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OR OPPONENTS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS!**

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In many bourgeois and revisionist countries there is a deafening noise about human rights. However, facts show that in these countries the rights of the ordinary man, even his fundamental rights, are trampled on for nothing. The regimes in power have made this activity the fundamental element of their internal and external policies.

In the capitalist world the USA has taken the banner of the defence of human rights with great self-righteousness. However, many facts show that in reality it has taken banner of... disregarding these rights. Is the USA not the country of the Western world in which racial discrimination is most savage?

This line is even more hypocritical in the foreign policy of the USA. Was it to defend human rights that the USA carried out its barbarous aggression against Indochina? Was it what they massacred the population of that land and put it to the torch for? And who are the best friends of the USA? The fascist regimes, the most reactionary and inhuman regimes of the world: those ruling in Chile, Salvador, Israel, South Africa, etc, etc.

This does not imply that Britain lags behind the USA in regard to «respect» for human rights. The savage racial discrimination, exercised against 2 million black and other coloured people in Britain, is proof of this. Moreover, this discrimination was given its legal expression recently, with the passing of the minority bill. This self-same England, the self-styled «country of origin of democratic rights», has

always used brutal force to deny the people of Northern Ireland their right to live free. The regime existing in Ulster can be the envy of the most notorious successors of fascism. The same degree of negation of democratic rights and freedoms is more or less seen in the other capitalist countries.

The betrayal of Marxism-Leninism is the main cause which led to negation of the democratic freedoms of the masses, which has become part of the home and foreign policy of the revisionist countries. However much they try to pass themselves off as champions of human rights, the Soviet revisionists are confronted with such facts which, in their ungainly nakedness, expose the whole revisionist demagogy. About what sort of equality can there be question in the Soviet Union when a savage national oppression exists there? It is a kind of «equality» under which the Russian nationality dominates the other nationalities. The inventors of «limited sovereignty», who have brought the «socialist community» under the Soviet jackboot, cannot, of all people, be the champion of human rights. Such facts as the occupation of Czechoslovakia and Afghanistan only make their demagogy even more threadbare. One cannot be an occupier and a defender of the rights of the peoples at the same time.

The facts speak for themselves. Both in the capitalist countries and in the revisionist countries the rule is not respect for the aspirations of the ordinary man, but total

disregard for them. Things being as they are, which are the motives for all this vociferous campaign for human rights on the part of the East and the West demagogues? All the noise is made for propaganda purposes and definite aims.

Freedom, equality, and democracy are the sacred aspirations of the masses in these countries. But the ruling regimes have in fact deprived them of these rights. With the noise they raise about them they try to make the masses believe that in the existing conditions a great part of their aspirations and rights are ensured, that everything is being and more will be done in order to realize all their aspirations. Only the masses should stay out and not call for changes.

The image of champions for human rights, which these regimes strive to create for themselves, is meant only to further their plans both at home and abroad. Many of these regimes cherish far-reaching expansionist ambitions, especially towards the undeveloped countries. The more credibility they give this image the easier the way to realizing their ambitions becomes. It is the sheep's skin under which is hidden the wolf which tries to plunder the peoples under the mask of «aid».

The imperialist powers raise a hue and cry about human rights for another ulterior aim, namely, to justify their intervention wherever their interests are at stake. For decades on end the Shah of Iran killed and massacred, mercilessly oppressing and exploit-

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ing, the Iranian people. However, the USA never raised its voice against these crimes. On the contrary, it had built strong ties of friendship with the Shah. In the same manner, it supported Somoza in Nicaragua in spite of the fact that he was at the head of a most savage and inhuman regime, even by Latin-American capitalist standards. And now that the peoples of these countries carried out their revolution and toppled the tyrants, the USA is shouting itself hoarse that human rights are being trampled down in these countries. It threatens that it will intervene militarily to establish these «rights». Why?

Because those who now are in power are not their criminal servants, through whom they did whatever they liked in these countries.

The Soviet propaganda is not motivated by nobler sentiments, either, when it «condemns» the USA for trampling the rights and freedoms of the peoples of Central America. This it does only to put up the Soviet Union in the role of the defender of the rights of the peoples, while presenting the American rival as the sworn enemy of these rights. As for the «aid» the Soviet Union pretends that it gives these countries, it is nothing

but a trick to ensure that by the time American imperialism has been driven out by the popular revolution in these countries, it can step in under the disguise of the «friend».

However sophisticated and deafening it may be, the imperialist and revisionist hypocrisy about human rights has been worn threadbare. The facts, which irrefutably show who are the opponents of human rights, are overwhelming. The broad masses of every country are growing more and more aware that their rights are not ensured by the demagoguery of their rulers, but by their own resolute struggle.