

press review FROM EUROCOUNMUNISM TO EUROLEFTISM

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Tests for the production of a new commodity are being conducted in the laboratory of bourgeois ideological experiments. This new commodity is called Euroleftism (Eurosinistra). The reformist, revisionist and social-democratic propaganda makes much of this new credo of the Italian revisionists who, with their traditional reformist opportunism, have abandoned the Eurocommunist horse and are betting on a new horse called Euroleftism.

What is this Euroleftism which the Italian revisionists are labouring to present as an effective prescription for Europe at the present stage? Euroleftism is being given the same publicity as Eurocommunism in its initial stage. It is trumpeted about as the remedy for Europe. It is not fortuitous that the propaganda of Euroleftism is being stepped up after the gloomy «celebrations» the European bourgeoisie organized on the 25th anniversary of the so-called United Europe. On the ideological and organizational plane Euroleftism calls for a merger of the revisionist and socialist parties of Europe under one denomination. On the political plane the fundamental aim of Euroleftism, as Romano Leda, one of the leaders of this party wrote in the weekly «Rinascita» on April

9, 1982, is to speed up the process of political and economic integration of Europe. This means that the architects of this new party plan to give fresh impulse to the process started by the fathers of Europeism with the Treaty of Rome 25 years ago. This shows that Euroleftism has the blessing of European big capital, and this is but natural that, as any merger of the bourgeois political trends and forces, it cannot be accomplished without the consent of big capital which pulls the ropes behind all these political parties and forces.

The emergence of Euroleftism is not the result of the passion of the bourgeois and revisionist ideologists and politicians for theoretical innovations. It is an offspring of the ideological, political and organizational crisis of the entire capitalist system and the bourgeois political parties regardless of their theoretical platform and labels. The bourgeoisie had pinned many hopes on Eurocommunism. The reformist ideology of Eurocommunism, an instrument to mislead the proletariat and divert it from the revolution, was publicized as leading to the «promised land».

Eurocommunism, as a revisionist current, very soon revealed its true anti-Marxist and counter-revolutionary content

and aims. In the report submitted to the 8th Congress of the Party, Comrade Enver Hoxha said: «In the Eurocommunist parties themselves the factions and splits increased, while between the different Eurocommunist parties the struggle for leadership began. The squabbles and division with the other revisionist parties became even greater.»

It is not difficult to see that Euroleftism is only a bluff and that it will be short-lived. First, it is the product of the ever growing ideological and political crisis of the bourgeoisie, and came to light precisely to rally and unite the bourgeois political forces against the revolutionary movement of the proletariat. This is something which further exposes it in the eyes of the working masses. Second, talk about the alliance of the revisionist and socialist parties, and especially the parties of the Socialist International, on a European scale, has been going on prior to this event not only among the Eurocommunists, but also among the other revisionists — Soviet, Yugoslav, Chinese and others. Euroleftism is nothing but a renewed attempt after past defeats. Third, as the revisionist parties cannot find a common language among themselves or with socialist parties of their own coun-

press review tries, it is very improbable that they will achieve unity on a European scale.

There is nothing new about Euroleftism apart from its name. But a name alone is in-

sufficient to lend this new revisionist-social-democrat formula a lease of life. Eurocommunism was only too soon exposed and defeated. Still sooner will this happen with the

new experiments of the Euroleftist type. Thus, the transition from Eurocommunism to Euroleftism represents only the metamorphosis of a defeat.