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Middle Age Barbarism!

From the day when President Khatami's role was ended and Khatami preferred to be more frightened of the people than the Conservative faction, from the day when the Conservatives occupied the Parliament's seats through fake elections that people laughed at and mocked its results, from the day when George Bush's feet got stuck in the quagmire in Iraq and his oppressive attempts were responded to by the courageous struggle of the Iraqi people, the Conservative faction has decided to intensify its suppression because an established and stable regime can have an easier time increasing its price in negotiations with the US imperialists.

The suppression of the worker's struggle, the arrest and trial of workers in city of Saghez, the brutal suppression of students, the fake trial for the case of Zahra Kazemi (an Iranian-Canadian freelance journalist who was arrested and murdered by the authorities), the closure of the remaining operating press, the intensification of pressure on the political prisoners who were on hunger strike, all and all are for strengthening of the Conservative ruling despots. The Iranian ruling circles still rely on the illusion that they can continue their rule through suppression and bullying. It is not known how many destinies of similar despots the Iranian ruling elites have to witness before they flee the country! Suppression is always a sign of weakness and not of strength. A regime that appeals to gun and threat and force has reached the end of the line and cannot see any other path for its survival.

The attack on women who have been in the forefront of the struggle is a short wall that the regime has decided to jump over. The regime of the Islamic Republic is very angry at Nobel Peace Prize winner Shireen Ebadi who is a lawyer representing the family of Zahra Kazemi. The recent suppression and execution of women is also the regime's response to the European countries for granting the Peace Prize to an Iranian woman. At the same time, it is an intimidation and bullying of Mrs. Ebadi with the hope that she will retreat. The regime of the Islamic Republic is taking revenge on the women who are determined to continue their struggle.

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House is Broken from its Foundation!

(On the Split in the Worker-communist Party of Iran)

Once again, the "Hekmatite movement" has split into two pieces. No more than two years from the death of its founder Hekmat, the mud and straw bricks of this movement have broken up and have sunk its members and leaders. The internal documents with signatures of different shades are decorating the internet sites of different factions.

One faction under the leadership of the former "leader" and the head of Political Bureau of WCPI, Koorosh Modaressi, accuses the other faction headed by the new "leader" Hamid Taghvai of violation of organisational norms, conspiracy, and return to "traditional left". Taghvai's faction is analysed to be a faction without political horizon and is labeled with passivity, tail-ending, and being a politically dead end. Taghvai's faction, through internet Paltalk speeches and variety of

colorful articles, accuses Modaressi's faction of "refutation of socialism and revolution", jumping to reformism and parliamentarism, seeking referendum and an alliance with Islamic Republic's reformist leader Hajarani, lack of organisational discipline, cowardice, and escape from the extra-ordinary 5th Congress of WCPI.

Amidst of this noise, the tired and exhausted faithful comrades of the "leaders" make move in confronting each other and insist on the correctness of the leader's path. The leaders of each of the factions, through grandiloquent speeches in Paltalk and expensive trips to this or that country, try to prove that they are faithful to "grand leader" Hekmat more than the other faction with the purpose of collecting more supporters. Putting all these noises and radio-television interviews

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The number of executions is on the rise in Iran and the sick minded authorities have opened once again the file of "the remedy of execution". They sentenced to death or executed over 30 individuals in July of 2004 alone. The execution of a 16-year old girl who courageously stood against the Islamic court is for intimidating the masses and preventing the protest movement. This inhumane action that has instigated the public revulsion and disgust is more a sign of mental sickness of the authorities who must be cured. The Iranian society can be cured only through the destruction of parasitic Islamic rule. The Iranian rulers have started again the job of cutting the hands and feet and necks and they have imposed again the "law of punishment" on the masses. The authorities are not looking for the social causes that result in robbery and crime; instead, they cut the hands and feet of petty robbers. The Islamic authorities hide their own families' embezzlement of unbelievable size, but respond barbarically to the robbery and petty crimes of the poorest and unprotected section of the society.

The regime's Judicial Branch, under the cover of carrying justice, has become one of the most savage organs of suppression in the society. The lives of individuals are worth nothing for the Judicial Branch. This organ of Ayatollah Khamenei and Shahrudi works on the same basis that was established by butcher Ayatollah Khalkhali who was the Tudeh Party's Parliamentary candidate. According to Khalkhali's view, which is the view of all divine religions, all people are sinful and perverted, and both sinful and sinless can be executed and the sinful individuals that are justly punished go to hell and the sinless go to heaven! On Sunday August 15, 2004, in the city of Neka in the province of Mazandaran, a blood thirsty Islamic judge ordered the public execution of a 16-year old girl, Atefeh Rajabi, by hanging her from a crane. The Islamic authorities, under the pressure of the world public opinion and of Iranian people's disgust, announced the execution formally with a long delay and reported that Atefeh who was 22 years old had committed adultery. This brutal execution reminds us of the executions during the decade of 1980 when the authorities ordered the slaughter of minors and pregnant women. Those authorities are still in power and appeal to the same brutality and barbarism, depending on the level of protest movement and whenever they feel their power is threatened. The authorities ordered the execution of a poor minor who has only passed 16 winters by charging her with 5 sins. Atefeh did not have a

defence lawyer and the Islamic court appointed a mullah as her defence lawyer after her verdict was reached! Even according to the laws of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the execution will not be punishment for a crime that has no witness.

The order to execute this innocent girl is not simply the order by a sick and blood thirsty judge. This order was confirmed quickly and without any hesitation by the Supreme Court of the Islamic Republic of Iran. The paper "Islamic Republic" which is the organ of the Supreme leader Ayatollah Khamenei wrote in its leading article that:

"The members of Majlis (Parliament) cannot neglect the religious and cultural disturbance of the people and at the same time consider themselves as the representative of the people. The streets of Tehran and other big cities are paraded by contaminated women and girls who are the destroyers of religion and morality. How can one be hopeful for the future of the country and of the young generation with the continuation of this situation? ..."

And now, the execution of a young girl must clean the streets of Tehran and other big cities of Iran!

For what reasons these "respectful" Islamic Judges and the members of the Parliament who make files for the "grand sins" of the people do not even open their lips when the authorities of the Islamic Republic sell the Iranian girls to Arab sheikhs for committing the "grand sin" of adultery. This scandal has reached the point that Mojtaba Keshai, a Hezbollah member stated in a weekly gathering of Hezbollah that:

"I can prove this matter through documents. Some of the families of the high ranking authorities have a hand in selling girls and importing the country's chastity to sheikhdom of Dubai. They sell the Iranian girls for 15,000 to 20,000 US dollars to Arab sheikhs with complete security and full confidence that no authority will stand against them".

Mr. Kashai continues that the armed Islamic bands support this modern slavery. We must add that this modern slavery is consistent with the nature of Islam which recommends the trade of bondmaids.

The backward and reactionary ideology has cast its dark shadow on the destiny of Iranian women. At the same time, when accumulating wealth through selling girls is concerned, the chastity and morality of the Islamic Republic is thrown out of window! The execution of defenceless and unprotected girls has become a cover for the lack of chastity of the authorities' sons and has been

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carried out in order to deceitfully preserve the Islamic chastity of the ruling authorities. The execution of a girl who was born and raised during the Islamic rule is for intimidation of the masses. Even Mr. Kashai who has a turban on his head and who tries to expose the circles that propagate organised depravity and immorality does not dare to name the circles. Perhaps Mr. Kashai whose zeal is boiling has the intention of securing a governmental position for himself. Whatever, Mr. Kashai is himself a member of the reactionary bands of bazaar's merchant. The execution of Atefeh will not be the last execution. Only the execution of the regime of the Islamic Republic will put an end to this situation.

As the international campaign for saving the life of Afsaneh Norouzi resulted in nullification of her execution and postponement of the execution of Kobra Rahmanpour, we must mobilise the international public opinion against the suppression and execution of women in Iran. Though the attack on women is a sign of regime's weakness, at the same time, it is the eye of the dark system of despotism. We can mobilise the public opinions easier and faster against the execution of women and minors and corner the regime more strongly. The Iranian regime knows this too. The fact that the regime carries out the executions immediately after they are issued in order to escape domestic and international protest shows the extent to which the regime is afraid of the world public opinion. We must put our fingers on this weak point of the regime and mobilise the public opinion and the world progressive institutions against the executions in Iran. We must organise exhibitions to show the photos and scenes of the executions, particularly of women and minors, contact the mass media and human rights activists, and make use of every opportunity the host countries give us. The people of the host countries are alongside us and support our activities.

The Iranian revolutionary movement must not forget for a moment that the "Tudeh Party" and "Fadaian Majority" were two organisations that approved all the crimes committed by the Islamic Republic during Khomeini's time. If the regime of the Islamic Republic would not have rejected these two organisations and had not charged them with spying, they would have continued to support the regime till today. These two treacherous organisations try to utilise the passed time in order to rewrite their shameful history of cooperation with the Islamic

Republic in turning in the revolutionaries and communists to the executioners of the regime. The "Tudeh Party" and "Fadaian Majority" shamelessly try now to put their guilt on someone else's shoulders. They support the US puppet regime in Iraq now and defend the colonialist operations of the US and its allies in Iraq. These two enemies of the Iranian people should be considered as poisonous snakes whose heads must be smashed; otherwise, they may paralyse a movement with their venom again. The communists have the task of constantly clarifying the demarcation line between friends and enemies. Our organisation will be persistent on this front.

Split in WCPI

through such non-class slogan as "The basis of socialism is human beings". This type of figure-making is fake and irrelevant to the class struggle and is as superstitious as the appearance of Khomeini's picture on the moon. This kind of figure is a caricature of a revolutionary Marxist.

In short, the intensification of the class struggle exposes the class nature of different forces. The military expedition of the US imperialism to the Middle East, the occupation of Afghanistan and Iraq, the defeat of the US occupying forces in Iraq, the Islamic Republic's compromise with the US, the intensification of the Iranian regime's offence on the masses, and the bankruptcy of the WCPI's theory on the disintegration of the Islamic Republic in a short time are some of the ingredients that lead to the fragmentation of WCPI.

Hekmat's theory of "Black and White Scenario", low theoretical level, and shortsightedness resulted in the paralysation of WCPI in dealing with the complex situation in Iran and the Middle East. One can regard the theory of imperialism as obsolete and void and refute it and laugh at Lenin. But the reality of occupation of Iraq and Afghanistan and the intensification of the anti-imperialist struggle of the people of the Middle East and of the world are so resounding that one cannot help but to see and to hear them. It is in this concrete condition that Hakmat's anti-Leninist theories encounter crisis and contradiction and show their alienation with the realities of today's world.

Long Live Marxism-Leninism!

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aside, what we cannot find is adherence to any principles of Marxism-Leninism. Even any individual who is freshly involved with progressive politics can see by a simple glance that the quarrel is about personal power, self-promotion, and egotism stemming from liberalism and anti-party attitude and not about defending the communist principles. One who is interested in seeing the true nature and reasons behind the split must look into the words and deeds of "Marx of the time" of both factions, Mansour Hekmat, and dissect his thought to separate weed from the chaffs. We must refer to the main roots of this sect and its founder who reflects the identity of each of the factions and evaluate and expose his line on different questions.

Those who have any sympathy for the emancipation of the working class and do not like to sink into self-deceit must study the classics of Marxism-Leninism and use the experience of 150 years of world communist and worker-movement to analyse the views and practices of the line given by Hekmat in order to seek the root of the current and future splits in WCPI. It is only through adherence to the principle of Marxism-Leninism that one can expose and reject groups that have no achievements except throwing stone on and creating obstruction to the path of emancipation of the working class. One must refute all anti-Marxist views that have penetrated like a virus the soul and practice of all factions of WCPI in order to play a positive role in the communist and revolutionary movement.

The disintegration of "Hekmatism" began with Hekmat's refutation of Leninism. One cannot find any anti-Marxist individual who has not first set the account against Lenin and Leninism. One cannot find any anti-Marxist individual who has not first refuted the teachings of Lenin. One cannot find any anti-Marxist individual who has not negated the Great October Socialist Revolution, negated the construction of socialism in the USSR, and negated the valuable experience of the proletariat of the USSR and of 150 years of the world communist movement.

Deceased Hekmat was one of those who took this task, and misusing the weakness of the communist movement due to the Islamic Republic of Iran's bloody suppression of innumerable experienced and tempered Marxist-Leninists, he step by step began the refutation of Leninism. He propagated liberalism in the frame-work of "modern left" and contaminated the minds of those who were suffering from the poverty of knowledge and of the Marxist theory. Hekmat, under the pretext of analysing the restoration of

capitalism in the USSR, deviated from Leninism and then refuted it in its totality. In his incoherent theoretical writings that were published under the title of "Marxism and the question of the Soviet Union" there is no sign of him standing on the Marxist principles. In his theses that are amalgamations of Trotskyism, Kautskyism, anarchism, and liberalism, Hekmat eventually slips into Economism in criticism of socialism in the USSR and he accuses Lenin and the Bolsheviks of lack of horizon and of incorrect understanding of socialist economy. He stated that

"Socialism was never economically established in the USSR, so one cannot talk about restoration of capitalism there. What Lenin had in mind was state capitalism, and Stalin too had nothing else in mind and he practically implemented it".

In other words, Lenin and his Bolshevik comrades' desire was nothing except the industrialisation of the USSR which was the desire of the Russian nationalism.

Mr. Hekmat who had no skills except to copy the writings of anti-communist liberals and to formulate the broken pieces of these writings eventually gives a definition of socialism that has nothing in common with scientific socialism, but it is liberalism and Western capitalism wrapped in non-class words and expressions. Hekmat's socialism is socialism in name not in content and is inconsistent with reality and has mechanisms that flow bourgeois liberalism.

Hekmat sunk into opportunism with his refutation of Leninism. He analysed Leninism as a Stalin-made theory and mocked at it. He opposed even the most fundamental principles of communism. The disintegration of "Hekmatism" started from here. From the beginning of his activities, Hekmat labeled himself as a Marxist and not as a Leninist. He tried to return to the era of "young Marx" and to use Marxism of the era of free capitalist competition and of European industrial revolutions to analyse the complex situation of the era of monopolies and globalisation of capital and imperialism. With his nihilist and petty-bourgeois horizon, Hekmat refuted Lenin's theory of imperialism, attributed progressive role to imperialism in contrast with the third world capitalism, and eventually ended up with the theories such as "Modernism", "Political Islam" as one of the pillars of today's world contradiction, and a "Black and White Scenario". He bowed to imperialism and "secular and modern" liberal bourgeoisie. It was through these theories that he defended the US Invasion of Afghanistan and the "modern" and "democratic" Israel in confronting the barbarism of Palestinians and the Islamists.

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Hekmat justified Zionism and joined the Israeli front to fight against the "political Islam" in the Middle East region. He invented "new" theories that their implementations bring nothing except the stink of colonialism and dependence. He was hostile with the Iranian people's culture, history, and nationality and labeled them as reactionary and fascist. Hekmat presented views that the experienced French, British, Belgian and other old colonialists theorised in order to establish their rules in Africa and other regions and that the US imperialists are presently theorising and implementing in the framework of Huntington's "Clash of Civilizations". Hekmat ridiculed the anti-imperialist struggle of the people of the world and put make up on the reactionary and plundering nature of imperialism. His contradictory stands on several vexed issues, his position on Afghanistan, and the reactionary position of the followers of his "school" on the US invasion and occupation of Iraq all stem from his refutation of Leninist theory of imperialism and its nature.

Hekmat opposed the Leninist norms in regard to organisational construction of the working class party also. He rejected the Leninist principles on the party building and considered the idea that the party of the working class is the decisive tool in the hands of the proletariat for seizure of political power obsolete, and he replaced it with the theory of "open" and bourgeois party. Hekmat laughed at the formulation "for an underground (illegal) organisation" and of combination of legal and illegal work, and he worked for an all open party. Theoretically and practically, he replaced the party of the working class by the "party of figures" with open congress and exposed photos of its activists. Hekmat put the congresses of his party on sale and invited the public, from left to right to monarchists, to participate. He was proud of the participation of Tudeh Party, Fadaian Majority, and the monarchists in the congresses of his party. He replaced the congress of a communist party as the highest political organ that must make decisions on acute political, class, and organisational issues by a congress of Hollywood shows. His party threw away a Leninist constitution, accepted large scale membership of untested individuals, made factionalism and the existence of trends with different views admissible, and made a caricature out of the subordination of minority to majority and of the implementation of decisions made by the party.

A party that has distanced itself from all of the principles of Leninism and still carries a communist label has no choice except to split,

to be faced with crisis, and to be ridiculed by the public.

One cannot be a communist but not a Leninist. One cannot be a Leninist but not respect the past history of the communist movement and of the Communist International 1, 2, and 3. One cannot be Leninist but not have a position on the big split that took place in regards to Khrushchevite revisionism and the 20th Congress of the Communist party of the USSR. One cannot be a Leninist but evaluate Stalin as the representative of state capitalism and irrelevant to workers and socialism. One cannot be a Leninist but stamp the nature of the Great October Revolution and Chinese Revolution with a bourgeois label and accuse the leaders of these revolutions with bourgeois nationalism. He who develops hostility towards the communist movement that changed the world's picture and refutes the development of Marxism to Leninism and negates the glorious history of the communist movement has no choice except to fall to the ground in disgrace. Hekmat was one of these individuals and his party could not have any other fate. Hekmat, due to his self glorification and boasting of himself as the "Marx of the time" had to take the position of disrespect and loathing for the great leaders of Marxism. We see now that Mr. Hekmat as the "Marx of the time" and as the "bigger than Marx" is ridiculed by the progressive political activists.

Figures such as Marx and Lenin are the byproduct of definite historical era and of grand social transitions. Marx made scientific analysis of the capitalist system from which he beautifully derived the theory and tactic of the proletariat. The Paris Commune and the revolutionary theses that were raised after its defeat, especially the thesis on the destruction of the capitalist machinery and the establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat, introduced Marx to the world as the century's great thinker, a revolutionary communist, and the teacher of the proletariat. Marx turned into a great leader in the communist movement through his theories and revolutionary practices. Lenin became a great leader in the communist movement through his continuation of Marx's path, by developing the Marxist theories, by presenting the scientific theory on the development of capitalism to imperialism, and by leading the October Revolution to victory. Isn't it to put Hekmat on the same level as Marx while Hekmat lacked even the ability to lead a few hundred of his supporters ridiculous? Hekmat did not develop any theories of Marx or Lenin; instead he copied the theories of bourgeois figures of Britain. He tried to seek prestige through raising questions about abortion and

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Sistani now claims that he does not want to be involved in politics! It is clear that the policy of non-involvement in the politics of the country that is under occupation and more than one hundred thousand of its people have been killed is a policy in the interest of the imperialists and their puppet. The silence of Shiite clergies on the event in Fallujah is very suspicious and is designed to create religious enmity amongst the Iraqis. This silence facilitates the division of Iraqi society into parts. However, these conspiracies and plots will be defeated by the resistance movement that has risen up against the occupation and for independence. The fate of mullahs who cooperate and make alliance with the US occupying forces is closely tied with the fate of the puppet government. The Iraqi people will not place these mullahs in their history with respect. A clear example of these mullahs was Ayatollah Kashani in Iran.

A hideous crime is being committed in Iraq at this moment. This is a crime against humanity, and all of the "democratic and civilised" states have closed their eyes on it and are silent, censor the news, and broadcast the colonialists' lies. We must break the conspiracy of silence on the crimes committed by the occupying forces in Iraq.

Arafat

Forty years of the struggle Arafat waged against the armed to the teeth Israeli regimes had many ebbs and tides. The expulsion of the Palestinian fighters from Jordan by King Hussein in September 1970 (Black September) and the dispersion of the Palestinian combatants from southern Lebanon in 1982, which was a result of a deal between the US imperialists and the Soviet social imperialists and of a role played by Hafez Al Assad which was as dirty as the role of King Hussein in 1970, could not destroy Arafat and his comrades' resolve in achieving the rights of the Palestinian nation.

However, due to the prolongation of the struggle, to the attachment to the financial aids from the reactionary and puppet Arab regimes, to the illusions about the Soviet social imperialists as the friends of the Palestinians, and due to unprincipled retreats instead of reliance on the laborers and masses, Arafat was forced to accept the 1993 Oslo Accord in an unfavorable international condition.

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After 27 years in exile, Arafat returned to Palestine in 1994 and continued his struggle with a new hope for establishing a Palestinian state through the formation of the autonomous Palestinian Authority. But not only did the Israeli Zionist not implement the Oslo Accord, they decided to physically destroy the liberation movement and the Palestinian Authority. The Israeli authorities blamed Arafat for their defeat in confronting the Intifada movement and for not making alliance with the Zionists in crushing this movement.

During the past four years, the US and Israeli authorities violated the Oslo Accord and attempted, by destroying the economic base and the facilities of the Palestinian Authority, to destroy the Palestinian nation's quest and hope for establishing their independent state. The US and Israeli administrators tried to push aside Arafat as the symbol and the legitimate representative of the Palestinian people and to negotiate with their favorite and selected leader. The Zionist regime tried its best, by destroying Ramallah and isolating Arafat, to erase the symbol of the Palestinian resistance from the public memory and to force Arafat to give up the dream and desire of his nation for an independent state.

But Arafat remained loyal to this dream and desire till last minute of his life despite all his sufferings, difficulties, the treachery of his former allies, the sabotage of the region's reactionary regimes including the regime of the Islamic Republic of Iran that opposed Arafat from the beginning and allied itself with the reactionary Amal and Hezbollah movements.

Arafat died, but the dream and hope of his nation is alive and inspires the Palestinians to fight for their just cause of establishing an independent and viable state.

Long Live the Liberation Struggle of the Palestinian Nation!
Death to the Zionist Regime of Israel!

The Party of Labour of Iran (Toufan)

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Fallujah

The shame of their cooperation and alliance with imperialism and Zionism will darken their faces forever. Those who, after so much crime against the people of Fallujah, still hope for the imperialists' good intentions are not deceived, but are actually allies of imperialists and abettors of these crimes. The slaughter in Fallujah is more barbaric, more savage, and more shameful than the slaughter in Halabcha.

Only in the imperialists' dreams the resistance of the Iraqi people will end. The flame that has been raised in Iraq will spread throughout the region. Only the political opportunists have closed their eyes to this fact.

The justification for this criminal assault is to find terrorist and fundamentalist Zarqawi. The US occupying forces have poured missiles and bombs onto the resident districts of Fallujah for months with this excuse and have murdered hundreds of people to find Zarqawi, but still have been unable to find this invisible man in the areas that the imperialists want to bombard! The fact is that Zarqawi is only an excuse. The US wants to barbarically suppress and falsely accuse the struggle of the Iraqi people against occupation and colonialism. Today, millions of Iraqis have risen up to defend their country and independence. One cannot attribute anymore the more than one year-long resistance movement of the Iraqis to a band of terrorists, hooligans, Saddam royalists, Islamist fundamentalists, Al-Qaida imported terrorists or the Iranian and Syrian agents. The sly propaganda of Keyhan-London, the political organ of the Iranian monarchists and informal publication of the US war department, or the followers of Mansoor Hekmat's reactionary ideas in support of the US imperialism under the cover of taking stand for White Scenario and against Black Scenario has no appeal anymore. The struggle of the Iraqi people has put an end to all these Zionists and treacherous propaganda. Iraq has become a graveyard for the occupying forces. The war criminals who have taken the Iraqi people hostage, tortured thousands of them, and slaughtered more than one hundred thousand Iraqi human beings must be punished. The crimes committed by puppet Iyad Alawi and the reactionary laws he has implemented are unparalleled in the entire history of Iraqi dictatorship. There is no right in Iraq that has not been suppressed by this puppet. Through killings and creation of an atmosphere of fear and intimidation, the US occupying forces and Alawi want to carry out farce elections similar to the elections in Afghanistan in order to legitimise the presence of the colonial forces. This is the

"democracy" and "civil, open, and modern society" that the imperialists and their Iranian lackeys have promised the people. The Iranian, Iraqi, and other societies must be closed in order to the imperialists have "open" opportunities. One must learn from the imperialists' invasion of Iraq that capitalism develops to imperialism and that this reactionary system is barbaric, parasitic, and enemy of humanity. One must learn that the imperialists' lackeys who picture imperialism as having a civilised face are enemies of the mankind.

To save appearance, the occupying forces have put military uniform on several Iraqi Shaaban Bimokhs (an Iranian lumpin during the 1953 CIA coup in Iran) and have found some General Zahedi, Teymour Bakhtiar, Ayatollah Kashni, Mrs. Etezadi, Dr. Baghai (all of whom were involved in the CIA coup in Iran) to take photos in front of the US military in Iraq and pretend that the assault on Fallujah is a conflict between Iraqis. The US war department shamelessly claims that the assault on Fallujah is ordered by the Iraqi government and it backs it up with the statements made by these sellouts. But the fact is that the Iraqi government is a US puppet doll and a CIA established government. The "democratic and independent" Iraqi government does not have right even to breath without the US permission and cannot stay in power for even two hours without the presence of the colonial forces.

The US Secretary of Defense (Read: war) Rumsfeld says that his forces kill two to three thousand terrorists in Fallujah and not the civilians. What a lie! Apparently, the US bombs and missiles are ideological bombs and missiles that distinguish the difference between "terrorists", "resistance forces", and the ordinary civilians! In order to escape the future difficulties, Rumsfeld also claims that the slaughter of civilians is the work of the terrorists. An ordinary individual might be amazed by so much lying, shamelessness, and barbarity, but the revolutionary activists are not. These crimes stem from the nature of imperialism. The US imperialists' goal is to plunder the resources of Iraq and the Middle East and to establish hegemony in the world. They are ready to slaughter millions of the people of the region to achieve their goal and preserve and expand their interests.

The US imperialists shut the mouth of Ayatollah Sistani through lengthy diplomatic activities and praised him for not defending the national interest of Iraq and for separating the religion from the state.

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The Assault on Fallujah, a Crime against Humanity!

The aggressive army of the US imperialists has attacked Fallujah to break the heroic resistance of the people of Iraq. The dimensions of the imperialism's barbarity are limitless. Hospitals, schools, residences, and water and electric resources are ruined under tons of "democratic" bombs. The imperialists together with their domestic lackeys have decided to ruin Fallujah and not leave any resistance fighter alive. History remembers the village "Ledice" in Czechoslovakia where the Nazis slaughtered every living thing including animals in June 1942 because the anti-fascist "terrorists" had attacked the aggressor Nazi army in support of the anti-fascist Partisans. Ledice had to be decimated as a reprisal in order to intimidate the world. The name Ledice was and remains a shameful stain on the Nazis' foreheads.

Fallujah must now fall victim to the imperialist adventurers and plunderers. The CIA spy Iyad Alawi has ordered the slaughter of the people of Fallujah and has declared curfew and martial law so that no one escapes the US bombardments. History will not forgive this sellout and war criminal who has no conscience.

Alawi knows that he does not have any credibility among the Iraqi people. He is appointed by the imperialist occupiers and plays the role of an executioner. The separatist and national chauvinist Kurds in Iraq have been silent on this crime. But the Kurd residents of Basra took arms and fought against the US occupiers and defended the honour of the Kurdish people. What kind of individuals are these sellout Kurdish leaders whose consciences are not hurt by so much anti-human crimes? The independent Kurdistan of these lackeys is the second Israel in the region.

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Statement:

Yasir Arafat, the embodiment of a liberation struggle

Yasir Arafat, the embodiment of the liberation struggle of the Palestinian people, passed away. The leader of the Palestinian liberation movement Arafat was hospitalised in a military hospital in France and passed away this morning, November 11, 2004.

Undoubtedly, not only Arafat was a political leader for the Palestinian nation, he was the embodiment of pain and suffering, of the strong and weak points, and of the crystallisation of the historical struggle and steeled resolve of an oppressed nation for liberation from imperialism and colonialism.

Arafat fought long years against the Zionist occupiers and, by establishing the Palestinian Liberation Organisation in 1964, gave a new identity to a suffering nation in its struggle against the racist Israeli regimes.

Arafat, with perseverance and a strong resolve, organised the Palestinian fighters. Undoubtedly, the armed and courageous struggle of the Palestinian people against imperialism, Zionism, and the reactionary forces of the region became inspiring for the revolutionary and the progressive forces throughout the world. With his first presence in 1974 at the United Nations as the leader and formal representative of the Palestinian nation, Arafat pushed the liberation movement of his nation an important step forward. The recognition of the Palestinian leader at the United Nations was undoubtedly a thorn in the eyes of the Israeli Zionists who tried viciously to stop this international recognition of the Palestinians as a nation.

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