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COMMUNIQUE

The CC of the CPT recently held a plenary meeting. The meeting discussed the international situation and political developments in the country since the military take over on the September 12th last year. It approved the report of the Political Bureau and the political line of the party. It defined urgent tasks facing the party in the struggle against the reactionary military dictatorship. It examined measures to protect cadres in the present conditions in which the party is under attack. Decisions concerning all the items on the agenda have been taken unanimously.

The fact that the Central Committee was able to hold its Plenary meeting, despite wide-ranging arrests and conditions of deep clandestinity, is in itself a significant revolutionary response of the working class of Turkey against this anticommunist onslaught. Leninist unity of the Central Committee has been strengthened more than ever. The Plenary meeting will increasingly facilitate the consolidation of unity in the party ranks and enable the party members to look with revolutionary optimism, not to the past, but to the future. Despite all the losses sustained, the Plenary meeting emphasised that the party is able to make a new and powerful surge forward. The Plenary meeting has strengthened the party leadership. The Plenary meeting proved that the Communist Party of Turkey will be able to convene its congress inspite of difficult conditions. The Plenary meeting assigned the Political Bureau with the task of completing preparations for convening the 5th Congress of the party.

The Plenary meeting of the Central Committee was held in a critical period for the whole world. Humanity is faced with the choice of peace or war. The Soviet Union and the community of socialist countries are heading the struggle for peace and disarmament.

The Plenary meeting of the Central Committee, expressed the view that the concrete peace proposals of the XXVI. Congress of the CPSU also reflects the interests of the people of Turkey. In direct opposition to this up stands the imperialist policy of accelerating the production of nuclear arms, in particular, the decision of the Reagan administration to produce new nuclear weapons and the neutron bomb. These circles are sharpening international tension. A thermonuclear war will destroy the whole of humanity. Turkey will not escape this destruction. Our people are already paying the high price of membership of NATO. Unemployment, poverty and repression are the bitter results of dependence on US imperialism and of meekly following the NATO-line. The struggle for peace is closely connected with the struggle for general national interests and with the struggle for democracy and social progress. The Plenary meeting put the task before the party of winning the broadest possible circles for the peace movement.

The Plenary meeting of the Central Committee, met in a period in which the right-wing military dictatorship has increased its repression against the progressive forces. The military junta which is about to complete its first year of rule, has failed to solve any nation-wide problem. Every passing day it becomes more clear that the ruling circles are not able to lead the country out of crises at the point of bajonets. As for as its general stand and its main line are concerned, the junta reflects the interests of imperialism and local monopoly bourgeoisie collaborating with it. On the one hand, this policy results in heavy losses for millions of toiling people, for middle strata, and non-monopoly capitalist sections. On the other hand, this policy enables foreign and local monopolies to extract enormous profits. This policy is strengthening the positions of the most reactionary, the most militaristic and pro-US circles elements both inside and outside the junta.

The economic crises is continuing. The pressures of the imperialists, above all the US, are increasingly intensifying on our country. In the framework of its new strategy of increasing tension, NATO is intensifying its pressure to be allowed deploy the US Rapid Deployment Forces on Turkey's soil.

There is no doubt that terrorism which was provoked by imperialism and by the most reactionary circles of the collaborating monopoly bourgeoisie has been widely curtailed. But the junta is intensifying increasingly its repression against the progressive forces. Torture, mass arrests and methods characteristic of facism are being used against these forces.

The Plenary meeting of the Central Committee vociferously condemned the attacks directed against the workers' parties such as the Workers' Party of Turkey, Socialist Workers' Party of Turkey (TİP, TSİP), against the Republican People's Party (CHP), against the Kurdish democratic organisations, against workers' peasants' and teachers' organisations such as Confederation of Revolutionary Trade Unions (DİSK) Teachers' Association (Töb-Der), Rural Cooperatives (Köy-Koop), against the youth and womens' organisations such as Progressive Youth Association (İGD), Young Vanguard (Genç Öncü) Progressive Women's Association (İKD). The public opinion know well that these patriotic political parties and organisations have nothing what so ever to do with terrorism.

The Plenary meeting noted that the so-called "Constituent Assembly" to be convened by the junta will not be a democratic assembly at all. With this, the junta, in fact, is attempting to legitimise the reactionary dictatorship it set up and to cover it with a parliamentary mask.

The diktat of imperialists and collaborating monopolies are creating differences inside and around the junta. The most reactionary elements of the junta and their supporters want to push our country into adventures in the wake of US imperialism. Reactionary circles are intensifying their anticommunist and anti-Soviet campaigns. They spare no effort to worsen the already grim poverty of our people in the interests of a handful monopolist racketeers.

The fascist Nationalist Action Party (MHP) which spilled the blood of thousands of our compatriots and which attempted to seize power in order to shroud our country in the darkness of facism are still being defended in the reactionary press. Certain sections inside and around the junta are not fully carrying out the diktat of the US imperialism and collaborating monopolies. They pursue a vassilating course between the reactionary and the liberal bourgeoisie. This situation reflects the contradictory, ballancing policy of the junta.

The Communist Party of Turkey which has not abandoned for a single day

its struggle under the conditions of military dictatorship, has been subjected to a fresh attack by reaction. The Plenary meeting examined and critised the shortcomings and mistakes observed in the practices of the party. It elaborated ways and means of overcoming them. Our party organisation have received some wounds. The failure not to stick always and fully to the principles of the illegal work has facilitated the attack of the political police. In addition, "left" opportunist "İşçinin Sesi" (Workers' Voice) group which has been slandering the party continuously, prepared the ground for arrests. Those who are heading this group betrayed the party by disclosing party secrets all along the line.

Under severe torture, thousands of progressives are being compelled to contend to membership of the Communist Party of Turkey. By way of crude anti-communist witch-hand, attempts are made to try patriots under fascist type Articles 141-142 of the Turkish Penal Code. The news items deliberately leaked into the bourgeois press and often based on lies are designed to confuse party members and undermine their confidence. But the junta has failed to attain its onslaught against the Communist Party of Turkey. It did not succeed to destroy the leading cadres and the heart core of the party. The Communist Party of Turkey is alive despite the most barbaric attack of the reaction. No power on earth can destroy the Communist Party of Turkey which has bone-and-flesh ties with the working class of Turkey. No power on earth can mill down the Communist Party of Turkey the most consistent defender of our national interests.

The Plenary meeting of the Central Committee underlined that the junta regime can be ended through the unity of all national democratic forces. It pointed to the necessity of forming a national democratic provisional revolutionary government, of democratizing the state, and carrying out antiimperialist, antimonomolist transformations. It expressed the view that only under such a government elections can be held for a truly democratic Constituent Assembly.

The Plenary meeting drew the attention of all party cadres above all into the problems of bringing about the single united front of all antiimperialist, anti-fascist, antimonomopoly and anti-chauvinist forces. Undelaying, fundamental task before the working class, all the toilers and the people is to rally together the broadest possible national democratic forces. There are significant forces already coming into the scene who are capable of combatting against the imperialist pressures, wild exploitation of monopolies and the repression of the junta, and for peace, democracy and social progress. The mood of the masses is changing towards the September 12 coup. Support gives way to vassilation, and vassilation gives way to discontent.

The Plenary meeting warned those circles who feel hesitant to resist the attacks of the junta against democratic rights and liberties. On the other hand, it critised the views, which characterise the present military dictatorship as a fascist one, and reject the contradictions, or consider them as being unimportant inside and around the junta.

There are prospects for unity of action with the Kemalist forces who at present take a vassilating stand towards the junta, with reformist circles, and with religious antiimperialist sections. It is possible to win certain sections of the Kurdish national movement on the side of the unity of action.

In dealing with the questions of forming a front, the Plenary meeting has developed the views of our party on such subjects as Kemalism, the army, and

religious circles. It emphasised the importance of the alliance of peoples' movement with patriotic officers.

The Plenary meeting expressed, in particular, its desire for strengthening the unity of action with the workers' parties and making it permanent with a perspective to political unity. Unity among the members of two main trade union centers (DİSK and Türk-İş) occupies the central place on the agenda of the trade union movement. The task for creating a broad antiimperialist and democratic youth movement is standing before the progressive youth who are displaying exemplary self-sacrifice.

The Communist Party of Turkey gives support to those who are fighting to thwart the sinister plans of the US Rapid Deployment Forces and NATO's missile policy. The CPT gives support to those who are fighting to quit the NATO and to get rid of the nuclear arsenals and aggressive imperialist bases from our soil. The CPT is shoulder-to-shoulder with those who fight to prevent a handful collaborating monopolies and the merging foreign and local industrial and banking capitals attempt to establish their unlimited hegemony over the state. The party is with those who are fighting to improve the living conditions of the toiling masses. The CPT is stretching its hand and is fighting together with all those who are striving to thwart the repression of the junta against the progressive forces to open the trade unions closed down, to lift the ban on all antifascist political parties, to release all patriots and democrats under detention and, to establish a genuine democracy.

The Plenary meeting of the CC examined the state in which the party is. It took, above all, necessary measures to protect party organisations and party organisations and party cadres and to develop ways and means, forms and methods of struggle suitable to new conditions. It sticks the necessary steps to be taken in order to eradicate all traces of "left" sectarianism from the party line, to improve the style of work among the masses, to work where ever the masses are, even in most reactionary mass organisations and to organise them. The main points in discussion were- the question of principles but flexible and differentiated political approach, the broadest possible blocs of alliances, correct style of work among the masses, safety of party organisations and cadres.

The Plenary meeting assigned of agitation and propaganda organs of the party with the task to disseminate this line of the CC among the masses and the cadres in a more successful and active way.

The Plenary meeting of the CC of the CPT greeted with militant communist feelings all our comrades who keep the honour of our party and the working class clean and impact in prisons under the conditions of severe torture and our patriotic progressive friends who are accused of being the members of the CP. It passed its feelings of gratitude to all fraternal communist parties and international progressive forces who are in solidarity with the most heroic sons and daughters of our people.

The Plenary meeting of the CC of the CPT defended the unity of the world communist movement on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism. It emphasised once again the enormous importance of a meeting of a general forum of the fraternal communist and workers' parties in the present period of international development.

12 August 1981

Central Committee
Communist Party of Turkey

STATEMENT

After its efforts to deploy new nuclear missiles to Western Europe, the US administration decided to produce the neutron bomb. Thus, it is fanning the arms race and increasing the danger of the outbreak of a nuclear war. It is making new steps in this direction. The US imperialists took this decision on the anniversary of the throwing of the bomb which destroyed Hiroshima. They are shamelessly challenging the world public opinion. With their show of strength, with their diktat and instigations, they are not only poisoning the international sphere, but also torpedoing peace in the world.

With their constructive peace and detente policy, the Soviet Union and the community of the socialist countries are the most fundamental guarantee in front of this great danger which could burn the whole humanity in an unextinguishable fire. The Soviet government proposed until yet at least five times to abandon mutually the production of the neutron bomb. It has renewed this proposal also after the last decision of Reagan administration.

The CPT is supporting this peace policy of the Soviet Union which is expressing the most fundamental desire of the whole humanity. The peace proposals of the XXVI. Congress of the CPSU are reflecting also the interests of the people of Turkey. Our country, Turkey, is not out of this world and out of this existing danger. On contrary, with its membership of NATO and with the US and NATO bases installed with nuclear missiles on our territory, our country is directly in the middle of this danger. US imperialism is producing the neutron bomb in order to use it against the socialist countries and with this aim, to deploy it in Europe.

The junta government is a mere spectator of the decision of the USA to produce the neutron bomb. It is not taking a clear position. However Evren, (*) shortly repeated that they are bound to the principle of Atatürk "peace in the world". Today, to be for peace in the world and to contribute to world peace, makes it necessary to oppose the arms race fanned by the USA, in other words, to oppose the nuclear missiles and the neutron bomb. But Ulusu (**), by saying that the neutron bomb is an internal affair of the USA, is only repeating Reagan's false statement. Luns, the general secretary of NATO spoke already from deploying this bomb on Turkey's soil. If there is truly the will of developing the relations with the Soviet Union basing on mutual benefit, as Ulusu stated in his last press conference, how can one permit that our country is going to become a nuclear missile ramp of the USA and NATO against the Soviet Union? The clear position towards the question peace or war is a must.

The junta rule is attacking the peace-loving forces and organisations in our country. It is arresting those who defend the national interests, torturing them, and exerting severe repression on them. This position is only for the benefit of the most reactionary, pro-American circles and the enemies of peace.

Our country and our people need not nuclear weapons, but peace, friendship with all neighbours and cooperation basing on mutual benefit. The number of those who recognise this, is increasing. The protests against the neutron bomb which are raised by different circles in the press and public opinion are proving this fact.

The CPT is appreciating highly all activities for peace, detente and for disarmament. It is supporting every effort in this direction fully. Peace can be defended only by struggling for it. The danger can only be repelled by the joint

struggle of all those who oppose the diktat of US imperialists, and of all national democratic forces. The CPT is calling all those who don't want to be annihilated in a nuclear war, and all citizens who choose life against death, to unite their efforts and to struggle shoulder by shoulder.

No to the neutron bomb!

21 August 1981

Central Committee
Communist Party of Turkey

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from party organs

"Voice of the CPT", 18. 8. 1981

THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF TURKEY IS STRUGGLING

The Plenary meeting of the CC of the CPT took place. The members of the Central Committee came together. The Plenary meeting handled the most burning events of the day. It examined, discussed and criticised the developments in the world, the situation in our country, the attack against the party, the policy of the party and its organisational and ideological positions, what the party has done and what it has to do. And it elaborated a new plan of struggle and work suitable to the new conditions. The Plenary meeting announced its work with a communique to our people and to the world public opinion.

This surge of the CPT, as it is stated in the communique, carries a vast importance for the working class, the whole of our people and the progressive forces. And this is a success.

The junta is ruling almost for one year. The raids, searches are succeeding one the other with the army units, the police, the gendarmerie, spys, and snea sneaks. Since the beginning of May, the attacks are intensified mostly on the CPT, its members, organisations and its sympatizers. The press of the collaborating bourgeoisie, the yellow press and the newspapers with big circulation accompanied this intensive attack. This machine of lies, of bain wash and of deceiving the public opinion was let work wildly. Through this channel, the junta spread exaggerated numbers, deceiving information on the arrests of the communists. Among this deceiving information, "the communist party is destroyed fully" is being used very often.

Yes, along 60 years the bourgeoisie has announced its this very aim and target many times. Every time it said that it has destroyed the communist party. But neither the sun can be darkened by slump, nor the realities can be destroyed by ignorance. The bourgeoisie, the bourgeois press, the members of the governments, the judges, the attorneys, the philosophers and "scholars" said: "there is

no working class in Turkey". But hen, the working class proved its presence through its struggle. After the strikes, demonstrations, May Day actions of hundreds of thousands and millions have raised, after the working class movement captured the streets and squares of the cities, the ruling circles, indeed, caught fear.

Yes, along the rise of the workers', trade-union, women, youth, teacher, students, peasants and citizens movements the CPT made surges. The communists took their place in the front most line withing these struggles. The new generation of the party started to form within these struggles. And the communist party became a political organisation, the political organisation of the working class which has a nation-wide respect and influence. The bourgeois press, newspaper "Hürriyet" which is one of the swered spreaders of anticommunism, is forced to confess this fact. In its issue of 23rd July, it is writing: "The communist party which was considered to be rooted out by the operations in 1951-1952, came into the field of struggle more strongly".

We communists, neither feel dizzy with the praises of the enemy, nor we loose our balance with the critics and barbaric attacks of the enemy. The enemy is attacking brutally. Our party is wounded and suffered losses. However, the enemy could not drive us out of the struggle field. It has not such a strength. The CPT, the communists went since 60 years through hard class struggles. Take 1921. The bourgeoisie drawnd 15 comrades of ours who were the founders of the CPT in the Black Sea. Many years, it spoke from having destroyed the CPT. But, the party bandaged its wounds and stood up. This happened also 1927 and 1929. And also afterwards, the same thing happened.

The communists are of a special nature. They have turned a soldier speech upside down. Where ever a communist is, there is a fighter. The party is there. The struggle is an organised struggle. According to the conditions, the forms of struggle, the methods of struggle and the slogans change. First of all, we must stick to the principles of illegal work and to the party discipline. The wolf likes the smog. Police try to make use of disorganization, broken ties, and panic. The party members, the party organisations and committees must pay attention to this fact.

Then, there are the radio stations of our party which uninterruptedly make public the direction, the struggle and organisational forms of party almost every hour, and which are appealing to our people. Listen to the "Voice of the CPT"! Especially nowadays, do not miss the broadcasts on the Plenary meeting of the CC. All of the materials of the Plenum will be broadcasted. Do listen them! Spread them! The Communist Party of Turkey is struggling!

REPRESSION IN KURDISTAN TOOK UNPRECEDENTED DIMENSIONS

The repression in Kurdistan of Turkey is continuing with all brutality. The repression on the people in and around the cities Diyarbakır, Siirt and Mardin took very bloody and ugly forms. While the villages are raided with the claim to search for guns, inhuman methods are used on those who say that they have no guns.

In villages, the old men are thrashed, the women are escaped. They say to the villagers: "Bring your arms take your wife!" In June, in Kadıköy one of the center villages of Diyarbakır, the security forces who did not believe the words of the villagers that they have no arms, said that they will come the next week once more and if the villagers don't surrender their arms, they could do every thing. The villagers who wanted to protect themselves from torture and inhuman methods bought arms from the black market and the next week surrendered these arms to the security forces.

In June, there were raids to Cüngüş, Çınar, Dicle, Bismil, Silvan, Kulp and Çernik. During these raid, mass arrests took place. Schools are turned into police stations. The landlord Enzarıoğlu, a militant of the Justice Party, is supporting captain Orhan Şahin, the head of the raiding divisions. In the villages Kulp, Hacek, Zaydalan and Duhul, money is collected from the villagers forcefully.

In Koçerler, an old man died who was thrashed severely during one raid. Numerous persons were injured. In Bahçecik in Mazıdağ, a corporal raped a woman. Afterwards repression is exerted on all doctors in order to prevent them from giving a health report about this event.

The detainees are subjected to brutal tortures. The repression in the prisons are also mounting. Some of the prisoners in Diyarbakır central prison are not allowed to see their relatives, some of them are taken again and again to torture. A bribe of 1.5 millions TL. was desired from a detainee in order not to torture him. The exploitation in the factories in the region is being increased by force, and repression is exerted on the workers.

DİSK-leaders are not released:

The lawyers demanded the release of the DİSK-leaders who are under arrest since 11 months. The military court refused this demand with the accuse that the investigations are not yet finished. The lawyers of DİSK announced on the other hand, that the rules appointed to the DİSK trade unions by the junta are dismissing the trade union leaders who are elected to these posts, and underlined that this is illegal.

Süleyman Takkeci, who demanded death penalty for 52 leaders of DİSK, announced that the martial law courts are going to open another count case against the 38 leaders and members of Genç Öncü (Young Vanguard) with the

demand of 30 years imprisonment. This announcement which was made on the very same day, when the court case against the fascist MHP (Nationalist Action Party) started, evoke protests of the progressive forces. Genç Öncü is being accused with winning sympathizers for TİP (Workers' Party of Turkey) and propagating Marxism-Leninism among the youngsters.

On the other hand, Tekin Sönmez, poet and writer, member of the Executive Council of the Writers' Association of Turkey, is arrested by the martial law court of İstanbul. Tekin Sönmez will be tried because of his works "a bird without wings", and "three women in front of the morgue."

The demand of release of İlhami Soysal, the director of the printing-house EMAŞ of Genel-İş, affiliated to DİSK, is refused for the third time. Soysal who is 54 years old was a member of the Constituent Assembly in 1960. Another court case will be opened against the responsible director of the journal "Arayış" which is published by the CHP (People's Republican Party).

ATTACKS ON THE RIGHTS OF THE WORKERS

While the military coup of 12 September is going to finish its first year, the attacks on the rights of the workers are continuing. Some of the last developments are:

- "Resignation from trade unions is not trade union activity, but applying for membership of trade unions is trade union activity": The National Security Council with its 15th statement banned the resignation from the trade unions. The Metallurgy Search Center applied to the Labour Commission of the Labour Ministry and got a statement numbered 1045-2-69-1. In this statement it is said: "The resignation from a trade union is not a trade union activity, on contrary, the applience for membership is a trade union activity". The same statement was repeated by the martial law commander of Istanbul. This means, in other words, resignation from DİSK is not a trade union activity, but the applience for membership to Türk-İş, the only open trade union center, is trade union activity.

- The dismissals reached big dimensions: After the ban on the trade union activity, the employers started to dismiss workers in great numbers. As it is stated, a new law draft is prepared which is lifting the ban on the dismissals. It is said: "If the employers can prove that they are in difficult conditions to the martial law, dismissals will be allowed." Turgut Özal, state minister of economic affairs, is claiming that it is not "normal" when employers can not dismiss workers.

- The workers can not get their money: The workers in the Social Security Enterprise are forced to work for the minimum wage of 10 000TL, because their collective contract is not yet ready. Trade Union Koop-İş applied to the National Security Council because the item on seniority compensation in their contract is not implemented by the employers. The bonus of the workers

of Highways, Water Supply and Shipping are not paid. Trade union YSE-İş applied to the National Security Council because of the wages dictated by the High Arbitration Council (which is set up to decide the wages). The Council adopted such a law wage increase for the workers which is much under the %70 advances the junta decided when it seized power. Because of the great difference, every worker is in debt about 32-25 000TL. to the employer.

- Trade-union and collective bargaining laws are going pass secretly: The open trade union center Türk-İş and the Commission of Labour under the presidency of the Minister of Labour prepared two separate law drafts on trade unions and collective bargaining. But the information was made public that the junta intends to adopt a law on trade unions and collective bargaining the content of which will be announced afterwards. The junta wants even to pass it before the so-called "Constituent Assembly" starts its work.

- Price increases are continuing: On contrary to the announcements of Özal, state minister of economic affairs, and to the report of the IMF and OECD, the prices are running up in Turkey. Only in August, fuel prices increased by 5-7%, steel-iron 40%, electricity 7%, heating items 20-75%, paper 38%. The president of Türk-İş, İbrahim Denizci, opposed this fact and stated that the High Arbitration Council has decided the wage increases for many enterprises with 38%.

SOLIDARITY WITH THE DEMOCRATIC FORCES OF TURKEY

Newspaper "Haravgi", organ of the CC of AKEL issued the statement of a member of the CPT evaluating the present conditions in Turkey. In this article, the repression, tortures and arrests are described. The economic situation and the anti-worker implementations are criticised. And the pressures and diktat of imperialism on Turkey is displayed.

"Drapeaux Rouge", organ of the Communist Party of Belgium announced that the party expressed its solidarity with the communists and democrats of Turkey, with DİSK leaders and members of the Workers' Party of Turkey (TIP).

On the other hand, the solidarity movement with DİSK is widening. The General Union of Agrarian Workers' of Guyana applied to the general director of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) and demanded from him his direct efforts to save the 52 leaders of DİSK from death penalty, from arrest and torture. Federation of Revolutionary Trade Unions of Madagaskar sent a letter to Kurt Waldheim, general secretary of the UN, and asked him to act in order to save the leaders of DİSK.

"Flashes", the organ of the WFTU wrote that the visit of the Textile Trade Union International was refused by the embassy of Turkey in Prague. In its issue 20.7.1981 "Flashes" says: "The ambassador and other diplomats in the Turkish mission refused to receive the international delegation of trade unionists. They also refused to accept the protest letters to the prime minister and minister of labour of Turkey. This shows clearly that the authorities of Turkey have no face to come in front of the public in order to excuse the repression on the working class and people of Turkey."

Textile Trade Union International, protested the murder of Kenan Budak, president of the İlerici-Deri-İş. It characterised this murder as a "terrorist action". It applied to ILO to investigate this murder.

FİSE, affiliated to the WFTU sent a circular to all its affiliated organisations

and demanded to raise the solidarity with Töb-Der (Teachers' Association) with about 200 000 members in Turkey. FİSE demanded the lift of the ban on Töb-Der, the release of the arrested members of Töb-Der, the end of the professional bans, and the dismissal of progressive teachers. In the circular of FİSE, demands like end of the tortures, trade union and organisational rights to the teachers, cleaning of the education from fascist elements are listed.

"News Letter", organ of the International Organisation of the Journalists, wrote in its July 1981 issue on the repression on press in Turkey. In this 14th issue, the newspaper protests the high imprisonment penalties for progressive journalists. It is writing that since 12 September 1980, over 100 progressive newspapers and journals are being prohibited.

The representatives of the socialist parties of the Mediterranean which met on 8-9 August 1981 condemned the repression in Turkey. At this meeting, representatives of the socialist parties of France, Italy, Portugal, Spain and Greece were present.

THE COURT CASE AGAINST MHP STARTED

The court case against the fascist MHP (Nationalist Action Party) on which the Federal German newspaper "Frankfurter Rundschau" on 19.8.1981 wrote that "it is really not known how much blood this party has shed", started on 19.8.1981 in Ankara. At the court case where 587 fascists are accused, the military attorney demands death penalty for 220, among them ex-colonel Alpaslan Türkeş, the president of the party who cooperated with the nazis and who played an active role in the organisation of the fascist movement in Turkey.

During the court case, the accused ones tried to use the methods of to waste time, to arouse compassion, and to challenge the attorneys and the judges. While Türkeş from whom the indictment speaks as "Führer" wanted to show himself as "sick", the lawyers of the MHP demanded the change of the judges. Judge Bahri Kayacan refused this demand and said: "I must give account to the history".

At the beginning of the court case, the personal identities of the accused ones started. While the question "what is your job" was put to Ömer Tanlak, he answered: "I am one of the young people who the MHP dragged into terror". The judge repeated the question and Tanlak responded: "I am sorry, I could not get another chance to choose another job. I was only driven into terror action".

It was made public that seven lawyers came from France in order to follow the court case. On the seven French lawyers, one of them the ex-president of the Paris-bar, no announcement was made. The French lawyers answered the questions: "We are not national socialists".

Wife and lawyers of Kemal Türkler, former president of DİSK and Maden-İş, member of the World Peace Council, trade unionist, and wife and lawyers of Cevat Yurdakul, former police director of Adana, both killed with the direct command of Türkeş, are participating in the court case as interveners.

The court case is followed by almost 200 journalists.

Over one hundred lawyers are defending the fascist MHP. One section of these lawyers were arrested in regard of this court case before and then were released. The names and functions of some of the lawyers of the fascist MHP are:

Şahap Homris (former juridical director of MIT (National Security organisation), a relative of Türkeş), Can Özbay (a former member of the counterinsurgency), Kaya Alpkartal (worked during the repressive regime of 12 March 1971 in the martial law of İzmir, he worked in 1978 together with Baki Tuğ, who was responsible of donating the MHP with arms from the army), Nuri Erdoğan (former president of the Istanbul organisation of the MHP), Mehmet Rafet Eke (his brother, Ertuğrul Alpaslan, killed 6-7 persons with the command of the MHP leaders), Gıyasettin Karaca(from the Justice Party, he is the lawyer of the murderer of Kemal Türkler, former minister of state.

The fascists are mounting their actions:

After the start of the court case, the fascists, especially in Federal Germany, increased their actions. A secret statement published by the MHP in Frankfurt sent to the country. In this statement, it is said that the fascists are taking back their support to the junta, the judges and attorneys are challenged, and the fascists are appealed for action. At the demonstration in front of the consulate of Turkey in Hannover, the fascists demanded the stop of the court case. The building of the labour attache in Hamburg was occupied by the fascists for a while. The tolerant position of the Federal German authorities towards the Turkish fascists, evokes protest in the democratic German public opinion. Siegfried Müller, one of the leaders of the trade union IG-Metall spoke on "Deutschland Funk" and demanded the ban of the parallel organisations of the MHP in Federal Germany.

The most reactionary circles in Turkey started to try to mask the bloody actions of the fascist MHP and to save the fascists. The most reactionary, pro-american and pro-fascism circles whom the reactionary newspaper "Tercüman" represents, demands even the release of the fascist leaders.

REACTIONS AGAINST THE NEUTRON BOMB IN TURKEY

The decision of Reagan, president of the USA, to produce the neutron bomb evoke the reaction of the peace-loving forces of Turkey. Under the conditions of the reactionary military dictatorship, numerous progressive and peace-loving people raised their voice against it.

Mustafa Gülenç, president of the Chamber of the Physical Engineers affiliated to the Union of Chambers of Architects and Engineers, held a press conference. He opposed the neutron bomb. Gülenç who spoke on behalf of the physicians said: "This bomb not only kills human beings, but also destroys the environment." Gülenç demanded the use of the nuclear energy for peaceful aims.

Mahmut Dikerdem, president of the Peace Committee of Turkey, in his article in newspaper "Cumhuriyet" cited that the decision of producing the neutron bomb is escalating the arms race. He said that the peace forces of Turkey are condemning this decision.

The decision of producing the neutron bomb evoke also protests in the press in Turkey. Bourgeois newspaper "Hürriyet" reflected the information with the heading: "Reagan became mad".

Ali Sirmen, in Cumhuriyet on 13. 8, 1981 published the poem of Nazım Hikmet "No more Hiroshimas" and excerpts from the novel of Oktay Akbal where Hiroshima was decrified immediately after bomb.

Mümtaz Soysal wrote in "Milliyet": "A person which has a small part of humanism in his heart can not accept the phylosophy behind this bomb..Life should annihilated, things should stay back. No other horrible and ugly way could be found in order to turn the phylosophy behind capitalism into a wepon."

Teoman Erel, on 13.8.1981 in Milliyet underlined: "If things were like in the period when Reagan was a film star, this would may be make no harm. But today the cowboy is the president of the USA. He has not only the bridles of his horse and the trigger of his gun in his hands, but also the buttons of half of the nuclear bombs in the world. The command of Reagan "produce the neutron bomb" is a severe challenge for the humanity."

Yalçın Doğan, in Cumhuriyet on 13.8.1981 says that the neutron bomb is important first of all for Federal Germany and Turkey. He cites that this bomb is the second act of the Gulf policy of US imperialism.

Uğur Mumcu, in Cumhuriyet wrote: "It is not known wheather USA is going to use the neutron bomb or not. If yes, we can not discuss the results, since we all be not alive then. But today we can oppose the escalation of the arms race. This is a humanity task. Those who are bound to the principle of Atatürk 'peace in the world' must see in this decision a great fault and a dangerous step. Former actor Reagan plays may be the worst and bloodiest role of his life."

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TO THE CC OF THE BULGARIAN COMMUNIST PARTY

Esteemed comrades,

On behalf of all communists of Turkey and of the working class of our country, the CC of the CPT congratulates the 90th anniversary of the founding of the Bulgarian CP cordially and sends militant revolutionary greetings.

Along 90 years, the Bulgarian communists guided the glorious and hard struggles which brought the toilers and the people of Bulgaria until today. Today the people of Bulgaria are realizing the ideals of Dimitr Blagoew and Georgi Dimitrof. The working class of our country is appreciating highly the efforts of the People's Republic of Bulgaria in the direction of peace, international security and cooperation in the Balkans and in Europe. The CPT pays a great attention to the development of the relations between Turkey and Bulgaria.

The fraternal bounds between the CPT and the Bulgarian CP are developing on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism.

We wish on the 90th anniversary of the founding of the Bulgarian CP new successes in the cause of peace and socialism, and in building the advanced socialist society.

With our communist greetings

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General Secretary

CC, CPT

2 August 1981

TO COMRADE FIDEL CASTRO RUZ GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE CC OF THE CP OF CUBA

Esteemed comrade Fidel Castro,

On behalf of the CC of the CPT and on my own behalf, I congratulate You cordially on

the occasion of Your 55th birthday and convey the militant revolutionary greetings of all communists of Turkey.

The communists of Turkey know You as a fervent patriot and as a prominent fighter of the international communist movement. The Cuban Revolution and the achievements of the Cuban people in building socialism do have a special place in the minds and hearts of the progressive forces of our country. The revolutionary forces of Turkey consider the anti-imperialist solidarity with the people of Cuba, the island of freedom flourishing next-door to US imperialism, as an essential task. Our Party wishes to You and the people of Cuba success in realising the decisions of the II.Congress of the CP of Cuba. We feel great pleasure that the relations between our both parties are developing and strengthening on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism.

Esteemed comrade Castro,

We wish You many new successes in Your responsible duty, and good health, well-being and a long life.

13 August 1981

With our communist greetings
İ. Bilen
General Secretary
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TO THE CC OF THE RUMANIAN CP

Esteemed comrades,

On behalf of all communists of Turkey and of the working people of our country, the CC of CPT greets the 37th anniversary of the overthrow of the exploitation order by the Rumanian people under the guidance of the Rumanian CP.

23 August 1944 is the beginning of a new period in the history of the Rumanian people. The fascist Antonescu dictatorship had dragged Rumania into war against the Soviet Union at the side of the Hitler army. This adventure ended with the death of hundreds of thousands of Rumanian soldiers. The Soviet army defeated the Hitler fascists. The people of Rumania reinforced their national and social liberation and established a new order. Today, on the anniversary of this glorious event, they are progressing in building all-sided developed socialism under the guidance of the Rumanian CP.

US administration and the ruling circles of NATO are torpedoing peace in the world, escalating the policy of confrontation and the arms race, and following the policy of fanning new hotbeds. The plan to deploy US nuclear missiles in Western Europe, the decision of producing the neutron bomb bring the humanity in Europe and in the world at the edge of the danger to be destroyed. The CPT is regarding the peace policy of the Soviet Union and socialist community, the concrete peace proposals as the most solid guarantee against this danger. Socialist Rumania, a honourable member of the socialist community is defending peace and detente in the world and in our region. It is working for thefor the cooperation of countries with different social systems. The CPT is regarding with pleasure that the relations between Turkey and Rumania are developing and strengthening.

Esteemed comrades,

On the 37th anniversary of the 23 August 1944 uprising, we wish new successes to the communists and people of Rumania.

23 August 1981

With our communist greetings
İ. Bilen
General Secretary
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