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TO ALL PC MEMBERS

Dear Comrades,

Enclosed are three brief items translated from the September 2, 1972, issue of Rouge. They are taken from a five-page feature dealing with the Argentine prison break and the massacre of the captured guerrillas by the Lanusse government.

(1) a press release from the Central Committee of the Communist League.

(2) an item reporting a visit to the Chilean embassy by a delegation from CODEPPA, the French Committee to Defend Argentine Political Prisoners.

(3) a brief resume of protest actions around the world. This article is signed "Cuarta International." Two problems should be noted in connection with this last item. There are no quotation marks except for those at the beginning of the statement by "revolutionary Marxist militants." It is unclear where the quotation ends. Second, "Cuarta International" is the name of the official Spanish language monthly bulletin of the United Secretariat of the Fourth International, published in Paris. Thus, while it is not a statement by the United Secretariat, the item clearly gives the impression that it is expressing the position of the Fourth International.

Comradely,

Mary-Alice

PRESS RELEASE FROM COMMUNIST LEAGUE

The Central Committee of the Ligue Communiste (French Section of the Fourth International) salutes the memory of our sixteen comrades murdered by the Argentine dictatorship.

This murder starkly reveals the nature of the military regime's intentions. The elections scheduled for next year and the use of Peron are only maneuvers designed to neutralize and divert a mass mobilization that mounts in intensity every day and casts a cloud of uncertainty over the projected electoral farce.

Five years after Che, our comrades have fallen fighting arms in hand, against all the reformist and pacifist illusions and for a socialist revolution in Argentina.

The French Trotskyists, like Trotskyists throughout the entire world, will honor the memory of the fallen by carrying forward their struggle for the world socialist revolution.

Comrades of the PRT,

We have lost brothers in arms. We will know how to remember them and avenge them.

Ever onward until the victory.

Paris, August 29, 1972

PROTEST AT THE EMBASSY

On Monday August 23 a delegation from the Comité de Defense des Prisonniers Politiques Argentins, composed of Maître Georges Pinet, lawyer; François Maspero, and Alain Krivine, was received at the Chilean embassy.

The delegation made known the concern of Codeppa over the fate of the ten Argentine revolutionists who have arrived in Chile and expressed their wish that the Chilean authorities would grant them the right of asylum.

SOLIDARITY UNTIL THE FINAL VICTORY

As soon as the massacre was reported, a response was organized on an international scale to denounce this crime of the Argentine military dictatorship and affirm the solidarity of the entire International with the struggle of our comrades of the PRT and the ERP and all the Argentine revolutionists against the blood-stained dictatorship of Lanusse.

In London, members of the International Marxist Group demonstrated at the Argentine embassy to protest against the slaughter, one of the bloodiest in the history of Latin America.

In Italy, Germany, Belgium, and in the U.S.A. similar actions inspired by Trotskyist activists were carried out.

In France in the dawn hours of August 25 revolutionary Marxist militants attacked the Argentine embassy with Molotov cocktails. The following communique was issued by these revolutionists shortly after their action:

"Today revolutionary Marxist militants attacked the Argentine embassy in Paris. This symbolic action is part of the worldwide wave of protest developing in the wake of the savage murder of sixteen unarmed Argentine revolutionists by the mercenaries of Lanusse. On the defensive today politically, the imperialists and their watchdogs are escalating their extortions and crimes in Latin America and throughout the world.

They will not go unpunished because the day is near when the Argentine and Latin American masses, mobilized by their vanguard on the road of revolutionary war, will sound the death knell of the murderers' system and make them pay the full retribution for their accumulated debt of blood.

Long live the Argentine socialist revolution.

Long live the Latin American revolution.

Hasta la victoria siempre. Venceremos.

Cuarta Internacional