

NO TO BOURGEOIS MILITARISM FOR THE UNCONDITIONAL DEFENSE OF THE WORKING CLASS

The Imperialist blocs are re-arming in preparation for world war.

The international working class can only respond by using its only weapon, the class struggle!

Annual military spending in the world has now surpassed \$2.2 trillion, the nuclear arms treaties between Russia and the U.S. are crumbling, and powers like Germany and Japan are rearming for the first time since World War II, the war in Ukraine threatens to engulf the whole of Europe, and the South China Sea is becoming a huge militarized zone, a premonition of the U.S.-China war that will most likely involve all of humanity.

The international bourgeoisie raises its worn-out nationalist banners and calls workers to slaughter each other by waving the deceptive boogymen of totalitarianism, fascism, pseudo "communism," as those of differences between races and religions.

Against this vile bourgeois propaganda, communists reply - this new proletarian massacre being readied has only one cause: it is in defense of ruling class interests and the profits of capital! A generalized war will be imperialist on all fronts!

Despite the mounting economic crisis and the growing indebtedness of states and enterprises, and while governments around the world are increasing military spending, in the last three years the capitalist economy has been beset by disturbances of all kinds, on the one hand overproduction of goods, on the other their shortage in the markets due to the impossibility of continuing capitalist production caused by the tendency of the rate of profit to fall, the decreasing profitability of investment, and the growing gap between production, which is social, and consumption, which is only of the few.

Global capitalism, plagued by economic crisis, is approaching collapse. It is plunging into such a historic crisis that the old antithesis between socialism or capitalism is being transformed into that between socialism or the annihilation of humanity.

The last great economic crisis of capital, the one that originated in the United States in 1929, could only be resolved by the destruction and massacres of World War II. That global imperialist massacre led to the annihilation of more than 70 million people, mostly proletarians, and the almost complete destruction of productive capacity across the entire planet.

The three decades following the war were a "golden age" for capitalism. As the two imperialist blocs of the Soviet Union and the United States shared the spoils of war and kept the proletariat in their respective zones of influence in check, the process of accumulation benefited from the momentum of rebuilding the infrastructure and cities destroyed by the war.

There was also a series of bourgeois revolutions against the rotten colonial and feudal regimes, with capitalism taking hold in all corners of the earth, especially in East and South Asia, India and China. This planetary expansion of the capitalist system of production, while it has allowed the accumulation of huge profits, has not brought prosperity to the working class, it has only extended misery and exploitation to the entire world. Indeed, the majority of the world's 3.3 billion wage earners still work for starvation wages, without any economic security, in unworthy living conditions.

However, the continuous technical development of the means of production collapses the profitability of capital in production, pushing it toward ephemeral and sterile investments in financial speculation.

But every measure by states to contain the crisis through public debt finally gives no effect, and the bourgeoisie, in order not to go bankrupt, pushes the world into military action, which wipes out all its debts. Arms production for war and war itself are the only way left for the bourgeoisie to get out of the crisis of overproduction that strangles its economic system.

That is why the various states and their ruling parties spread nationalism, to try to bind the workers to the suicidal fate of the bourgeois class, forced, in defense of its mode of production, to plunge the world into the abyss of war, terror, and starvation.

But it is the international proletariat, it is the billions of workers of the world who possess the tool to liberate humanity from the fate sealed by the capitalists: THE CLASS WAR!

Recently there have been extensive strike movements in some countries of Europe, in France, Britain, Germany, Greece. In the United States, too, we are witnessing extensive strikes involving different categories. These struggles are the example to follow.

Since capitalism is an economic system based on the exploitation of wage labor, struggles of the working class in defense of their living and working conditions can counter the capitalist regime and begin to prepare to avert World War III. Every struggle against the exploitation of labor, every rejection of calls for sacrifice in the name of the national economy, is a struggle against capitalism and its war. The struggle in defense of the working class harms capital and is the precondition for weakening the infamous bourgeois political regime.

It is necessary to unite the struggles of the working class. To this end, it is essential to reconstitute class unions in every country, to strengthen them where they already exist, to oppose regime unionism that collaborates with the state and the bosses. Only real trade unions will be able to fight for the unity of action of the proletariat, nationally and internationally.

Only in this way will it be possible to put on the agenda of struggles the demands that unite the entire working class:

- **the defense and increase of wages, with greater increases for the least paid;**
- **the reduction of rhythms, hours and working life**
- **full wages to the unemployed.**

Only on these goals can workers' strikes and demonstrations converge, in time and space.

This is the indispensable premise so that the proletariat can once again return to struggle, under the leadership of its party, the International Communist Party, for the overthrow of the regime of wage labor, for the communist revolution!

The party is the repository of humanity's need for communism, of the conscience of class solidarity, of the science of revolutionary Marxism and the experiences of two centuries of glorious workers' struggles.

**Down with war!
Down with the regime
of Capital!
Long live Communism!**

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