ARAB PEOPLE COMBAT THE "POLITICAL SOLUTION" PLOT

Rising Anti-U.S. Struggle

The U.S. imperialists, in collaboration with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique, are intensifying their efforts to realize their notorious "political solution" plot on the Middle East question. This has led to a new upsurge in the Arab people's anti-U.S. struggle.

The current session of the U.N. General Assembly saw the U.S. imperialists stepping up their counter-revolutionary dual tactics. On the one hand, the U.S. imperialists have openly provided Israel with "Phantom" jet fighter-bombers; they have directed Israel to put pressure on the U.A.R., Syria, Jordan and Lebanon by concentrating large numbers of troops in the occupied territories and staging military provocations against them. On the other hand, with the close collaboration of the Soviet revisionists, the U.S. imperialists have done everything they could to sell the "political solution" swindle. Giving all-out support to Israel's "9-point plan" — a recent proposal aimed at inducing the Arab countries to surrender completely — and busy plotting U.N.-sponsored "negotiations" between the Arab countries and Israel, the U.S. imperialists tried by pressure and cajolery to make the Arab countries concede the existence of an "Israeli state," accept the terms laid down by the Israeli aggressors and allow the United Nations, another U.S. imperialist aggressive tool, to meddle in Arab affairs. Not long ago, U.S. President-elect Nixon too joined in peddling the "political solution" fraud when he sent his "special envoy" Scranton on a conspiratorial tour in the Middle East. In his statements to the press, Scranton described the U.N. Security Council November 1967 "resolution" on the Middle East question — a U.S.-Soviet concoction — and the activities of U.N. "special envoy" Jarring as "the most appropriate way to solve the present crisis."

In the face of these U.S. imperialist and Soviet revisionist schemes, the Arab people have risen in still more valiant struggle.

On the battlefield, the Palestinian guerrillas have intensified their attacks and obtained victory after victory. From early October to mid November, they made about 260 attacks and killed or wounded more than 1,600 Israeli aggressor troops. The number of attacks and enemy casualties has greatly increased. Most of their targets were key Israeli political, military and economic establishments. The two surprise attacks on Lydda Airport, the largest in Israel, caused big fires and heavy enemy losses.

Frequent Palestinian guerrilla raids have thrown the Israeli aggressor troops, fully armed with U.S. equipment, into confusion and greatly raised the morale of the Arab people while dampening the arrogance of U.S. imperialism and Israel.

On another front, the waves of popular anti-U.S. demonstrations are surging onward in the Arab countries. The Palestinians have displayed still greater militancy on the Israeli-occupied west bank of the Jordan River and the Gaza Strip. Time and again they have held demonstrations, staged general strikes and hartals, stayed away from school and distributed leaflets against Israeli occupation. When the Israeli authorities called out large numbers of troops and police to carry out ruthless suppression, the Palestinian demonstrators fought back with stones, sticks, bottles and boiling oil. Some even fought with their bare hands.

Fighting valiantly for the liberation of Palestine, Al Fatah (the Palestine National Liberation Movement) has solemnly declared: "As for the so-called 'peaceful solution' proposed in the United Nations, the 'resolution' adopted by the Security Council on November 22 last year, the mission of U.N. 'special envoy' Jarring, and all other proposals characterized by bargaining over the rights of the Palestinian people — we reject and resist them all."

Our great leader Chairman Mao has said: "The oppressed peoples and nations must not pin their hopes for liberation on the 'sensibleness' of imperialism and its lackeys. They will only triumph by strengthening their unity and persevering in their struggle."

Whatever the difficulties and obstacles on their way ahead, so long as the people of the Arab countries strengthen their unity and persevere in a protracted people's war, they will surely smash the sinister schemes of U.S. imperialism and Soviet revisionism to ride roughshod over the Arab people, defeat U.S. imperialism — a paper tiger which is strong in appearance but brittle inside — and its lackey Israel and win final victory.

KERALA STATE, INDIA

People in Revolt

The revolutionary people in Kerala State recently took up arms and attacked police stations and landlord estates. This has thrown the reactionary authorities into a panic.

More than 300 revolutionary people attacked a police wireless station in Pulpalli, Calicut District, in the early hours of November 24. Armed with daggers, spears, home-made guns, explosives and other weapons, they quickly surrounded the station and killed or wounded six officers and constables.

Early in the morning of November 22, more than 400 revolutionary people attacked a police station in Tellicherry. They cut its telephone lines, destroyed a police van and hurled a home-made hand-grenade at the sentry. Before withdrawing, they distributed revolutionary leaflets.

On November 25, 200 revolutionary peasants armed with daggers and home-made guns attacked an estate in the Kuttanad area. They angrily smashed up this big landlord's lair and confiscated grain and other things he had plundered from the peasants. The landlord's son and henchmen fled.

Frightened by the masses' revolutionary actions, the reactionary state government hurriedly ordered all police stations in Kerala to be on
a round-the-clock alert and decided to provide police escorts to state ministers when they go on trips.

The Kerala state government is an obnoxious product of the "parliamentary road" pushed by the revisionists in the Indian Communist Party and the Dange renegade clique. These revisionists pay lip-service to "the interests of the people," but, like the Indian reactionaries, they are hostile to the people, oppress them and are afraid of the people's revolution. They particularly fear the people's revolutionary armed struggle. In a statement made in Trichur on November 25, Kumaran, secretary of the Kerala state committee of the Dange renegade clique, wildly viliified and attacked the masses there for their recent revolutionary actions. But his raving only reveals the frustration of these renegades over the fact that their fond hopes for the "parliamentary road" were dashed.

**People's War!**

Laos: November marks the beginning of the 1968-69 dry season in this country. During this month the patriotic forces and people wiped out 1,059 enemy troops, shot down or destroyed on the ground 25 enemy aircraft, sank four motor boats and captured large quantities of weapons and other military supplies.

In the same period, the U.S. imperialists and their stooges launched many "nibbling attacks" on the liberated areas in Sam Neua, Vientiane, Luang Prabang and other provinces and dispatched bandits and commandos on sabotage raids to all liberated areas. The U.S. imperialists also stepped up their wanton bombing of the liberated areas and sprayed them with toxic chemicals.

Burning with hatred for the enemy, the patriotic armed forces and people hit back hard. In close co-ordination, the main and regional forces and militia-guerrillas wiped out large numbers of enemy effective and liberated many villages.

**Malaya-Thailand:** From December 4 to 7, the people's forces active on the border areas of the two countries launched successive attacks against troops of the puppet Rahman clique and the traitorous Thanom clique.

Singapore papers reported that on December 4, while a patrol unit of the "Malaya-Thailand Border Security Forces" was making a "search" in the Betong area, it was caught by heavy fire from people's forces well hidden in the hills. Five members of the patrol were hit. On December 7, the people's forces wounded four Thai and "Malaysian" police during an attack on another patrol.

**Congo (Kinshasa):** Patriots fighting on the country's western front recently raided a military post of the puppet Mobutu troops in the Kwili area. They inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. Immediately after the attack, Mobutu, supported by his U.S. masters, hurriedly air-dropped large numbers of paratroops and savagely bombed villages in the Kwili area.

The patriots' action exploded the lie spread by the Mobutu puppet clique that the armed struggle in the Kwili area had been stamped out.

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