



Readers Write...

Dear Friends,

...Now we were much captivated with the various articles that appeared in those issues [of *AWTW*], but of greatest interest to us, and an article which aroused a lot of debate and struggle and which is being popularised, is the article in issue 1986/7 by the Proletarian Party of Purba Bangla (PBSP) on "Mao's Theory of People's War." This article has been extremely useful to us who have, since the current regime in our country came to power, argued that their "People's Protracted War" was not a people's war as conceived and carried out by proletarian revolutionaries — especially Mao.

To us the (regime) carried out a guerrilla war of a fascist type. They chose their so-called "people's war" as a question of tactics, and not as an overall political and military strategy to win power. They arrived at this decision not from a concrete study of our country and society and summation of our people's struggles and worldwide revolutionary struggles, but after weighing the other options to seizing power: a coup d'état, conventional war (like an earlier one in which they participated), an insurrection and general elections.

Secondly, this article is useful in that currently there are so many armed groups fighting for "liberation" and, because this, there is a line which has cropped up arguing that since every tendency is talking about armed struggle, then a revolutionary, pro-people's line should not talk about armed struggle at all! Rather, so it is argued, there should be more open/legal work among the people — especially the working class — to assert their existence. This line argues that armed struggle has now become a fetish and every tendency is worshipping it!

And this same line has been tailing the current regime, helping it to consolidate by giving it counsel and talking of its historical failures as "mere mistakes." So, in light of the above, there is need to clearly draw a line between the revolutionary approach to armed struggle and these various phoney armed struggles — and that article has been very useful in that respect.

Of tremendous help to us too have been the other articles like that by the Iranian comrades in their self-criticism, the RIM's Open Letter to the Philippines NPA/CPP, the Heroic Struggle by the Peruvian masses under the Marxist-Leninist-Maoist PCP, and many others. In short, all these articles concentrated a basic theme of much relevance to us here: If there is to

be a revolution, there must be a revolutionary party, an organisation grounded on and armed with the science of revolution (Marxism-Leninism-Maoism). If there is to be a revolution in ..., such an organisation is needed and it has to be created now!

We note that your publication was inspired by the formation of the RIM. We are eager to learn more about this movement and the Marxist-Leninist parties and organisations participating in same. We, therefore, request that you send us some materials from RIM like the *Declaration*.

In international solidarity,
(From a country in East Africa)

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Comrades,

I am a sympathiser of the RIM. I have read the text of the *Declaration of the Revolutionary Internationalist Movement*, from March 1984, and I am in complete agreement with the document. Unfortunately, there is no organisation here in ... that adheres to the RIM... I am trying to get organised, to take up work with the objective of constructing a revolutionary party. I would like to receive the publications of RIM. I would also like to receive the journal *A World to Win*.

(From Latin America)

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Dear Comrades:

I sent you two books.

One of them is the *Declaration of the Revolutionary Internationalist Movement*, which was translated and published by us. We agree with the analysis and strategy and tactics to communism.

Comrades! We are a small group. We fight for the world communist revolution with you. We think for this we must construct a powerful proletarian party based on Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought.

Revolutionary greetings,
(From a country in the Far East)

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Dear Comrades,

I am writing to thank you for the work you are carrying out in our world today for the total liberation

of all mankind. Dear Comrades, I assure you that I am in great support of the Revolutionary Internationalist Movement. This will create more room for the rapid development of the anti-imperialist movement, which is the main question internationally. We support all forms of struggles against revisionism and anti-Marxism. Dear Comrades, the Declaration and statement of 1954 and 1960, respectively, only created the emergence of revisionism which paved and protected the interests of the Western imperialists and the development of bourgeois governments.

Today, the Gulf is the focal point of military confrontation between the two imperialist blocs and the danger of a third world war will start here.

I want to distribute the materials of the Revolutionary Internationalist Movement in my area. In case, you can also send me anti-imperialist materials for my work at home. We have to fight revisionism also in the neocolonies and their puppet regimes — generally called African Socialist States.

Dear Comrades, I remain in support of the internationalist movement against the imperialist camp.

From a village in Africa

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Dear Brother and Sister Comrades:

I received my first two issues of *A World to Win* and I am very much pleased in reading such a magazine made available to the world (the brothers and sisters), moving forth side-by-side on the barricades in the fight against imperialism and reaction.

Nevertheless, it is bitter to know that many disasters/crises are more critical "beyond a doubt" going on in countries other than here in the USA. And I love so much to know the Kurdistan brothers and sisters are moving forth in their war and singing "their best songs to the tune of rifles" battle cry in the fighting, knowing full well it will bring about a change.

As a prisoner here in confinement in ... prison, I do my best to keep enlightened about the world as well

as struggle to bring about a change. Truly put me on your mailing list as it is my request to receive *AWTW*. Your brother in Truth and Revolution,

(From a prison in the U.S.)

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Dear Comrades:

For several years now I have tried to follow the People's Struggle in Peru as waged by the PCP and have wished to become active in a support group in Britain. For a few years I have been active on the left, during the miners' strike, the printers' strike, local campaigns, etc. Purely on an individual level I have always advocated support for the Peruvian struggle, as I see it as the highest embodiment of the world contradiction between imperialism and the masses of the poorer nations. I also believe that Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought is the most genuine revolutionary ideology of our genre, as espoused by the RIM and its *Declaration*. In Britain today Maoism is rather depleted both numerically and ideologically. There is the CPB(ML) which is thoroughly degenerated into revisionism and social-chauvinism and the RCL, slightly smaller which, though ideologically superior to the CPB(ML), is still having difficulty breaking with Peking — unable to see the qualitative difference between Mao Tsetung Thought and the modern revisionism of Deng Xiaoping. This ideological contradiction, fundamentally a bourgeois/proletarian one, is carried through in much of its work — for instance, its lack of criticism of African "flag independence," failing to see the era as one of neocolonialist manoeuvring, and asserting that the petite bourgeoisie can solely lead the proletariat through revolution (i.e., their uncritical support for Nkrumahism).

... I consider your magazine *A World to Win* as filling a gap... Comradely greetings,
(From a reader in Britain who describes himself as a student in Afro-Caribbean studies "homeless, broke and unemployed".)

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Dear Comrades,

I am a political prisoner, now kept in a South Indian prison.

I request you to send us *A World to Win* free of cost regularly for the benefit of our political prisoners' commune belonging to our party. Likewise, please send any literature you have available. We are very sorry we are not in any position to pay the costs.

With revolutionary greetings,
Yours comradely,

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Dear Revolutionary Comrades,

...I regard myself as a political activist who educated himself in the theory of *Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought*. I may not be a first class theorist but I have read many of the most important literature of Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin and Mao. My independent reading has therefore convinced me of the correctness of Marxism.

Comrades, I came to know of the RIM and its activities through correspondence...

Comrades, at present I am trying to make anti-government activists and friends alike aware of your existence and activities. I will only succeed in my efforts if I had the necessary information in the form of pamphlets, booklets etc. from the RIM and its participating parties and organisations.

As you are aware of our struggle for liberation, certain conditions have created revisionist organisations of various kinds. This I believe will in future retard the *people's upsurge*. Therefore the time has come to clean the Augustinian stables who influence the struggle in Azania. The message on May Day issued by the RIM remains valid today and so it will be in future. Our militant workers and youth need a vanguard party which bases itself on the *scientific theory of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought*.

Revolutionary Greetings!
Forward Along the Path Charted
by Mao Tsetung

(From Azania [South Africa])

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