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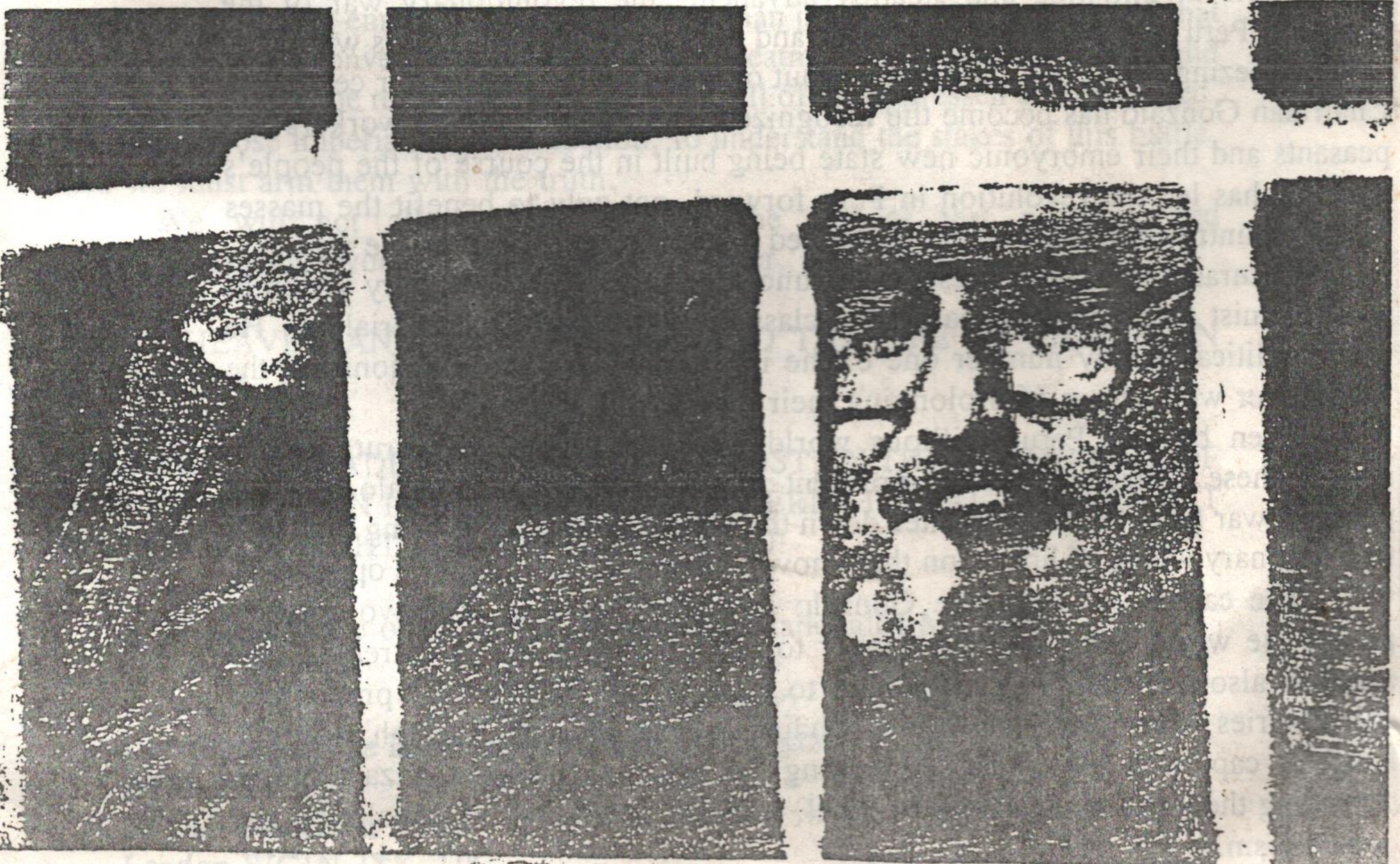
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Comrade Gonzalo (Abimael Guzman), the Chairman of the Communist Party of Peru and an outstanding leader of the communist movement internationally, has been captured by the reactionary Fujimori regime on September 12. This was accomplished after a twelve year man hunt by the Peruvian army and police, guided by U.S. imperialism's notorious "counter insurgency" apparatus. Even though the Constitution of Peru outlaws the death penalty, the Constitution has been suspended, the regime is threatening to execute Comrade Gonzalo, and the imperialist press is preparing public opinion for such an outrageous crime. It urgently falls upon the people the world over to fight to defend his life.

With his Marxist-Leninist-Maoist line, Comrade Gonzalo has played the central role in initiating and steadily advancing the revolutionary war of the people in Peru against the ruling classes and their imperialist overlords who have been squeezing profit and the very life out of the Peruvian masses for centuries. Chairman Gonzalo has become the recognized leader of millions of workers and peasants and their embryonic new state being built in the course of the people's war. He has led the revolution in Peru forward, not only to benefit the masses of that country, but to serve the oppressed and exploited of the whole world.

Comrade Gonzalo represents the uncompromising revolutionary vision of a communist future without barbarous class divisions, without imperialism. He is the political enemy number one of the imperialists and the reactionaries the world over who dream of prolonging their bloody rule forever.

Even beyond Peru, millions worldwide who despise the brutal social system these bourgeois voices represent look to Chairman Gonzalo and the people's war he is leading to batter down the old social order and bring the fresh revolutionary winds of liberation that know no boundaries among the oppressed.

The capture of Comrade Gonzalo is a bitter blow to the revolutionary people the world over, and the danger to our comrade's life is extreme. This attack is also a challenge, a call for us to stand up and successfully prevent the reactionaries from taking the life of Chairman Gonzalo and, through struggle, hand his captors a big defeat. Defending the life of Comrade Gonzalo means defending the right of the slaves to rebel, it means defending the revolution and communism.

Chairman Gonzalo is accused of treason, but it is the Peruvian state which has betrayed the country and is completely at the beck and call of its Yankee masters.

Chairman Gonzalo is accused of 27,000 deaths, but it is the Peruvian armed forces who killed the great majority of these people, including in internationally known cases where they massacred unarmed peasants and workers and buried them in mass graves.

Chairman Gonzalo is accused of "narco trafficking", while it is well documented that it is the Peruvian army and state, up to its highest levels, that are up to their necks in the narcotics industry and smuggling.

Chairman Gonzalo is accused of "terrorism", but it is the Peruvian state which murdered hundreds of political prisoners in cold blood in 1986 during the infamous El Fronton massacre and as recently as May of this year, when forty unarmed women and men were slaughtered in Canto Grande prison.

Chairman Gonzalo is accused of disrupting the national economy, but it is the shameless Fujimori who administered the infamous "Fuji-shock" at the orders of the IMF and the World Bank further starving the already impoverished people and creating the conditions for the cholera epidemic.

The towering strength and revolutionary vitality of Comrade Gonzalo's political and ideological line is clear from the deep roots it has taken among the workers, peasants and intellectuals of Peru, from the major military advances the people's war has achieved, to the embryonic new proletarian state and the beginning shoots of the new society which has begun to be set up in base areas in the countryside and to a growing extent in the shantytowns outside Lima itself.

We must fight for the recognition of Chairman Gonzalo's stature as the leader of the newly emerging state of the Peruvian people. We must demand that the international conventions concerning the treatment of prisoners of war and political prisoners be respected. We must help all of the oppressed and exploited, all who oppose imperialism and reaction, to understand the stakes of this battle, and we must arm them with the truth.

We will not allow them to take the life of this precious and uncompromising revolutionary communist leader.

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WE NEED COMRADE GONZALO AT HIS POST, IN THE FOREFRONT OF THE REVOLUTION IN PERU AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST MOVEMENT! FIGHT FOR HIS LIBERATION!

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POWERS' POLITICAL ENEMY NO. 1



To the Sisters and Brothers,

It's a Simple Question of "US" Against "THEM"

On September 12 the leader of the revolution in Peru, Chairman Gonzalo of the Communist Party of Peru (PCP), was captured after a twelve year manhunt. Ever since then the major newspapers of the world have declared Gonzalo the most "dangerous terrorist on earth." The President of Peru has said he should be executed, even though the Constitution of that country outlaws the death penalty. He is being portrayed as a monster without a single virtue.

Since they've got him behind bars the rulers and media keep telling us that this one man is responsible for every evil in Peruvian society, for every death, every misery and the poverty that Peruvian people suffer. But can these rulers really say that now they have him these things will stop, - that there will be no more "disappearances" followed by the discovery of mass graves, that the massacres and wiping out of entire villages will stop, that the genocide against the native people will stop, that people will no longer go hungry and die from cholera? They can't. How can they? These things will continue because these things come from the system. How could Gonzalo be the cause of them? As he said: "The systematic violation of their human rights, the genocidal policies... can this be denied in reality? The people feel these policies, they are forced to endure them...can they (rulers) hide it from the people who suffer it?"

Millions and millions of poor people in Peru love Chairman Gonzalo and consider him their leader. The poor peasants and workers are so united in this people's war that even the government's massacres, the torture and rape, the "disappearances" have not been able to stop the PCP. Gonzalo's picture is on the walls of almost every village, every shanty town, every high school and university. How is it that a single man, who started a war with only a few hundred supporters, supposedly terrorized a whole nation into supporting him?

The truth is that the only people terrorized by Gonzalo are the wealthy exploiters in Peru and around the world. The Peruvian rulers know that under Gonzalo's leadership, their world based on sucking the life blood from the working people is coming to an end. A society in which they lived the life of English gentlemen in the rich neighborhoods of Lima while the peasants in the mountains, the majority of the population, toiled, starved and died in their forties. While the people died of cholera, the white European elite agonised that they would no longer be able to buy the latest European perfumes, For them, there is no greater "terror" than a new state in which the masses of people rule.

The rulers of Britain, the United States and the other great powers have been shaking also, because they see Peru being taken away from them. Because the people, guns in hand, are winning Peru away from this whole rotten system, where most of the countries of the world are the feeding grounds for a handful of imperialists. And more than that, making Peru into a beacon for world revolution, and the hopes of people worldwide. What's going down in Peru has struck Babylon with fear of a red planet.

The monsters, criminals, narco-terrorists...imperialists who rule this world understand one thing right: if the poor people in Peru can rise up and turn society inside out, what is to prevent the masses in the countryside of Bangladesh, in the ghettos of Birmingham, in the streets of Los Angeles or in the slums of Mexico City from doing the same thing? What were British Home Secretary Kenneth Baker and the BBC's top reporter John Simpson doing in Peru at exactly the time Gonzalo was arrested? Too much of a coincidence. And again isn't it a coincidence that this "neutral" reporter was so strongly putting to Fujimori that Gonzalo should be executed. Weren't his views reflecting those of his masters?

The rulers hope that by executing Gonzalo they can terrorize the people, not only in Peru but around the world, into submission. And they are unleashing such a barrage of deliberate lies about Chairman Gonzalo and the PCP, because they want to confuse muddle-headed people into going along with this crime and to intimidate people who see through them.

Remember all the lies used to justify the Gulf War? Remember how they justify each and every police killing? Remember how they lie about every feature of life, blaming the poor for their poverty? Is there any reason to believe them now, or to feel defensive in face of these lies?

If you are satisfied with the world the way it is now, you can sit back and watch as they carry out a vicious political execution of the leader of the most important revolutionary struggle in the world today. But if you are a woman or man who dreams of a different world without some people living off of the misery of others, think about how Chairman Gonzalo is bringing that world into being in Peru. Think about how we need this brother beside us, to help us break free.

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GONZALO THOU QUOTATIONS FROM

*ON THE CHARGES OF "POL POT" "BLOOD THIRSTY" "NARCO TERRORIST"

"...how can they explain the existence of a movement that has developed a people's war for eight years without international aid if it doesn't have the support of the masses."

"With respect to the charge that the peasantry are caught between two fires, this is an elaborate invention because it is precisely the peasantry that makes up the vast majority of the People's Guerrilla Army. What must be understood is that the Peruvian State, with its armed forces and repressive apparatus, wants to drown the revolution in blood...With regard to..."genocidal terrorists," it seems to me an obscene travesty and parody to want to apply to us a term like genocidal, which fits them like a glove. Before our country and the world it is perfectly clear who is committing genocide. It is they, it is the ... government which is leading this reactionary State, it is the reactionary armed forces, the forces of repression - they are the vile mass murderers. Distortions will never change the facts. History has been written, tomorrow it will be confirmed."

"As for terrorism, they claim we're terrorists. ... This is how they attempt to discredit and isolate us in order to crush us... it is precisely the reactionaries who use terrorism as one of their means of struggle..."

*ON THE STRENGTH OF PEOPLE.

"Chairman Mao Tsetung has told us that the main thing is mankind. Weapons are useful. So our task is to aim especially at people, at strengthening them ideologically and politically, at building the army ideologically and politically in this case, as well as building it militarily. This is our point of departure.

With regard to weapons, the Chairman says that the enemy has them and so the problem is to seize them from him, and this is principal. Modern weapons are necessary, but their performance depends on the ideology of the man who wields them."

"The word of one person joins the word of others and acquires the force of a hurricane. One person alone is weak, but together people constitute a great force."

"...how many we are is not the fundamental thing. The important question is if we want to carry it out or not.

Yesterday, in 1948, Marx and Engels were but two people, today. 143 years later, we are millions throughout the world. Yesterday we had nothing. Today we have two great historical experiences rich in lessons, experiences which are present, which are alive in us, in the proletariat and in the peoples."



RIGHT IS FREE IN THE CHAIRMAN

*ON IDEOLOGY

"Let us free them (masses) from that feudal, pro-imperialist bourgeois pile of garbage which makes them see the world upside down, standing on its head. Let us free philosophy from the bookshelves, from the voluminous tomes, from the false academic centers and carry it to the masses, to the day-to-day class struggle, to the people."

"We do not only fight with swords but also fight with pens."

"Upholding, defending and applying Marxism-Leninism-Maoism is the decisive factor in order to develop the world proletarian revolution, to demolish imperialism and international reaction and to smash revisionism..."

In the 60s it was held that Maoism was the most powerful weapon, that it was our atomic bomb, a peerless weapon... We must become even more conscious of its (Marxism) invincible character - that Marxism is all-powerful because it is true...."

"We are dealing with a general counter-revolutionary offensive aimed at averting the development of the world proletarian revolution..."

Regardless of all their cannon and hellfire and the unleashing of their heaviest economic blows, their mud-slinging and wild attacks, as always without a valid argument, they are doomed, they are already defeated... The bourgeoisie was once a revolutionary class but it has already become historically obsolete and it is wildly clawing and hissing as wounded beasts do. This rabid behaviour is the price of its destruction. It feels itself sinking, it knows itself to be unburied carrion, but though its grave is already open and waiting, it resists its burial at the hands of the proletariat.

This last monster engendered by the bourgeoisie, imperialism, the oppressor of the world's people, must be swept off the face of the earth together with revisionism and world reaction.

Our role, the role of the proletariat and the people, is to bury it. We must always have this absolute conviction - we shall smash the bourgeoisie and bury imperialism! - imperialism and all its partners and running dogs."

"It is not sufficient to grasp only facts. Wherever there is a problem one must seek the cause. This is an ideological question and since in the realm of ideology, the contradiction between proletarian and bourgeois ideology manifests itself, there is always resistance and bourgeois ideology reflects itself in that specific and concrete moment in time as taking precedence over the proletarian ideology.... This entails the need to demolish bourgeois ideology in order to build up proletarian ideology. Without demolition there can be no construction. The dead weight of tradition, of old ideas and customs, of deformities in the ideological level,



GONZALO THOUGHT IS FREE !

QUOTATIONS FROM THE CHAIRMAN.

constitutes an encumbrance
presenting strong resistance."

head "When we triumph you will recognise this."

*ON FUJIMORI'S REGIME:

"The people feel that there is no right or reason for so much evil, for so much oppression and the People's War helps along this process.

The systematic violation of their human rights, the genocidal policies that Fujimori... can this be denied in reality? The people feel these policies, they are forced to endure them. The reappearance of mass graves, the slaughter of the sons and daughters of the people, the vile murder, with absolute impunity, of the fighters and their families, the war without prisoners - can they hide it from the people who suffer it?

...The genocide of indigenous communities, the transformation of peasant communities into cannon-fodder for the genocidal armed forces, the "carte blanche given to the "ronderos" to commit all sorts of crimes, can that legitimise Fujimori's government?

The most brutal cut in salaries, the most infamous neglect of education and the people's health (being recognised as the "government of cholera")..."

*ON ELECTIONS

"...elections are only an instrument for the continuation of the exploitation and the oppression of the people."

*ON HIS ARREST:

"Even if you kill me, you can never wipe out what is in here," gesturing to his

"... SOME THINK THAT THIS IS A DEFEAT,

... LET THEM KEEP ON DREAMING, ...

MY CAPTURE IS ONLY A BEND IN A LONG

HIGHWAY... THE PEOPLE'S WAR WILL WIN!"

"MAOISM IN THE WORLD IS MARCHING UNSTOPPABLY TO COMMAND THE NEW WAVE OF THE WORLD'S PROLETARIAN REVOLUTION"

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*DURING INTERROGATION:

"I have lost one battle. But our force has advanced all over Peru to the extent that we cannot fail to win now."

"We are but fragments of time, mere flickers, but our works will last through the centuries."

"The armed struggle gleams in our minds, beats in our hearts and leaps in irresistibly from our wills."

"The Whirl wind is coming, the invincible flames of the revolution will leap up and turn into lead and steel, from the din of battle with its unquenchable fire will come the light, from the dark a luminous glow and there will be another world.

The party can not be an electoral machine but an organisation for the seizure of power."

"The roar of the masses grows. We will make a new and final dawn." (Quoted in the Independent On Sunday)

*All other quotes are taken from: *Interview with Chairman Gonzalo, (printed by the Committee to Support the Revolution in Peru).

*On Rectification. Campaign based on the study of the document No to Elections Yes to People's War! Chairman Gonzalo. Central Committee of the Communist Party of Peru. August 1991. (Printed by Sol Peru Committee. May 1992). ■

RAP ABOUT PERU



How many time, any day, do you say - Hey, there has to be a better way. You wanna live a different life? Everyday not filled with trouble and strife. You do? Then check out the revolution in Peru. In the base areas. Where the gap between rich and poor has no place, where people are not attacked cos of their race, where pigs are not always in your face, where women aren't told "keep in your place". Where a woman can walk anywhere, anytime, without her life being on the line. And educating equals liberating, forget the houseslave education making us a pawn in the babylon. Where doors need no locks. Where the women, men, children of the community decide what is what, run it fairly, collectively, solving problems in the people's way, where the reactionaries don't hold sway. Where the courts don't see us as naught, as animals to be caught and caged without a second thought, cos the people sought for, fought for real justice and hold their own courts. Do you dream of being able to meet on the street and the police can't stop us, knock us, mock us, dock us, tag us like livestock us - tick tock tick tock, watch the clock, get wise, see the time, open eyes, realise the system we despise can demise.

No it's not a dream. This can happen when we see the oppressor - who is doing us wrong upon wrong - is not so strong, as might seem; when we come together as a team. This is happening. The people of Peru are fighting for and achieving it, the Communist Party of Peru is leading it. Their revolution is transforming Peru bit by bit, as the masses score hit after hit against the ruling class and the imperialist. The masses wont quit and that is definite. The beasts who feast on those with the least are seeing it, dreading the spreading of it, preparing for a direct hit upon the revolution cos it shows there is a solution to end all exploitation and oppression. Interrupting this, with a diss from the revolutionary, to reactionary for whom things are getting scary: Major Bush...hear this, catch the diss - look at Peru and see a future that does not belong to you.

DON'T BELIEVE THE TRIPE, THE HYPE, THE STEREOTYPE.

Maybe some people here, haven't heard a word 'bout what's going down over there. Is it a surprise, that the truth the media tries to hide. They keep quiet on it, except when they're delivering a direct hit. This way or that way, would the slavemaster tell the slave about freedom, about how to rebel and overthrow this living hell. Well?

For those who've seen the press reports, we retort that they distort. It's a case of read between the lines, reporters are spies, remember all the times they've lied, giving the powers their alibies. Don't let the powers and media take you for a ride. Cos they're not on the masses side. Look at how they criminalise the revolutionaries in Peru as "drug dealers" who "terrorise".

Sound familiar? Isn't something going on here that's similar? Aren't these the same lies, they use to disguise, their attacks on us and our communities in front of our eyes. To the pigs, not forgetting the ones in wigs, every Black youth is a "drug dealer" and "stealer", anyone with an attitude is a "yob", a few get together and you've got a "mob". You've got an accent that's Irish, you're a "terrorist". What is this? The real terrorists aren't they the imperialists? Journalist is not just any old job, no they work for the capitalist mob. Enlist to dismiss truth and hit those who resist. War on drugs is war on the people. Look at them journalists peeping, the pigs creeping, sneaking, then jeeping sweeping into our communities. Breaking down our door whilst we're sleeping. Hackney pigs caught with their trousers down, talk of their drug pushing, buying selling abound, is heard all around. It's a sequel - cos policing equals harassin whealin dealin stealin grillin killin.

WAR ON DRUGS IS A SHAM. PERU IS THE NEXT VIETNAM.

War on drugs hits us here and is the U.S. codeword for intervention over there. They are on the revolutions case, setting up their green beret base. As the revolution go from strength to strength, direct intervention, invasion is a growing threat. The U.S. played mute to dupe, but was in truth fully behind the April coup by President Fujimori and was cock a hoop rooting at the troops shooting, bruting, executing, the revolutionary prisoners in Conte Grande jail - it being no coincidence that on both occasions the U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs was there. What about President Fujimori's visit here, earlier this year? Britain gave him the okay, the stage, to wage, a propaganda campaign, saying his regime they'll help to save with more political, economic and military "aid".

Communism is alive and fighting in PERU, ALIVE AND FIGHTING HERE, ALIVE AND FIGHTING THERE, ALIVE AND FIGHTING EVERYWHERE.

Babylon says communism is dead, then why are they filled with dread that the red will spread. If red is dead then why have they sent in the greenberet, why are their flying tank helicopters circling overhead, bringing down yet more bloodshed. Hark at the noise they're making as they bark, remember the frightened man whistling in the dark? Get understood that "for our own good" they always push at us things, to keep us dumb, numb, glum thinking that we can not overcome. Would they tell us communism is good, when they want to keep us from it by hook or crook? Revolution is the hope, of the hopeless, who want to get out of this mess, and progress by overthrowing those who oppress, repress, suppress. The powers want to take this hope away, from the people and say: We will always hold sway, and if you rebel we'll make you pay cos capitalism is here to stay. Well, well well, don't they think they're swell? But smell, tell, dispel the hard sell and time will tell how the

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In July 1988 the Lima daily newspaper *El Diario* hit the streets with a very special feature—an exclusive interview with Chairman Gonzalo, leader of the Communist Party of Peru (called Sendero Luminoso or Shining Path in the press). In this 12-hour interview, conducted by *El Diario* co-editors Luis Arce Borja and Janet Talavera, the leader of the Maoist people's war that has been shaking Peruvian society from top to bottom emerged and put forward in his own words his vision and insights for hundreds of thousands of Peruvians to read for themselves.

News of this historic interview hit the wires all over the world. For years the Peruvian government had been floating out stories that Chairman Gonzalo was dead and that the revolution was being defeated. Here was living proof that Gonzalo was alive and well and powerfully leading the movement forward. Two editions of 100,000 copies each were sold out quickly. Then the government moved to put a stop to this, confiscating the third printing, destroying *El Diario's* presses and incarcerating co-editor Janet Talavera and other members of the newspaper staff. (Janet Talavera is still in prison, and an international campaign is being waged for her release; Luis Arce Borja, after being attacked and hounded by the Peruvian government, is now putting out an international edition of *El Diario* from Belgium; *El Diario* is still being published in Lima, as well, in the face of continued government repression.) The interview has been published in pamphlet form and is currently being distributed in countries around the world. This new English edition makes this important document available to a broad audience just at a time when the international spotlight is increasingly focused on the people's war in Peru.

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