

Joint Statement of China and Albania

The two sides are determined to further strengthen their friendship and unity and resolutely oppose U.S. imperialism and Soviet modern revisionism

- The two sides point out with great satisfaction that the revolutionary friendship between China and Albania, forged by the Chinese Communist Party headed by Comrade Mao Tse-tung and the Albanian Party of Labour headed by Comrade Enver Hoxha, has witnessed a tremendous and all-round development.
- The two sides hold that throughout the historical period of socialist society, there remain in socialist countries class struggle, the struggle between the road of socialism and the road of capitalism and the danger of the emergence of revisionism and restoration of capitalism. In order to prevent the revisionists from grabbing Party and state leadership and restoring capitalism, and in order to consolidate and develop socialism and ensure the future transition to communism, it is imperative to persist in a Marxist-Leninist revolutionary line, uphold the dictatorship of the proletariat, carry the socialist revolution through to the end on the economic, political, military, ideological and cultural fronts, and train and bring up successors to the proletarian revolutionary cause who are loyal to Marxism-Leninism.
- The two sides point out that China and Albania adhere to proletarian internationalism, resolutely oppose imperialism and all reactionaries, firmly support the revolutionary struggles of all oppressed peoples and nations, and resolutely oppose great-power chauvinism and national egoism.
- The two sides point out that the leading group of the C.P.S.U. has already degenerated into a group of renegades from Marxism-Leninism and accomplices of U.S. imperialism. The recent 23rd Congress of the C.P.S.U. demonstrates that the general line pursued by the leading group of the C.P.S.U. remains the revisionist one formulated by it from the time of its 20th to that of its 22nd Congress. Marxist-Leninists of the whole world must step up their fight and follow up their victories by carrying through to the end the struggle against modern revisionism whose centre is the leading group of the C.P.S.U.
- The two sides stress that the people of the world must form an international united front against U.S. imperialism and its lackeys, which is the broadest possible and not narrow, and the truest and not sham, united front. Modern revisionism whose centre is the leading group of the C.P.S.U. has long since been in league with U.S. imperialism, set itself against the people of the whole world and excluded itself from the anti-U.S. international united front. The fight against imperialism headed by the United States and its lackeys and the fight against modern revisionism with the leading group of the C.P.S.U. as its centre are two inseparable tasks. Only by resolutely opposing modern revisionism with the leading group of the C.P.S.U. as its centre will one win the fight against U.S. imperialism.

AT the invitation of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and the Government of the People's Republic of China, the Albanian Party and Government Delegation headed by Comrade Mehmet Shehu, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Albanian Party of Labour and Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Peo-

ple's Republic of Albania, paid a friendly visit to the People's Republic of China from April 26 to May 11, 1966.

During their stay in China, the Albanian Party and Government Delegation toured Peking, Shanghai, Harbin, Kunming and Hangchow, visited industrial

enterprises, people's communes and cultural institutions, met people of various circles of China, acquainted themselves with the Chinese people's tremendous achievements and highly militant spirit in socialist construction and were everywhere accorded warm welcome and most cordial and fraternal reception by the Chinese people. This was a vivid expression of the great friendship and fighting unity between the two Parties, the two countries and the two peoples.

Comrade Mao Tse-tung, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party, met all the comrades of the Albanian Party and Government Delegation and had most cordial conversations with them.

During the visit, talks were held between the Chinese Party and Government Delegation headed by Comrade Liu Shao-chi, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party and Chairman of the People's Republic of China and Comrade Chou En-lai, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party and Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China, and the Albanian Party and Government Delegation headed by Comrade Mehmet Shehu on important issues concerning the present international situation and the international communist movement, on the experience of the two countries in socialist revolution and socialist construction and on the question of further consolidating and developing the unity, the friendship and the relations of mutual help and co-operation between the two Parties and the two countries. The talks proceeded in an atmosphere of the greatest sincerity and friendship. Both sides are completely at one in their stand and views on the questions that were discussed.

Taking part in the talks were:

On the Chinese side:

Comrade Chu Teh, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party and Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China,

Comrade Teng Hsiao-ping, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party and Vice-Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China,

Comrade Chen Yi, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party and Vice-Premier of the State Council and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China,

Comrades Li Fu-chun and Tan Chen-lin, Members of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party and Vice-Premiers of the State Council of the People's Republic of China,

Comrade Kang Sheng, Alternate Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party and Vice-Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China,

Comrade Po I-po, Alternate Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party and Vice-Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China,

Comrades Yeh Chien-ying and Wu Hsiu-chuan, Members of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party,

Comrade Wang Ping-nan, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China,

Comrade Hsu Chien-kuo, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to the People's Republic of Albania, and other comrades;

On the Albanian side:

Comrade Hysni Kapo, Member of the Political Bureau and Secretary of the Central Committee of the Albanian Party of Labour,

Comrade Abdyl Kellezi, Member of the Central Committee of the Albanian Party of Labour and Chairman of the Albania-China Friendship Association,

Comrade Nesti Nase, Alternate Member of the Central Committee of the Albanian Party of Labour and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of Albania,

Comrade Vasil Nathanaili, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of Albania to the People's Republic of China, and other comrades.

In the talks, the two sides point out with great satisfaction that the revolutionary friendship between China and Albania, forged by the Chinese Communist Party headed by Comrade Mao Tse-tung and the Albanian Party of Labour headed by Comrade Enver Hoxha, has witnessed a tremendous and all-round development in recent years. In the common struggle against imperialism headed by the United States, against the reactionaries of various countries and against modern revisionism whose centre is the leading group of the C.P.S.U. as well as in the common struggle of their socialist revolution and socialist construction, the Chinese and Albanian Parties, the two countries and the two peoples have constantly strengthened their friendship, solidarity and sincere mutual help and co-operation. The great friendship and fighting unity between the two Parties, the two countries and the

two peoples are based entirely on Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism; they have stood all tests and are unbreakable. The steady consolidation and growth of the friendship and unity between China and Albania are in the fundamental interests of the two peoples and in the interests of the international communist movement and the people of the whole world. The two sides are determined to work for the further strengthening of the friendship and unity between the two Parties, the two countries and the two peoples and to support, assist, encourage and learn from each other and advance shoulder to shoulder in the struggle for the common cause.

The Chinese side warmly acclaim the brilliant successes and tremendous achievements scored by the heroic Albanian people, pick in one hand and rifle in the other, in socialist revolution and socialist construction and in the struggle against imperialism and modern revisionism. It highly appraises the measures for revolutionization recently adopted by the Albanian Party of Labour and the Government of the People's Republic of Albania on the political, economic, military, cultural and other fronts. These measures testify to the Marxist-Leninist far-sightedness of the Central Committee of the Albanian Party of Labour headed by Comrade Enver Hoxha, the revolutionary spirit of the Albanian people in building socialism through self-reliance and hard work and their unshakable determination to carry the socialist revolution through to the end. They are new brilliant examples of the creative integration by the Albanian Party of Labour of the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of Albania.

The Chinese side holds that these measures are of great theoretical and practical significance and that they will not only give a great impetus to Albania's socialist revolution and socialist construction but also enrich the experience of the dictatorship of the proletariat, thus exerting a far-reaching international influence.

The Chinese side holds that the Albanian Party of Labour, the Government of the People's Republic of Albania and the Albanian people, holding high the revolutionary banner of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism, have always firmly opposed imperialism headed by the United States and its lackeys, consistently stood in the forefront of the struggle against modern revisionism whose centre is the leading group of the C.P.S.U. and made outstanding contributions in defending the purity of Marxism-Leninism, in supporting and assisting the revolutionary struggles of all peoples and in safeguarding world peace.

The Chinese side holds that, in the struggle against imperialism and modern revisionism, the Albanian Party of Labour, the People's Republic of Albania and the Albanian people have set for all Marxist-Leninists and revolutionary people a shining example of fearlessly withstanding the threats and hostile activities of

the imperialists, the revisionists and all reactionary forces, bravely overcoming all kinds of difficulties and persisting in a revolutionary line. Albania's successes and achievements in all fields of life are due to the correct leadership of the Albanian Party of Labour headed by Comrade Enver Hoxha, the beloved leader of the Albanian people.

The Chinese side holds that the Albanian Party of Labour, holding high the revolutionary banner of Marxism-Leninism in Europe, where imperialism and modern revisionism are putting up a death-bed struggle, illuminates the road of advance of the revolutionary people. The European proletariat and the revolutionary people of the whole world will for ever remember socialist Albania's historic contributions.

In the talks, the Chinese side expressed its sincere gratitude to the Albanian Party of Labour, the Government of the People's Republic of Albania and the Albanian people for their important support to China in her socialist revolution and socialist construction and in her struggle against imperialism, reaction and modern revisionism.

No matter what storms may arise in the world, the Communist Party of China, the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Chinese people will resolutely stand by the Albanian Party of Labour, the Government of the People's Republic of Albania and the Albanian people who adhere to the line of fighting against imperialism headed by the United States, against modern revisionism whose centre is the leading group of the C.P.S.U. and against all reactionaries, and will give them all possible support and assistance.

The Albanian side greatly rejoices at the brilliant successes achieved by the Chinese people in their socialist revolution and socialist construction. The victory of the great Chinese revolution has shaken world imperialism and colonialism to their foundation and brought about a fundamental change in the balance of world forces, tipping it in favour of socialism.

Under the wise leadership of the Chinese Communist Party and Chairman Mao Tse-tung, the brave and industrious Chinese people, holding high the red banner of Mao Tse-tung's thought and adhering to a correct Marxist-Leninist line, have faithfully followed the revolutionary path of self-reliance, continuously developed socialist agriculture as the foundation of the national economy and socialist industry as its leading factor, resolutely and unswervingly combated the bourgeois stand, viewpoints and ideas in the ideological field, unfolded the three great revolutionary movements of class struggle, the struggle for production, and scientific experiment, and have achieved brilliant successes.

The Albanian Party of Labour, the Government of the People's Republic of Albania and the entire Albanian people warmly congratulate the fraternal

Chinese people, their Party and their Government on the complete success of China's third nuclear explosion, which is a graphic evidence of the high level of science and technology and the creative power of the great Chinese people, a most important positive factor supporting all peoples opposing the nuclear monopoly, nuclear threats and joint schemes of the U.S. imperialists and the Khrushchov revisionists, as well as a powerful factor conducive to international peace and security.

The Albanian side holds that the unswerving Marxist-Leninist policy pursued by the People's Republic of China in opposing imperialism, and above all U.S. imperialism, and waging a tit-for-tat struggle against it, accords to the fullest extent with the fundamental interests of the peoples of the socialist camp and with those of the anti-imperialist and anti-colonialist struggle of all peoples fighting for freedom, national independence, democracy, socialism and world peace. The Albanian people fully support the far-sighted, Marxist-Leninist and peace-loving foreign policy of the People's Republic of China.

The Albanian side reiterates that by its unremitting struggle in defence of the purity of Marxism-Leninism and against modern revisionism, and above all against the Soviet revisionist leading group, the Chinese Communist Party has been making most valuable contributions to the international communist movement and the working-class movement. Today, the Chinese Communist Party is the main force in the struggle against the modern revisionists who are agents of imperialism within the communist movement; it is a strong champion of the revolutionary struggle of all Communists of the world for the victory of socialism and communism. The Albanian Party of Labour fully supports the Marxist-Leninist stand taken by the Chinese Communist Party headed by Comrade Mao Tse-tung and is determined, together with the Chinese Communist Party and the other Marxist-Leninist Parties, to carry through to the end the struggle against modern revisionism with the Khrushchov revisionists as its centre.

The Albanian side points out that the correct Marxist-Leninist line of the glorious Chinese Communist Party and Comrade Mao Tse-tung's great theory and thought are the source of all the great successes and achievements of the People's Republic of China in socialist revolution and socialist construction and in the struggle to oppose imperialism, reaction and modern revisionism and to support and assist all oppressed peoples and nations. Comrade Mao Tse-tung's theory and thought are the creative integration of the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the practice of the Chinese revolution and China's socialist construction, and are the further development of the theory of Marxism-Leninism in the present age.

The Albanian side expresses sincere gratitude to the great Chinese people, the glorious Communist Party of China and the Government of the People's Republic of China for the fraternal internationalist aid

they have rendered to the People's Republic of Albania both in the past and in the present.

The two sides exchanged the experience of the two countries in socialist revolution and socialist construction.

The two sides point out that all Marxist-Leninists must draw an important lesson from the Khrushchov revisionist clique's usurpation of Party and state leadership in the Soviet Union, the land of the great October Revolution with a history of several decades of socialist construction, an event which has pushed the Soviet Union onto the road of capitalist restoration.

The two sides hold that throughout the historical period of socialist society, there remain in socialist countries class struggle, the struggle between the road of socialism and the road of capitalism and the danger of the emergence of revisionism and the restoration of capitalism. In order to prevent the revisionists from grabbing Party and state leadership and restoring capitalism, and in order to consolidate and develop socialism and ensure the future transition to communism, it is imperative to persist in a Marxist-Leninist revolutionary line, uphold the dictatorship of the proletariat, carry the socialist revolution through to the end on the economic, political, military, ideological and cultural fronts, and train and bring up successors to the proletarian revolutionary cause who are loyal to Marxism-Leninism.

The two sides hold that in socialist society there exist two types of social contradictions of different nature, namely, contradictions among the people and contradictions between ourselves and the enemy. The correct understanding and handling of these two types of social contradictions have a vital bearing on the consolidation of the dictatorship of the proletariat and the development of socialist society.

The two sides hold that in order to uphold and develop the socialist cause, socialist countries must constantly safeguard and strengthen the dictatorship of the proletariat led by the working class and based on the worker-peasant alliance. It is imperative to exercise dictatorship over the overthrown exploiting classes, reactionaries and all other enemies who resist socialist revolution and sabotage socialist construction and at the same time to practise people's democracy among the workers, peasants, revolutionary intellectuals and other labouring people in accordance with the principle of democratic centralism. It is imperative to attach great importance to the constant consolidation and strengthening of national defence, the organization and training of the broad masses militarily, and the introduction of the system of turning every citizen into a soldier in addition to stepping up the building of modernized regular forces so as to be ready at all times to smash any possible armed aggression by imperialism and its lackeys.

The two sides hold that in order to build socialism successfully in our two countries, it is necessary to

ceaselessly develop the productive forces and attach special importance to the development of agriculture while developing industry. The two sides point out that our two socialist countries are following the policy of self-reliance in socialist construction. In the socialist revolution and socialist construction, we are adhering to the mass line, closely relying on the masses and unfolding revolutionary mass movements.

Historical experience shows that to carry out within the Party and among the masses education in Marxism-Leninism, dialectical materialism and historical materialism, and education in class struggle, the revolutionary tradition and communism, to give prominence to proletarian politics and promote the revolutionization of people's thinking, are essential and fundamental conditions to ensure progress along the road of socialism. Once people's political consciousness is raised, once the theory of Marxism-Leninism is grasped by the masses, it will become a powerful material force transforming society and the world.

The two sides hold that it is necessary, by means of uninterrupted revolution on the cultural front, to thoroughly eliminate the bourgeois stand and viewpoints in all fields of culture, expand the ranks of working class intellectuals serving socialism, and develop a new socialist culture serving the working masses.

Socialist construction is aimed at the transition to communism. Therefore, in the stage of socialism, in addition to the energetic development of the socialist productive forces and the continuous enhancement of men's communist consciousness and morality, the two Parties deem it necessary to take measures for revolutionization in accordance with the theories of Marxism-Leninism and in the light of the concrete historical conditions and characteristics of each country, in order correctly to develop the socialist relations of production, gradually reduce the differences between workers and peasants, between cities and the countryside and between manual and mental workers and so create conditions for the gradual transition to communism.

The two sides point out that as the vanguard of the proletariat, the Communist Party must exist as long as the dictatorship of the proletariat lasts. The two Parties are guided by the principle that in all work for socialist revolution and socialist construction, it is necessary to strengthen Party leadership, practise inner-Party democracy, conduct criticism and self-criticism, strengthen the ties between the Party and the broad working masses and insist on the principle of integrating the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of each country.

The two sides point out that systematic and all-sided experience is yet to be summed up on how to prevent the emergence of revisionism and restoration of capitalism in the socialist countries and to ensure the gradual transition to communism. The historical task of summing up this experience falls on the shoulders of the true Marxist-Leninists of our time. In this

regard, the Chinese Communist Party and the Albanian Party of Labour have already adopted important measures for revolutionization in the light of the concrete conditions in their own countries and are resolved to continue to make their contributions.

The two sides point out that in foreign policy the People's Republic of China and the People's Republic of Albania adhere to proletarian internationalism, resolutely oppose imperialism and all reactionaries, firmly support the revolutionary struggles of all oppressed peoples and nations, and resolutely oppose great-power chauvinism and national egoism. The two sides hold that the relations between the socialist countries should be based on the principles of independence, complete equality and proletarian internationalist mutual support and assistance.

Both sides point out that the revolutionary people all over the world are now locked in a fierce battle with U.S. imperialism and its lackeys. The different world contradictions are becoming sharper and sharper. The whole world is in the process of great upheaval, great division and great reorganization. This is the inevitable result of the deepening of the people's revolutionary struggles.

The two sides point out that the peoples' national-liberation movement, the international communist movement and the struggle of the proletariat in the capitalist countries have inflicted one defeat after another on imperialism. The trend of development of the international situation is favourable to socialism and the peoples' revolutionary struggles and unfavourable to imperialism, revisionism and reaction. The socialist countries persevering in the revolutionary line of Marxism-Leninism are growing daily stronger. The national-democratic movement in Asia, Africa and Latin America is continuing to mount. The struggle of the working class and other labouring people in the capitalist countries in Western Europe, North America and Oceania against U.S. imperialism and domestic monopoly capital is being unfolded on an extensive scale. The American people's struggle against the Johnson Administration's aggression in Vietnam and the American Negroes' struggle against racial discrimination are advancing wave upon wave. The angry tide of the people of the world against U.S. imperialism is mounting ever higher. The revolutionary forces of the people of the world are daily growing. The Marxist-Leninist ranks are steadily expanding while the modern revisionist bloc is being steadily weakened. The contradictions among the imperialist powers have become sharper than at any time since World War II. U.S. imperialism has never been so isolated or so beset with difficulties as today. All signs indicate that a new great anti-U.S. revolutionary storm is fast approaching. U.S. imperialism and the reactionaries of various countries are countering the peoples with frenzied attacks and stirring up a counter-revolutionary adverse current. But these are only temporary phenomena which do not bespeak their strength but rather their weakness. Their death-bed struggles can in no way change the course

of historical development but will only stimulate more vigorous advance of the revolutionary struggle of the people of the world.

The two sides point out that the Vietnamese people's struggle against U.S. aggression and for national salvation now constitutes the focus of the anti-U.S. struggle of the people of the world. In Vietnam, the strategy of people's war is prevailing over the global strategy of imperialism. The victories of the Vietnamese people have exploded the myth of the invincibility of U.S. imperialism and once again proved that it is a paper tiger, outwardly strong but inwardly weak. The Vietnamese people's struggle against U.S. aggression has effectively tied down and weakened the aggressive forces of U.S. imperialism and greatly supported and helped the revolutionary struggles of all other peoples.

The two sides point out that, in order to save itself from its thorough defeat in Vietnam, U.S. imperialism is actively employing its counter-revolutionary dual tactics. On the one hand, it is accelerating the escalation of its war of aggression, attempting to spread it directly to the Democratic Republic of Vietnam, to the whole of Indo-China and to China; on the other hand, it is vigorously peddling its "peace talks" fraud, vainly attempting to gain what it cannot win on the battlefield.

The two sides call on the people of the whole world to maintain sharp vigilance against the U.S. imperialist plot of expanding its war of aggression against Vietnam, and ceaselessly and firmly to expose the "peace talks" tricks played by the imperialist U.S. Government with the support of the Khrushchov revisionists. The two sides reaffirm their resolute support for the four-point stand of the Government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and the five-part statement of the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation. The United States must stop its aggression in the whole of Vietnam. It must withdraw all its armed forces from southern Vietnam. It must recognize the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation as the sole genuine representative of the people of southern Vietnam. The two sides pledge all-out support and assistance to the Vietnamese people in their just and heroic struggle to defeat U.S. imperialism, liberate the south, defend the north and thus to reunify their fatherland, till final victory. The two sides point out that the attitude towards the struggle of the Vietnamese people constitutes a watershed between the anti-imperialist fighters and the accomplices of imperialism, between the supporters of the peoples' liberation struggle and its saboteurs, between the fighters for revolution and the cause of socialism and the betrayers of revolution and socialism. It is imperative to thoroughly expose the attitude of the Khrushchov revisionists, who claim to be friends and supporters of the Vietnamese people, but who actually work hand in glove with the U.S. imperialist aggressors, the murderers of the Vietnamese people.

The two sides strongly condemn U.S. imperialism for steadily extending its attacks on the liberated areas

of Laos and firmly support the patriotic and just struggle of the Neo Lao Haksat and the Laotian people against U.S. imperialism and its lackeys.

The two sides strongly condemn U.S. imperialism for instigating the Thai reactionaries and the south Vietnamese puppets to acts of aggression and provocation against the Kingdom of Cambodia, firmly support the Cambodian people in their just struggle against aggression and in defence of territorial integrity and sovereignty, and support Cambodia's policy of peace and neutrality.

The two sides firmly support the Korean people in their just struggle against the U.S. imperialist forcible occupation of south Korea and for the withdrawal of U.S. troops and the reunification of their country; they firmly support the Korean people's just stand against the "Japan-ROK Treaty."

The two sides firmly support the Japanese people's heroic struggle against the Japan-U.S. Security Treaty and the "Japan-ROK Treaty," for the dismantling of U.S. military bases and against the stationing of U.S. nuclear submarines in Japan; they firmly support the Japanese people's just struggle against the collusion of Japanese monopoly capital with U.S. imperialism in reviving Japanese militarism.

The two sides strongly condemn the fascist outrages of the Indonesian Right-wing generals clique in usurping the state power of Indonesia and massacring Indonesian Communists and progressives; they strongly condemn the Indonesian Right-wing forces for their barbarous and frantic opposition to China and persecution of the Chinese nationals. They express deep concern and firm support for the Indonesian Communists, revolutionary people and progressives who are persevering in struggle under white terror. They express the firm conviction that the Indonesian people with their glorious revolutionary tradition will win final victory under the correct leadership of the Indonesian Communist Party.

The two sides firmly support the Pakistan people's just struggle in defence of national independence and state sovereignty. They hold that the Kashmir question should be settled in accordance with the wishes of the Kashmiri people. They reaffirm their support for the Kashmiri people in their struggle for the right to self-determination.

Both sides support the people of the Arab countries in their struggle to oppose imperialist aggression and oppression and to win and safeguard national independence; they support the Arab people of Palestine in their effort to recover their legitimate rights.

The two sides firmly support the struggles of the people of the Congo (Leopoldville), "Portuguese" Guinea, Mozambique, Angola and Southern Rhodesia.

The two sides firmly support the people of Guinea, Mali, Tanzania and the Congo (Brazzaville) in their just

struggle against imperialist subversion and in defence of state sovereignty and independence.

The two sides firmly support the people of the Dominican Republic, Peru, Colombia, Guatemala and Venezuela in their armed struggle for national liberation.

Both sides support the people of Asia, Africa and Latin America in their just struggle to oppose imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism and to win and safeguard national independence.

Both sides hold that the revival of West German revanchist militarism and the Bonn government's expansionist policy pose a serious menace to the peace and security of Europe.

The two sides strongly condemn U.S. imperialism for its crime of vigorously fostering West German militarism, attempting to give nuclear weapons to the West German revanchists and aiding and abetting the West German militarists in their attempt to annex the German Democratic Republic. The two sides resolutely oppose any betrayal of the interests of the German Democratic Republic. They reaffirm their support for the German Democratic Republic in its just struggle against West German militarism and in defence of state sovereignty, and they deem it necessary as soon as possible to conclude a German peace treaty and, on this basis, to settle the question of West Berlin.

The two sides firmly support the American people's struggle against the Johnson Administration's aggression in Vietnam; they firmly support the American Negroes' struggle against racial discrimination and for freedom and equal rights.

Both sides support the working class and other labouring people of the capitalist countries in Western Europe, North America and Oceania in their struggle against U.S. imperialism and domestic monopoly capital and for state sovereignty, better living conditions, democratic rights and social progress.

The two sides point out that the deal on the "prevention of nuclear proliferation," which the United States and the Soviet Union are now making at the Geneva Disarmament Conference, is a great conspiracy to consolidate their nuclear monopoly and deprive other countries of the right to develop nuclear weapons for self-defence. All peace-loving countries and peoples must resolutely oppose this conspiracy. The two sides reiterate that nuclear weapons must be completely prohibited and thoroughly destroyed and that, first of all, the use of nuclear weapons must be banned. The Albanian side reaffirms its full support for the proposal of the Chinese Government for a summit conference of all the countries of the world to discuss the question of complete prohibition and thorough destruction of nuclear weapons.

The two sides point out that, despite the opposition of Albania and many other peace-loving countries, U.S.

imperialism is increasingly turning the United Nations into a tool for pursuing its policy of aggression, and that the Soviet revisionist leading group, in order to realize its fond dream of world domination through Soviet-U.S. collaboration, is increasingly making the United Nations a place for Soviet-U.S. political bargaining. The two sides hold that the domination of the United Nations by a few big powers must be ended and that the United Nations must rectify its errors and undergo a thorough reorganization.

Both sides point out that in the present international communist movement the struggle of Marxism-Leninism against modern revisionism with the leading group of the C.P.S.U. as its centre is developing victoriously. Khrushchov's downfall was a great victory for all the Marxist-Leninists of the world and marked the bankruptcy and fiasco of modern revisionism.

The two sides point out that the leading group of the C.P.S.U. is carrying on Khrushchov revisionism without Khrushchov. It has gone farther than Khrushchov in restoring capitalism, capitulating to U.S. imperialism and practising splittism and great-power chauvinism towards fraternal countries and Parties. It is helping U.S. imperialism in its effort to extinguish the raging flames of the Vietnamese people's revolution. It is working in co-ordination with U.S. imperialism to form a ring of encirclement against China. In collusion with U.S. imperialism, it is selling out the interests of the revolution of the peoples in Asia, Africa, Latin America and elsewhere. To cater to the needs of U.S. imperialism, it convened the Moscow Meeting of March 1965 openly splitting the international communist movement. It has supported turncoats of all descriptions in sabotaging and intimidating fraternal Marxist-Leninist Parties and revolutionary groups in various countries. The leading group of the C.P.S.U. has already degenerated into a group of renegades from Marxism-Leninism and accomplices of U.S. imperialism.

The two sides point out that the recent 23rd Congress of the C.P.S.U. demonstrates that the general line pursued by the leading group of the C.P.S.U. remains the revisionist one formulated by it from the time of its 20th to that of its 22nd Congress. At the latest Congress, it energetically employed dual tactics, evaded all important issues and covered up the various contradictions. This is an indication that the new leadership of the C.P.S.U. is still flabbier than Khrushchov. Beset with all kinds of contradictions, the leading group of the C.P.S.U. is at present in dire straits both at home and abroad, and it is having an increasingly hard time.

The two sides hold that Marxist-Leninists of the whole world must step up their fight and follow up their victories by carrying through to the end the struggle against modern revisionism whose centre is the leading group of the C.P.S.U. and never allow it any respite. It is necessary to wage uncompromising and principled struggles against these renegades from Marxism-Leninism and never to show them any flexibility;

it is necessary to continue to expose and criticize them firmly and thoroughly and never to "cease open polemics" with them; it is necessary to continue to give full support to Marxist-Leninists of all countries in the struggle against modern revisionism and never to accept their call for "cessation of factional activities;" it is necessary to draw a clear line of demarcation between ourselves and them politically, ideologically and organizationally and never to take any "united action" with them.

The two sides point out that true Marxist-Leninists and thorough proletarian revolutionaries are fearless. The modern revisionists vilify the Chinese Communist Party, the Albanian Party of Labour and other Marxist-Leninists as "dogmatists," "adventurists" and "sectarians," but in fact what they attack is nothing but Marxism-Leninism.

Steadfast adherence to principle and dauntless courage are essential to a victorious revolution, whereas an opportunist and pragmatic attitude is bound to cause serious damage to the revolutionary cause and lead it to failure. Only by remaining unwavering in all circumstances can one attain final victory.

The Chinese Communist Party and the Albanian Party of Labour reiterate that, while waging resolute and uncompromising struggles against the Khrushchov revisionist group which is the centre of international modern revisionism, it is necessary to conduct a firm struggle against the traitorous revisionist Tito clique of Yugoslavia. The Tito clique of renegades is the first revisionist group to emerge in a socialist country. It has caused the Yugoslav Party and state to degenerate and brought about the complete restoration of capitalism. It is a special detachment of U.S. imperialism and plays the role of a saboteur against the national-democratic revolutionary movements in Asia, Africa and Latin America.

The two sides reiterate that the Chinese Communist Party and the Albanian Party of Labour regard it as their noble internationalist duty to thoroughly expose the acts of betrayal of the Soviet modern revisionists and so help the fraternal Soviet people. The Chinese Communist Party and the Albanian Party of Labour are deeply convinced that the revisionist renegades' rule in the Soviet Union is a temporary phenomenon and that the great Soviet people have inexhaustible revolutionary strength. The Chinese and Albanian peoples will, as in the past, safeguard the great, unbreakable fighting friendship between them and the Soviet people.

The two sides stress that, in the present situation which is favourable to revolution, in order to isolate U.S. imperialism to the maximum extent and deal it the heaviest blows, the people of the world must form an international united front against U.S. imperialism and its lackeys, which is the broadest possible and not narrow, and the truest and not sham, united front. This united front must be based on the anti-imperialist revolutionary unity of all the people of the world and

must include all countries and people who oppose U.S. imperialist aggression, control, intervention or bullying, but in no circumstances must it include the lackeys and accomplices of U.S. imperialism. Modern revisionism whose centre is the leading group of the C.P.S.U. has long since been in league with U.S. imperialism, set itself against the people of the whole world and excluded itself from the anti-U.S. international united front. The fight against imperialism headed by the United States and its lackeys and the fight against modern revisionism with the leading group of the C.P.S.U. as its centre are two inseparable tasks. Only by resolutely opposing modern revisionism with the leading group of the C.P.S.U. as its centre will one win the fight against U.S. imperialism.

The two sides are convinced that the masses who constitute the overwhelming majority of mankind, the American people included, are for revolution and against imperialism and its lackeys and that the overwhelming majority of the Communists in the international communist movement will advance along the path of Marxism-Leninism. The revolutionary people of the world and the great international communist movement will eventually sweep away all obstacles and unite still more closely on the basis of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism. The prospects for the cause of world revolution are infinitely bright. Imperialism, modern revisionism and reaction will all perish in the end. Socialism and communism will win final victory throughout the world.

The two sides hold that the visit of the Albanian Party and Government Delegation headed by Comrade Mehmet Shehu to the People's Republic of China and the intimate talks between the leaders of the two Parties and the two countries have made an important contribution to the further strengthening of the unity, the friendship and the relations of mutual assistance and co-operation between the two Parties, the two Governments and the two peoples and that they have an important bearing on the promotion of the unity and growth of the world Marxist-Leninist ranks and on the furtherance of the great struggle of all the revolutionary peoples against U.S. imperialism, modern revisionism and reaction and for world peace, national liberation, people's democracy and socialism.

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