China Successfully Conducts New Nuclear Test

CHINA successfully conducted a new nuclear test on September 26, 1976. The test took place at a time when the whole Party, the whole army and the people of all nationalities throughout the country are honouring the memory of the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung with the most profound feelings and wholehearted love and esteem for him and, in resolution response to the call of the Party Central Committee, are turning grief into strength, carrying out Chairman Mao’s behests and striving for still greater victories in socialist revolution and socialist construction.

Under the leadership of the Party Central Committee, the workers, commanders and fighters of the People’s Liberation Army, scientists, technicians and revolutionary cadres participating in the research, manufacture and tests of nuclear weapons have taken the class struggle as the key link and the criticism of Teng Hsiao-ping as the motive force, energetically concerted their efforts and displayed still greater drive in grasping revolution and promoting production and other work and preparedness against war, and thus achieved complete success in the test.

The Chinese people are resolutely implementing the great leader Chairman Mao’s adjuration to “act according to the principles laid down” and adhering to Chairman Mao’s proletarian revolutionary line and policies. The conducting of necessary and limited nuclear tests and development of nuclear weapons by China is entirely for the purpose of defence and for breaking the nuclear monopoly by the superpowers and for the ultimate abolition of nuclear weapons. The Chinese Government declares once again that at no time and in no circumstances will China be the first to use nuclear weapons. The Chinese Government and people will, as always, work together with the other peoples and peace-loving countries in the world in the common struggle to achieve the lofty goal of complete prohibition and thorough destruction of nuclear weapons.

Deep Condolences on Passing Of Comrade Choi Yong Kun

Hua Kuo-feng, First Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and Premier of the State Council, sent a message on September 20 to Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, and Comrade Pak Sung Chul, Premier of the Administration Council of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, expressing deep condolences on the death of Comrade Choi Yong Kun.

The message said: “Shocked to learn of the sad news of the passing due to illness of Comrade Choi Yong Kun, Member of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers’ Party and President of the State of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, and Comrade Pak Sung Chul, Premier of the Administration Council of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, express- ing deep condolences on the death of Comrade Choi Yong Kun.

The message said: “Comrade Choi Yong Kun devoted his whole life to the revolutionary struggle of the Korean people. Under the leadership of President Kim Il Sung and the Korean Workers’ Party, Comrade Choi Yong Kun shouldered for a long time heavy responsibilities of state, and dedicated his energy throughout his life to the struggle against U.S. imperialist aggression and interference, to Korea’s socialist revolution and socialist construction and to the cause of the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea.

“Comrade Choi Yong Kun was a close comrade-in-arms of the Chinese people. He visited China on several occasions and made many contributions to strengthening and developing the great friendship and militant unity between the two Parties; two countries and two peoples of China and Korea. The passing of Comrade Choi Yong Kun is a heavy loss not only to the Korean people but also to the Chinese people.

“Comrade Choi Yong Kun’s revolutionary work is immortal!”

Comrade Hua Kuo-feng entrusted the Chinese Embassy in Korea to lay a wreath on September 21 in the mourning hall for the late Comrade Choi Yong Kun. The wreath bore the inscription: “Deeply mourn Comrade Choi Yong Kun.”

Chang Chun-chiao, Member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and Vice-Premier of the State Council; Chen Hsi-lien, Member of the Political Bureau of the C.P.C.; Central Committee and Vice-Premier of the State Council; Wu Teh, Member of the Political Bureau of the C.P.C.; Central Committee and Vice-Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People’s Congress; Keng Piao, Head of the International Liaison Department of the C.P.C. Central Committee; Chiao Kuan-hua, Minister of Foreign Affairs; and over 100 representatives of the people in Peking called at the Embassy of Korea in Peking on September 28 to express their deep grief over the passing of Comrade Choi Yong Kun and silently stood in mourning before his portrait.

Wreaths were presented by Comrade Hua Kuo-feng; the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China; the Standing Committee of the National People’s Congress and the State Council; the International Liaison Department of the C.P.C. Central Committee; the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; the Ministry of Na-
Jamaican Government Delegation Visits China

The Jamaican Government Delegation led by David Coore, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, arrived in Peking on September 23 on a friendly visit to China at the invitation of the Chinese Government. The guests were greeted at the airport by Chinese Vice-Premier Chang Chun-chiao and Minister of Economic Relations With Foreign Countries Fang Yi.

The next day Premier Hua Kuo-feng met and had a cordial and friendly conversation with Deputy Prime Minister David Coore and the delegation he led. Premier Hua extended a welcome to the distinguished Jamaican guests on their visit to China. He said: Both China and Jamaica belong to the third world. In the past we both suffered from aggression and oppression by colonialism and imperialism and shared the same destiny. Therefore, relations between our two countries have developed very satisfactorily since the establishment of diplomatic relations. You are the first high-level delegation from Jamaica to visit our country. We are convinced that your visit will contribute to the mutual understanding and friendship between the Governments and peoples of China and Jamaica.

Premier Hua Kuo-feng said: Our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung has departed and our whole Party, whole army and people of the whole country are most deeply grieved. We will carry out Chairman Mao's behests, resolutely implement the proletarian revolutionary line and policies formulated by Chairman Mao for us and his revolutionary line in foreign affairs, carry through to the end the cause of the proletarian revolution in China which Chairman Mao pioneered, and strive to make a greater contribution to humanity.

Deputy Prime Minister Coore said: We have brought with us the regards of the Prime Minister, the Government and the entire people of Jamaica to you. We are very much grieved at your loss of the great leader Chairman Mao Tsetung. We believe that the Chinese people will continue to act in accordance with Mao Tsetung Thought and Chairman Mao's line and continue to develop and expand the cause pioneered by Chairman Mao. Our two countries are both members of the third world. Our common interests, common objectives and common aspirations have bound us together. We countries of the third world are confronted with a common danger. Therefore, the third world countries must unite and co-operate with each other to deal with this danger. He added: The cordial and enlightening talks we held in the last two days have assured us that the development of our friendship has a solid foundation.

Vice-Premier Chang Chun-chiao held talks with Deputy Prime Minister David Coore.

An agreement and some protocols concerning trade and economic cooperation between China and Jamaica were signed by Vice-Premier Chang Chun-chiao and Deputy Prime Minister David Coore in Peking on September 26.

The delegation left Peking on September 26 to visit other places in China.

Premier Hua Meets Edward Rowling and His Wife

Premier Hua Kuo-feng met and had a friendly talk on September 25 with Edward Rowling, former Prime Minister of New Zealand and leader of the Labour Party, and Mrs. Rowling.

Premier Hua Kuo-feng meets with Edward Rowling and his wife.