

NOTICE OF SELF-CRITICISM OF WUHAN ARMED FORCES
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The leading organ of Wuhan PLA units on 26 July issued a public notice examining its mistakes. The notice reviews the mistakes in orientation and line in the work of supporting the Left, vows to draw a clear-cut line between the Wuhan PLA units and the handful of people in authority taking the capitalist road within the Party and the Army, and pledges to immediately correct the mistakes, resolutely stand on the side of Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionaries to hold high the great red banner of Mao Tse-tung's thought and carry through the great proletarian cultural revolution to the end.

The masses of commanders and fighters of three services of the PLA in the Wuhan area, who have fought shoulder to shoulder with the proletarian revolutionaries, and the proletarian revolutionary fighters warmly hailed the leading organization of Wuhan PLA units for openly examining the mistakes and resolving to correct them. They unanimously pointed out: This is a great victory for Mao Tse-tung's thought and a great victory of Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line!" and "Long live Chairman Mao, long long life to him!" roared out from both sides of the Yangtze River.

The notice openly admits the mistakes to the comrades of the revolutionary rebels who were attacked and expresses resolute support for the proletarian revolutionary rebel organizations, including the Steel Workers General Headquarters, the Steel Second Headquarters, the Steel 9.13, the Revolutionary Joint Committee of the Revolutionary Rebel Headquarters of Universities, Middle Schools, and Colleges and the New China Engineering College.

The notice emphasizes: The broad masses of the commanders and fighters of the PLA created by Chairman Mao himself and under the personal command of Vice Chairman Lin Biao, who show boundless respect, love, veneration, and loyalty for our great leader Chairman Mao, for the invincible Mao Tse-tung's thought, and for Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line, will resolutely

and thoroughly correct their mistakes, resolutely learn from the proletarian revolutionaries, and resolutely carry through the great proletarian cultural revolution to the end!

The publication of the public notice is an extremely serious blow to the handful of people in authority taking the capitalist road within the Party and the Army. After reading the public notice, the commanders and fighters and the proletarian revolutionaries in Wuhan said: It is a great victory for the invincible immensely brilliant Mao Tse-tung's thought, a great victory for the proletarian revolutionary line of Chairman Mao, a victory of the sending of comrades Hsieh Fu-chih and Wang Li to Wuhan by Chairman Mao and the Party Central Committee to handle the questions concerning the great proletarian cultural revolution in the Wuhan area, and a victory of the proletarian revolutionaries in Wuhan who have studied and applied Chairman Mao's works in a living way and waged a protracted, painstaking struggle against the handful of people in authority taking the capitalist road within the Party and the Army.

Commanders and fighters of the company to which Ch'iu Shao-yun belonged said: The publication of the public notice has greatly boosted the morale of the proletarian revolutionaries and declared the political bankruptcy of the handful of people in authority taking the capitalist road within the Party and the Army in Wuhan. We are fighters of Chairman Mao. We will forever link our hearts with the proletarian revolutionaries, love whatever the Left loves, and hate whatever the Left hates.

We will think of what is in the minds of the Left and worry about the needs of the Left, and we will fulfill better the task of supporting the Left, industrial and agricultural production, and carrying out military training and control.

The broad masses of the proletarian revolutionary fighters pointed out that the frenzied counterattack of the handful of people in authority taking the capitalist road within the Party and the Army in Wuhan only shows that they are weak, but not strong. The more vigorously the class enemies put up their show, the more fully they will expose themselves and the more thoroughly they will fail. Many revolutionary mass organizations expressed their determination to hold high the great banner of the revolutionary great alliance in the course of the revolutionary mass criticism and repudiation, strengthen the unity, carry out meticulous and penetrating political and ideological work among the hoodwinked people in the "Million Heroic Troops," enable them to return to the side of Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line as soon as possible, unite with all those who can be united, form a mighty cultural revolutionary army, and strive to win new victories for the great proletarian cultural revolution.

They said: The great Chinese PLA is a people's army created by our great leader Chairman Mao himself and directly commanded by Vice Chairman Lin, and is a mainstay of the dictatorship of the proletariat. "Without a

people's army the people have nothing," Mao once stated. We must resolutely respond to Chairman Mao's great call to "support the army and cherish the people," become models of supporting the army, resolutely unite with the masses of commanders and fighters of PLA units in Wuhan, fight and win victories together with them, concentrate our firepower to open a fierce barrage on China's Khrushchev and on the handful of people in authority taking the capitalist road within the Party and Army in Wuhan, thoroughly topple and discredit them, and never allow them to rise again! With the concern of Chairman Mao and Vice Chairman Lin, with the concern of the Party Central Committee, and the Cultural Revolution Group under the Party Central Committee, with the support of the proletarian revolutionaries throughout the country, and with the support of the PLA, the great proletarian cultural revolution in Wuhan will certainly continue to win new and greater victories! We must win the complete victory! We are certainly able to win the complete victory!