

KANSU REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED

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[Text] Lanchow--The revolutionary committee of Kansu Province, northwest China, was established today, at a time when the great proletarian cultural revolution in the country is in an unprecedentedly excellent situation. This is a great victory for the invincible thought of Mao Tse-tung and for Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line. This is another song of triumph by the revolutionary people of China who are determined to wrest an all-around victory in the great cultural revolution under the guidance of Chairman Mao's latest instructions.

Kansu is a strategic base with glorious revolutionary traditions. Thirty-three years ago, the great leader Chairman Mao led the Red Army through the province during the world-famous Long March. The revolutionary practice of Chairman Mao has since been great encouragement both to the 13 million people in Kansu and to hundreds of millions of revolutionary people throughout the country.

During the great proletarian cultural revolution, Chairman Mao has paid consistent attention to the movement of the cultural revolution in Kansu. Cherishing boundless loyalty to Chairman Mao and armed with the great thought of Mao Tse-tung, the proletarian revolutionaries and revolutionary people in Kansu, with the working class as the main force, have given full play to the dauntless revolutionary spirit, surmounted all difficulties, and finally dragged out the handful of counterrevolutionary revisionists including Wang Feng, the agent of China's Khrushchev in the province. With firm support from the commanders and fighters under the PLA unit in Lanchow, they seized all power which once was usurped by these revisionists.

Now the great proletarian cultural revolution in Kansu is in very good shape. Mao Tse-tung's thought and the revolutionary line of Chairman Mao have brought about a tremendous change in the people. The dictatorship of the proletariat has been strengthened and consolidated. The revolutionary people are implementing each and every instruction of Chairman Mao's in an all-round way to win an all-around victory of the cultural revolution. The establishment of the provincial revolutionary committee declared the complete bankruptcy of the sinister scheme hatched by China's Khrushchev and his agents in Kansu to restore capitalism and marked a new stage in the cultural revolution in the province.

A jubilant atmosphere prevailed in Lanchow, capital of Kansu, yesterday. Carrying huge portraits of Chairman Mao and waving red-covered "Quotations from Chairman Mao Tse-tung," some 250,000 proletarian revolutionaries, revolutionary masses, and commanders and fighters of the PLA units stationed in Lanchow gathered to celebrate the establishment of the provincial revolutionary committee. When the setting up of the revolutionary committee was announced at the rally, thunderous applause rocked the square and the people cheered again and again: "Long live the invincible thought of Mao Tse-tung!" "Long live Chairman Mao's revolutionary line!" and "Long live Chairman Mao, a long, long life to him!"

Hsien Heng-han, chairman of the Kansu provincial revolutionary committee, spoke at the celebration rally. He said: "Our great commander Chairman Mao dispersed the mists and pointed out the direction to us in the course of the great proletarian cultural revolution in Kansu Province. The invincible thought of Mao Tse-tung has given us inexhaustible wisdom and strength. All our victories are great victories for Mao Tse-tung's thought!" The Kansu provisional organ of power should become a powerful headquarters for vigorously establishing Mao Tse-tung's thought, so as to wrest an all-around victory in the great proletarian cultural revolution and to make the province a great red school of Mao Tse-tung's thought.

He proposed that the revolutionary committee should undertake the following tasks: 1)--take a firm hold of the mass movement for the creative study and application of Mao Tse-tung's thought, as a matter of primary importance; 2)--vigorously grasp the general orientation of the revolutionary struggle, consistently direct the spearhead of struggle at a handful of capitalist-roaders in the party and carry the revolutionary mass repudiation to greater depth; 3)rely on the great leader Chairman Mao and rely on the revolutionary masses; and 4)--take firm hold of revolutionizing the thinking of the members of the revolutionary committee so that each own thinking vigorously.

Comrade Hsien Heng-han said: "We must strive hard in running different types of courses in Mao Tse-tung's thought well, placing the study of Mao Tse-tung's thought above all, bringing about a new upsurge in the mass movement and using Mao Tse-tung's thought to command, remold, and carry everything forward.

"Deepening the revolutionary mass repudiation meant clearing away all the revisionist poison spread by China's Khrushchev and his agents in Kansu so that Mao Tse-tung's thought would take permanent root in the minds of the people and his proletarian revolutionary line will always guide us in advancing victoriously."

The armymen and the civilians in the province, he said, should redouble their revolutionary vigilance, carry out further activities "to support the army and cherish the people," greatly strengthen the unity between armymen and civilians and the dictatorship of the proletariat, and resolutely smash all schemes and sabotage by class enemies in China and abroad and by the handful of capitalist-roaders in the party. This is necessary to insure the all-around victory of the great proletarian cultural revolution.

Speaking on behalf of all its commanders and fighters, Cheng Ta-chih, commander of the PLA units stationed in Lanchow, warmly hailed the establishment of the Kansu provincial revolutionary committee and give resolute [words indistinct]. The commander declared that his units were determined to study and apply Chairman Mao's works in a living way, place proletarian politics in the fore, and do a better job of helping the left, helping industry and agriculture, exercising military control, and giving military and political training with the help of the proletarian revolutionaries and revolutionary masses.

"We should redouble our revolutionary vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war and be ready at all times to smash war provocations by U.S. imperialism and its lackeys, strive hard in the defense of the motherland and in the defense of the all-around victory of the great proletarian cultural revolution.

Comrade Hu Chi-tsung, vice chairman of the Kansu provincial revolutionary committee and a revolutionary leading cadre, also addressed the rally.

Representatives of conferences of workers, peasants, and college and middle-school Red Guards and of other revolutionary mass organizations in the Lanchow area hailed the establishment of the Kansu provincial revolutionary committee in their speeches.

Amid stormy applause, the rally adopted a message of salute to the great leader Chairman Mao. The message said that the brilliant thought of Mao Tse-tung is "the beacon leading our way forward and the weapon for our battle. All our lives we will study your writings, follow your teachings, and act according to your instructions. We will engrave your brilliant thought on our minds and put it into practice. We will fill the skies above Kansu with the radiance of Mao Tse-tung's thought, which shines upon Kansu. We will arm the people of Kansu with Mao Tse-tung's thought, and insure that the banner of your brilliant thought fly forever over Kansu."

The rally also adopted a message to the people of the whole province. The rally ended with a parade.

[Peking NCNA Domestic Service in Chinese, at 1610 GMT on 25 January, carries a news report which substantially repeats the above report but adds the following people as being present at the celebration rally: Yang Chia-ji (2799 0857 3843), Yi Shu-mao (2621 2579 5399), Kao Wei-sung (7559 4850 1529) and Lung Ping-chu (7893 3521 0443), responsible personnel of the PLA Lanchow Command and the Kansu Provincial Military District; Chang Chun (1728 1813), Chiu Yu-min (8002 5940 3046), and Hsiao Tse-min (5135 3419 3046), vice chairmen of the Kansu provincial revolutionary committee.]