

Comrade Chou En-lai's Passing Deeply Mourned

Message of Condolence From Chairman Thakin Ba Thein Tin of The Central Committee of Communist Party of Burma

Comrade Mao Tsetung,
Chairman of the Central Committee of the
Communist Party of China,

Peking

Respected and Beloved Chairman:

We are shocked to learn with deepest grief that Comrade Chou En-lai, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China, died of illness.

On behalf of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Burma, all its members, all the commanders and fighters of the Burmese People's Army and the people of the whole country, I extend profound condolences on the death of Comrade Chou En-lai to the Chairman, to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, to the Chinese People's Liberation Army, to the Chinese people and to the wife of Comrade Chou En-lai.

Under the leadership of Chairman Mao, Comrade Chou En-lai as a leader made outstanding contributions to China's new democratic revolution, socialist revolution and socialist construction throughout his life. Comrade Chou En-lai fought heroically and resolutely against revisionism at home and abroad and against revisionism and anti-Party schemes of Liu Shao-chi and Lin Piao, persevered in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and struggled to consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat. Comrade Chou En-lai firmly supported with action the Parties adhering to Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and the people of various countries in their revolutionary struggles. He made a great contribution to the relationship between the Communist Party of China and the Communist Party of Burma and thus won the wholehearted love, respect and admiration of the Communist Party of Burma. Comrade Chou En-lai was a great proletarian revolutionary, a great proletarian internationalist and a good and most capable disciple of Chairman Mao Tsetung. He enjoyed very high prestige in the international communist movement. He displayed acute political acumen; he had no parallel in working tirelessly; he had a flexible and

meticulous style of work; he was firm in matters of principle. In a word, his noble qualities were well worth praising.

The present international situation is excellent and characterized by great disorder on the earth. The struggle against social-imperialism and U.S. imperialism, the social-imperialists' attempt to dominate the world in particular, and the struggle of the third world countries against hegemonism are developing. At this moment, the death of Comrade Chou En-lai is a tremendous loss.

The death of Comrade Chou En-lai is a great loss not only to the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people but also to the political parties, organizations and the people upholding Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought all over the world including the Communist Party of Burma and the Burmese people. However, we will turn our grief into strength and pledge to unite closely with the Communist Party of China and other Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations and carry through to the end the struggle against our common enemies — imperialism, revisionism and all reaction.

Comrade Chou En-lai has passed away, but his political thinking, spirit and style will never perish and will be engraved in our hearts for ever.

Comrade Chou En-lai will always be an example for the members of the Communist Party of Burma to learn from.

With revolutionary respects!

(Signed) Thakin Ba Thein Tin
Chairman of the Central Committee of
the Communist Party of Burma

January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Chairman E.F. Hill of Communist Party of Australia (M-L)

Chairman Mao Tsetung and the Central Committee of
the Communist Party of China,

Peking

Our most profound sympathy goes to you and, through you, to the whole Chinese people on the death of Comrade Chou En-lai, outstanding revolutionary

veteran and splendid Communist. All Australian revolutionaries deeply grieve Comrade Chou En-lai's death and revere his memories. His life and example will never be forgotten. They will inspire and strengthen the present and future generation.

E. F. Hill

Chairman of the Communist Party of
Australia (Marxist-Leninist)

Melbourne, January 9, 1976

**Message of Condolence From
General Secretary Wilcox of the
Communist Party of New Zealand**

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of
China,

Peking

With sorrow we hear of the death of Comrade Chou En-lai, a man who has played such a tremendous role in your past revolutionary victories and in the building of the socialist People's Republic of China, a man who has been an inspiration and world leader to the whole Marxist-Leninist movement. Please extend our condolences at this great loss to your Party and the whole people of China.

V. G. Wilcox

General Secretary on behalf of the
National Committee of the Communist
Party of New Zealand

January 9, 1976

**Message of Condolence From
Jacques Jurquet of
Marxist-Leninist Communists of the
French Paper "l'Humanite Rouge"**

Chairman Mao Tsetung

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of
China,

Peking

Very deeply shocked by the death of Chou En-lai, Vice-Chairman of the Communist Party of China and Premier of the Government of the People's Republic of China. In the name of the Marxist-Leninist Communists and the advanced proletariat of France, I express deep condolences to you. The revolutionary life and work of the very great communist leader Chou En-lai constitute an immortal example for the proletariat and revolutionary people the world over. We bow with fervour and solemnity before the coffin of Comrade Chou En-lai who

will live for ever in our hearts and in the struggles of us Communists.

Long live socialism and communism — the radiant future of the whole world effectively prepared by Chou En-lai in close union with Chairman Mao Tsetung of the Communist Party and the great people of China.

Jacques Jurquet

Marseilles, January 9, 1976

**Message of Condolence From
First Secretary Fernand Lefebvre
Of Central Committee of
Marxist-Leninist Communist Party
Of Belgium**

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of
China,

Peking

The Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Belgium honours the memory of Comrade Chou En-lai, glorious leader of the Chinese revolution, staunch defender of Marxism-Leninism and Mao Tsetung Thought, servant of the unity of his people and of the friendship of all the peoples of the world; and relentless accuser of the crimes of the two super-powers. The communist militants of Belgium are grieved at the passing away of this great fighter of world revolution and share the immense sorrow of the Chinese people. The long life of struggle of Comrade Chou En-lai, his loyalty to the Party, his firmness and flexibility, his modesty, and his ties with the masses are the best of lessons.

Comrade Chou En-lai is immortal!

Fernand Lefebvre

First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of Belgium

Brussels

**Message of Condolence From
Secretary Petersen of Central
Committee of Marxist-Leninist
Party of Netherlands**

Peking

Comrade Mao Tsetung:

Deeply regret the passing away of our fine friend and comrade Chou En-lai as an unreplaceable loss.

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C. Petersen
Secretary of the Central Committee of
the Marxist-Leninist Party of the
Netherlands

Harlem, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Political Secretary of Central Committee of Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of France

Chairman Mao Tsetung,

Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-ping,

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of
China:

With very deep sorrow the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of France has just learnt of the death of Comrade Chou En-lai, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China. It is an inestimable loss not only to the Chinese Communist Party and people, but also to the international communist movement and all the people of the world.

Loyal to his Party and people, to the cause of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism, Comrade Chou En-lai had throughout his life made an invaluable contribution to the implementation of Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line. A staunch fighter for the cause of communism from the early days of the Chinese people's struggle for national liberation, establishment of dictatorship of the proletariat and building of socialism, Comrade Chou En-lai indefatigably dedicated all his energies to the pursuit and deepening of the revolution, making a brilliant contribution to the great struggles carried out by the Chinese Communist Party and people, to the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, to the movement to criticize Lin Biao and Confucius, and to the struggle against imperialism, social-imperialism and modern revisionism.

Comrade Chou En-lai knew our country well, where he had stayed. He appreciated the traditions of struggle of the French working class and people who, despite the revisionists' efforts to calumniate the great red China, are manifesting daily their sympathy with and interest in the brilliant achievements of the People's Republic of China and the revolutionary line steadily followed by the Communist Party of China under the leadership of Chairman Mao. That is why the death of Comrade Chou En-lai is deeply felt by the French proletariat and people.

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In extending its sincere and sorrowful condolences to Chairman Mao, Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-ping, the Communist Party of China and the entire Chinese people, the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of France reaffirms that after their example, it intends to turn grief into new strength. At a time when the war preparations of the two superpowers, and particularly of Russian social-imperialism, are hastening the day of their ruin, it will intensify its fight, that of the whole Party, the French working class and people, against imperialism, social-imperialism and modern revisionism, in order to make the cause of the peoples, socialism and communism, triumph.

Comrade Chou En-lai, a great proletarian revolutionary, will remain immortal in the memory and in the hearts of all the Communists, all the proletarians and all the people of the world!

Political Secretary

for the Central Committee of the Marxist-
Leninist Communist Party of France

Paris, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Chairman Reg Birch of British Communist Party (M-L)

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of
China:

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of Britain (Marxist-Leninist) deeply mourns the death of Comrade Chou En-lai, what a grievous loss for the peoples of the world!

Comrade Chou was the highest embodiment of the communist revolution of our age encompassing in his great life and work Marxist brilliance, unflagging service to the cause of socialism and magnificent humanity.

The leadership he gave to the Chinese revolution through the long and bitter years of the revolutionary war was matched by his work after 1949. The spectacular successes of the Chinese people in the construction of socialism and in the fight against imperialism and revisionism were carried out under his superb leadership as Prime Minister of the People's Republic of China and one of the Vice-Chairmen of the Communist Party of China.

Comrade Chou En-lai's work will remain an inspiration for all who strive to fight oppression and exploitation and his name will be honoured by the international proletariat now and for generations to come.

Reg Birch
for the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Britain (M-L)

London, January 8, 1976

Message of Condolence From The Central Committee of the Japanese Communist Party (Left)

The People's Republic of China,

Peking

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of
China:

On behalf of the entire membership, the Central Committee of the Japanese Communist Party (Left) extends heartfelt condolences on the death of Comrade Chou En-lai, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China. Comrade Chou En-lai was an outstanding leader of the Communist Party of China, a great proletarian revolutionary of the Chinese people and a loyal revolutionary fighter of the Chinese people. Throughout his life, he had played a leading role in and made tremendous contributions to the victory of the great, new democratic revolution of China, to socialist revolution and socialist construction, to the international communist movement and to the development of the international struggle against imperialism, colonialism and hegemonism and the struggle against revisionism. With profound proletarian and communist feelings, the Marxist-Leninists of Japan pay tribute to Comrade Chou En-lai's revolutionary deeds, take him as an example never to be forgotten, and cherish his memory for ever.

The Central Committee of the Japanese
Communist Party (Left)

January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Central Committee of Japanese Workers' Party

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of
China:

The Japanese Workers' Party expresses deep condolences on the death of Comrade Chou En-lai, the great proletarian revolutionary fighter.

Comrade Chou En-lai was a most loyal and outstanding leader of the communist movement. He had made eternal exploits for the revolutionary cause of China and the world. Comrade Chou En-lai had consistently supported the Japanese people's just struggle for independence and democracy. Comrade Chou En-lai

was a most trusted and revered comrade-in-arms of the Japanese people.

On the occasion of Comrade Chou En-lai's death, the Japanese Workers' Party is determined to learn from the revolutionary spirit shown in the heroic life of Comrade Chou En-lai and, inspired by this spirit, to strive more energetically for the victory of the Japanese revolution.

The name of Comrade Chou En-lai will live for ever in the hearts of the revolutionary people of Japan.

The Central Committee of the Japanese
Workers' Party

January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Werner Heuler, Juergen Horlemann, Karl Heinz Hutter and Christian Semler, Members of Standing Committee of Political Bureau of Central Committee of Communist Party of Germany

Comrade Mao Tsetung,
Chairman of the Central Committee of the
Communist Party of China,

Comrade Chu Teh,
Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China,

Comrade Teng Hsiao-ping,
Vice-Premier of the State Council of the
People's Republic of China,

Peking

Respected Comrades:

We are deeply grieved at the death of Comrade Chou En-lai, Member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and Premier of the State Council. Please accept our profound condolences. Your Party, the Chinese people, the working class and people of all countries in the world, and the international communist movement have lost in him an outstanding leader and teacher.

Comrade Chou En-lai had devoted his whole life to the interests of world revolution. He was a great communist fighter and a long-tested proletarian revolutionary. Under the leadership of Comrade Mao Tsetung,

he had made indelible contributions to the founding and development of the Chinese Communist Party, to the seizing of victory for the Chinese revolution, to the cause of socialist construction, to the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, the movement to criticize Lin Piao and Confucius, the consolidation of the dictatorship of the proletariat, and the struggle against revisionism and social-imperialism.

The international communist movement and the people of all countries in the world are grateful to him for the important contributions he made in the struggle against imperialism, colonialism and hegemonism of the two superpowers.

Comrade Chou En-lai will live for ever in the hearts of our people, our working class and its Communist Party. We will follow his revolutionary example and advance steadily in the struggle for an independent, unified and socialist Germany. We will go to battle and achieve victory in his spirit.

Werner Heuler, Juergen Horlemann,
Karl Heinz Hutter and Christian Semler
Members of the Standing Committee
of the Political Bureau of the Central
Committee of the Communist Party of
Germany

Message of Condolence From General Secretary N. Sanmugathasan Of Ceylon Communist Party

Comrade Mao Tsetung,

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of
China,

Peking

Dear Comrade:

While on a short visit to London, after returning from Albania, I was profoundly shocked and grieved to learn of the death of Comrade Chou En-lai, Vice-Chairman of the Communist Party of China and Premier of the People's Republic of China.

Please accept on my behalf and on behalf of the Ceylon Communist Party our deepest condolences on the passing away of Comrade Chou En-lai. His death is an irreparable loss not only to People's China but to the entire international revolutionary movement and to all oppressed humanity.

Please permit us to pay tribute to the memory of a great revolutionary, one of the greatest statesmen of this century and a great leader of People's China. Once again, accept our sincerest condolences.

We also convey our sense of grief as well as our fraternal solidarity with the Chinese Communist Party and its Central Committee as well as the people of China in their hour of grief.

Yours Fraternaly,

N. Sanmugathasan

General Secretary of the Ceylon
Communist Party

London, January 9, 1976

Letter of Condolence From Chairman Wen Ming Chuan of the Central Committee of the Communist Party Of North Kalimantan

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of
China,

Beloved Comrades:

We are shocked to learn that Comrade Chou En-lai, a great proletarian revolutionary and outstanding communist fighter, unfortunately died of cancer on January 8, 1976 in Peking. We extend our deepest condolences to the Communist Party of China, the fraternal Chinese people and the family of Comrade Chou En-lai.

Throughout his life, Comrade Chou En-lai had persevered in continuing the revolution under the wise leadership of Chairman Mao and in the brilliant struggle for the communist cause. He won the wholehearted love and respect not only of all the Chinese people but also of all the revolutionaries in the world who are resolved to make revolution and devote their whole life to the cause of communism. His death is a great loss to the Chinese Communist Party and people, the international communist movement and the revolutionary people of the world.

Comrade Chou En-lai was an outstanding and long-tested leader of the Chinese Communist Party and state. Loyal to the revolution and the people, he resolutely carried out Chairman Mao's revolutionary line, upheld the principles of Marxism-Leninism, and selflessly devoted his whole life to the building and development of the great, Marxist-Leninist Chinese Communist Party and the invincible People's Liberation Army, to the strengthening of the revolutionary united front led by the working class and based on the worker-peasant alliance, and to the enhancing of the great unity of the people of all nationalities. He had thus made immortal exploits in winning victory for the new democratic revolution, for socialist revolution and socialist construction, and for the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution and the movement to criticize Lin Piao and Confucius, and in consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat.

Comrade Chou En-lai was an outstanding fighter of the international proletariat. Loyal to the Party and the communist cause, holding high the great revolutionary red banner of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and upholding the revolutionary principle of proletarian internationalism, he had carried out a tenacious and dauntless struggle against imperialism, social-imperialism and modern revisionism, and made tireless efforts in strengthening the solidarity of the international revolutionary forces and in supporting the just revolutionary cause, thereby making tremendous contributions to the struggle for national independence and national liberation and against hegemonism, and to the international communist movement.

Comrade Chou En-lai departed from us for ever. Our Communist Party and revolutionary people of North Kalimantan will turn our grief into strength, learn from his proletarian revolutionary spirit and noble qualities, serve the people heart and soul and dedicate all our energies to the proletarian revolutionary cause.

In order to continuously combat the revisionist trend and adverse current within the Party, build the Party into a firmly revolutionary and united core capable of leading the people of our country in a great political struggle and doing a good job in accomplishing the key task of liquidating the Right opportunist capitulationist line, in order to seize victory for the new democratic revolution and resolutely adhere to the road of using the countryside to encircle the cities and seizing political power by armed force, and in order to win victory for the cause of socialism and communism, our Party is resolved to carry the revolution through to the end.

Eternal glory to Comrade Chou En-lai, a great proletarian revolutionary and outstanding communist fighter!

Wen Ming Chuan

Chairman of the Central Committee
of the Communist Party of North
Kalimantan

January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Communist Party (M-L) of San Marino

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of
China,

Peking

We mourn for Comrade Chou En-lai, a great communist revolutionary leader.

The Communist Party of
San Marino (M-L) Fabbri

January 9, 1976

The Republic of San Marino

Message of Condolence From The Central Leadership of the Communist Workers Union of Germany

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of
China,

Peking

We mourn deeply the death of Comrade Chou En-lai. We will turn grief into strength and follow his example as a communist.

The Central Leadership of the Com-
munist Workers Union of Germany

Message of Condolence From The Central Committee and Its Standing Committee of the Communist League Of West Germany

The Central Committee and its Standing Committee of the Communist League of West Germany sent a message to Chairman Mao Tsetung, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress and the State Council, extending deep condolences on the death of Comrade Chou En-lai.

The message said: "With deep grief we learnt of the death of the great proletarian revolutionary Comrade Chou En-lai; Vice-Chairman of the C.P.C. Central Committee, Member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the C.P.C. Central Committee and Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China.

"Comrade Chou En-lai devoted all his life to the Chinese people's cause of liberation and to communism. At his leading post, he made contributions, for the cause of the masses of the Chinese people under the leadership of the Communist Party of China, to the defeat of imperialism, feudalism and bureaucratic-capitalism; the accomplishment of the new democratic revolution, the establishment of proletarian dictatorship and the unswerving construction of socialism in China. His leadership contributed to the success in the fight of the Communist Party of China against modern revisionism and for the defence and development of Marxism-Leninism, defending in this life-and-death struggle the general line of the international communist movement. This was and remains to be an enormous support, inspiration and help to all Marxist-Leninists of the world."

The message extended, in the name of the Central Committee of the Communist League of West Germany, "deep condolences to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and to the Chinese people" on the death of Comrade Chou En-lai.