"Humanism" of Soviet Revisionism Unmasked

While supporting India's aggression against Pakistan, Soviet revisionist social-imperialism hypocritically flaunted the banner of "humanism" and feigned "sympathy" for the East Pakistan refugees. But in the Middle East, Soviet revisionism has sold out and sacrificed the Palestinian people's interests without showing any "concern" or "sympathy" for the more than one million destitute and homeless Palestinian refugees. This shows that the "humanism" it preaches is nothing but a pretext for it to commit aggression and expansion.

SINCE a "state of Israel" was artificially created on the land of Palestine by imperialism through manipulating the U.N. Organization, millions of Jews from

several big countries, generously financed by and receiving military aid from monopoly capital in these countries, have poured into Palestine and imposed themselves on this territory of about 27,000 square kilometres. Consequently, thousands upon thousands of Palestinians have been driven out of their homeland and for more than 20 years led a miserable and inhuman life abroad. But Soviet revisionist social-imperialism has never shown them any sympathy or support whatever. Furthermore, the Soviet revisionist renegades, flaunting the banner of supporting the Arab countries, betrayed the Arab people at the crucial moment in June 1967, when they were subjected to a surprise attack and a new war of aggression by the U.S.-Israeli aggressors. As a result, hundreds of thousands more Palestinians were reduced to refugees.

"Support to National Liberation" Laid Bare

After the June war, the Palestinian people rose to wage armed struggle and brought about an excellent situation through fighting. However, this greatly

troubled the Soviet revisionist social-imperialists who ostentatiously wave the banner of "support to national liberation." When the Palestinian people heroically fought the enemy in the Israeli-occupied areas, and when the broad masses of the Arab people were rejoicing over the victories won by the Palestinian guerrillas, the Soviet revisionist paper Pravda slandered the Palestinian guerrillas as "extremists," and attacked their armed struggle as "ill-considered actions which have objectively damaged the just cause of the Arab peoples." This paper also attacked the persistent struggle of the Palestinian guerrillas and their refusal to surrender and compromise, saying that "by their irresponsible adventurous riots these elements are doing grave harm to the difficult and complicated struggle by the Arab peoples towards liquidating the consequences of Israeli aggression." Pravda blustered: "Before a real peace is established in the Middle East, several obstacles will have to be surmounted, some real, and others, artificially created by the opponents of peace." The meaning of these remarks of Pravda is quite obvious. That is, to make it easier for Soviet revisionism to plot a "Middle East Munich" together with U.S. imperialism, the obstacle - the Palestinian guerrillas - must be surmounted. The Soviet revisionists harbour a violent hatred for the Palestinian people's armed struggle and are not happy with anything less than the suppression of this struggle.

Soviet Russia, another paper of Soviet revisionism, cursed the Palestine National Liberation Movement (Al Fateh) even more bluntly, saying that it was taking "Trotsky's stand." With an overbearing attitude the paper questioned Al Fateh: Can armed struggle "be regarded as the only way in waging liberation struggle"? It went so far as to say that the political aim of Al Fateh and certain other organizations to realize national liberation through armed struggle was "not taking into account the present condition of the Arab East" and was therefore "not realistic" and "all the more regrettable." The Soviet weekly New Times also asserted that "the extremist actions of some Palestinian organizations in fact pour water on the mill of Israeli hawks," and so on and so forth. Similar examples are too numerous to be counted. Those mentioned above are enough to show that so-called "support to national liberation" by Soviet revisionist social-imperialism is deceitful rubbish!

When the Jordanian reactionaries frantically carried out bloody suppression of Palestinian guerrillas at the instigation of U.S. imperialism, the Soviet revisionists did not utter a word against the Jordanian reactionaries' crimes instead they confided to U.S. imperialism what they had in mind and encouraged the Jordanian reactionaries to act freely. The U.S. weekly *Time* disclosed: "A note from Moscow advised Washington that the Russians had no intention of intervening in Jordan

and were trying to discourage others, including the Syrians, from such action." This is downright betrayal!

Although it has committed many crimes in undermining the Palestinian revolutionary cause, Soviet revisionist social-imperialism sometimes expressed some "support" or promised a bit of "assistance" to some of the Palestinian organizations. This was done with ulterior motives and for the purpose of concealing its ugly features. However, such hypocritical and deceptive "support" and "assistance" could by no means cover up its crimes of betraying the Palestinian people's armed struggle.

God of Plague to a T

In order to contend and collude at the same time with U.S. imperialism in the Middle East, Soviet revisionism has in the last four years and more tried its best to stamp out the raging flames of the Palestinian people's armed struggle under the banner of "political settlement." Podgorny has plainly said: "As far as the Middle East is concerned, I won't argue as to who is the aggressor. That isn't the essence of the problem." "But the question is, How can we avoid a new war?" An article entitled "Near East Prospect" carried by the Soviet New Times last July declared: "The main efforts of our country in the near future are to reach a settlement of the Near East problem by political means within a shortest possible period and to realize a lasting, stable and fair peace in this region on earth instead of another unsteady armistice." In the Middle East, Soviet revisionism lustily sang a peace tune while in the South Asian subcontinent, it revealed itself as a god of plague, openly supporting India in its large-scale armed aggression against Pakistan. To put it bluntly, by "political settlement" of the Middle East problem, Soviet revisionism means to strangle the armed struggle of the Palestinian people, undermine their liberation cause, write off their right to survival and to make political deals with U.S. imperialism at the expense of the national rights and territorial sovereignty of the Palestinian and other Arab people.

What Soviet revisionist social-imperialism has done in the Middle East over the past years has unmasked its so-called "humanism," thus laying bare its ferocious features of an international overlord. The criminal aim of Soviet revisionism is to scramble with U.S. imperialism for hegemony in the Middle East and the Mediterranean in an attempt to control this oil-rich area of great strategic significance. What Soviet revisionism has done in the Middle East, just like what it is doing in the South Asian subcontinent today, despite all its signboards, is aimed at materializing its ambitions for aggression, expansion and world hegemony and its fond dream of establishing a world empire which the old tsars had failed to realize.