

# Blood Does Not Drown the Revolution, But Instead Waters it\*

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Today, June 19th, we commemorate the 29th anniversary of the Day of Heroism, a day forever marked in the annals of the history of the Peruvian revolution and the world revolution by the actions of the communists, fighters, and masses of the PCP. They, who became prisoners of war, rebelled in the prisons of El Frontón, Lurigancho, and Santa Bárbara, facing the darkest and most cowardly genocide in defense of the revolution and their lives.

The filthy dungeons of the reaction were transformed into Luminous Combat Trenches of the Marxist-Leninist-Maoist People's War, Gonzalo Thought, by the prisoners of war, transformed into centers of resistance within the city. Applying the concentric construction and militarization of the party; fighting, mobilizing, and producing; upholding the struggle to resist through People's War and achieving triumphs in the face of death. Thus, the reaction not only faced the onslaught of the People's War in the countryside and the city but also in its prisons (true concentration camps for imprisoned revolutionaries). With significant national and international repercussions.

In the face of the advance of the people's war, the reactionary government led by the fascist genocidal Alán García Pérez decided to carry out, on June 19, 1986, their long-planned and publicly announced genocide against prisoners of war, continuing the genocides against the people started by its predecessor, Belaunde. However, the reaction did not have an easy time. The prisoners of war faced the Armed Forces and police forces sent to carry out the reactionary genocide and suppress the rebellion with unwavering determination and courage. The government employed ground, sea, and air

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forces, using bombing, rocket attacks, dynamite charges, flamethrowers, and all types of weapons.

With the self-immolation of their own lives, the more than 300 prisoners achieved a great political, military, and moral triumph for the class and the PCP with an indomitable valor and heroism that only people's war can generate. On the other hand, the fascist government of García Pérez, its ministers, and highest civilian and military authorities, along with the church and the revisionists, were left mired in blood. Once again, it was demonstrated that the reaction against the revolution does not hesitate to resort to the most horrendous genocides and violate all their international laws and treaties in order to seek to save their system of oppression and exploitation. This genocide has remained unpunished to date because only people's war will bring justice.

The genocide was committed by the Peruvian reaction with the advice, assistance, and complicity of Yankee imperialists, Russian and Chinese social-imperialists, German, French, Spanish imperialists, etc., Zionist from Israel, and with the support of the social-democratic parties of that rotten Second International, led by Willy Brandt, who at that time were holding one of their international congresses in Lima. Once again, these wretches were "the bloodthirsty dogs" who bathed in the blood of communists and revolutionaries, just as they did in January 1919 in Germany with the assassination of Rosa Luxemburg, Karl Liebknecht, and other communists.

But as the experience of the world revolution and our own experience show us: blood does not drown the revolution, but rather nourishes it. Today, just like back then, the heroic actions of these communists, fighters, and the masses of the people's war call us to continue the people's war, never laying down our arms until communism is achieved.

It is the duty of revolutionaries to persevere on the path watered by this blood, even more so in the current situation where the international and national objective conditions are much more favorable for the development of the people's war than they were back then.

Imperialism is in the stage of its definitive collapse and sweeping away due to the global revolution it entered around 1980. It is sinking deeper and deeper into a series of increasingly long, persistent, and consecutive economic crises, as well as a complex array of various types of wars.

The inter-imperialist struggle for sources of raw materials and energy, communication routes, markets for their investments and Third World commodities, for a new division, is becoming increasingly fierce. As a conse-

quence, all the contradictions of the current world are sharpening, primarily the main contradiction, because the spoils of the imperialist dispute are the oppressed countries.

The single hegemonic superpower, Yankee imperialism, in collusion and conflict with the other atomic superpower, Russia, and other imperialist powers, continues its war of aggression against oppressed countries or the Third World, reaping failure after failure. The plan of Yankee imperialism, led by the genocidal Obama, to “localize” its war of aggression in Syria, Libya, etc., or also to simulate its withdrawal as in Iraq and Afghanistan, and then continue controlling the country as it did in the 1960s in South Vietnam (with puppet governments and armies under its immediate command, as well as other mercenary forces and the support of its own and “coalition” airstrikes) has already failed, and they will increasingly have to involve themselves in the occupation war with vast human and material resources, which will wear them down even more. The same path will be followed by their major military intervention in the Third World with the deployment of their “elite troops” (SEALS and others) to 84 countries (including Peru) to take charge of forming native troops under their command to fight against the locals. As a consequence of their failures, the Yankee government under Obama is reorganizing the CIA, one of the main instruments of intervention and subversion of Yankee imperialism, including the CIA stations in Central and South America and Peru.

Those defeats of imperialism are part of the sweeping away, because what leads imperialism from one failure to another are the peoples of the aggressed, occupied countries, despite having to confront the immense imperialist carnage under relatively difficult conditions due to problems with the leadership of these struggles, as Maoists, we have not advanced enough to provide these peoples with a Communist Party that guides them.

But the reaction sparks the revolution, and thus the peoples of the world are developing the new great wave of the world proletarian revolution. From there also derives the importance in the current situation of continuing to develop the campaign for Maoism and serving the people’s war in Peru, India, Turkey, the Philippines, etc., striving for the addition of new people’s wars along with the victorious development of the process of reconstitution of Communist Parties. This is of great importance in the development of the current situation and of great strategic perspective to change the correlation of forces between revolution and counter-revolution in the world.

As the international campaign in support of the people’s war in India

is also of utmost importance, against the genocide carried out by the fascist government of that country against its people and in defense of political prisoners and prisoners of war in that South Asian nation. As part of the same international task, we also show solidarity with the revolutionaries within the ranks of TKP m-l and MKP, and other prisoners in Turkey, as well as with the leaders of Turkish workers in Europe with ATIK. We also consider it of great necessity to support the struggle of Palestinian prisoners in the prisons of the Zionist State of Israel, the imprisoned Maoists in Morocco, the campaign for the release of Lebanese communist Georges Ibrahim Abdallah, who has been imprisoned since 1984 in France, as well as the revolutionary political prisoners in Italy, and so on. In South America, it is of utmost importance to unite the fight for the defense of our prisoners of war with the struggle for the defense of political and social prisoners in Brazil, demanding the freedom of c. Igor Mendez and all those detained for participating in the struggles waged by the masses in Brazil against the reactionary government, landowners, big bourgeoisie, and imperialism.

As for the current situation in our country, the same “experts” of the reaction (the “senderologists”) often write that the government and the Armed Forces “must be careful with the Shining Path because material conditions are better than in the ’80s.”

The semi-feudal and semi-colonial society, subjugated to imperialism, primarily from the United States, within which a bureaucratic capitalism develops, is sinking deeper every day. The old State that represents and defends it remains only by the force of arms and inertia. The fascist, genocidal, and unpatriotic government of Humala is the most subservient to imperialism, primarily from the United States, of all those that have succeeded in governing the country. Together with its Parliament and judicial, prosecutorial, and prison system, they show daily signs of increasing decomposition.

Every day, new and immense scandals are uncovered due to the struggle for public and private spoils among authorities and representatives of the old State at all levels. Scandals where they are entangled with the mafias of the big bourgeoisie and landowners, as well as common criminals. Common crime thrives not only due to this overall environment of decay but also because of the State’s own representatives, reaching unbearable levels for our people.

This government, through blood and fire, promotes more than any before it the selling of the country and, as part of that, the great dispossession of peasants from their lands and ancestral communal lands. This is not part of the “original accumulation” as the revisionist and capitulationist ROL

[RedLibrary: Right Opportunist Line] of rats Mirian, Pantoja, Morote, etc., want to make people believe. It is, in fact, the result of imperialist plunder and their servants from the big comprador and bureaucratic bourgeoisie, which hinders the development of the national economy. In other words, these evil revisionists try to deny that the country's semicolonial situation is deepening, so as to deny the need for the democratic revolution, which can only be achieved through a people's war.

Also, as part of this great dispossession, the process of land concentration in favor of the large landownership of natives and foreigners on the coast, mountains, and jungle of the country, starting from the mid-last decade of the past century, has exceeded the levels recorded in the 1960s when the large landownership occupied almost 70% of the country's agricultural land; today, 84% of rural landowners only own 10% of the land, according to data from the Ministry of Agriculture in 2013. This, along with the new forms of servitude that appear under the informal labor and child labor figures, denounces the semi-feudal nature of the country. On that obsolete basis, bureaucratic capitalism continues to develop, subjugated to imperialism.

Add to this that the rural EAP, excluding children under 15 years old who work in the countryside, accounts for over 28% of the country's total EAP, a percentage much higher than that of other sectors of the economy. Furthermore, these 84% of agricultural landowners (peasants) are the ones who supply the country's market with food. On Sunday, July 21, 2013, the country's newspapers reported that the Minister of Agriculture, Milton von Hessen, stated: "He commented that the dynamism of the agricultural sector is such that one out of every four people in the Economically Active Population (EAP) belongs to this economic segment, even though their productivity is 4.3 times lower than the rest of the productive sectors." This "dynamism" with such low relative productivity reflects the backwardness as a consequence of outdated social relations of production.

It is important to highlight that with the development of the People's War, progress was made in eradicating semi-feudalism, as revealed by the official figures of the 1994 Agricultural Census<sup>1</sup>, where landlord property accounted for less than 30%. With weapons in hand and mobilizing the peasantry, there was advancement in destroying the large landlord property, such as the so-called non-associative and associative companies like SAIS, along with the old and new forms of servitude associated with them. This

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<sup>1</sup>the III Ceaagro, refer to Table 1 there

reality cannot be contradicted by any reactionary report. But that is the truth.

With the restoration of the old Power in large areas of the countryside due to the leadership problems in our people's war, these old relationships have been reestablished, and that's what the stubbornness of the figures shows after that census. The evil rats of the revisionist and capitulationist ROL want to deny this fact to claim that the country is already capitalist and deny the necessity of the democratic revolution. However, what Chairman Gonzalo pointed out holds true: as long as we do not complete the democratic revolution by taking Power throughout the country, these old relationships will always tend to be restored.

But the reactionary action fuels the revolution. The great dispossession generates the revival of the peasant struggle, as even the reports from reactionary institutes cannot deny: "The countless social and environmental conflicts between local populations, on one side, and big businesses and the government, on the other, make it clear that this phenomenon occurs at the expense of the rights and development of thousands of small-scale producers and the indigenous population of the country."<sup>2</sup>

In these days, the mobilizations of the peasant movement are being expressed in the struggle in the Tambo Valley, in the southern part of the country, against the imperialist mining company Southern Copper Corporation (SCC) and against the fierce repression unleashed by the genocidal Humala government, which has sent its Armed Forces to massacre the people.

Development of the mobilization of the peasantry for land rights against the great dispossession, large workers' and small bourgeoisie mobilizations, as seen at the end of last year and the beginning of this year, against increased exploitation, unemployment, hunger, poverty, and laws that suppress rights that have been hard-won against imperialism, big bourgeoisie, and landlords. The current national strike of the teachers of SUTEP, organized in the National Committee of Struggle and CONARE-SUTEP, against the educational laws imposed by this government, affecting the teaching profession, students, and the people. This national mobilization and strike are directed against the national leadership of SUTEP, controlled by the revisionists of "Patria Roja" who have sold out to this government and, together with the rats of Conare-Modavef, betray the struggle of the teachers and the people, diverting their efforts towards participating in reactionary elections for changing authorities

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<sup>2</sup>January 2011, CEPRES)

within the Old State. The few struggles mentioned here are indicative of the development of the revolutionary situation.

In all these struggles and mobilizations, the communists are advancing firmly, guided by the Great Leadership [Jefatura] of the Party and the revolution, Chairman Gonzalo, and Gonzalo Thought, in a life-and-death struggle against the revisionism of both ROLs and the old revisionism. This is how the masses are being educated in revolutionary violence and applying what they have learned from people's war. In this process, progress is being made in the task of the overall reorganization of the Party to solve the problem of leadership in the people's war and to give it a new great impetus. It is the responsibility of those who have taken on this task in the country to reach out to those who, despite working temporarily and relatively isolated, are willing to unite under the Great Leadership [Jefatura] of Chairman Gonzalo, based on the BUP (Basis of Party Unity), to advance the pending task.

As part of our tasks, we have to continue developing the international campaign for the defense of Chairman Gonzalo's health and life, demanding his public and direct presentation before the national and international press and allowing him to express himself, indissolubly linked to the international campaign to promote Maoism as the sole command and guide of the world proletarian revolution.

Honor and glory to the fallen heroes!

Long live the Day of Heroism!

Long live the 35th anniversary of the people's war in Peru!