Basis for Reinstatement of the Central Caucus Faction, April 11, 1922.

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To all DOs and Fed. Secs.:

Mimeograph the following and send one to each group at once.

The following are instructions to DOs, DEC Bureaus, and all subordinate units regarding the basis upon which former members who are now outside of the Party on account of the controversy arising over the LPP [Legal Political Party], are to be reinstated as members of the Communist Party, Section of the Communist International.

(1) All former members rejoining the Party must accept the decision of the Communist International and recognize the authority of the party and of all its subdivisions.

(2) They must dissolve all forms of independent organization and autonomy, official and unofficial, underground and legal.

(3) All former members rejoining the Party on this basis become members in good standing with full membership rights and obligations.

(4) They must thereupon submit to the discipline and jurisdiction of the Party and its various subdivisions such as District Committees, Bureaus, etc.

(5) the readmission of members in accordance with the above provisions is to be carried out in the various party units as follows: Group captains may accept individual members with the approval of the group; branch executive committees may accept groups of members; section committees may accept branches in such sections where we have no corresponding branch. Where we have a corresponding branch the group captains may accept individual members and the branch executive committees may accept groups as stated above. All reinstatements must be approved by the next higher unit and a complete report made in each case to the DEC.

(6) All organizational units and subdivisions set up by the former members must upon dissolution turn over all records, funds, and property to the CEC of the CPA, Section of the CI.

(7) The general amnesty applies only to those members suspended, expelled, or disconnected because of their refusal to abide by the decision of the CEC regarding the formation of no. 2 [the WPA].

(8) All party units are to hold meetings as often as necessary in order to facilitate the rejoining of the former members.

(9) Individual Party members must make every possible effort to win back the former members in accordance with the above provisions.

(10) Every former member rejoining must pay dues beginning with April [1922] and purchase at least one convention assessment stamp.

The CEC is also addressing an appeal to the minority membership in Official Organ [*The Communist*] no. 8.

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