On the Draft Platform of Action of the Communist Party of India.

(Letter to the Editor.)

On the pages of your journal the draft Platform of Action of the Communist Party of India was printed with the request to all organisations, etc., to give their opinion concerning the Draft. We, on our part, would like to make the following changes:

The Draft Platform of Action mentions the prohibition of child labour up to the age of 16 and limiting the work of adolescents up to the age of 20 to six hours a day.

We consider these demands incorrect, since they differ from the programme demands of the Communist Youth International and lower these demands.

In correspondence with the programme of the Communist Youth International, we are fighting for a 4 hour working day for adolescents under 16 years and the 6 hour working day for adolescents between the ages of 16 and 18. Moreover, we are in favour of the prohibition of the labour of children under 14 years. The programme demands indicated and the fight for them does not exclude the struggle for all partial demands of the working class youth, lessened hours and better conditions.

We request you to bring these suggestions before the Communist Party of India.

With greetings,

Young Communist Leagues of England and America.

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