Today the theme of «European security» is one of the most debated in the world political literature and especially in that of the revisionist countries of Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union. What is in reality this «European security»: a slogan, plan or alliance?

The proposal on the «European security» was set forth at the beginning by the Soviet Union and its East European satellites. But this by no means excludes the American co-production, irrespective of the fact that due to tactical reasons Washington has preferred to stay aside.

The Soviet-U.S. alliance came into being and develops on the basis of the common objectives of U.S. imperialism and Soviet revisionism in order to jointly dominate the world. These objectives do not exclude also Europe where the zones of influence of the two imperialist powers are more determined. They seek to give a legal form to this status quo, permanently imposed on all the European countries. Such is the aim of the so-called European security. «European security» sought by the Soviet revisionists and backed by the U.S. imperialists, — comrade Enver Hoxha has said, — means security of their zones of influence in Europe, security of their military bases and of the right of their fleets to control the European coasts, it means that the peoples of Europe should legally and officially recognize to Moscow and Washington the right to preserve their special privileges of imperialist and colonialist character they have in various countries of Europe.

Europe, as a continent, and every sovereign state belonging to it, needs real peace and security which are inseparable attributes of the existence and normal development of nations. And one cannot even imagine that there may be forces opposed to a European security. But do there exist the necessary conditions to realize a European security which would really express the feelings and interests of the European peoples?

The United States of America and the Soviet Union have set up on our continent a suffocating military structure, made up of a wide network of military bases, big and small, and of tens of American and Soviet military divisions stationed in a considerable number of European countries and which amount to nearly 1 million troops. The United States and the Soviet Union are continually raising and strengthening the aggressive military potential of the blocs in which they dominate and incessantly carry out war manoeuvres. In the south, the European coasts are under the constant threat of the American and Soviet war fleets. The U.S. imperialists and the Soviet revisionists have made colossal investments in countries they consider as their own spheres of influence; in the west and east, occupying key and diktat positions in the European economy. They pursue a policy of total interference in the home affairs of the countries of Europe, the Americans under the mask of the Atlantic alliance, and the Soviets under the mask of the Warsaw Treaty. Under these conditions there can be no question of a real European security. The irony consists in that precisely the two superpowers that have violated and are threatening peace and security in Europe and in the world and which harbour insatiable expansionist ambitions with regard to Europe and the world, pose as guarantors of the European security. Europe can never have a real security while it has on its back the unbearable military, economic, political and financial presence of the United States

«European Security»

And Revisionist-Imperialist Interests

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"WE THINK THAT THE PEOPLES OF EUROPE CAN ACHIEVE AND WILL ACHIEVE THEIR SECURITY ONLY BY STRENGTHENING THEIR NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGNTY, IN RESOLUTE STRUGGLE AGAINST THE HEGEMONISTIC POLICY OF THE USA AND THE SOVIET UNION, AGAINST THEIR EFFORTS FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THEIR MILITARY BASES AND SPHERES OF INFLUENCE IN EUROPE."

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and the Soviet Union. The throwing off of this burden would be the beginning of the road to find real European security. This is one aspect of the question.

The other aspect is the fact that the United States and the Soviet Union, the two largest sources of danger to the European peoples, are seeking to turn away the attention and vigilance of the peoples from themselves. The «European security» presupposes a form of collaboration between the different states against a danger which they consider as common. Against whom must they be secured and from where does the danger come to the European peoples? Neither the Moscow nor the Washington propagandists answer this point. They only speak about the necessity and indispensability of «European security», but without substantiating by arguments the cause or the factors imposing it. The Soviet revisionists, repeating a threadbare parallelism, say that just as on the eve of the second world war at present, too, the peoples must strive for «European security». It is true that on the eve of the second world war the Soviet Union, under the leadership of Stalin and of the Bolshevik Party, proposed the collaboration with the European states for the adoption of collective measures against the aggressive plans of nazi Germany. The danger was a real and concrete one, the direction clearly determined. Whereas now where is the aggressor? The Soviets and the Americans keep silent because if they were to speak they would have to demonstrate themselves. The parallelism is reduced by half. This silence is incomprehensible, for if there is a great and real danger this comes from the imperialist Soviet - U.S. alliance and the so-called European security is in conformity with its line and objectives of global domination.

Closely related to the Soviet and American projects of European security one must see also the role and place of the Federal Republic of Germany in this framework. The lessons of the recent past of Europe are such that stress the importance of this problem and its close connection with the security and peace on the continent. They lay the stress on a permanent vigilance in order to avoid the revival of the factors and conditions that led to the outbreak of two great world wars precisely on the European territory. Unfortunately, an attentive examination of the state of affairs in this point creates the conviction that many things are repeating themselves. The defeated ghosts are reviving. German revanchism is now feeling itself free from the chains in which it should have been as a result of its crimes against mankind. The Federal Republic of Germany, thanks to the aid of U.S. imperialism, became the main economic and military power in Western Europe. Now due to the aid of the Kremlin it is coming out also as a big political power of this area. With the ill-famed Moscow-Bonn treaty of August 12,1970 defeated Germany is aiming at going down in history without having signed a peace treaty and this is a great crime of the Soviet revisionists against the peoples of Europe and of the world, who suffered so much from naziism. The Albanian Government and people rightfully denounced it from the beginning as an anti-European plot full of dangers, and the subsequent events confirmed the correctness of this warning. But Bonn's ambitions do not end here, they inclue the whole of Western Europe, and Soviet social-imperialism is willing to back these ambitions for many reasons. The revisionist-imperialist European
security takes into consideration the appetite of the West German imperialist bourgeoisie, and that is why Bonn has adhered to it. The Soviet Union and the Federal Republic of Germany – says the communiqué issued after Brandt's talks with Brezhnev in Crimea – will consult each other in order to speed up the convening of a European security conference. The secret Oresnda talks in September last year rightfully aroused legitimate uneasiness in Europe where the thought was strengthened that the Soviet-West German rapprochement is not a mere amendment of imagination about revanchist Germany, but a bargaining between aggressive imperialist powers which need each other and envisage to come to terms in order to «settle» the affairs in Europe at the expense of other countries. Moscow and Washington consider the Federal Republic of Germany as an important fulcrum of the revisionist-imperialist counterrevolutionary status quo on our continent. For this, Bonn has been already given much, and it has been promised to give more to it in the future. Otherwise one cannot explain the great optimism of Villi Brandt who declares that «a peaceful order in Europe will some day create the conditions under which both parts of Germany will march together». The integration of the FRG element in the Soviet-U.S. plot of European security does nothing else but doubles the danger to the European peoples and still better reveals to them one of the many evils which the so-called European security contains. The revisionist and imperialist authors, besides the political propagandizing of their schemes, have given from time to time approximate blueprints of the concrete realization of the «collective security system» according to their models. A first step, in their opinion, would be a general all-European conference on security, which would be attended by all the European states, jointly with the United States and the Soviet Union, and which would formulate and adopt the main principles of regulating the relations between the nations, etc. They present this conference as the arrival at the «promised land», and in the words of the Soviet Foreign Ministers Gromyko in the United Nations, at the 26th session, «it do much in the interest of the consolidation of European peace». Certainly, principles are something good, but they remain empty words when they are not turned into reality. And the principles set forth by the Soviet Union and the United States for the European security conference are not something new. They are all contained also in the U.N. constitution which prevented neither the U.S. imperialists from carrying out their aggression against Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, nor the Soviet social-imperialists from undertaking their aggression against Czechoslovakia. The participating countries would convene to adopt the decisions which would be imposed by Moscow and Washington that would officially acquire the right to make the law on our continent on behalf of the «European security». It is understandable that the position of strength would reign at a meeting of such a nature. The two superpowers would be self-appointed guarantors of European security the limits of existence of which would, of course, be set only by them. Dominated by Soviet social-imperialism and U.S. imperialism, such a conference would not function even as a forum where the real desires of the European peoples and states would be expressed freely ad on entirely equal bases. The schema of the conference would be a bloc to block negotiation where «unanimity» would be reached through the will of the two bosses and where the voice of some dissident, especially in the western camp, for in the eastern one screws are tighter, would remain in minority. The first thing that would result from it would be the sanctioning not of the national border of every sovereign state and of its independence, but of the dividing border between the two spheres of the American influence and of the Soviet one, which passes through the countries that belong to the two respective blocs – NATO and Warsaw Treaty.

Moscow and Washington at the same time aim at going still further with this European security conference. They want to provide to it the form and possibilities of such an all-powerful organ the dictate of which should extend to all the European states. In a word the creation of a police mechanism that would preserve the Soviet-American domination on the continent. In June 1970 in Budapest, the Soviet Union and its lackeys added to the proposal on the European security the point «for the creation at the all-European meeting of the organ for the questions of security and collaboration in Europe». This organ would assume, according to the Soviets, the function of the continent's security from the «hotbeds» of the outbreak of wars. It is understandable that such hotbeds would be, in the revisionist and imperialist meaning, the revolutionary struggles of the European peoples for the confirmation of their national independence and sovereignty and for getting rid of the imperialist hegemony – American and Soviet. The order of things in the revisionist and imperialist projects is clearly seen. The European security conference would proclaim, on behalf of the aspirations of the Soviet-U.S. alliance, such norms of international law which would be, according to the admissions of the Soviet authors themselves, compulsory for the community of the European peoples and the executive organ that would be created would be charged with the task of carrying out in practice the revisionist-imperialist norms by force. And the Washington propagandists support the Soviet schemes. In «New Republic», one of the known ideologists of U.S. imperialism, Zbignev Brzezinski, while expressing his approval of the European security conference, backs likewise the thought of the Soviet revisionists about the creation of organs that would «ensure the security and peaceful collaboration in Europe». The community of thoughts is imposed by the community of aims. The European security conference is presented here, even before being set up, as a police instrument in the hands of the hegemonistic policy of the Soviet-U.S. alliance.

The European security is a form of alliance which embodies the collaboration and connection between the two most aggressive imperialist powers in the world. As such it bears also the class nature of its authors. It is an alliance of the revisionist-imperialist reaction against the European peoples. The «European security» of this nature is the security of the capitalist-revisionist order in Europe, the union of the imperialist and revisionist counterrevolutionary forces under the leadership of Washington and Moscow to suppress the revolutionary movements of the European proletariat against the foreign imperialist domination and against the internal capitalist and revisionist exploitation. The revisionist and imperialist propaganda is striving very much to create in Europe the false impression that in «the sphere of security nobody
loses and nobody gains*. Whereas the truth is entirely different. In the revisionist-imperialist *European security* those that lose are the peoples, who would be compelled to leave their destinies in the hands of the imperialist wolves and undergo a more savage exploitation. It must be pointed out here that losing in this would be also the bourgeoisie of the various capitalist and revisionist countries of Europe, which would be compelled to accept the hegemony of U.S. or Soviet imperialism. There are European countries which hope that through a European security conference they would be able to ensure greater freedom of action and manoeuvring, a diminution of their dependence on the United States or the Soviet Union. This is an illusion, for Soviet social-imperialism and U.S. imperialism have framed up this plot not to weaken but to still more strengthen their all round domination in Europe.

Of course, the *European security* operation is not carried out without friction and contradictions between the imperialist superpowers in the first place, and between each superpower and the members of the bloc dominated by it on the other hand. This is a natural result of the development and movement of the balance of power in the capitalist-revisionist world, of the clash of opposite interest and growing ambitions of each side to profit as much as possible at the expense of the other. Eversince the Soviet Union came out first in public calling for a European security conference, the United States and the NATO set forth a series of conditions with regard to which Moscow made a lot of concessions. Now concerning the date of the conference interest is shown also by Washington which has received the main political dividends. The Soviet revisionists and the U.S. imperialists agree now on convening before long a European security conference. Implementing its law and putting order in the European rear areas, the Soviet-U.S. alliance is making haste to throw itself with increased forces towards other fronts, in Asia and elsewhere, in order to take further its global policy of dominating the world and opposing the revolution.

From whatever aspect one may consider it, the revisionist-imperialist *European security* constitutes a dangerous plot, a trap for the European peoples, set up by the USA and the USSR. It is a sham security or better to say a real enslavement. Therefore, not only the non-acceptance, but also the fight against it is laid down as an important duty for all the peoples of Europe, dictated by the necessity of the defence of their freedom and national independence.