Profound Mourning for Passing of the Chinese People's Great Leader Chairman Wao Tsetung

Message From Pakistan President Chaudhry

His Excellency Mr. Hua Kuo-feng,
Premier of the State Council of
the People's Republic of China.

Peking

Excellency:

It is with the deepest sense of sorrow that we have received the news of the passing away of His Excellency Chairman Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the Chinese people.

As the father of the Chinese revolution, which transformed the life of a quarter of mankind, Chairman Mao was one of the most outstanding leaders of all times. As a statesman and thinker, he has left an indelible mark on the pages of human history. His passing away is a colossal loss not only to the people of China but also to the peoples of the world.

Chairman Mao Tsetung will always be remembered by us for his sincere and abiding friendship towards the people of Pakistan. We deeply mourn with the Chinese people the loss of the greatest and most illustrious son of China.

We are confident that the fraternal Chinese people, inspired by the teachings of their great leader, will continue the revolutionary march towards their glorious destiny.

Fazal Elahi Chaudhry President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan Rawalpindi, September 9, 1976

Message From Pakistan Prime Minister Bhutto

His Excellency Mr. Hua Kuo-feng; Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China,

Peking

Excellency:

We in Pakistan have received with profound sorrow and grief the calamitous news of the passing away of His Excellency Chairman Mao Tsetung, the illustrious leader of the great Chinese people. On behalf of the people and Government of Pakistan, I extend to Your Excellency our deepest sympathy and condolences on this most tragic occasion.

His Excellency Chairman Mao Tsetung's great name and his imperishable deeds have been engraved deeply on the palimpsest of history. His immortal thoughts and resplendent achievements will live in human memory till the end of time. His philosophy and vision will sustain and inspire countless future generations of mankind.

It was under Chairman Mao Tsetung's leadership and guidance that the People's Republic of China developed into a great and powerful socialist state, upholding the highest principles of international conduct and crusading for a just political, social and economic order in the world. He was at the same time the author of an epoch-making world revolutionary movement which rekindled in the hearts of the oppressed peoples of the world, the hope for a glorious future free from the curse of exploitation and suffering. His undying example and precepts will continue to guide the Chinese people towards still greater victories and achievements and beckon people all over the world to struggle with renewed hope and fervour for their final liberation from oppression and domination.

The people of Pakistan will always cherish the memory of Chairman Mao Tsetung as a true and sincere friend who understood their hopes and aspirations and staunchly stood by them in their moments of trials and tribulations. He will always be remembered by us as the chief architect of Sino-Pakistan friendship and his great personality will remain for ever a source of strength for us.

Chairman Mao Tsetung's abiding solicitude and concern for the welfare and progress of Pakistan have won him an eternal place in our hearts. The people of Pakistan join the fraternal people of China in mourning the loss of this great man of destiny.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Zulfikar Ali Bhutto

Prime Minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

Larkana, September 9, 1976

Message From Sri Lanka President Gopallawa

The Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China

It was with deep sorrow I came to learn of the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Chairman Mao was a leader of epic stature and his name had become a legend even during his lifetime.

Throughout his life he inspired and epitomized the Chinese revolution and was an unfailing source of strength and support to the peoples of the third world in their struggle for freedom and independence.

I was privileged to meet him during my assignment as Ambassador of Sri Lanka in China and the occasion remains firmly etched in my memory.

Chairman Mao showed a deep and abiding concern for the well-being of Sri Lanka and in his death the people of Sri Lanka have lost a sincere friend.

Please permit me to convey to you, the Government and people of China the sincerest condolences of the Government and people of Sri Lanka as well as of myself on the grievous loss. Please also convey to the family of Chairman Mao our deepest sympathies.

William Gopallawa President of Sri Lanka September 10, 1976

Message From Sri Lanka Prime Minister Madame Bandaranaike

Madame Sirimavo R.D. Bandaranaike, Prime Minister of Sri Lanka, has sent a message to Premier Hua Kuo-feng extending heartfelt condolences on the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung. The message reads:

I was profoundly grieved to learn of the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

Chairman Mao was one of the greatest leaders known in the history of mankind, whose monumental contribution to the cause of human progress will be remembered by generations to come not only in China but the world over.

He was the architect of modern China. He was also a deeply committed champion of the hopes and aspirations of the people of the developing countries.

Chairman Mao was a great and sincere friend of Sri Lanka and the people of Sri Lanka will always remember with gratitude the keen interest he took in the progress and well-being of our country. I had the honour of meeting him during my two visits to China and I have the warmest recollections of these occasions.

His death is a truly irretrievable loss to China and the world.

May I convey to you and through you to the Government and people of China the heartfelt condolences of the Government and people of Sri Lanka as well as of myself on their irreparable loss. Please also convey to Madame Mao our most sincere sympathies.

Message From Iranian Shahanshah Pahlayi

His Excellency Mr. Hua Kuo-feng, Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China,

Peking

I am deeply moved and saddened by the news of the passing away of His Excellency Mr. Mao Tsetung, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China. In these mournful circumstances, I wish to convey to Your Excellency and to the Government and people of the People's Republic of China the expression of my profound and sincere sympathy.

The late Chairman's illustrious role in the establishment of the People's Republic of China, a struggle initiated by the epic Long March and which has ushered in a new era of greatness and prosperity for your country, will be permanently recorded as one of the most brilliant chapters in Chinese history.

Mohammad Reza Pahlavi September 9, 1976

Message From Burmese President U Ne Win

His Excellency Hua Kuo-feng,
First Vice-Chairman of the Central
Committee of the Communist Party
of China,

His Excellency Wu Teh,
Vice-Chairman of the Standing
Committee of the National People's
Congress of the People's Republic
of China,

Peking Telling

We in Burma extend our deepest sympathy to you and through you to the people of China for the passing away of His Excellency Mao Tsetung, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China. As the undisputed leader and founder of the People's Republic of China, he was much loved by the Chinese people and widely respected as a statesman of our time by all who knew him. His dedication for the advancement of his country and for the progress of its people will be recorded for ever in the annals of history.

In this hour of irreparable loss, we would like to offer our deepest condolences to you and through you to Madame Mao Tsetung and other members of his family.

Ne Win

Chairman of the Burma Socialist
Programme Party of the Socialist
Republic of the Union of Burma and
President of the Socialist Republic
of the Union of Burma

Message From Burmese Prime Minister U Sein-Win

His Excellency Hua Kuo-feng, Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China,

Peking CTCL (Communication Communication Com

It is with a deep sense of sadness that I have learnt of the sudden demise of His Excellency Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the People's Republic of China. The Government and the people of the Socialist Republic of the Union of Burma join me in tendering our heartfelt condolences to the Government and people of the People's Republic of China and to the bereaved family.

Sein Win

Prime Minister of the Socialist
- Republic of the Union of Burma

Message From Zairian President Mobutu

Mr. Premier:

We have just learnt with great sorrow of the death of Chairman-Mao Tsetung, the great leader of China.

His death saddens us because it is an immeasurable loss to the friendly Chinese people and to the whole world.

In fact, during the past 25 years and more, this exceptionally great man of historical dimensions contributed greatly to the transformation of the world history.

To the great and friendly Chinese people, he was the unprecedented pioneer of the historical revolution, the leader and the untiring great helmsman who made China what it is today.

Chairman Mao could understand the aspirations of his people and give them guidance. He successfully changed and exploited one of the most extensive lands in the world.

For us Zairians, he will always remain a great pioneer of opening towards the world and of sincere friendship with our people.

China's achievements in Zaire will always be an example of friendship and sincere co-operation.

The Zairian people share the grief cruelly afflicting the great and friendly Chinese people.

I beg you, Mr. Premier, to accept our deepest condolences to the Government led by you and to the family of the illustrious deceased.

> Lieutenant General Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga Kinshasa, September 9, 1976

Message From Tanzanian President Nyerere

Premier Hua Kuo-feng,
The State Council of the People's Republic

Peking

of China,

Chairman Mao Tsetung's long life of service to humanity has come to an end and the whole world is poorer for his passing. Chairman Mao will be mourned by all the people of Tanzania for he was a world leader and an inspiration to revolutionary lovers of freedom and human dignity everywhere. In great sadness and solidarity we send our deepest condolences to the Chinese people whom he led to freedom, to equality and to revolutionary progress. Our consolation is that the work of Chairman Mao will continue after him and that the great friendship between our two countries which was developed under his leadership is now indissoluble. I ask you to convey to the Chinese people and to the Communist Party of China the great sympathy and the universal mourning of all the people of the United Republic of Tanzania and of the Tanganyika African National Union and the Afro-Shirazi Party. Please also convey our sincere condolences to Madame Chiang Ching.

Julius K. Nyerere

President of the United Republic of Tanzania

Dar-es-Salaam, September 9, 1976

Message From Algerian President Boumediene

His Excellency Mr. Hua Kuo-feng, Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China

Excellency:

I am deeply grieved at the death of Chairman Mao Tsetung, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China. In the name of the Council of Revolution of Algeria, the Algerian National Liberation Front, the Algerian Government and people, and in my own name, I express to you, to the Central Com-

mittee of the Communist Party of China, the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress and the Chinese people, our most sorrowful condolences. No words can convey our respect due to the memory of the great helmsman of China. He became a legend in his lifetime and his ideas, after his death, will continue to guide the future generations of the Chinese people. Today, the entire Algeria partakes of the immense grief felt by China at this great loss. In spite of his long illness, Chairman Mao Tsetung never ceased to devote all his energy to the building of a modern, independent and prosperous China. He set an example for the third world. We are convinced that the great Chinese nation will certainly surmount this severe test and turn it into a new source from which it will draw courage and inspiration to carry on the grand work of its deceased leader. Once again I express to Your Excellency our deep condolences and ask you to convey to the bereaved family our profound sympathy.

High consideration,

(Signed) Houari Boumediene

President of the Council of Revolution of the Democratic People's

Republic of Algeria and Prime

Minister of the Government

Algiers, September 9, 1976

Message From Guinean President Toure

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of China,

Peking

With overwhelming consternation, the people of Guinea, its Party, state and Party Central Committee learnt of the tragic news of the passing away of the great Comrade Mao Tsetung. His demise has plunged into mourning the whole international proletariat who lost in him one of the greatest figures of the world revolution of contemporary history and an eminent builder of socialism. At this sorrowful moment, the people of Guinea, its Party, state and Party Central Committee extend to the Chinese people, the Chinese Communist Party, its Central Committee and the distressed family of the deceased their most profound condolences and convey their infinite grief to the wife of Comrade Mao Tsetung.

Ahmed Sekou Toure

General Secretary of the
Democratic Party of Guinea and
President of the Republic of
Guinea

Conakry, September 9, 1976

Message From Gabonese President, Bongo

Mr. Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China,

Peking

The Gabonese people, Party and Government are extremely grieved at the demise of Chairman Mao Tsetung. He is an illustrious guide, a great Chinese and an unmatched statesman. He has passed away, but his influence on the world history of all time is eternal. Now the whole world is in mourning. Though Mao Tsetung is dead, his thought and great teachings are immortal. With saddest condolences.

El Hadj Omar Bongo September 9, 1976 Gabonese Embassy in Paris

Message From Senegalese President Senghor

His Excellency Mr. Hua Kuo-feng, First Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and Premier of the State Council,

Peking '

We have just learnt in Senegal of the sad news of the passing away of Chairman Mao Tsetung. I believe that the death of the great founder of modern China is a great loss to many parts of the world. He devoted all his life to the struggle of the third world people for their liberation, the maintenance of their dignity and the consolidation of the natural solidarity among them. Chairman Mao Tsetung was an indefatigable fighter especially in strengthening the close links which exist between China and Africa. At this sad moment, therefore, the entire Senegalese people, the Government and I myself extend to you our sincere and profound condolences and at the same time express to the Chinese people, their leaders and Party our very deep sympathy. Weare deeply convinced that the great deceased was a political genius of the third world and his work will continue to inspire for a long time the peace- and justiceloving nations to gradually create an atmosphere of understanding and co-operation in the world.

With highest consideration,

Leopold Sedar Senghor

President of the Republic of Senegal

Dakar, September 9, 1976

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