and to the Party of Labour of Albania, under the leadership of Enver Hoxha, for their role in the international struggle against revisionism;
- that `Mao Tse-tung thought` and `Kimilsungism` are not developments of Marxism - Leninism, but must be exposed for what they are - brands of revisionism;
- that the continued existence of revisionism presents the most serious hindrance to Marxist - Leninists everywhere, and we must particularly beware of those who call themselves `Marxist - Leninists` but in reality practise revisionism;
- that, while condemning alike the military intervention of the NATO powers in Yugoslavia and the genocidal atrocities committed by the Serb social fascists, full support must be given to the heroic fighters of the Kosova Liberation Army (KLA) in their correct struggle for the national liberation of the Kosovar people; however, the CPGer / ML express reservations on the role of some mafia-type elements which they believe to be operating within the KLA;
- that European integration in the EC helps the European imperialists - and particular the German imperialists - in their struggle against the European working people and the peoples of the colonial - type countries and should therefore be opposed, as should rival attempts at globalisation on the part of American imperialism;
- that the current world situation reflects the accentuating crisis of decaying capitalist society at the end of the 20th century and must be utilised by the working people to further the cause of socialist revolution.

During his visit to London, the visiting German comrade attended, by invitation, a meeting of the `National Committee for the Marxist - Leninist Party` and gave a brief talk on the political situation in Germany.

Signed:

on behalf of the Communist Party of Germany (Marxist - Leninist) by Wolfgang Eggers, Chairman;

on behalf of the Communist League by John Puntis, Secretary.