Peng Chen Greets 45th Anniversary Of Indonesian Communist Party

Following is a translation of the speech delivered by Peng Chen, head of the delegation of the Chinese Communist Party, at a reception given by the Central Committee of the Indonesian Communist Party on May 26 celebrating the 45th anniversary of the founding of the Party. Boldface emphases are ours.—Ed.

Dear and Respected Chairman Aidit,

Dear Comrades, Friends,

Entrusted by the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, we, the delegation of the Communist Party of China, take great pleasure in coming to Indonesia to celebrate with you the glorious occasion of the 45th anniversary of the birth of the Communist Party of Indonesia. On behalf of all the members of the Chinese Communist Party and the whole Chinese people, I extend my warmest greetings and highest regards to you and, through you, to all the members of the Communist Party of Indonesia and the Indonesian people.

The birth of the Communist Party of Indonesia in 1920 was a milestone in the history of the Indonesian people's struggle for liberation. During the last 45 years the Indonesian Communist Party has persistently applied Marxist-Leninist principles to Indonesia's revolutionary practice, invariably stood in the forefront of the struggle against imperialism and domestic reaction and won great victories in leading the Indonesian people in indomitable struggle over a long and tortuous revolutionary path.

The Communist Party of Indonesia has rapidly grown in strength in the fire of protracted revolutionary struggles. Since 1951 the Indonesian Communist Party has had a Marxist-Leninist nucleus of leadership headed by Comrade Aidit at its centre. The correct line and policies of its Central Committee have guided and promoted the victorious advance of the revolutionary struggle of the Communist Party and people of Indonesia. Today the Indonesian Communist Party has become one of the largest Communist Parties in the world.

The Communist Party of Indonesia is a creative, militant and powerful proletarian vanguard. It upholds the Marxist-Leninist revolutionary line; it has always held aloft the revolutionary banner of anti-imperialism

and national liberation and waged an untiring struggle for complete independence, democracy, freedom and socialism in Indonesia.

Not long after its birth and while it was still very weak and small, the Indonesian Communist Party courageously rose in a tit-for-tat struggle against the ruthless Dutch colonialists and led the famous armed uprising of 1926. In the face of the Dutch colonialists' brutal suppression, the members of the Indonesian Communist Party continued to advance in wave after wave and for 20 years maintained an underground struggle in a dauntless revolutionary spirit. In the period of Japanese fascist occupation, they defied enemy tyranny and fought heroically and stubbornly to drive out the Japanese aggressors. After World War II, together with the other anti-imperialist, patriotic forces of the country, the Indonesian Communist Party mobilized and organized the broad masses of the people to launch the stormy "August Revolution," drive out the Dutch colonialists by force of arms and found the Republic of Indonesia. The Indonesian Communist Party performed indelible deeds in the struggle for the recovery of West Irian, in the struggle to put down successive counter-revolutionary rebellions engineered by the U.S., British and Dutch old and new colonialists, in the fight to smash repeated imperialist intervention, sabotage, subversion and aggression, and in the great cause of winning and safeguarding national independence.

While persisting in revolution in its own country, the Indonesian Communist Party resolutely supports all the revolutionary forces of the world and supports and helps with actual deeds the people of different countries in their anti-imperialist revolutionary struggles. The Indonesian Communists are at once patriots and proletarian internationalists. By their heroism in daring to fight and the skill in fighting in their revolutionary anti-imperialist struggle, the Communist Party and the people of Indonesia have set a glorious example to all oppressed nations and peoples.

The Indonesian Communist Party is a large national party having close ties with the masses and enjoying the people's profound support. The general line it advanced in 1954 for establishing a national united front, building a national, mass-based Marxist-Leninist party and completing the August Revolution of 1945, has inexhaustible vitality and has now become the mili-

tant banner guiding the broad masses of the people in their heroic fight.

The Indonesian Communist Party enjoys the confidence and support of the Indonesian people because it trusts and relies on the masses, identifies itself with them in their revolutionary struggles, adopts a style and method in all its work that conforms to the mass line, takes the interests of the masses as its starting-point in everything, and serves the Indonesian people heart and soul. This is the source of the Indonesian Communist Party's capacity to overcome all difficulties and to defeat any enemy, however powerful, and it is at the same time the fundamental guarantee for the victory of the revolutionary cause of the Indonesian people.

The Indonesian Communist Party has scored tremendous successes in consolidating and expanding the anti-imperialist and anti-feudal national united front which is led by the working class and based on the worker-peasant alliance. Thanks to the joint efforts of the Indonesian Communist Party and the democratic and patriotic strata, political co-operation and national unity on the basis of NASAKOM are being consolidated and are growing in the course of revolutionary struggles. While imperialism, reaction and modern revisionism are trying by every means to undermine the anti-imperialist revolutionary unity of the Indonesian people, the Indonesian Communist Party and the patriotic anti-imperialist forces of Indonesia are replying by unceasingly consolidating, strengthening and developing this unity. Unity against imperialism is the demand of the Indonesian revolution and the common demand of the Indonesian people. Final victory will go to the Indonesian people who are united in their struggle despite all the plots and wrecking activities of the imperialists and their followers.

In its revolutionary practice, the Communist Party of Indonesia has acquired a deep understanding of the decisive significance of the worker-peasant alliance for the Indonesian revolution and it attaches vital importance to its work among the peasants. Comrade Aidit has aptly said,

The question of the peasants or the rural areas is one of victory or defeat for the revolution, and even a matter of life and death for the cadres of the revolution.

In recent years, the Indonesian Communist Party has actively led the peasants in their anti-feudal struggle and has achieved great success in unfolding a vigorous revolutionary peasant movement. The political consciousness, fighting capacity and discipline of the broad masses of the Indonesian peasants have grown rapidly in this struggle. The experience of the Indonesian Communist Party and of revolutions in other countries has proved that however violent the storm, the party of the working class can stand its ground and prove invincible as long as it rallies the overwhelming majority of the peasants around it and exercises correct and firm leadership.

The Communist Party of Indonesia is a revolutionary party built in accordance with the revolutionary theory and style of Marxism-Leninism. It stands steadfast in the forefront of the fight in defence of Marxism-Leninism and against modern revisionism. Daring to uphold principle and persist in struggle in the great fight against modern revisionism and modern dogmatism, the Communist Party of Indonesia has displayed profound loyalty to principle and revolutionary steadfastness. It has made outstanding contributions to the defence of the purity of Marxism-Leninism, the development of Marxist-Leninist theory, the uphalding of the principles of independence and equality in the relations among fraternal Parties, and the safeguarding of the unity of the international communist movement on the basis of Marxism-Leninism.

The rapid growth and the brilliant achievements of the Communist Party of Indonesia are due to the fact that its Central Committee headed by Comrade Aidit is good at creatively integrating the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of Indonesian revolution and at proceeding from the realities in Indonesia, constantly summing up the experience of the Indonesian revolution, independently working out and applying a revolutionary line and policies which conform to the actual conditions of the country, and Indonesianizing Marxism-Leninism. The great achievements of the Indonesian Communist Party serve as vet another conclusive proof that the revolutionary party of the proletariat can undoubtedly keep on growing and keep on furthering the revolutionary cause, provided that it adheres to Marxism-Leninism, maintains the fight against imperialism, persists in the revolution and in the fight against modern revisionism and modern dogmatism, bases itself on the specific conditions of the revolution in its own country, and gives correct leadership to the revolutionary struggle of the people by firmly relying on them.

The Communist Party of Indonesia is carrying on a resolute struggle to crush the "five evils"—"Malaysia," the "seven devils" in the rural areas, the international devil of U.S. imperialism, the "economic dynasty" of bureaucrat-capital, and modern revisionism. It is determinedly launching one momentous revolutionary mass struggle after another to aid Viet Nam in its resistance to U.S. aggression and to support the cause of revolution of the oppressed nations and peoples of the world.

In active response to the Indonesian Communist Party's fighting call for arming the workers and peasants and for "holding a rifle in one hand and a spade in the other," the broad masses of the Indonesian people are heightening their vigilance and are prepared to deal crushing blows at any imperialists and colonialists who dare to commit aggression against them.

We are glad to see that the Communist Party of Indonesia and the other patriotic anti-imperialist forces have further strengthened their unity in the struggle

against imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism. We are glad to see that under President Sukarno's leadership, the Republic of Indonesia has safeguarded and consolidated its independence and sovereignty, recovered its territory of West Irian, opposed "Malaysia," the nec-colonialist creation jointly concocted by the United States and Britain, courageously declared its withdrawal from the United Nations which is manipulated by U.S. imperialism, and struck at the imperialist, colonialist and neo-colonialist economic forces. President Sukarno has called on the anti-imperialist new emerging forces of the world to confront the decaying forces of old and new colonialism. These revolutionary ideas opposing imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism reflect the great Indonesian people's revolutionary aspirations and are encouraging the Indonesian people to advance from victory to victory.

We are convinced that the great Indonesian Communist Party will score even more brilliant achievements in its heroic struggle against imperialism, feudalism, comprador-capitalism, bureaucrat-capitalism and modern revisionism.

Comrades, the present international situation is excellent. The revolutionary forces of the people of the world are stronger than ever while international imperialism has never been so decadent. U.S. imperialism, the chieftain of world imperialism, has engaged in unbroken wars of aggression and armed interventions. It has overreached itself and made enemies everywhere. It has committed intervention and aggression on Laos, Cambodia, south Korea and Japan. It has forcibly occupied China's province of Taiwan. It has created "Malaysia" in collusion with British imperialism and committed aggression against Indonesia. It is suppressing the revolutionary movement of the people of the Congo (Leopoldville) by armed force. It is using Israel to threaten the security of the Arab countries. It is fostering West German militarism and is trying to annex West Berlin and subvert the German Democratic Republic. In particular, in a deliberate attempt to enlarge its war of aggression after the failure of its so-called special warfare in south Viet Nam, it is making war provocations against the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam which stands as firm as a rock at the southeasternmost post of the socialist camp. Recently, it has sent large numbers of troops to invade the Dominican Republic and is trying to suppress by armed force the Dominican people's just and patriotic struggle against the United States. All this has further exposed U.S. imperialism as the main and most ferocious enemy of the people of the world; it is the main prop of all the forces of reaction. It is the common task of the people of the world to unite all forces that can be united in the broadest possible united front against the U.S. imperialist policies of aggression and war and for world peace.

The Chinese people resolutely support all countries and peoples subjected to U.S. imperialist interference and aggression in their just struggle to oppose U.S. im-

perialism and to safeguard their national independence and state sovereignty. By their heroic resistance, the Vietnamese people are dealing powerful blows at the U.S. imperialist forces of aggression and war and weakening them and pinning them down, defending the security of the socialist camp, supporting the revolutionary struggles of the people of all countries and safeguarding peace in Asia and the world. It is the unshirkable proletarian internationalist duty of all Marxist-Leninist parties as well as the urgent common task of revolutionary people everywhere to do their utmost to help Viet Nam in its resistance to U.S. aggression. The Chinese people have given, are giving, and will continue to give, resolute and unreserved support and aid to the Vietnamese people in their patriotic and just struggle against U.S. aggression until they drive all the U.S. aggressors out of the country.

The imperialist camp and the revisionist bloc are both disintegrating, while the world forces of revolution and Marxism-Leninism are growing rapidly. This is the main characteristic of the world situation today. The final collapse of the imperialist and colonialist system as a whole is approaching, and the days of U.S. imperialism are numbered.

Dear comrades! The revolutionary unity between our two Parties, which is based on Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism, and the militant friendship between our two peoples, which has been cemented by long revolutionary struggles, have stood the test of time and are unbreakable.

The Chinese and the Indonesian peoples have all along supported each other in their struggle against imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism. The Chinese people are grateful to the Indonesian people for the powerful support they give to our country. We firmly support the Indonesian people in their struggle to smash "Malaysia" and firmly support the Indonesian Government and people in the courageous and just actions they have undertaken to defeat U.S. and British imperialism.

The Communist Party and people of China will always fight shoulder to shoulder with the Communist Party and people of Indonesia for the cause of world peace, national liberation, people's democracy and socialism, and for the realization of a new world without imperialism, without capitalism and without the exploitation of man by man.

We wish Indonesia prosperity and strength and its people well-being!

Long live the glorious, great and heroic Communist Party of Indonesia!

Long live the militant friendship between the Communist Parties of China and Indonesia and between the peoples of the two countries!

Long live Marxism-Leninism!