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STATEMENT

The court case against the fascist MHP (Nationalist Action Party) has been finally opened.The judgement of the fascist movement by the military dictatorship shows first of all the following:This court case is an achievement of the struggles of the working class,of our people,of all progressive forces, and of the patriotic officers since long years.This court case is reflecting also the contradiction within the military rule,between the pro-fascists and those who are against fascism.However,without the consistent struggle of our people,no force could be able to put these people enemies before the courts.

However, the most reactionary circles started to act , in order to protect the MHP and to direct the attack on the working class and progressive forces more intensively.The court case against the fascist MHP which was supported and mobilised by the most aggressive imperialist circles and collaborating monopolies has cultivated the feeling of revenge of the most reactionary,militarist and collaborating sections of the junta,of the aggressive enemies of the people within MİT (National Security Organisation) and the police,and of the leaders of AP (Justice Party) . Now these forces are trying to avoid from the results of the court case opened against the fascist MHP.Under the black banner of anticommunism,they are launching a counter-attack against the progressive forces,in order to save this bloody gang of murder.They are trying to benefit from the court cases against DISK, Köy-Koop, and Töb-Der,and they are planning provocations against the communists and all progressive forces.

Thus,the massive trial of the fascists is going parallel with a hard struggle between the progressive forces and the reactionary forces,patriots and collaborators,people and the enemies of the people.Thus, the future of this court case depends on this struggle.Those circles within the military rule who are against the fascist MHP, by approving the anticommunist attacks on the progressive forces,are weakening the forces against fascism and terrorism. Thus, they are torpedoing the court case against MHP which they opened themselves, and they are bowing before the most reactionary circles who are protecting the MHP. The attack on the victims of the fascist terror contradicts their words of " eradicating the roots of terrorism ". The increase of the repressions on the progressive and patriotic forces in a period, when US administration and the ruling circles of NATO are exacerbating their pressure on our country, is for the benefit of those who want to make our country a tool for the imperialist adventures, and is giving strength to them.

Those who believe that the fascist leaders will spontaneously get the punishments they deserved to at the end of the court case against the fascist MHP , are mistaken. Those who believe that all their murders,their plans

hostile to the people, the ties of the fascist MHP with imperialist centers, with the collaborating monopolies, with the AP-circles, their extensions within the state apparatus will spontaneously come to light, are in a grave mistake. They are forgetting the resistances of the neo-fascist forces connected to international imperialist centers, and of the most reactionary forces inside and outside the army against this tendency. They are turning their back to the fact that every hit to the fascist movement and the reaction is followed by intensive attacks on the progressive forces. While the voice of our working people who are deprived of democratic rights and freedoms is being silenced, the reactionary press is shamelessly defending the bloody gangs of murder. The fascist and Maoist media is being published freely. In this situation, the realities declared by the military attorney could only be spread among our people through the relentless efforts of the progressive forces. Only through the unity of action of all democratic forces, of all patriotic forces inside and outside the army, the court case against the MHP could turn into a landscale antifascist struggle with the active participation of the people. Without the resistance against the attacks on the progressive forces, without the defence of the democratic rights and freedoms, without the creation of a massive solidarity movement with the leaders and members of DİSK, Köy-Koop and Töb-Der, this court case against the fascist MHP could not end up successfully.

The accuse of the military attorney, shows how the fascists murdered thousands of human beings with the cover of "combating communism". It is impossible to wage a consistent antifascist struggle without repelling anticommunism and anti-Sovietism. Only fascists and the most reactionary forces could benefit from the enmity against the best sons and daughters of our people, against the communists. The compatriotism among the communists, all antifascist, democratic and patriotic forces must be reinforced. This is an imminent task of the day.

Let us not allow the court case against the fascist MHP to be deflated! Let us expose the ties of the MHP with the CIA, imperialist circles, collaborating monopolies, counter-guerilla, and the AP-leadership! Let us display the bloody murders which are still unknown, the aims hostile to the people and the enmity against democracy of the fascists! Let us make our people know the real face of this wild anticommunism, those who benefit from it, and how it gives painful results! Let us raise the solidarity with all the progressive forces who are under investigations, under arrest and under pressure!

12 May 1981

Central Committee
Communist Party of Turkey

THE MEETING OF COMRADE İ.BİLEN, GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE CC OF THE CPT AND COMRADE V.BILAK, MEMBER OF THE PRESIDUM AND SECRETARY OF THE CC OF THE CP OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Comrade İ. Bilen, General Secretary of the CC of the CPT and comrade V. Bilak, member of the presidium and secretary of the CC of Czechoslovakia met on 1 June 1981. At the meeting, the representatives of the two parties gave information on the work of their parties. At the meeting which took place in a comradely and sincere atmosphere, the representatives of the CPT and CP of

Czechoslovakia exchanged views on the actual international problems. They agreed to develop the mutual cooperation between the two parties further more.

CPT TOOK PART IN THE CONGRESSES OF THE GERMAN CP AND SOCIALIST UNITY PARTY OF WEST BERLIN

A delegation of the CPT took part in the VI. Congress of the German Communist Party. The representative of the CPT addressed the Congress on behalf of the working class and communists of Turkey. Said: "The VI. Congress of the German CP proves that the communists of Federal Germany are ready to overcome the tasks of the 80's in the light of the teaching of Marx, Engels and Lenin. The German CP is staying in the frontmost line of the struggle against the plans to deploy American nuclear missiles to Western Europe." The representative appreciated highly the struggle of the German CP for the economic, democratic, social and political rights and interests of the working people, and its consistent struggle against the enmity towards the foreigners and said: "This policy of the GCP, is an important factor in reinforcing the unity of action of all progressive people in F.Germany from Turkey. The more the struggle of the foreign workers in F. Germany for equal rights is bound to the struggle of the local working class for its democratic and social rights, the more successful will be this struggle. The CPT is the consistent defender of the Leninist principle "one country, one class, one party". The representative of the CPT who spoke on the latest developments in Turkey, declared that thousands of fascist terrorists, like Mehmet Ali Ağca who attacked the Pope, are protected in Federal Germany. The representative wished great success to the Congress.

A delegation of the CPT participated in the VI. Congress of the Socialist Unity Party of West Berlin (SUPWB). The representative of the CPT, in the speech addressing the Congress, pointed out the international situation and the complotts against West Berlin. Underlined the importance of the peace proposals of the XXVI. Congress of the CPSU. The representative said that the communists of West Berlin are ready to overcome the tasks of the 80's, appreciated the struggle of the party highly and said: "The working people of our country know very well the internationalist policy of your party on the foreign workers. The SUPWB which is putting against the efforts of the ruling circles to scatter seeds of enmity among the local and foreign workers the slogan "joint struggle against the common class enemy", is working for the equal social, democratic and political rights of the foreign workers and for the abolition of the discriminative laws and implementations against the foreign workers". The representative of the CPT underlined that the consistent struggle of the SUPWB against all neo-fascists, including the parallel organisations of the fascist MHP in West Berlin, is a strong support to the struggle of the antifascists of our country. The representative spoke on the latest developments in Turkey and explained the aims of the struggle of the CPT.

CPT TOOK PART IN THE THEORETIC CONFERENCES IN MUNICH ON THE "HOUSING PROBLEM" AND IN BUDAPEST ON "THE DIALECTICS OF THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL

CPT took part in the theoretic conference of the European communist and workers' parties on "housing problem" which took place on 19-20 March 1981 in Munich organised by the German CP. The representative of the CPT who delivered a report to the conference gave concrete information on the housing problem in Turkey: Every year 1,5 million people are looking for houses; although the need for new houses is 300 00 yearly, only 180 000 houses are built; 60% of the houses in the cities do not have kitchen, bath, WC, electricity, gas and sewerage system; one third of the houses in the cities are the "gecekondu" (small ghetto houses); these gecekondu consist of one or two rooms: these gecekondu which face steadily the danger of being crushed down, are built 70% on public and 30% on private land; 60-75% of the workers are living in the gecekondu; 75% of the gecekondu are in 5 big cities; the rent of a gecekondu equals approximately the minimum wage; the rent of a three room flat is 3 times the minimum wage; in rural areas 2,7 persons live in one room; only 41% of the rural buildings are saved; 80% of the village houses have no kitchen, 30% no WC, 98% no water system; 100 000 people in Turkey are living in the caves; 98% of the house-building is in the hands of the private sector; with the 33% of the national income only 2.5 houses per thousand people are built and these are very unsound because of the stealing from the materials. The representative of the CPT said that with the initiative of the progressive trade unions and municipalities, the service of cheap houses for the working people started, but after the 12 September coup, such activities are stopped. The representative of the CPT declared also the demands of the CPT and other progressive forces on the housing problem.

The representative of the CPT participated in the theoretic conference in Budapest organised by the CC of the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party and the journal Problems of Peace and Socialism on 5-7 May 1981 with the theme "the dialectics of the national and international". The representative of the CPT explained how the dialectics of the national and international is reflected in the struggle of the working class in the last years. Handled the question under the headings "struggle for peace and detente", "international solidarity actions", relations with the socialist countries", and "the national question in Turkey". Gave information how deeply the problems of peace and socialism were tackled by the publications and educational programmes of the progressive trade unions. The representative underlined that the struggle to defend peace, is interrelated with the struggle for national liberation against imperialism and NATO. Explained the obstacles in front of the struggle for peace and disarmament in Turkey where the results of the Second World War are not experienced directly. Spoke on the lie "Soviet threat" and ideological struggle against this lie. The representative of the CPT who pointed out that the international solidarity actions in Turkey have increased, said that the progressive forces besides the communists, and the working class are understanding the importance of the internationalist solidarity much better, and underlined the importance of the ideological struggle in order to achieve the comprehension of the necessity of the solidarity with the socialist countries. Said that the interest in the peaceful policy of the socialist countries and in the economic relations depending on

equal rights and mutual benefit with them is increasing among the masses. Reminded the words of comrade İ. Bilen, General Secretary of the CC of the CPT: "We have drawn from the international experiences and our experiences the following lesson: the victory is only available through the faithfulness to Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism". The representative of the CPT who spoke on the national question in Turkey said that the CPT is teaching the Turkish working people the national and social suppression on the Kurdish people, and on the other hand the Kurdish working people about the necessity of the joint struggle of the democratic forces and the unity of the working class. The representative of the CPT finished the report as the following:

"The ruling junta in Turkey prohibited all legal mass organisations. All fundamental democratic rights and freedoms are abolished. But we are sure that the experiences won by the vanguard sections of the working class make a solid foundation for us to build on also today, under such difficult conditions."

— from party organs —

Atılım, 1 June 1981

WHAT KIND OF TRADE UNIONS?

The preparations to pass a new law on trade unions have been intensified. It is said that the "Labour Commission" will meet in the following months and the representatives of the government, of employers and on behalf of the working class of Türk-İş will give the last shape of the new law. The Union of Chambers, under the domination of the monopolies, in their 1981 report, are demanding the administrative and monetary control of the trade unions. Organisations of the employers like TİSK, TUSİAD have prepared also similar law drafts. The leadership of Türk-İş is abstaining from raising its voice and putting its view on this vital issue which is interesting the bread, the job and the future of millions of working people. The preparation of the standpoint of Türk-İş is assigned to the "commission" on the eve of May.

The leadership of Türk-İş has not used the existing facilities in its hands to defend the interests of the workers. Will it express the real demands of the workers at a Labour Commission which is founded to hide the fact that the laws on preparation are for the benefit of the monopolies? The working class must say its word. The workers are knowing today much better what kind of trade unions are necessary. The workers are demanding unity. What else they have lost and what else they could not achieve, is the result of the absence of the unity. They are knowing this fact. The workers are demanding strong working sphere trade unions, and unity in one confederation on the landscape. But not on the demand of the bosses, with the imposition of the junta or by pressure or because there is no other way. They are demanding the voluntary unity of the workers which will depend on the free decision of the workers. The workers which will depend on the free decision of the workers. The workers are

opposing every kind of prohibition on founding trade unions, being members of trade unions, stepping out of trade unions. The workers are demanding to unite on the basis of their class interests, independent from the bourgeoisie and from the state, being under the control and administration of no other force than the working class, being free. They are for democratic trade unions the statut, the policy, and the leaders of which will be determined only by the workers and without any limitation from outside. They are knowing very well that another kind of trade union organisation can not defend the interests of the working class. The CPT has always defended the trade union unity and trade union democracy. It has struggled for these aims. Today it is also defending the voluntary unity in independent, free, democratic and strong trade unions, because the interests of the working class and the working class is demanding this.

"Voice of the CPT", 8.5.1981

TURKEY MUST NOT BE A TOOL OF TENSION IN THE REGION

"...The Rome meeting of NATO and the joint statement issued afterwards, have displayed once more that NATO is an aggressive organisation and it will stay like this. The NATO bosses try to hide the terrifying arms race which is fanned by themselves, by using the lie of "Soviet threat". They are the military balance in Europe and so. By distorting the military balance in Europe, they are trying to justify the deployment of new nuclear missiles to Western Europe and to break the protests of the progressive, democratic and peace-loving public opinion. Let us think: Bosses of NATO who always speak of "Soviet threat" have refused the constructive peace proposals of the Soviet Union. Everyone knows the decisions of Rome meeting of NATO. In these decisions the memorandum proposal, in other words, the freezing of the nuclear weapons and the immediate start of the negotiations have been refused. NATO did not answer other concrete peace proposals of the Soviet Union, the broadening of the confidence-building measures. It is abstaining from giving an answer. On contrary, it is developing plans of deploying nuclear weapons not only in Western Europe, but also in Asia and Africa, and of expansion in these continents. At the Rome meeting, decisions in this direction were approved. All these are rotting the lie of "Soviet threat".

Indeed, Turkey is a member of such an aggressive block which is peace and detente hostile. İler Türkmén, the foreign minister of Turkey has signed the Rome decisions of NATO which are proving the policy of NATO to increase the confrontation and tension, to fan the arms race, to continue the cold war. These decisions are contradicting our national interests. These decisions are another tool for pressure to turn Turkey into a tool of tension and threat against her neighbours. And besides, these decisions will bring new burdens on our people, will push our country further into the arms race, they will increase the unemployment and accelerate the price increases, and deepen the economic crises... Only in 1978 Turkey has spent over 2.5 billion dollars for NATO. With this money, schools, highways and factories could be built. And the people would not live in hell like today.

In short, the pro-NATO policy is for the benefit of the most reactionary,

pro-American circles which are supporting the neo-colonial methods of imperialism. These are those forces, who demand the release of the fascist leaders of the MHP, of letting the bloody murders without any punishment and dragging the country into imperialist adventures. These are the main enemies of democracy, of independence, of the rights of the workers and working people.

General Evren, in his interview for the American journal "Time" said: "If the control of the state was captured by extreme leftists, undoubtedly, these would step Turkey out of NATO, and Turkey would search another place for her." Evren, with such words, is trying to show that the demand of stepping out of NATO is put only by the "extreme leftists"... These words are contradicting the realities in Turkey.. The demand "Turkey must step out NATO and the abolition of the aggressive bases on our territory" are the national demands of our people. In massive May Day actions, strikes, peasant actions, actions of the youth, women and teachers, these demands were raised. And now when the peace forces of Turkey and the democratic public opinion are forced to be silent through weapons, when they can not raise their voice in a concrete form against NATO, against the peace-hostile decisions of this aggressive block, against the impositions of imperialism, this does not mean that our people are pro-NATO, and they are supporting the decisions of NATO to fan the arms race and tension. Our people don't want to become the slaves of NATO. Our people are opposing the decisions of NATO. Our people are demanding that Turkey must not be a tool of tension in the region. Therefore, our people are supporting the peace proposals of the Soviet Union.

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THE MAY DAY CELEBRATIONS

The working class of Turkey celebrated this year the May Day in different forms, although there were prohibitions and repressions. As known, the "National Security Council" abolished the holiday on the May Day which had before the name "Spring Festivity". Military divisions, security forces took extraordinary measurements in factories, streets, districts, and educational institutions. In some places these measurements exceeded those on the 12 September 1980, the day of the coup.

The May Day celebrations proved obviously that the traditions of the international unity, solidarity and struggle day of the working class has deep roots in the working class of Turkey. Some of the celebrations were:

- The workers who work outside the country sent messages of congratulation to Abdullah Baştürk, president of DİSK.

- The leaders of Maden-İş and Bank-Sen who have not surrendered issued a statement. Through this statement they have appealed the working class to struggle for the trade union rights and freedoms, for the release of the leaders of DİSK, for the abolition of the ban on DİSK. They underlined that the unity of the workers from DİSK and Türk-İş is necessary.

- In different provinces leaflets on the May Day were distributed. Under some of them, there were signatures indicating the unity of action of the left forces.

- In numerous factories, May Day speeches were made. Although it was strictly forbidden to go to doctor, to take vacation, and although the workers were forced to work for extra hours, in many factories the production was decreased. In almost all big factories the workers congratulated each other. The soldiers who were sent for "security" measurements could not prevent the workers. In some places, at the gates of the factories, workers going out of shift greeted the workers coming to shift with red carnations.

- In numerous provinces field excursions were organised. Those workers who have passed heavy tortures explained to their friends the importance of the May Day, of the position under torture, and the aims of the struggle of the working class in Turkey nowadays.

- In some cities, at known time and at known place silent meetings were organised. It was observed that from time to time during the May Day, people carrying red carnations got intense in some squares, streets and corners.

- The relatives and the families of the arrested people were visited.

- In different educational institutions May Day was celebrated by the students through small meetings. The teachers have organised widely conversations on the May Day.

- In numerous provinces leaflets were distributed, and red balloons flew in the sky.

FROM THE INDICTMENT AGAINST THE MHP

It is announced that the court case against the fascist MHP will start on 15 June 1981. In this court case which is covering 558 members of MHP, the execution of 220 fascists, among them the party president Alpaslan Türkeş, is demanded. The court case of the fascists captured afterwards will be included in this court case by an extra indictment. The indictment against the fascist MHP has very interesting parts. These are proving how just is the consistent antifascist struggle of the communists, socialists, of the progressive and patriotic forces lasting since many years. For example:

-MHP was founded to capture the state through illegal ways. Under the mask of a legal party and using the Franco type demagogy of democracy, it used the methods of the nazis. Deputy general secretary Yaşar Okuyan was responsible for the Hitler type mass massacres. On the table of Okuyan, in a secret document, passages of Hitler's "Mein Kampf" was found.

- The command to kill 650 persons was given directly by the party "Führer" Türkeş. Among these persons are: Apti İpekçi, editor of the daily "Milliyet" (Murder: Mehmet Ali Ağca); Kemal Türkler, ex-president of DİSK and Maden-İş, Doğan Öz, state attorney of Ankara, Ali İhsan Özgür, responsible editor of the daily "Politika", Cevat Yurdakul, Police Director of Adana, Bedrettin Cömert, professor of the Hacettepe University.

- Türkeş commanded the fascists Yılma Durak and Celal Adan to annihilate physiologically the leaders of DİSK on the eve of July 1980 in his residence in Yakacık İstanbul. On 22 July 1980, Kemal Türkler was murdered in front of his house. Türkeş demanded the murder of Cevat Yurdakul, Police Director

of Adana from Mehmet Sakarya who conveyed this command to the Adana organisation. On 28 September 1979 Yurdakul was killed.

- Cengiz Gökçek, the minister of health in the AP-MHP coalition, was responsible for the education of the heired killers. Avni Çarsancaklı, leader of the metal trade union affiliated to Türk-İş, was responsible to find weapons and materials. Besides the organisations within the ministries of customs and education, MHP founded a special information center. Employees of the ministries, members of the armed forces, policemen worked for this secret security center and reported directly to Türkeş. As the notes of the meeting of the province chairmen of MHP indicate, Türkeş collected information on the commanders of martial law, attorneys and judges, and influenced the appointment of them.

- Türkeş gave to ex mp Mehmet Irmak 600 000 TL for the defence of the responsables of the massacre in Kahramanmaraş where 121 people were killed.

-Businessmen like Ali Koçman, president of the organisation of the industrialists and businessmen, Mehmet Yazar, president of the Chambers of Turkey, Şaban Çavuşoğlu, president of the Chamber of Industrialists of İstanbul, Mete Has, owner of İstanbul Bank, Feyyaz Berker, president of Tekfen Holding, Nuh Kuşçulu, president of the Chamber of Trade of İstanbul have supported the fascist MHP financially.

- The yearly income of Türkeş was found out to be 3 304 000TL, on contrary his yearly spendings amounted 19 861 000TL.

- In the center of the MHP the seals of the progressive parties and organisations like the Socialist Workers' Party of Turkey, Progressive Youth Organisation, Young Vanguard, Socialist Youth Union were found.

- The fascist MHP had 129 organisations outside the country. These were united 1978 under the frame of Turkish Federation. Enver Altaylı, the responsible editor of the organ of the MHP "Hergün" and co-worker of the Radio Free Europe, was appointed on 9 February 1976 to build the organisations of MHP outside. He contacted in F. Germany Dr. Kannapin who brought the MHP with connection with the SS's and neo-fascists. From the conto of Enver Altaylı at Deutsche Bank, money was sent to MHP in such sums as 225 000 DM, 77 000 DM and 13 000 DM. It was announced that Necati Gültekin, general secretary of MHP contacted the CIA agent Peck who was working in the American embassy to Ankara. After the tour of this Peck, mass massacres were exerted in the cities Çorum and Amasya.

- Atılım, organ of the CC of the CPT, in its issue of 1 May 1981, declared that the center of the MHP is working in Ankara secretly and the lawyers are securing the connections between the provinces, and that the newspapers and journals published outside the country are sent to the country. Fascist murderers like Serdar Çelebi and Ali Batman who have killed numerous persons are working in Federal Germany and West Berlin as the functionaries of the Turkish Federation.

THE ARRESTS

Recently a new wave of arrests has started. This wave of arrests is continuing with all its speed against the workers, leaders of the factory councils, peasants, teachers, writers, engineers and architects, employees, women, youngsters and progressive policemen. Especially after the 1 May 1981, this wave of arrests are

directed to democratic forces who have any realtion with terror.

As it is stated in the statement of the CC of the CPT, 12 May 1981, the most reactionary pro-fascist forces inside and outside the junta started to act, after the indictment of the military attorney against the fascist MHP was announced. On the one hand, newspapers like "Tercüman", "Yeni Asır" which are representing the fascist MHP and its supporter AP have started an anticommunist and anti-Soviet campaign, basing on the materials distributed by the imperialist propaganda centers. They are making publications that "the Soviet Union is behind terror in Turkey and the CPT is supporting terror". On the other hand, reactionary and pro-fascist forces within the National Security Organisation, Counter-guerilla, General Staff and police are exerting landscale operations.

During May, special teams exerted operations in big cities like Ankara, Mersin, Adana, Antakya, Bursa and İzmit and in their enviroment. Those who are arrested are under severe torture. Inhuman methods are used on them. They are also forced to give statements that they had connection with terror, and sign empty papers.

The aim of these pressures, repressions on these progressive and patriotic forces who have no relation with terror, who have defended the life security against the fascist terror, the national independence against NATO, against terror the unity of the broadest democratic forces, are to save the fascist MHP.

On the other hand, on 2 May 1981 newspaper Milliyet issued the following official data: From 12 September 1980 to 10 April 1981, 122 609 persons are detained, 40 386 persons are arrested, 12 576 persons got various imprisonment punishments.

THE COURT CASES AGAINST THE PROGRESSIVE FORCES

During May, court cases against those organisations which had any relation with terror and terrorism have been intensified.

Abdullah Baştürk, president of DİSK, in the court case accusing DİSK with the warning action against fascism, told that DİSK is a legal organisation, is defending the rights and interests of the workers, and is against fascism and terror. Baştürk, in his speech at the court said: "This court case was opened not because of illegal plans, decisions, and actions of the DİSK leaders which were found out afterwards. This court case is not depending on an action. This court case was opened because of the views of the DİSK leaders which they have defended since long years in the press, TV and in front of the public opinion as well as during meetings, because of their consistent defence of the interests of our country, because of their defence of the rights and freedoms of the workers. Their views and actions are now being accused." Baştürk, in another court case against DİSK with the accuse of organising general strike on 30 April 1980 after the ban of the May Day actions, said that the May Day spirit is written down in the statut of DİSK which was approved legally, and therefore nobody can accuse DİSK depending on a fact written in the legally approved statut of DİSK.

The court case against Köy-Koop (Central Cooperative Organisation) started in Ankara, at the 2nd Martial Law Court. The leaders of Köy-Koop are tried with the accuse of founding a "secret organisation", according to the pragraph 141 of the penal code. The broadcasts of the radio station "Voice of the CPT"

where information about the speeches of the leaders and actions mentioned, like in all mass media, are shown as alibi. Nedim Tarhan, president of Köy-Koop, former MP from the Republican People's Party refused all these accuses. He said that Köy-Koop has a respective place in the political and social development of the country. Hundreds of thousands of small producers benefitted from Köy-Koop. He declared that a small interest group feels hurt from the activity of Köy-Koop. Parallel to this, a farmer who bought cheap tractor from Köy-Koop was detained. In Kandıra, the Duraçak Cooperative is closed down because in its buildings posters of DİSK and Köy-Koop were found.

The court case against Töb-Der, the organisation of the teachers which fought for the right of the teachers to get organised in trade unions and which defended the economic, democratic, and social rights of the teachers started. For 64 leaders of this organisation, 5-20 years imprisonment is demanded, again according to the pragraphs 141-142 accusing the organisation to be a "communist" one. Süleyman Yaşar, on behalf of all tried members and leaders of Töb-Der, said that Töb-Der is not an illegal organisation, it was founded according to laws, it is a democratic mass organisation. He said that it is impossible to stop the struggle of the teachers for their economic, social and democratic rights through prohibiting Töb-Der and trying its leaders. On the other hand, Hasan Sağlam minister of education declared that investigations started for 4 000 teachers and 70 of them are dismissed.

In Diyarbakır, the court case against the Kurdish patriotic group "Özgürlük Yolu" started at the 1st Martial Law Court. "Özgürlük Yolu" which had any relation with terrorism, demanded the end of the suppression on the Kurdish people and the delivery of equal rights to the Kurdish nation.

In the 2nd Martial-Law Court of İstanbul, a court case against 10 members of the Progressive Youth Organisation (İGD) started. These youngsters are demanded to be imprisoned for 6-36 years, only because they have distributed leaflets and hanged posters. In Adana 16 members of İGD are demanded to be executed. At the 6th Martial Law Court, these young people are accused with not organising murders or terror actions, but "poisoning the atmosphere". Also in Eskişehir a court case started against the members of the İGD.

THE SOLIDARITY WITH THE DEMOCRATS OF TURKEY

The trade union rights and freedoms are on the agenda of the congress of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) in June. The Committee for Trade Union Rights and Freedoms of ILO handed to the Executive Committee of ILO a list of demands, stating that there are no trade union freedoms in Turkey, and the defence of the rights and freedoms of the working class is hurt severely. The repressions on the leaders and members of the trade unions, and the increase in the punishments for those who have functioned as trade unionist, are criticised. The clearance of the death case of A.M. Feyzioğlu, lawyer of Maden-İş to Bursa, under torture is demanded. The limits on the collective bargaining is opposed. The lift of the ban on the trade unions is demanded.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Metal Trade Union International affiliated to WFTU, the report of ILO is mentioned, and the raising of the solidarity with those who are struggling in Turkey for trade union rights and freedoms is demanded. At this meeting, it is stated that a big court case

against DİSK is going to start, and the trade unionists are facing the danger of getting heavy punishments.

At the Executive Meeting of the Commercial Trade Union International (WFTU), a resolution to raise the solidarity with the trade union movement in Turkey is approved. In this resolution, the release of Abdullah Baştürk, president of DİSK, and other functionaries, the delivery of the trade union rights and freedoms, the raising of the solidarity with those who are struggling for trade union rights and freedoms, are demanded.

On the other hand, at the VI. Congress of the German CP a resolution is approved on the solidarity with the democratic forces of Turkey. In this resolution, the repressions in Turkey are mentioned and it is stated that financial and military aid of the Federal government is serving to the repressions, and the immediate stop of this aid is demanded. In the resolution, the actions of the Turkish fascists working in Federal Germany is protested and the prohibition of the parallel organisations of the fascist MHP, "Gray Wolves" among them, is demanded. The resolution ends: "The German CP is expressing its solidarity with the democratic forces of Turkey, and it is underlining that it is ready to support these forces in every form. The German CP is proposing that the day of the coup should be turned into the day of solidarity with the democrats in Federal Germany from Turkey."

On the other hand, lawyer Pierre Vandernoot, the representative of the International Association of Democratic Lawyers to the congress of the Turkish Bar Association held a press conference on 19 May 1981 in Brussels, after his stay in Turkey on 12-17 May. He said that the military rejime in Turkey is taking measures against the fascist terror organisations, but is holding those forces who have any relation with terror also under repressions and investigations. He criticised the increase of detention period to 90 days. He told that the leaders of DİSK are tried because of their views. Vandernoot who spoke on the repression laws implemented by the junta said that also after a change in the regime, the struggle for democracy has to continue.

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TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE ROMANIAN COMMUNIST PARTY

Esteemed comrades,

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey congratulates the 60th anniversary of the founding of the fraternal Romanian Communist Party sincerely.

The Romanian Communist Party is founded under the influence of the traditions of the age-long liberation struggle, the hard struggles of the Romanian working class and under the impact of the Great October Socialist Revolution which has ushered a new era. It was in the forefront of the class battles. It guided the actions of the National Front against the nazi occupation and Antonescu dictatorship. It played a determinative role in the August 23, 1944 uprising. From that day on, it is guiding the struggle in Romania for building the all-sidedly developed socialist society, for raising the level of living conditions of the

people, and for increasing the economic potential of the country.

Esteemed comrades,

The Communist Party of Turkey is waging a struggle under hard conditions to establish the united front of all national democratic forces against imperialist impositions, the dependence of the country on NATO, the brutal exploitation of the monopolies, the repression of the junta on all progressive forces and for national independence, democracy and the rights of the working people.

The Communist Party of Turkey is supporting the diverse relations between Turkey and Romania. The Communist Party of Turkey and the Romanian Communist Party are bound with fraternal internationalist ties. We wish that the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Romanian Communist Party be a year of new successes in the direction of peace and socialism.

8 May 1981

With communist greetings

İ. Bilen
General Secretary
CC, CPT

TO THE XIX. CONGRESS OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF FINLAND

Esteemed comrades,

On behalf of all communists of Turkey and of the working class and working people of our country, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey sends its militant revolutionary greetings to the XIX. Congress of the fraternal Communist Party of Finland.

As the vanguard party of the working class of Finland, Your Party is playing an important role in the struggle for the rights of the working people and of the people, for peace, democracy and social progress. The communists of Finland have a prominent place in defending peace and improving the friendly relations among the peoples.

Since 12 September 1980, the Communist Party of Turkey is waging a hard struggle under the conditions of the military dictatorship for the establishment of the united front of all national democratic forces, in order to repel the impositions of imperialism on our country, to end the exploitation of the monopolies, to weaken the positions of the most reactionary circles inside and outside the junta, and to orient towards democracy. Our party is defending the standpoint that the repulsion of the aggressive and adventurist policy of imperialism, the curbing of the arms race and the prevention of the international security play an influencefull role in the solution of all problems in the world as well as in our country. Therefore, the peace proposals which are directed from the tribune of the XXVI. Congress of the CPSU to the world are carrying a vital importance.

The Communist Party of Turkey and the Communist Party of Finland are bound fraternally through common ideals of struggle and internationalist ties. The Communist Party of Turkey wishes great success to the XIX. Congress of the Communist Party of Finland.

22 May 1981

With our communist greetings

İ. Bilen
General Secretary
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TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Esteemed comrades,

On behalf of all communists of Turkey, of the working class and working people of our country, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey congratulates

the 60th anniversary of the founding of the fraternal Communist Party of Czechoslovakia sincerely and sends it militant revolutionary greetings.

The Communist Party of Czechoslovakia is founded in the torrent bed of the Great October Socialist Revolution, under hard conditions of class struggles and through a persistent struggle against opportunism. The Leninist new type of party went through hard class battles with the support of large masses of the working class. Your party which is the consistent patriotic and internationalist force of your country was the real defender of the Czechoslovak Republic. It proved the betrayal of the bourgeoisie to large working masses. It guided the founding of the National Front against the nazi occupation. It played an active role in the Slovak National Uprising in August 1944 and May Uprising of the Czech people in 1945.

After the victory of the February 1948 Revolution, the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia is guiding the steps in the direction of building socialism, the development of the economic and technical potential of the country, the deepening of the socialist democracy, and raising the level of the living conditions of the people steadily.

The Communist Party of Turkey is struggling under hard conditions to establish the united front of all national democratic forces against imperialist impositions, dependence on NATO, exploitation of the monopolies, the repression of the military dictatorship on the progressive forces, and for peace, national independence, democracy and the rights of the working people. It is supporting the development of the relations between Turkey and CzSSR. It is defending that these relations are contributing to the national interests of the country under the conditions of imperialist impositions.

The Communist Party of Turkey and the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia are bound on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism fraternally. We wish that the 60th year of founding of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia be a year of successful realization of the decisions of the XVI. Congress of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia and a year of new achievements in the direction of peace and socialism.

14 May 1981

With communist greetings
İ. Bilen
General Secretary
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TO THE IV. CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY PARTY OF KAMPUCHEA

Esteemed comrades,

On behalf of all communists of Turkey, of the working class and working people of our country, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey greets the IV. Congress of the fraternal People's Revolutionary Party of Kampuchea with revolutionary feelings.

The People's Revolutionary Party of Kampuchea founded 1951 guided the liberation struggle of the people of Kampuchea. It participated in the overthrow of the genocidal regime of Pol Pot-Ieng Sary clique actively. Today, it is contributing to the efforts of the United Front for National Salvation of Kampuchea and of the People's Revolutionary Council of Kampuchea for the well-being of the people of Kampuchea.

Comrades,

Your Congress takes place in a period when imperialism is orienting from the policy of detente to the policy of confrontation with the socialist countries, when it is mounting the arms race unprecedentedly for that reason, and when on the other hand, it is creating new hotbeds in various regions of the world. The aggressive policy of imperialism in the Near and Far East, with the co-operation of the Peking hegemonists with imperialism in this policy, is bringing burning problems in front of all peoples. The Communist Party of Turkey is defending the standpoint that for the solution of all these problems, the concrete

peace proposals which were directed to the world from the platform of the XXVI. Congress of the CPSU carry a vital importance.

The communists of Turkey and our working class are waging a hard struggle since 12 September 1980 under the conditions of a military dictatorship. They are resisting the impositions of imperialism, the most reactionary, pro-American forces inside and outside the junta, the exploitation of the monopolies and the repressions of the junta on the progressive forces, and they are fighting to establish the united front of all national democratic forces for freedom, job, bread and land.

The Communist Party of Turkey and the progressive forces of our country are supporting the struggle of the people of Kampuchea against all efforts of imperialism and Peking hegemonism. They are demanding the end of the occupation of the Kampuchean seat at the United Nations, and the representation of the free destiny of the people of Kampuchea.

The Communist Party of Turkey and the People's Revolutionary Party of Kampuchea are bound on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism fraternally. The Communist Party of Turkey wishes great success to the IV. Congress of the People's Revolutionary Party of Kampuchea.

Long live the People's Revolutionary Party of Kampuchea!
Long live Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism!

26 May 1981

İ. Bilen
General Secretary
CC, CPT

TO THE XVIII. CONGRESS OF THE MONGOLIAN PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY PARTY

Esteemed comrades,

On behalf of all communists of Turkey, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey greets the XVIII. Congress of the fraternal Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party sincerely and conveys the revolutionary militant greetings of the working class of Turkey and of the working people of our country.

Your Congress takes in a period when the people of Mongolia under the guidance of the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party are stepping towards the completing of the material-technical bases of socialism and turning their country into an industrial-agrarian one. This achievement of the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party and the demonstration of the fact that it is possible to orient towards socialism without going the capitalist way with the cooperation of the land Lenin's, Soviet Union and other socialist countries, make an example for the revolutionaries of many countries. Since the XVII. Congress the industrial production is increased, the level of the living conditions of the people is raised, and the defence potential of the country has grown. Our people are regarding the space flight of a Mongolian cosmonaut as a symbol of the growing strength of socialism.

Comrades,

The developments in the international arena are bringing undelayable tasks in front of all fraternal communist and workers' parties. The preservation of peace, the curbing of the arms race, of aggression and hegemonism, the guarantee of the future of the mankind, these are vitally essential not only for the international working class, but also for the well-being of all peoples. The peace proposals announced at the XXVI. Congress of the CPSU are a solid base for the struggle of all peace forces in this direction.

Lately, parallel to the escalation of the tension in the Near East, the pressure and impositions of imperialism on our country are increasing. The continuation of the severe repressions of the military junta on the progressive forces and the abolition of the fundamental democratic rights and freedoms are weakening the strength of our country to resist against imperialist blackmails. The Communist Party of Turkey is struggling under hard conditions to establish the united front of all national democratic forces against the imperialist imposi-

tions, dependence on NATO, anticommunist efforts of the most reactionary, collaborating circles inside and outside the junta, exploitation of the monopolies and anti-democratic repressions of the junta.

Comrades,

The Communist Party of Turkey and the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party are bound closely on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism. We are convinced that the coming days will be days of warm friendship and cooperation between the peoples of the two countries. We wish great success to Your Congress.

Long live the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party!
Long live Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism!

26 May 1981

İ. Bilen
General Secretary
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TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE PROGRESSIVE PARTY OF THE WORKING PEOPLE OF CYPRUS (AKEL)

Esteemed comrades,

We have learned with great pleasure that at the last general elections the fraternal Progressive Party of the Working People of Cyprus (AKEL) has become the greatest party which has won the confidence of the broadest masses. Your success is the result of the consistent antiimperialist, peacefull policy of AKEL, defending the rights of the working people and basing on the principles of Marxism-Leninism, and of the patriotic and internationalist position of AKEL. Your success is a prove of the fact that the broadest masses are approving Your efforts for the solution of the Cyprus problem on the basis of the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Cyprus, and for the benefit of the Greek and Turkish Cypriots.

On behalf of all communists of Turkey and of the working class of our country, the Communist Party of Turkey congratulates the fraternal AKEL and wishes many new successes.

27 May 1981

With our communist greetings
İ. Bilen
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