

Long Live March 8th, International Women's Day!*

Communist Party of Peru

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“It is necessary that we fully develop a systematic work among these female masses. We must educate the women whom we have succeeded in bringing out of passivity, we must recruit and arm for the struggle not only the proletarian women who work in the factories or toil in the home, but also the peasant women, the women of the various strata of the petty bourgeoisie. They too are victims of capitalism.”

LENIN.

“In order to build a great socialist society, it is of the utmost importance to mobilize the great masses of women to enter into productive activities. In production, men and women must receive equal pay for equal work. Only in the process of the socialist transformation of society as a whole can genuine equality between the sexes be achieved.”¹

CHAIRMAN MAO ZEDONG.

We begin by expressing our greeting and full, voluntary, and determined adherence to our dear and respected Chairman Gonzalo, the leader of the Party and the revolution, our Leadership, the greatest Marxist-Leninist-Maoist living on the face of the earth, the center of party unification, and

*<http://banderaroja.org/viva-el-8-de-marzo-dia-internacional-de-la-mujer-2017/>

¹Introductory note to the article “Women Join the Labor Front” (September-December 1955), *The Socialist Rise in the Chinese Countryside*. Selected Works, Volume V.

the guarantee of victory until communism, a great political and military strategist, philosopher, and teacher of communists. Likewise, we express our greeting and conscious and voluntary adherence to our almighty ideology, Marxism-Leninism-Maoism, Gonzalo Thought, principally Maoism as a new, third, and superior stage at the universal level, and specifically the principal Gonzalo Thought in Peru, the concrete and creative application of Maoism. We express our firm and voluntary greeting and adherence to the Communist Party of Peru, to the current leadership, and to its entire system of leadership, which in practice is forged and made by Chairman Gonzalo, the heroic combatant who leads our cause, the organized vanguard of the Peruvian proletariat. Greetings and adherence to the party events: The First Marxist Congress, Marxist-Leninist-Maoist Congress, Gonzalo Thought, sanctioned at the highest level and party instance, our Basis of Party Unity, the foundation that guides our action, with its triple content: 1) M-L-M-GT; 2) The Communist Program; 3) The General Political Line with its center, the Military Line. Greetings to the First, Second, and mainly to the glorious, historic, and transcendental Third Plenum. We salute the masterful and current Speech of Chairman Gonzalo, which shines forth vibrant and victorious before the world on September 24, 1992, the synthesis of the Third Plenum of the Central Committee of the PCP.

This March 8th, the month of commemorating the struggles for women's emancipation worldwide, it is imperative to investigate and understand their condition and their only path to emancipation through the sole means of People's War. Marxism addresses the women's issue in relation to property, family, and the state (*The Origin of the Family, Private Property and the State* by Engels); and Chairman Gonzalo concludes that women are conceived as a situation or condition derived from the structure of the society in which they develop, emphasizing the dynamic, changing nature of the female situation and highlighting the transformative role that work plays in a woman's social position and perception.

Taking stock of the history of women's condition, we find that in primitive communities there was a spontaneous equality between men and women, arising from the natural division of labor based on age and sex. Women participated in social decision-making and even held a privileged position. In slavery, the first class-based society in history, the situation of women changed drastically, as they were subjected to subjugation and devaluation. In feudal society, they were subjugated by both society and religion, seen as wretched beings and subservient to their husbands. In capitalism, despite

their massive incorporation into the economic process as workers, their formation and development as part of the advanced class, separated from the exclusive realm of domestic tasks, they were unable to emancipate themselves. However, this period laid the foundation for their mobilization and demands for emancipation.

The revolutionary process of the bourgeoisie and its reactionary nature demonstrate that it will never emancipate women. On the contrary, it promotes the thesis of female liberation, bourgeois feminism, in order to confuse and divert the women's struggle into a vulgar war of the sexes. While it is true that women in this semi-feudal and semi-colonial society are subjected to their husbands and men, this is not their primary chain. As we have already stated, this is a result of the property relations of this system. Therefore, the struggle should not be focused on fighting against men, as the bureaucratic and comprador bourgeoisie in our country would have us believe with their "ni una menos (not one woman less)" movement, where the fascist and Yankee P.P. Kuczynski portrays himself as the champion of that struggle. While they condemn acts of violence against women, women should not lose sight of their true enemy: imperialism, primarily Yankee imperialism, bureaucratic capitalism, and semi-feudalism are the three mountains that oppress them.

Chairman Gonzalo states regarding this, "(...) on this matter, it is enough to say that the analysis of women's condition throughout history presents her as subject to guardianship and in a situation of subordination to men, which makes women beings who, despite belonging to the same class as their spouse or the man they are related to, find themselves in an inferior position, a lowering that laws establish and impose. Consistent with this situation of disability, throughout history, we see how women have had to fight for their rights to achieve formal equality with men under capitalist domination, and how only the triumphant revolutionary struggle under the leadership of the proletariat is capable of establishing and enforcing real legal equality between men and women. However, as we have seen, full equality in life, as Lenin said, will develop as socialist production unfolds. These simple observations demonstrate the certainty of the thesis of women's emancipation, which conceives it as part of the emancipation of the proletariat."² Therefore, as Lenin said, "(...) the emancipation of the workers must be the task of the workers themselves, and in the same way, THE EMANCIPATION OF WOMEN MUST BE THE TASK OF WOMEN THEMSELVES."

²*Marxism, Mariátegui, and the Women's Movement, 1975*

Therefore, it is necessary to create and develop organizations that contribute to this, such as women's militias, popular women's movements, incorporating themselves into the three instruments of the revolution: Party, Army, and Front/New State. The objective is to incorporate women into politics, class struggle, and People's War, in Peru through the People's Liberation Army (EPL), Gonzalo's iron legions, and the Popular Women's Movement (MFP), an organization of the PCP created and forged by the great comrade Norah. All of this under the all-powerful leadership of Maoist Communist Parties in and for the fiery People's War, now in the Strategic Offensive of the World Proletarian Revolution. It is what corresponds, it is the authoritative voice and the call that Chairman Gonzalo made to us, and we must decisively assume it until Communism shines on earth and the true realm of harmony and freedom, of real happiness, is realized. That must be our communist conviction and decision.

In our country, the semi-feudal and semi-colonial nature, the condition of women workers, peasants, and traders is reduced to a much more miserable life than that of men. Often, it falls upon their shoulders not only to ensure their own survival but also that of the entire family. Throughout history, this has generated greater conditions of courage and rebellion, leading to their significant involvement in popular struggles and any social change. Their participation has been crucial towards their true emancipation.

On this date, we solemnly pay tribute to the great Comrade Norah, the greatest heroine of the Party and the revolution, a staunch anti-revisionist, an example of persistence, of going against the current, of overcoming difficulties. Along with Chairman Gonzalo, she was a member of the Red Fraction in the 1960s and 1970s. She burst onto the scene in ILA 80 with actions like the one in Chuschi and others. She was a great organizer, an example of merging with the deep masses. She was the creator and forger of the Popular Women's Movement, a member of the 1st Congress of the PCP. Her example is imperishable; she is also the left wing of the Party and always closed ranks around Chairman Gonzalo and the red line. She fought against the 1979 ROL (Right Opportunist Line) that opposed the beginning of the People's War and the rightist elements that opposed advancing the PW and the future plan to Seize Power. Today, these wretched revisionist capitulators trade with her precious blood and prestigious name, while Comrade Norah crushed them in the fierce struggle of two lines and in revolutionary practice, leaving them like chicken dung, hiding their black heads and waiting for the opportune moment to raise their hand against the PCP, as the ROL R and

C (Revisionist and Capitulationist) and the LOL (“Left” Opportunist Line) led by the weeping rat Miriam do today, along with the traitor José, who lead them and act as great leaders, but are actually puppets of the worst scum. The same goes for that politically weak M. Pantoja, repentant like M. Limaco, the capitulator and turncoat O. Morote, the faggot Coz, and the traitor Artemio from Huallaga, as well as the renegade Feliciano, etc.

We also pay tribute to Comrade Jiang Qing, a member of the Red Fraction and a driving force behind the GPCR, alongside Chairman Mao Zedong. She was a steadfast fighter against revisionism and gave her life in prison. When the counter-revolutionary fascist coup led by Deng Xiaoping accused her of being part of the Gang of Four, it was an infamous lie. She was always on the left.

These two great women, proletarian leaders, and communists, Comrade Norah in the PCP and Comrade Jiang Qing in the CPC, represent the highest expression in the process of the PRM. We also pay tribute to other communists and revolutionaries like Comrade Krupskaya (Lenin’s partner), Comrade Rosa Luxemburg, Comrade Yovanka Pardavé, Comrade Edith Lagos, Comrade Janet Talavera, and others in Peru. While they may not have reached the stature of the first two, their role is significant and invaluable in the revolution. They call on all women and workers to continue the victorious path of the People’s War, to carry out the tasks and fulfill the plans to achieve the goals and conquer the successes that are demanded, even if it means sacrificing our own luminous lives. In our minds, the slogan beats: “Everything except Power is an illusion!”

We also salute all the comrades of the resplendent People’s War of India, the Philippines and Turkey, as well as all the comrades of the oppressed peoples who are on the way to the beginning of the People’s War in their countries for their liberation and true emancipation.

Today, the revolution is the main historical and political trend, and it will be even more so. It is the trend of the people, the voice of order, and it is at the forefront of the agenda. In other words, People’s War is at the forefront of the agenda. It is what summons and unites us, and through it, women’s emancipation will be achieved. In this difficult and complex turning point, it demands the General Reorganization of the Party and all its leadership bodies. It is the obligation of all working women, peasants, workers, and students who hold up half the sky to participate in order to accomplish the pending task and thus definitively eliminate our chains and the exploiting class that oppresses us. We will sweep away and bury vile

imperialism, global reaction, and fight the new revisionism with blood and fire until we completely defeat them, leaving no stone unturned.

LONG LIVE CHAIRMAN GONZALO, HEAD OF THE PARTY AND THE REVOLUTION!

TO RAISE, DEFEND AND APPLY MARXISM-LENINISM-MAOISM, GONZALO THOUGHT, PRINCIPALLY GONZALO THOUGHT!

LONG LIVE THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF PERU!

LONG LIVE MARCH 8TH, INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY!

HONOR AND GLORY TO COMRADE NORAH, THE GREATEST HEROINE OF THE PARTY AND THE REVOLUTION!

FOR THE EMANCIPATION OF WOMEN, DEVELOP THE PEOPLE'S WAR!

DEFEND THE LIFE AND HEALTH OF CHAIRMAN GONZALO WITH PEOPLE'S WAR!

LONG LIVE THE GENERAL REORGANIZATION OF THE PARTY, IN THE MIDST OF THE PEOPLE'S WAR!

THE PEOPLE'S WAR WILL INEVITABLY WIN!

LONG LIVE MAOISM! DOWN WITH REVISIONISM!

LONG LIVE THE PEOPLE'S WARS IN PERU, INDIA, TURKEY AND THE PHILIPPINES!

OUT YANKEES FROM THE MIDDLE EAST, NORTH KOREA AND VENEZUELA!

OUT YANKEES FROM LATIN AMERICA AND PERU! YANKEES GO HOME!

FIGHT AND RESIST AGAINST THE FASCIST, GENOCIDAL AND FATHERLAND-SELLING REGIME THAT TODAY IS HEADED BY THE YANKEE KUCZYNSKI, THE MOST UNBRIDLED LACKEY OF IMPERIALISM, MAINLY YANKEE!

HONOR AND GLORY TO THE HEROIC PERUVIAN PEOPLE!