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MANIFESTATION OF BOURGEOIS-REVISIONIST DEGENERATION AND CORRUPTION

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From July 28 to August 5 this year, Havana was the scene of the 11th World Youth and Students' Festival, where representatives of many reactionary youth organizations of the bourgeois-revisionist, fascist countries participated. This festival was nothing but an ideological, political, cultural and artistic demonstration of the youth of the bourgeois and revisionist countries.

The organizers of the festival came out with several «anti-imperialist» slogans. This was also done by Boris Pastuhov, first Secretary of the Soviet revisionist Komsomol. But the demagogical character of his statements is revealed be it only by the fact that the true organizers of the festival are the Soviet revisionists, who manipulate the WEDY and the IUS as their tools. How can the 11th Festival in Cuba be represented as an «anti-imperialist action» at a time when it is known that its organizers are aggressors, fascists, and imperialists, when it is known that they are keeping many countries of Eastern Europe occupied, that they, through their fascist-type aggression, invaded Czechoslovakia, that they are armed to the teeth

for wars of aggression, that they set up military bases. hatch up plots and putsches of the fascist reactionary type, send their mercenaries to Africa, collaborate and vie with US imperialism for the domination of the world, that they are precisely the ones who put down the liberation revolutions everywhere in the world, and who have always been calling on the revolutionary and progressive youth and students to stop fighting against the capitalist system, and so on and so forth?

Therefore, the 11th Festival and its demagogical and hypocritical slogans cannot be cal-

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led an anti-imperialist action, on the contrary it is an action intended to mislead the masses of youth, to dampen its revolutionary spirit, to confuse it. By organizing this festival in Cuba, the Soviet revisionists aim to poison the revolutionary conscience of the young people in Latin America and in other countries of the world, as well as to undermine and sabotage the revolution and the liberation war everywhere, which they stand in great fear of.

This festival was attended by revisionists of all colours, as well as reactionary, imperialist, fascist organizations which had the questionable privilege of participating in the proceedings of the Preparatory Committee of the Festival. Progressive youth is aware that these reactionary, revisionist, socialdemocrat, and other organizations can by no means fight the imperialists, or help ease tension and avert the danger of a war.

At a time when at the festival there was much talk about «anti-imperialist solidarity», the revisionists and opportunists were seen dancing together with the imperialists and fascists.

The organizers of the festival try in vain to identify the 11th Festival with the previous youth festivals which were tribunes of the anti-imperialist and democratic struggle, and enjoyed great sympathy and popularity among the progressive youth and students of the world.

All this propaganda and demagogy is being exposed more and more now, and the revolutionary youth of the world is becoming aware that there was nothing anti-imperialist in the festivals organized in the past two decades. The 11th Festival, too, was a centre of degeneration, disorganization, and corruption of the youth, as it was staged with the precise purpose of diverting youth from the road of the revolution, the road of the struggle against capitalistrevisionist oppression and exploitation. It was a demonstration of ideological and political degeneration, of hideous bourgeois-revisionist fashion. Suffice it to mention that in the program of the 11th Festival figured even such performances as "The Forest of Solidarity», in which young people simulated living in a primitive community, in hippy fashion, which is in vogue today in the bourgeois-revisionist countries.

In this festival, the revisionists, the borgeoisie, the new opportunists, all those who try to make the youth of the world regress, who intend to further their ends of estranging the younger generation from politics, educating it with the degenerate standards of their bourgeois-revisionist morality, and ultimately consolidating the foundations of their rotten regimes. They

seek to nip in the bud all demonstrations, movements, strikes and protests of the youth and students. The real life of the youth and its prospects find no reflection at all in the festivals organized by the revisionists and the bourgeoisie. What the youth wants can be obtained only through the revolution and socialism. This great truth is confirmed by the fact that the anti-imperialist, anti-capitalist and anti-revisionist fight of the youth is now assuming ever broader proportions. It has involved large sections of the progressive youth and students who want to see their aspirations realized. At the 7th Congress of the PLA, among other things, Comrade Enver Hoxha said: «In the countries dominated by capital, the youth constitute a great reserve for the revolution. The mass of the unemployed youth, abandoned and deprived of all hope and prospects by the bourgeoisie, number millions. A great revolt against social injustice is seething among them. Great forces are gathering and building up for revolutionary outbursts. It is up to the Marxist-Leninists to unite the enthusiasm of the youth, its revolutionary aspirations, with the drive and aspirations of the woking class, to lead it on the correct course towards the liberation of all society from the yoke of big capital».