

Peruvian Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist)

Without a Communist Party and an Organized People, There Is No Revolution

In the periods when there are high points in the class struggle, political demonstrations of all kinds generally arise; on the one hand deviations from the left that seek an “accelerated change” or a quick solution without having a solid program or an organization that can take up the leadership of the popular movement; or a deviation from the right that awaits a bourgeois solution to the crisis and assumes the position of spectator of the process of change.

Faced with these deviations, the PCP (M-L) points out its position vis-à-vis the current panorama and defines the tasks that its membership must carry out in order to channel popular indignation and be the reference point of the social struggle for the transformation of the country.

The events that have taken place since December 2017

The pardon for the genocidal, robber and corrupt Alberto Fujimori, the declaration of the places where the popular protests are taking place as emergency zones, the determination of the amounts of dollars given as bribes from ODEBRECHT to Peruvian politicians, the negotiations to avoid the presidential vacancy, the laws that Congress has enacted to criminalize popular protest, the approval of the Juvenile Slavery Bill, the exemption from the payment of taxes to the big transnational corporations, the law that prevents audits of Parliament for its expenses and contracts, the authorization of the entry of U.S. troops, etc., have shown the Peruvian people more clearly how the country has been led. The CONFIEP¹ is the body that represents the interests of the intermediary bourgeoisie and the transnationals; they are the true holders of the political power of the State and the various rulers and parliamentarians have been no more than their puppets. This is also true of the Police, Army, Navy and Air Force, who are also defenders of their neoliberal constitutional order; they are not, as they say, defenders of national sovereignty and the interests of the Peruvian people.

“Bourgeois representative democracy” has been shown to be a farce by which the working people are deceived and kept under wage slavery. They claim: “the people elect their rulers,” “the people are the rulers and the presidents and congressional representatives interpret their highest aspirations.” We have always said. This is false, and now the people are more conscious of this since it is the CONFIEP which, by different means that money permits, ensures the election of its candidate, taking into account the various situations that the country is going through. It has at its disposition “radicals” such as Ollanta Humala who later was tamed to ensure the continuous flow of foreign investments, or the purer representatives of the neoliberal model such as the corrupt former president Pedro Pablo Kuczynski. At one time the Peruvian State represented the interests of the feudal aristocracy and now it represents the interests of the intermediary bourgeoisie, the figureheads of imperialism and not of any other class. It is not a “State of all the Peruvians”; it is the State of the bourgeoisie that exercises its organized violence against the working class.

The bourgeoisie maintains its system in force with the buying and selling of votes in Congress to change sides of the parliamentarians and in the general elections it buys the voters in the poorest areas with money or “sealed envelopes,” as is the custom of Fujimorist drug-trafficking politicians. They also ensure the election of their candidates with the use of television mercenaries who divert the attention of the people, such as: Jaime Bayli, Aldo Mariategui, Jaime de Althaus, among other hack writers who serve as journalists, but whose mission is to guide the people’s intention to vote and divert their attention from their true interests. This is played out in each electoral contest and each legislative period. In this framework, the people choose among the most propagandized options imposed by their national and foreign henchmen.

Important expressions of popular opposition have been noted There have been demonstrations against the pardon, with the demand that all the corrupt and exploiters must go!, against the generalized corruption, against the Law of youth exploitation N ° 1215. Along with these important forms of popular struggle there have also been the still low levels of indignation of a large sector of the population that, lulled by television propaganda, sees no alternative but to maintain the current system and resign itself to living in the same way.

The most advanced sector of the popular movement is fighting against corruption, capitalist exploitation, abuse and imperialist plunder, but they are not yet fighting for a solid program, a real solution

to capitalist barbarism, and this is because we have not yet managed to defeat bourgeois propaganda and spread the proletarian program: to fight for People's Democracy and Socialism in order to put an end to exploitation, pollution, looting, unemployment, corruption, among other evils from which the working people suffer. This is our task, which should be carried out urgently in order to develop the popular and revolutionary solution to the continual crises through which the country has been going. The constitutional solution that the bourgeoisie has achieved, after the resignation of Pedro Pablo Kuczynski, does not in the least ensure the winning of better material and cultural conditions for the working class.

Without an organized Communist Party there is no Revolution

The Communist Party is the most important subjective factor of the working class in its tasks of organizing and carrying out the revolution for national and social liberation, it is its highest organized expression of our class, its conscious and fighting vanguard. In its ranks are found the best sons and daughters of the working people who honestly, consistently and selflessly strive to realize the historic tasks of the working class. Based on their own efforts and resources, they seek to do away with the bourgeois dictatorship and build Socialism. They are the men and women who faithfully take up the organizational, political and ideological principles of the working class, Marxism-Leninism, the Program and the Statute of the Party. This voluntary adherence completes the process of training in the class struggle of thousands of social fighters who have been able to see further and more clearly than the rest of the people, who still have not been able to shake off the prejudices that the bourgeoisie has inculcated in their minds or who have difficulty taking up proletarian discipline, necessary for a historic party. Thus we state that **there are no Marxist-Leninist communists outside the PCP (M-L)**. Outside the party there are social fighters, rebels, intellectuals who have read Marxist and Leninist books, people who fight in a consistent and disinterested way; but they have not been able to see beyond the limits established by the capitalist system; because they cannot, do not want to or because we have not managed to attract them to the cause of the working class and our ranks for true social change.

Of the communist cadres who survived the massacre of Fujimori-Montesino and Shining Path, there are many who joyfully take our central organ *Bandera Roja* [Red Flag], who are carrying out association, trade union and electoral work but who are not organized in cells of study and work. They should be considered as friends, not members, since **the communists are organized into cells of study and work**, they fulfill specific tasks of organization, leadership, agitation and propaganda and give vitality to the functioning of the party, by developing within and disseminating outside the party's policy in the living sectors of the social struggle. Anyone who claims to be a cadre formed at some point within the ranks of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party and is not organized in a cell, in practice shies away from party discipline and cannot be considered as a member. The communists have in the cell the natural place of organization from which they exercise collective leadership and individual responsibility, criticism and self-criticism, from where they participate in democratic centralism and from where they assimilate and disseminate Marxist-Leninist theory. This does not fall from the sky nor is it learned by rote; it must be studied, verified and refined in social practice.

The working people have sectors where the critical consciousness has had an important development, that take up the leadership of the social movement, but that still have not managed to lead the popular indignation towards the revolutionary and socialist torrents. We cannot accuse them all of being renegades to Socialism; for not every arena of social struggle is under the control of the local revisionism of "Patria Roja" [Red Fatherland] or "Unity". However, we can say that they lack clarity about the tasks of the Revolution and the building of Socialism, that this honest sector is the one which we must urgently reach with our revolutionary press and provide them with a solid program to fight for. *Bandera Roja* is not a newspaper for sale to the general public; it is a collective organizer of the popular movement to bring them closer to the position of the working class represented by its Communist Party; it is the organ of our policy and its role will be achieved to the extent that it reaches the hands and understanding of those social fighters who are for change and whose actions we communists should provide more content.

The task of organizing the Communist Party in the decisive sectors of political, trade union and popular activity is placed on the order of the day so that there is a body that leads the actions of opposition and indignation with a greater perspective and guides them towards the positions of the working class, towards the tasks of building a People's Democratic and Socialist Republic in Peru.

Without an organized people there is no revolution

The organized people are the protagonists who make history and who carry forward the tasks of the national liberation revolution and the struggle for Socialism when they are led by the Party of the working class. We cannot expect a spontaneous reaction of generalized indignation from them, as preached by the petty bourgeoisie and anarchism; nor can we pretend to replace them in their historical tasks. We must prepare them so that their indignation and opposition have the support of a revolutionary program,

Socialism. We must learn from them but fundamentally we must educate them based on their own experience of struggle, we must constantly act among them knowing their state of mind and carrying out revolutionary pedagogy, clarifying the political scene. We must provide them with all the organizational instruments so that they can fulfill their mission as the historical protagonists, provide them with a skilled leadership and a union-association structure, councilor or popular front so that they function better. We must strive to organize the majority of the popular sectors from the artists, progressive intellectuals, street vendors and small merchants, students, peasants, workers and the whole social sector from which we can stimulate resistance and channel the indignation and popular orientation towards socialist causes **faced with the crises that we are going through.**

Conclusion and general orientation

There are no communists outside the Communist Party, there are no communist members without organization in a cell, without organization in cells there is no organized Communist Party that can lead the struggle of the working class and the working people to change the social structures rotted away by capitalist exploitation and corruption.

It is time for us accelerate the pace and apply in a more dynamic manner the Resolutions and Conclusions of the VII National Conference and the Party Program and provide a skilled leadership to the social struggle in Peru.

With the Party and the organized People, everything!

Without the Party and the organized People nothing!

Let us develop the subjective conditions that ensure the popular solution!

Let us advance in the organizaional strengthening of the Communist Party!

Let us continue with greater effort the task of organizing the working people and popular sectors!

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