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Solemn Memorial Ceremony for Comrade Chou En-lai

PARTY and state leaders and more than 5,000 representatives from various circles in the capital held a solemn memorial ceremony on the afternoon of January 15 to mourn in deep grief the death of Comrade Chou En-lai, a fine member of the Communist Party of China, a great proletarian revolutionary, an outstanding communist fighter and an eminent, long-tested Party and state leader of the Chinese people.

From the time Comrade Chou En-lai passed away, the whole Party, the whole army and the people of the whole country mourned him with great sorrow. On January 15, the national flag was flown at half-mast in mourning and all recreational activities were suspended throughout the country.

The memorial ceremony took place in the Great Hall of the People. An atmosphere of solemnity and reverence prevailed. A streamer across the entrance to the auditorium was inscribed: "Eternal glory to Comrade Chou En-lai, great proletarian revolutionary of the Chinese people and outstanding communist fighter!" In the auditorium, a portrait of Comrade Chou En-lai hung above the casket containing his ashes. The casket was draped with the flag of the Communist Party of China and surrounded by evergreens and flowers. Black streamers hung on all sides of the auditorium.

Wreaths presented by our great leader Chairman Mao and the C.P.C. Central Committee were on both sides of Comrade Chou En-lai's portrait.

There were also wreaths from other Party and state leaders Chu Teh, Wang Hung-wen, Yeh Chien-ying, Teng Hsiao-ping, Chang Chun-chiao, Soong Ching Ling, Wei Kuo-ching, Liu Po-cheng, Chiang Ching, Hsu Shih-yu, Hua Kuo-feng, Chi Teng-kuei, Wu Teh, Wang Tung-hsing, Chen Yung-kuei, Chen Hsi-lien, Li Hsien-nien, Li Teh-sheng, Yao Wen-yuan, Wu Kuei-hsien, Su Chen-hua, Ni Chih-fu, Saifudin, Kuo Mo-jo, Hsu Hsiang-chien, Nieh Jung-chen, Chen Yun, Tan Chen-lin, Li Ching-chuan, Chang Ting-cheng, Tsai Chang, Ulanfu, Ngapo Ngawang-Jigme, Chou Chien-jen, Hsu Teh-heng, Hu Chueh-wen, Li Su-wen, Yao Lien-wei, Wang Chen, Yu Chiu-li, Ku Mu and Sun Chien. There were also wreaths from Shen Yen-ping and Pebala Gelieh-Namje, Vice-Chairmen of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference.

The wreath presented by Comrade Teng Ying-chao, Member of the C.P.C. Central Committee and Comrade Chou En-lai's old comrade-in-arms and widow, lay before the casket.

There also were wreaths presented by the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, the State Council, the Military Commission of the C.P.C. Central Committee, the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, departments under the C.P.C. Central Committee and government departments, people's organizations, the general departments of the Chinese People's Liberation Army, the P.L.A. Science and Technology Commission for National Defence, various services and arms of the P.L.A., military academies, the high military area commands of the P.L.A., the Party committees and revolutionary committees of 29 provinces, municipalities and autonomous regions, patriotic compatriots of Taiwan Province, the Shanghai Municipal Trade Union Council, and the Party committees and revolutionary committees of Kwangchow, Nanchang, Wuhan, Nanking, Chungking, Sian and Yenan.

Attending the memorial ceremony were Party and state leaders Wang Hung-wen, Yeh Chien-ying, Teng Hsiao-ping, Chang Chun-chiao, Soong Ching Ling, Chiang Ching, Yao Wen-yuan, Li Hsien-nien, Chen Hsi-lien, Chi Teng-kuei, Hua Kuo-feng, Wang Tung-hsing, Wu Teh, Chen Yung-kuei, Wu Kuei-hsien, Su Chen-hua, Ni Chih-fu, Kuo Mo-jo, Hsu Hsiang-chien, Nieh Jung-chen, Chen Yun, Tan Chen-lin, Li Ching-chuan, Chang Ting-cheng, Tsai Chang, Ulanfu, Ngapo Ngawang-Jigme, Chou Chien-jen, Hsu Teh-heng, Hu Chueh-wen, Li Su-wen, Yao Lien-wei, Wang Chen, Yu Chiu-li, Ku Mu and Sun Chien; and Vice-Chairmen of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference Shen Yen-ping and Pebala Gelieh-Namje; President of the Supreme People's Court Chiang Hua, as well as leading members of various departments of the Party, the Government and the army, and representatives of various circles.

At 3 p.m. Comrade Wang Hung-wen, Vice-Chairman of the C.P.C. Central Committee, declared the memorial ceremony open. Funeral music was played and all comrades present stood in silent tribute.

Comrade Teng Hsiao-ping, Vice-Chairman of the C.P.C. Central Committee and Vice-Premier of the State Council, delivered the memorial speech. (See p. 5 for full text.)

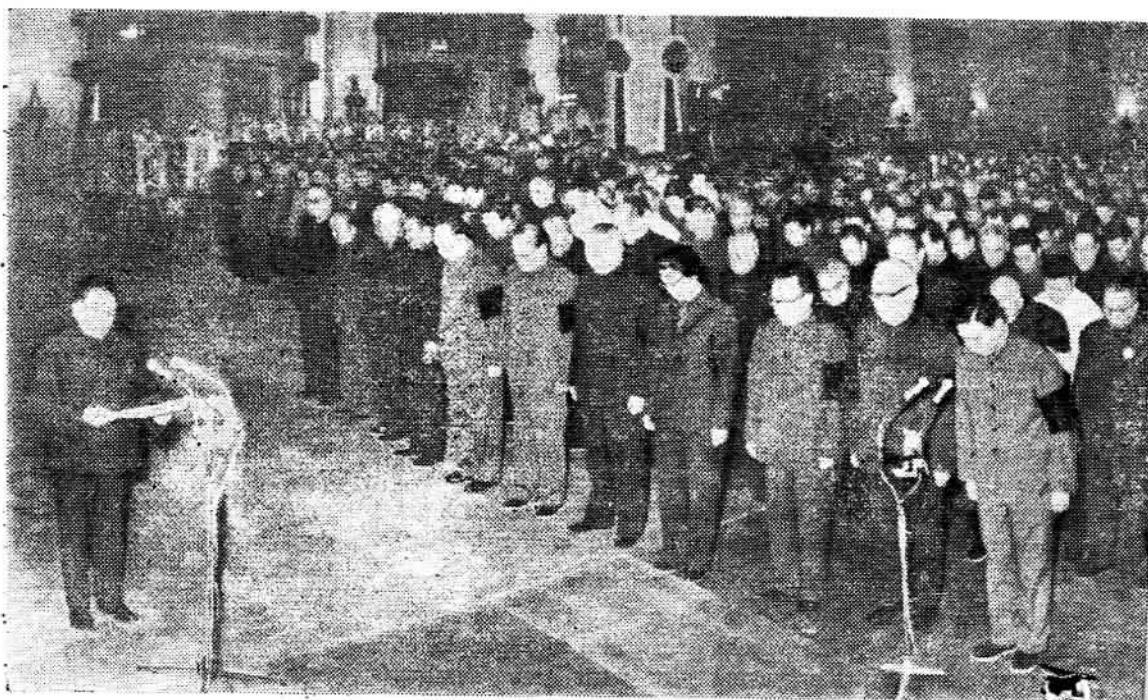
After the memorial speech, everyone bowed three times before Comrade Chou En-lai's portrait.

Comrade Teng Ying-chao attended the memorial ceremony. Party and state leaders extended sincere condolences to her.

Comrade Chou En-lai's ashes are scattered in the rivers and on the land of our motherland in accordance with the wishes he expressed before his death.

Hundreds of millions of people across the country mourned with tremendous grief their esteemed and beloved Premier Chou in the last few days. People of all nationalities working at their posts in the cities, the vast countryside and remote frontier regions, in the outposts and army barracks, in speeding trains, and aboard vessels sailing the Pacific, Atlantic and Indian Oceans expressed their mourning and paid tribute to the memory of Premier Chou in different ways. They said: The Premier is an example the whole Party, the whole army and the people of the whole country should learn from, and he will always live in our hearts. We will turn our grief into strength, learn from our Premier's proletarian revolutionary spirit and noble revolutionary qualities and, under the leadership of the Party Central Committee headed by Chairman Mao, unite as one, take class struggle as the key link, fulfil the Party's tasks still better and advance valiantly along Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line.

Also at the memorial ceremony were Members and Alternate Members of the C.P.C. Central Committee, Members of the N.P.C. Standing Committee, Members



of the Standing Committee of the C.P.P.C.C. National Committee, leading members of departments under the C.P.C. Central Committee and government departments, leading members of the general departments of the P.L.A., the P.L.A. Science and Technology Commission for National Defence, various services and arms of the P.L.A., military academies, the Peking Units and the Peking Garrison of the P.L.A., leading members of the C.P.C. Peking Municipal Committee and the Peking Municipal Revolutionary Committee, representatives of the C.P.C. Chekiang Provincial Committee and the Chekiang Provincial Revolutionary Committee and the C.P.C. Kiangsu Provincial Committee and the Kiangsu Provincial Revolutionary Committee.

Representatives of workers, peasants and soldiers and people from other walks of life, patriotic personages, medical personnel and personnel who had worked at the side of the Premier also were present.



Comrades Wang Hung-wen, Yeh Chien-ying and Teng Hsiao-ping extending sincere condolences to Comrade Teng Ying-chao.



Comrade Teng Hsiao-ping delivering the memorial speech.

Memorial Speech by Vice-Chairman Teng Hsiao-ping

WITH deepest grief, we pay tribute today to the memory of Comrade Chou En-lai, a fine member of the Communist Party of China, a great proletarian revolutionary, an outstanding communist fighter and an eminent, long-tested Party and state leader of the Chinese people.

From the time Comrade Chou En-lai fell ill with cancer in 1972, he received constant and affectionate attention from our great leader Chairman Mao and the Party Central Committee and was given meticulous, many-sided treatment by medical personnel. He persisted in working throughout and waged tenacious struggle against the disease. Comrade Chou En-lai's condition worsened despite all treatment, and his heart ceased to beat at 09:57 hours on January 8, 1976. The whole Party, the whole army and the people throughout our country are deeply grieved at the loss of our Premier.

Comrade Chou En-lai's death is a gigantic loss to our Party, our army and the people of our country, to the cause of China's socialist revolution and construction, to the international cause of opposing imperialism, colonialism and hegemonism, and to the cause of the international communist movement.

From youth, Comrade Chou En-lai dedicated himself to the cause of the liberation of the Chinese people. He took an active part in the May 4th Movement of 1919, undertaking revolutionary activi-

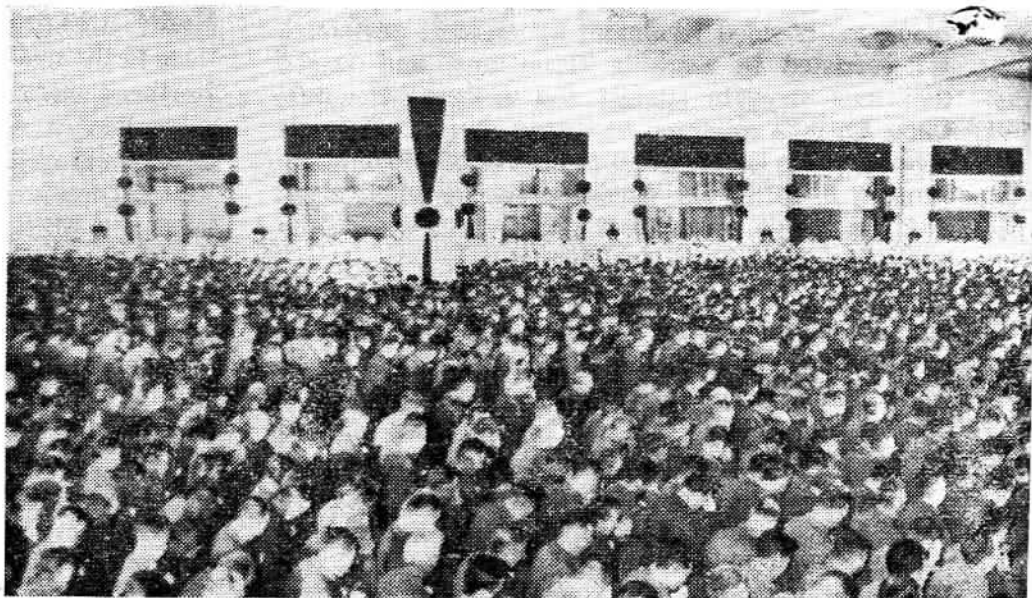
ties against imperialism and feudalism. Between 1920 and 1924, he studied in France and Germany under a work-study programme and spread Marxism among Chinese students and workers living in Europe. He joined the Communist Party of China in 1922, became Secretary of the European General Branch of the Chinese Communist Youth League and worked in the European General Branch of the Communist Party of China. During the period of the First Revolutionary Civil War, he participated in the Northern Expedition and made important contributions to the overthrow of the reactionary rule of the Northern warlords. From 1924 to 1926, he served successively as Chairman of the Kwangtung-Kwangsi Regional Committee of the Communist Party of China, Director of the Political Department of the Whampoa Military Academy, Director of the Political Department of the First Army of the National Revolutionary Army and Standing Committee Member and concurrently Military Affairs Department Director of the C.P.C. Kwangtung-Kwangsi Regional Committee. He went to Shanghai in the winter of 1926 to work with the Party Central Committee and later became Secretary of the C.P.C. Kiangsu-Chekiang Regional Military Committee and Secretary of the Military Commission of the C.P.C. Central Committee. He was the principal leader of the 1927 Shanghai workers' armed uprisings. After Chiang

Kai-shek and then Wang Ching-wei betrayed the revolution, Comrade Chou En-lai, together with other comrades, led the August 1 Nanchang Uprising to save the revolution; in that uprising he was Secretary of the C.P.C. Front Committee. During the Second Revolutionary Civil War period, he also carried on the Party's underground revolutionary work in Shanghai, served as Director of the Organization Department of the C.P.C. Central Committee and Secretary of the Military Commission of the Party Central Committee and held other posts. After he entered the Central Revolutionary Base Area in Kiangsi in December 1931, he was Secretary of the Central Bureau of the Central Soviet Area, Political Commissar of the First Front Army of the Chinese Workers' and Peasants' Red Army and Vice-Chairman of the Revolutionary Military Commission of the Party Central Committee and held other posts. He remained after the Tsunyi Meeting as Vice-Chairman of the Revolutionary Military Commission of the Party Central Committee under Chairman Mao's leadership and took part in organizing and leading the Chinese Workers' and Peasants' Red Army in its triumphant 25,000-li Long March. When the Sian Incident occurred in December 1935, Comrade Chou En-lai, as the representative with full powers of our Party, held talks with Chiang Kai-shek who was then under arrest. During the negotiations, he firmly carried out Chairman Mao's policy, compelled Chiang Kai-shek to stop the civil war and brought about the peaceful settlement of the Sian Incident, and thus promoted the formation and development of the national united front against Japanese aggression. During the War of Resistance Against Japan, he engaged in united front work in the Kuomintang areas and led the work of the Party organizations there as the representative of the Party Central Committee and Secretary of its Southern Bureau. Stationed for a long time in Chungking, then the seat of the Kuomintang government, he was fearless in the face of danger, firmly adhered to Chairman Mao's policies and fought heroically against the Kuomintang's counter-revolutionary policy of being passive in resisting Japan but active in anti-communism. In August 1945, during the early period of the Third Revolutionary Civil War, he accompanied Chairman Mao to Chungking for negotiations with the Kuomintang. After

At the memorial ceremony.

the signing of the "October 10th Agreements," he, as leader of the C.P.C. delegation, continued to wage tit-for-tat struggle against the U.S.-Chiang reactionaries in Chungking and Nanking. Comrade Chou En-lai returned to Yen-an from Nanking in November 1946. When the Chiang Kai-shek forces launched massive attacks on the Shensi-Kansu-Ningsia Border Region in March 1947, Comrade Chou En-lai remained in northern Shensi with Chairman Mao and took part in directing the People's Liberation War. During the new historical period in China of socialist revolution and proletarian dictatorship, Comrade Chou En-lai was Premier of the Government of the People's Republic of China from the time of its founding and for a period was concurrently Minister of Foreign Affairs; he was Vice-Chairman of the Military Commission of the C.P.C. Central Committee, Vice-Chairman of the First National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference and Chairman of its Second and Third National Committees. He was also elected a Deputy to the First, Second, Third and Fourth National People's Congresses.

Comrade Chou En-lai was elected to the Central Committee at the fifth and all subsequent National Congresses of the Party. He was elected Alternate Member of the Political Bureau at the August 7, 1927, meeting of the Central Committee. Starting with the Party's Sixth National Congress, he was elected uninterruptedly to full membership in the Political Bureau of the Central Committee. Comrade Chou En-lai was elected Secretary of the Secretariat of the Central Committee at the Fifth Plenary Session of the Sixth Central Committee and at the First Plenary Session of the Seventh Central Committee of the Party. He was elected a Member of



the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee at the First Plenary Session of the Eighth, the Ninth and the Tenth Central Committee of the Party. He was elected Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee at the First Plenary Session of the Eighth and the Tenth Central Committee of the Party.

Comrade Chou En-lai was loyal to the Party and the people. Fighting heroically and working with utter devotion, he selflessly dedicated all his energies throughout his life to the implementation of Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line and to the victory of the liberation of the Chinese people and the cause of communism. Under the leadership of Chairman Mao, Comrade Chou En-lai made indelible contributions and performed immortal services in the building and development of the Marxist Communist Party of China; in the building and development of our invincible people's army; in the bringing of the new-democratic revolution to victory and the founding of the socialist New China; in the consolidation of the great unity of the people of all nationalities led by the working class and based on the worker-peasant alliance and in the development of the revolutionary united front; in the struggle for the victory of the socialist revolution and construction and the victory of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution and the movement to criticize Lin Biao and Confucius, and in the consolidation of the proletarian dictatorship in our country. The whole Party, the whole army and the people of the whole country love him and respect him from the bottom of their hearts.

Internationally, Comrade Chou En-lai resolutely implemented Chairman Mao's revolutionary line in foreign affairs and upheld proletarian internationalism. He made outstanding and indelible contribu-

tions as well in strengthening the unity of our Party with Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations in other countries, in combating modern revisionism and in promoting the development of the international communist movement; in strengthening the unity of our people with the people of other countries, especially those of the third world, in striving to establish and develop relations with all other countries on the basis of the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence, in uniting with all forces in the world that can be united with and in carrying out the struggle against imperialism and social-imperialism. He won the respect and admiration of the people of the world.

Comrade Chou En-lai's life was one of glorious struggle for the cause of communism and one of continuing the revolution with perseverance. He is an example that the whole Party, the whole army and the people of the whole country should learn from.

In mourning Comrade Chou En-lai, we should learn from his boundless loyalty to Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought. He loved and revered our great leader Chairman Mao wholeheartedly, safeguarded Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line resolutely, persevered in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and in combating and preventing revisionism, and fought all his life for the realization of the great ideal of communism.

We should learn from his noble quality of serving the people wholeheartedly. Under the leadership of Chairman Mao and the Party Central Committee, Comrade Chou En-lai undertook the arduous day-to-day tasks of the Party and the state. He was always diligent and conscientious, hard-working and uncomplaining, indefatigable and selfless in working for the interests of the people of China and the world.



We should learn from his staunchness in fighting the enemy. No matter how ruthless the white terror, how fierce the armed struggle and how sharp the battle in face-to-face negotiations with the enemy, he was daring regardless of personal danger, brilliant and resourceful, brave, steadfast, calm and fully confident of victory.

We should learn from his strong proletarian Party spirit. He was open and aboveboard, paid attention to the interests of the whole, observed Party discipline, was strict in "dissecting" himself and good at uniting the mass of cadres, and upheld the unity and solidarity of the Party. He maintained broad and close ties with the masses and showed boundless warmheartedness toward all comrades and the people. He resolutely implemented the principle of the three-in-one combination of old, middle-aged and young cadres, and ardently supported the new forces and new things that emerged during the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution.

We should learn from his fine style — being modest and prudent, unassuming and approachable, setting an example by his conduct, and living in a plain and hard-working way. We should follow his example of adhering to the proletarian style of life and opposing the bourgeois style of life.

We should learn from his revolutionary tenacity in fighting illness. While he was ill, he constantly studied and implemented Chairman Mao's principles and policies and kept on studying works by Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin and by Chairman Mao. Even when his condition became very grave, he attentively listened to several readings of the two brilliant poems of Chairman Mao published on New Year's Day. This fully showed his indomitable revolutionary spirit.

Comrade Chou En-lai, a great revolutionary fighter of the Chinese people, has left us for ever. We should turn our grief into strength. Under the leadership of the Party Central Committee headed by Chairman Mao, we should unite as one, take class struggle as the key link, conscientiously study the theory of the dictatorship of the proletariat, keep to the Party's basic line, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, adhere to Chairman Mao's revolutionary line and policies in foreign affairs, consolidate and develop the victories of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat, combat and prevent revisionism, and strive to build China into a powerful modern socialist country and bring the cause of communism to triumph.

Unite to win still greater victories!

Peking Mourns Comrade Chou En-lai

WITH profound proletarian feelings and deep grief, over 40,000 workers, peasants, soldiers, government cadres and students in the Chinese capital went to the solemn ceremony in the Working People's Palace of Culture from January 12 to 14 to pay tribute to the memory of Comrade Chou En-lai, a great proletarian revolutionary of the Chinese people and an outstanding communist fighter.

A solemn atmosphere prevailed at the Working People's Palace of Culture. A portrait of the late Comrade Chou En-lai hung in the middle of the main wall of the mourning hall. Beneath it, amid flowers and evergreens, was the casket containing the ashes of Comrade Chou En-lai, draped with the flag of the Chinese Communist Party. Chinese People's Liberation Army fighters stood solemn guard beside the casket. A huge streamer at the entrance to the hall read: "Eternal glory to Comrade Chou En-lai, great proletarian revolutionary of the Chinese people and outstanding communist fighter!"

Wreaths presented by our great leader Chairman Mao and the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China carried the inscription: "In mourning for Comrade Chou En-lai."

In the mourning hall there were also wreaths from other Party and state leaders Comrades Chu Teh, Wang Hung-wen, Yeh Chien-ying, Teng Hsiao-ping, Chang Chun-chiao, Soong Ching Ling, Wei Kuo-ching, Liu Po-cheng, Chiang Ching, Hsu Shih-yu, Hua Kuo-feng, Chi Teng-kuei, Wu Teh, Wang Tung-hsing, Chen Yung-kuei, Chen Hsi-lien, Li Hsien-nien, Li Teh-sheng, Yao Wen-yuan, Wu Kuei-hsien, Su Chen-hua, Ni Chih-fu, Saifudin, Kuo Mo-jo, Hsu Hsiang-chien, Nieh Jung-chen, Chen Yun, Tan Chen-lin, Li Ching-chuan, Chang Ting-cheng, Tsai Chang, Ulanfu, Ngapo Ngawang-Jigme, Chou Chien-jen, Hsu Teh-heng, Hu Chueh-wen, Li Su-wen, Yao Lien-wei, Wang Chen, Yu Chiu-li, Ku Mu and Sun Chien. There also were wreaths from Shen Yen-ping and Pebala Gelieh-Namje, Vice-Chairmen of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference.

Comrade Teng Ying-chao, Member of the C.P.C. Central Committee and Comrade Chou En-lai's old comrade-in-arms and widow, presented a wreath with the inscription: "In mourning for comrade-in-arms En-lai."

Wreaths also were sent by the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, the State Council, the Military Commission of the C.P.C. Central Committee, the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, departments under the C.P.C. Central Committee and government departments, people's organizations, the general departments of the Chinese People's Liberation Army, the P.L.A. Science and Technology Commission for National Defence, various services and arms of the P.L.A., military academies, the high military area commands of the P.L.A., the Party committees and revolutionary committees of 29 provinces, municipalities and autonomous regions, patriotic compatriots of Taiwan Province, the Shanghai Municipal Trade Union Council, and the Party committees and revolutionary committees of Kwangchow, Nanchang, Wuhan, Nanking, Chungking, Sian and Yen-an. A number of overseas Chinese and compatriots from Hongkong and Macao also presented wreaths.

The hall also contained a wreath from Comrade Kim Il Sung sent to Peking by envoys on a special trip, and wreaths from Comrade Enver Hoxha and General Secretary of the Romanian Communist Party and President of the Socialist Republic of Romania Nicolae Ceausescu.

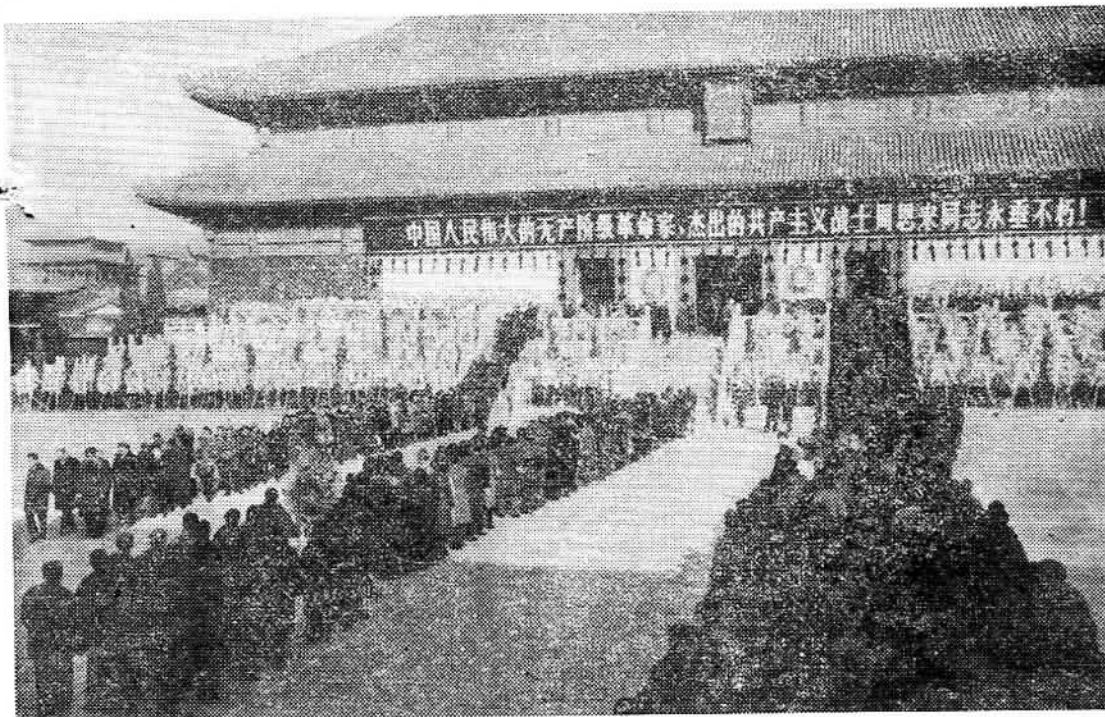
There also were wreaths from many Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations, state leaders and

governments of many foreign countries, diplomatic missions in Peking, ambassadors to China and embassies of many countries in Peking, as well as foreign guests, experts, students and trainees now in Peking. They include:

The Central Committee of the Albanian Party of Labour, the Presidium of the People's Assembly of the People's Republic of Albania and the Council of Ministers of the People's Republic of Albania; the Central Committee of the Romanian Communist Party, the State Council of the Socialist Republic of Romania and the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania; the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Burma; the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Thailand; the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Malaya; the Delegation of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Indonesia; the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Philippines; the Central Committee of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party of France; the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Portugal (Marxist-Leninist); the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Communist Party of the U.S.A.; the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Communist Party of Uruguay; Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of North Kalimantan Wen Ming Chuan; Chairman of the Communist Party of Germany (Marxist-Leninist) Ernst Aust; the Central Committee of the Organization of the Communists of Italy (Marxist-Leninist); the Central Leading Organ of the Marxist-Leninist Organization of the Italian Bolshevik Communists; the Austrian Revolutionary Workers' Association;

President of the Algerian Council of Revolution and Chairman of the Council of Ministers Houari Boumediene; Chairman of the Burma Socialist Programme Party and President of the Socialist Republic of the Union of Burma Ne Win; the French President; the French Prime Minister; President El Hadj Omar Bongo and the Government and people of the Republic of Gabon; the Highest Responsible Member of Revolution President Ahmed Sekou Toure and the Guinean people; Prime Minister Takeo Miki of Japan; Malian

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Workers, peasants, government cadres, students and P.L.A. commanders and fighters solemnly pay their last respects to Comrade Chou En-lai.

COMRADE CHOU EN-LAI'S LIFE — ONE OF GLORIOUS

COMRADE Chou En-lai was a fine member of the Communist Party of China, a great proletarian revolutionary of the Chinese people, a loyal revolutionary fighter of the Chinese people and an eminent, long-tested Party and state leader.

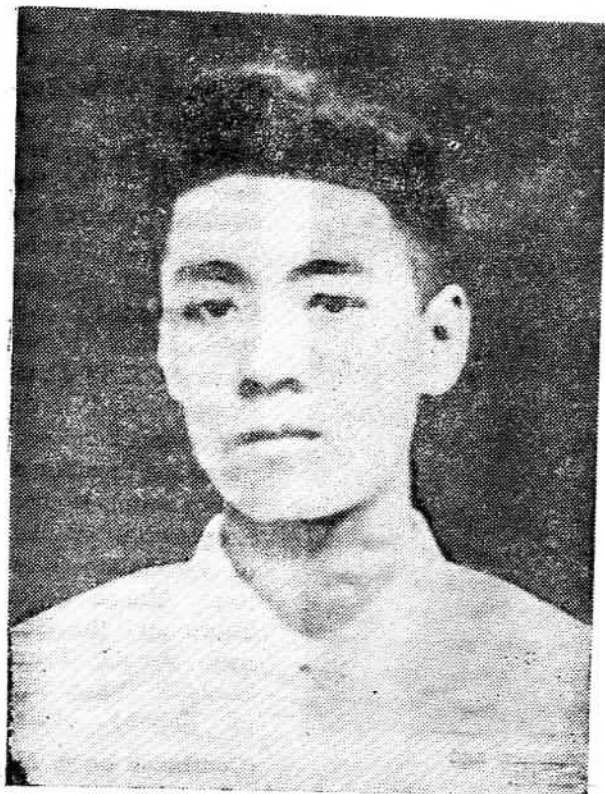
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in the strengthening of the unity of the international revolutionary forces and in the carrying out of the struggle against imperialism, social-imperialism and modern revisionism. The whole Party, the whole army and the people of the whole country love him and respect him from the bottom of their hearts.

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Comrade Chou En-lai in Tientsin during the May 4th Movement of 1919.

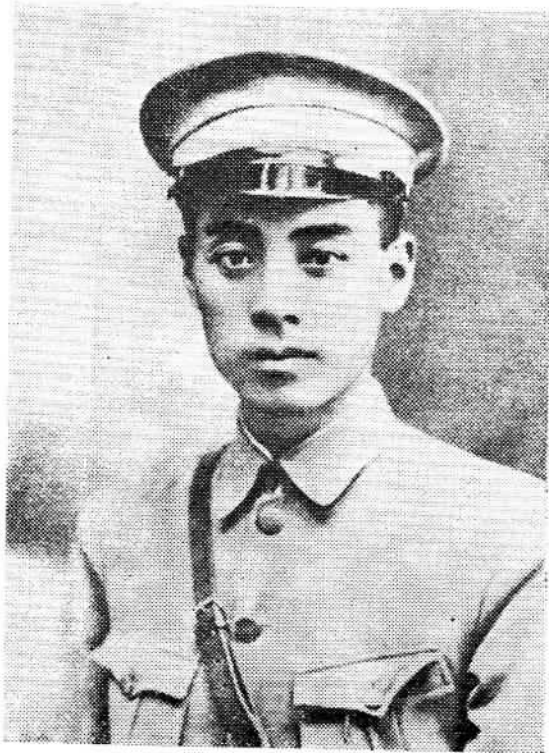
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STRUGGLE FOR THE CAUSE OF COMMUNISM



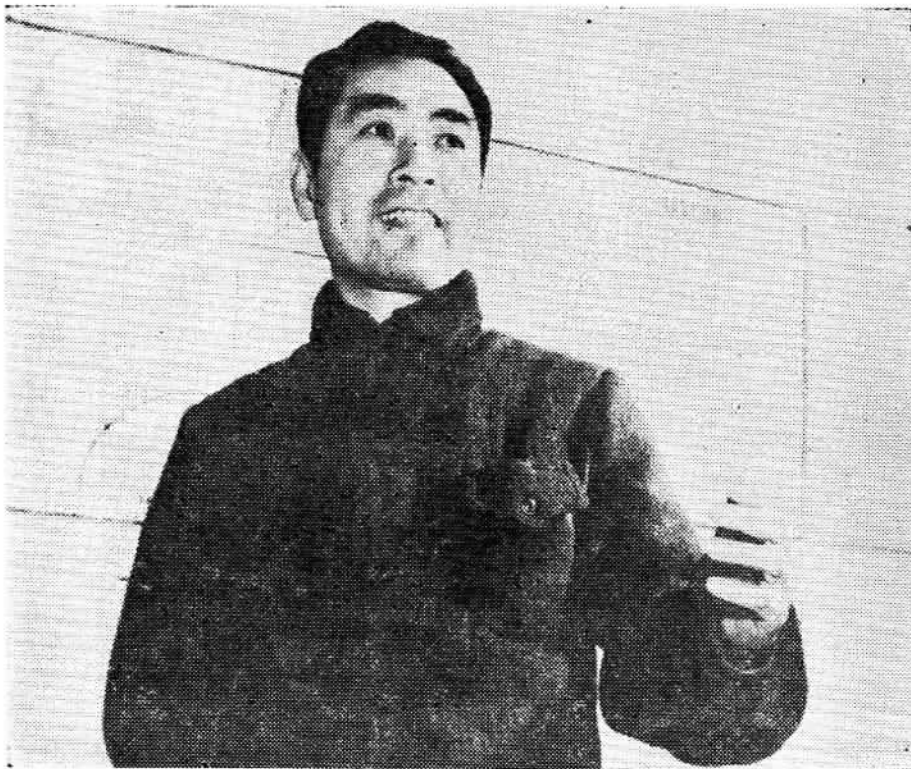
Chairman Mao and Comrade Chou En-lai in Yanan in 1945.



From 1924 to 1928, Comrade Chou En-lai served successively as Chairman of the Kwangtung-Kwangsi Regional Committee of the Communist Party of China, Director of the Political Department of the Whampoa Military Academy, Director of the Political Department of the First Army of the National Revolutionary Army and Standing Committee Member and concurrently Military Affairs Department Director of the C.P.C. Kwangtung-Kwangsi Regional Committee.



From October 1934 to October 1935, Comrade Chou En-lai took part in organizing and leading the Chinese Workers' and Peasants' Red Army in its triumphant 25,000-li Long March. Photograph shows Comrade Chou En-lai in northern Shensi.



During the War of Resistance Against Japan, Comrade Chou En-lai, as the representative of the Party Central Committee, was stationed for a long time in Chungking, then the seat of the Kuomintang government. He was fearless in the face of danger, firmly adhered to Chairman Mao's policies and fought heroically against the Kuomintang's counter-revolutionary policy of being passive in resisting Japan but active in anti-communism. Photograph shows Comrade Chou En-lai in the office of the Delegation of the Communist Party of China in No. 50, Tsengchia-yen, Chungking.



When the Sian Incident occurred in December 1936, Comrade Chou En-lai, as the representative of our Party with full powers, held talks with Chiang Kai-shek who was then under arrest. During the negotiations, he firmly carried out Chairman Mao's policy, compelled Chiang Kai-shek to stop the civil war and brought about the peaceful settlement of the Sian Incident, and thus promoted the formation and development of the national united front against Japanese aggression. Photograph shows Comrade Chou En-lai at the airfield upon his return to Yenan from Sian.

When the Chiang Kai-shek forces launched massive attacks on the Shensi-Kansu-Ningsia Border Region in March 1947, Comrade Chou En-lai remained in northern Shensi with Chairman Mao and took part in directing the People's Liberation War.



Comrade Chou En-lai at the Second Plenary Session of the Seventh Central Committee of the Communist Party of China held in March 1949.



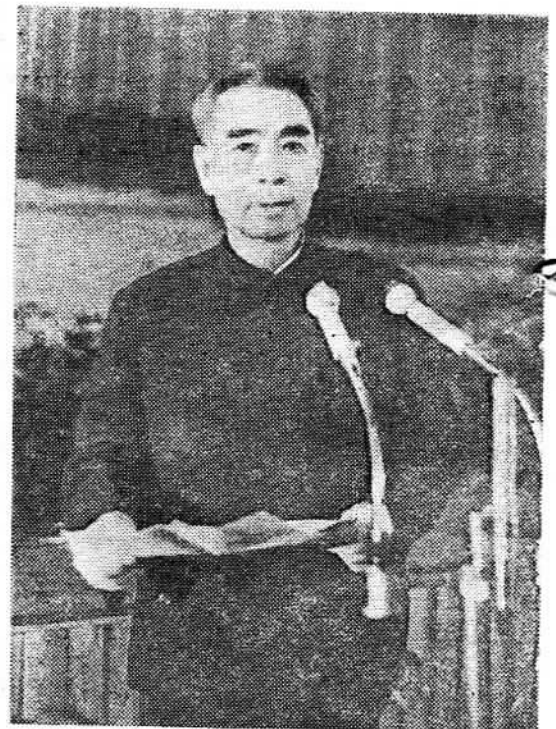


Comrade Chou En-lai at the First Plenary Session of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference held in September 1949.

Comrade Chou En-lai on the Tien An Men rostrum, attending the grand ceremony in celebration of the founding of the People's Republic of China on October 1, 1949.



Comrade Chou En-lai delivering the political report to the Tenth National Congress of the Communist Party of China on behalf of the Party Central Committee on August 24, 1973.



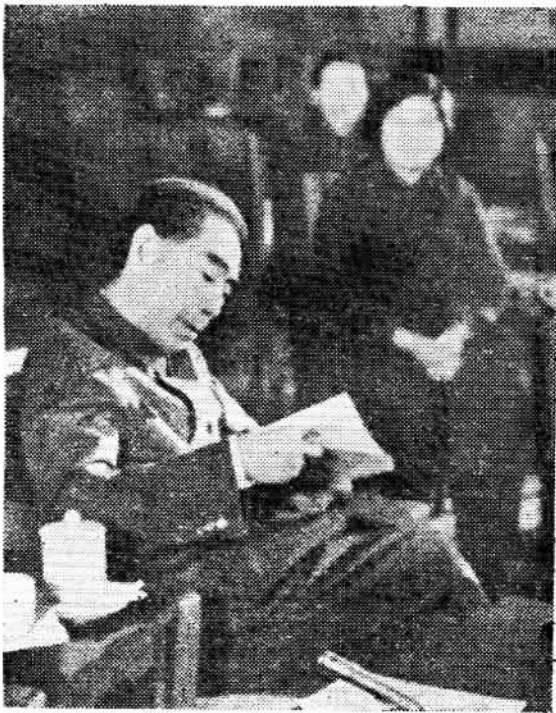
Comrade Chou En-lai making a toast at the grand reception on September 30, 1974, celebrating the 25th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China.



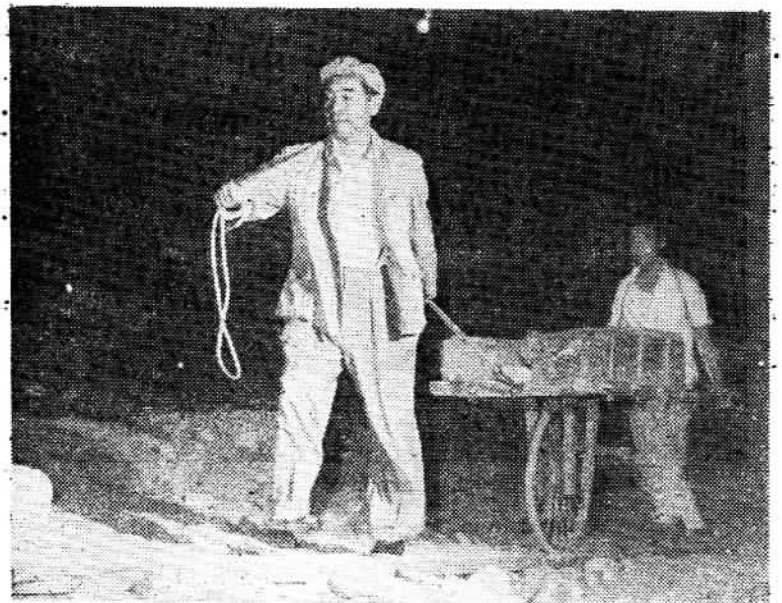
Comrade Chou En-lai persevered in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and performed immortal services in the struggle for the victory of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution.



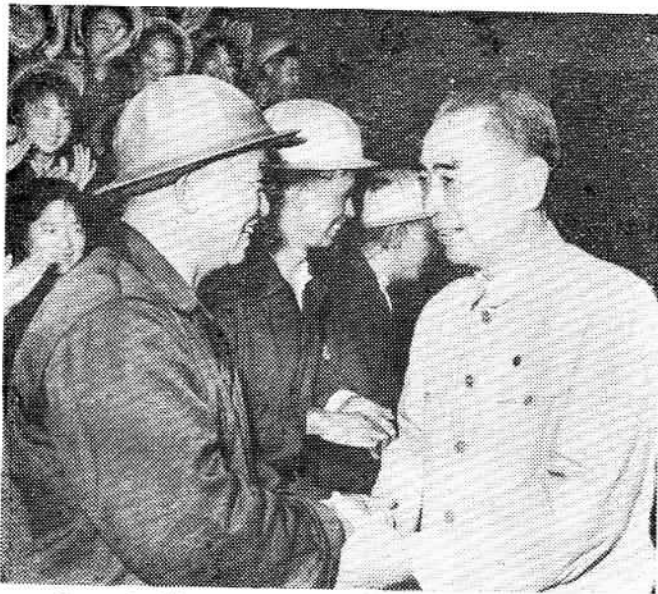
Comrade Chou En-lai at the Second Plenary Session of the Ninth Central Committee of the Communist Party of China held in August 1970.



Comrade Chou En-lai at a group meeting during the First Session of the Fourth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China held in January 1975.



Comrade Chou En-lai taking part in physical labour at the construction site of the Ming Tombs Reservoir in Peking in June 1958.



Comrade Chou En-lai warmly shaking hands with Wang Chin-hsi, "Iron Man" of the Tachang Oilfield, when he received representatives of advanced units in China's oil industry in October 1966 in Peking.



Comrade Chou En-lai on a visit to the Tachai Production Brigade in Hsiyang County, Shansi Province, in May 1965.



Comrade Chou En-lai, accompanied by Comrade Chen Yi, visited Albania, ten African countries and three Asian countries from December 1963 to February 1964, thereby further strengthening the friendship and unity between the Chinese people and the people of these countries. Photograph shows Comrades Chou En-lai and Chen Yi receiving a rousing welcome from the masses upon their return to Peking.



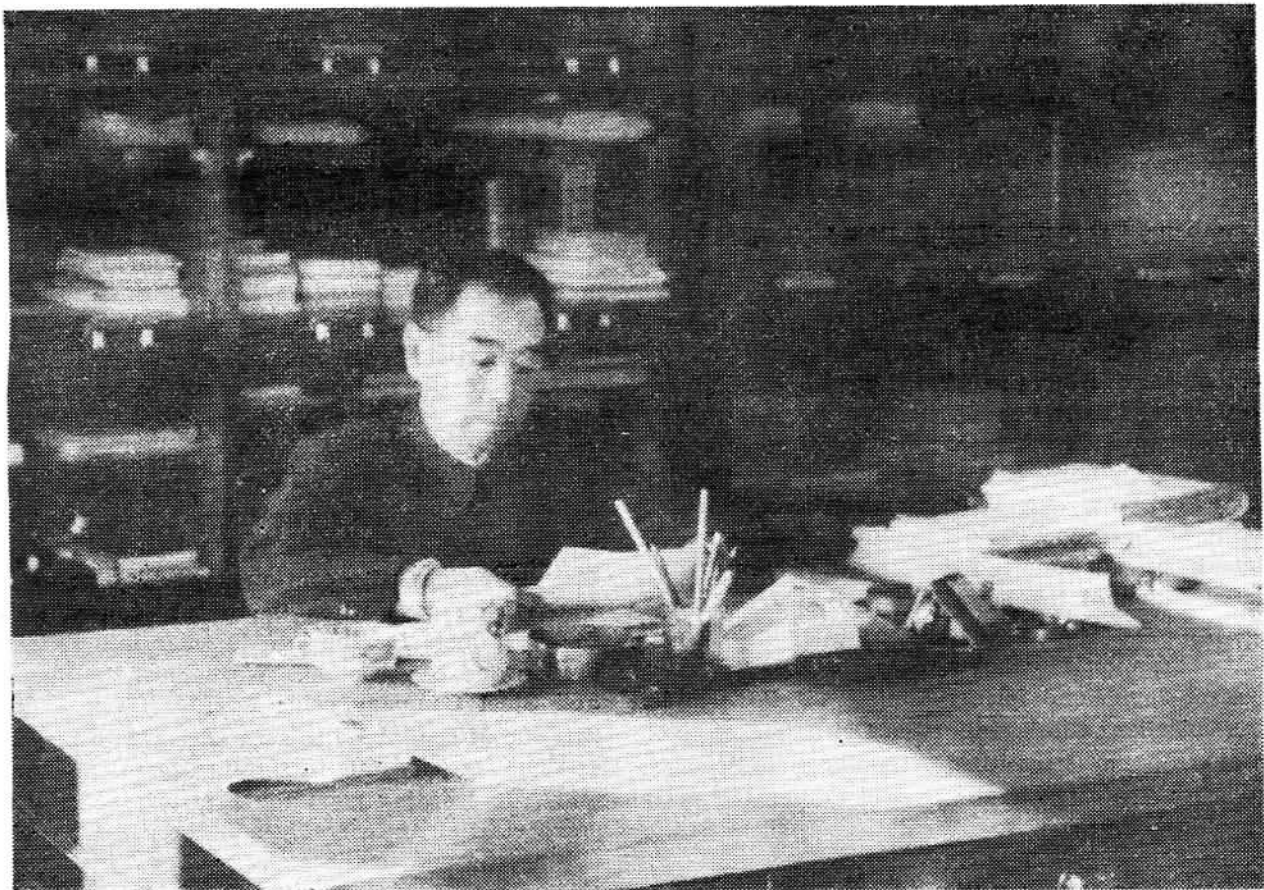
Comrade Chou En-lai resolutely rebuffed the vicious attack on our Party by the Soviet revisionist renegade clique and defended Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought when he was in the Soviet Union in November 1964 taking part in the celebrations marking the 47th anniversary of the October Socialist Revolution at the head of the Chinese Party and Government Delegation. He was given a grand and warm welcome by the people in Peking upon his return from Moscow.



Comrade Chou En-lai in the midst of P.L.A. fighters.



In April 1955, Comrade Chou En-lai represented the People's Republic of China at the First Asian-African Conference in Bandung, Indonesia.



Comrade Chou En-lai at work in his office.

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President of the Military Committee for National Liberation, President of the Government and Head of State Colonel Moussa Traore and the whole nation of the Republic of Mali; the President of Pakistan; the Prime Minister of Pakistan; President of the Philippines Ferdinand E. Marcos, Mrs. Imelda R. Marcos and family; Prime Minister Mrs. Sirimavo R.D. Bandaranaike of the Republic of Sri Lanka; President Habib Bourguiba of the Republic of Tunisia; Prime Minister Hedi Nourira of the Republic of Tunisia; Turkish Prime Minister Suleyman Demirel; the British Prime Minister; Zairian President Mobutu Sese Seko, the Zairian Government and the entire Zairian people; the Government of the Republic of Argentina; the Government and people of Australia; the Government and people of Canada; the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark; the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Front for Independence of East Timor; the Government and people of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana; the Democratic Republic of Madagascar; the Kingdom of the Netherlands; the Government and people of New Zealand; the Government of the Kingdom of Norway; the Peruvian Government and people; the Government and people of the Kingdom of Thailand; the Government and people of Yugoslavia; former Japanese Prime Minister Kakuei Tanaka; Foreign Minister A. Bouteflika of the Algerian Council of Revolution; the Philippine Foreign Minister, and the Philippine Acting Foreign Minister; Member of the Japanese House of Representatives Masayoshi Ohira; Member of the Japanese House of Representatives Shigeru Hori; Chairman of the Central Executive Committee of the Japanese Socialist Party Tomomi Narita.

More than 2,000 foreign friends now visiting Peking or stationed in Peking went to the Working People's Palace of Culture to mourn for Premier Chou En-lai. Among them were Thakin Ba Thein Tin, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Burma; Jusuf Adjitorop, Head of the Delegation of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Indonesia and Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Indonesia; the Posts and Telecommunications Delegation of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea led by Minister of Communications Kim Hak Sop; the Health Delegation of the Provisional Military Government of Ethiopia led by Minister of Public Health Jemal Abdul Kadir; Member of the House of Representatives of Japan and former Minister of Posts and Telecommunications Chuji Kuno; the Delegation of the Japan-China Special Committee of the Japanese Socialist Party with Chairman of the Special Committee and Member of the House of Representatives Shoichi Shimodaira as leader and Vice-Chairman of the Special Committee and Member of the House of Councillors Hideo Den as deputy leader; American friends Frank Coe, Ruth Coe and Sol Adler; British friend Pat Adler; as well as foreign experts, students and trainees.

Diplomatic envoys of various countries to China and diplomatic officials, representative of the Mission of the Palestine Liberation Organization in Peking and representative of the Liaison Office of the United States of America in China also paid their last respects.

Taking turns to receive the foreign mourners in the hall and extend heartfelt thanks to them were Party and state leaders Chang Chun-chiao, Yao Wenyuan, Hua Kuo-feng, Wu Teh, Chen Yung-kuei, Wu Kuei-hsien, Ulanfu, Li Su-wen, Yao Lien-wei, Wang Chen, Ku Mu and Sun Chien; Head of the International Liaison Department of the C.P.C. Central Committee Keng Piao and Minister of Foreign Affairs Chiao Kuan-hua.

From January 12 to 14, grief-stricken workers, peasants, P.L.A. commanders and fighters, government cadres and people of various nationalities from all walks of life in the capital went to the Working People's Palace of Culture in an endless stream from morning till night. Wearing black armbands and white flowers of mourning and in tears, they filed slowly into the hall amid funeral music played by a military band and stood in silent tribute before the late Premier's portrait. They expressed their determination to learn from Comrade Chou En-lai's boundless loyalty to Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, his selfless spirit in work, his noble revolutionary qualities of serving the people wholeheartedly, his staunchness in fighting the enemy and his strong proletarian Party spirit. They pledged to turn their grief into strength and, under the leadership of the Party Central Committee headed by our great leader Chairman Mao, unite as one, take class struggle as the key link, conscientiously study the theory of the dictatorship of the proletariat, keep to the Party's basic line, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, adhere to Chairman Mao's revolutionary line and policies in foreign affairs, consolidate and develop the victories of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat, combat and prevent revisionism, and strive to build China into a powerful modern socialist country and realize the great ideal of communism.

These mourners represented the workers, peasants, soldiers, cadres, students and people of other trades and professions who continued working at their posts. These were days when the people poured their profound feelings for the late Premier into socialist revolution and construction. Workers of the Shoutu Iron and Steel Company said: Premier Chou En-lai's life was one of continuing the revolution with perseverance and one of persisting in fighting against the class enemies. In learning from the Premier, we must always grasp class struggle firmly and carry the socialist revolution through to the end.

Members of the "Mao Tsetung Locomotive" crew of the Peking Railway Sub-Bureau who have overfulfilled their tasks every month and every year resolved to learn from the late Premier's revolutionary spirit.

and devote all their lives to operating the locomotive for the revolution and following the revolutionary road. They pledged to stand always in the van in the struggle to combat and prevent revisionism and consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat and always advance along Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line.

Coal miners of the Chinghsi Mining Bureau declared they would grasp revolution and promote production in the Premier's revolutionary spirit of working selflessly and strive to fulfil ahead of schedule the grand goal of building China into a powerful modern socialist country set forth by the Premier on behalf of the Party Central Committee at the Fourth National People's Congress. They topped their daily production quotas of raw coal in the past few days.

Workers of the Hsinhua Printing House were determined to pay tribute to the memory of the respected and beloved Premier Chou by doing their best to build socialism. The last few days saw many workshops attain all-time highs in daily production quotas since the beginning of the year.

Looking back on how the late Premier had given instructions to them and shown great concern for them, cadres and commune members of the Tapailou Production Brigade of the Hunghsing People's Commune in Peking's Tahsing County were filled with deep feelings. Under the leadership of the Party Central Com-

mittee headed by Chairman Mao, they said, they will take firm hold of class struggle, relentlessly criticize capitalism and go in for socialism in a big way. In the days of mourning for the late Premier, commune members of the Hsuchiawu Production Brigade of the Lo-chengwu People's Commune in Peking's Pinku County redoubled their efforts in farmland capital construction.

Workers and staff members of commercial departments pledged to follow the example set by the late Premier and serve the people wholeheartedly.

Commanders and fighters of the P.L.A. units stationed in Peking said: Under the leadership of Chairman Mao, Premier Chou En-lai made indelible contributions to the building and development of the glorious Chinese People's Liberation Army. His revolutionary spirit and noble revolutionary qualities will always be remembered by us. Militarily and politically, we must step up our training, heighten our revolutionary vigilance, hold firm to our guns and stand guard at our combat posts to defend our great socialist motherland.

While deepening the great debate on the revolution in education, Tsinghua University teachers and students held meetings to show their determination to learn from the late Premier's spirit of resolutely combating revisionism, continue to beat back the Right deviationist wind of reversing previous verdicts and carry the proletarian revolution in education through to the end.

Premier Chou En-lai's Passing Deeply Mourned

Message of Condolence From Head of State Sihanouk, Prime Minister Penn Nouth and Deputy Prime Minister Khieu Samphan of Democratic Cambodia

His Excellency Mao Tsetung,
Chairman of the Central Committee
of the Communist Party of China,

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

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

Peking

We learnt with deep grief of the news of the death of His Excellency Chou En-lai, Member of the C.P.C.

Central Committee, Member of the Political Bureau of the C.P.C. Central Committee, Member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the C.P.C. Central Committee, Vice-Chairman of the C.P.C. Central Committee, Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China and Chairman of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference.

We, on behalf of the Cambodian nation and people and the Government of Democratic Cambodia, express the deepest condolences to the entire fraternal Chinese people. The death of His Excellency Chou En-lai is a great loss to the Cambodian nation and people and we are grieved by it immeasurably.

His Excellency Chou En-lai was a most outstanding revolutionary of China, a respected and beloved leader of the Chinese people. He had waged a heroic and dauntless struggle for and dedicated his whole life to the Chinese revolution and socialist construction. He was

also a loyal comrade-in-arms of the oppressed nations and people the world over. He had persistently and unswervingly rendered active support to the world people in the struggle against imperialism, colonialism and running dogs of all descriptions and in the struggle for the people's national liberation, for independence and justice.

His Excellency Chou En-lai was a closest and most trustworthy comrade-in-arms of the Cambodian nation and people. He was one of the Chinese leaders who made the most important contribution to the establishment of the solid, fine and pure friendship and militant solidarity between the peoples of Cambodia and China.

His Excellency Chou En-lai had passed away but the steadily consolidated and growing friendship and militant solidarity between the Cambodian and Chinese peoples, thanks to his concern, have taken deep roots in the hearts of the peoples of our two countries. His soul will live for ever in the hearts of the Cambodian people and every one of us.

With the most sincere friendship we, finally, extend our grievous condolences to Madame Chou En-lai.

Norodom Sihanouk
Head of State of Democratic Cambodia
and Chairman of the National United
Front of Cambodia

Penn Nouth
Prime Minister of the Government of
Democratic Cambodia and Chairman
of the Political Bureau of the
Central Committee of the
National United Front of
Cambodia

Khieu Samphan
Deputy Prime Minister of the Govern-
ment of Democratic Cambodia and
Member of the Political Bureau of
the Central Committee of the
National United Front of
Cambodia

Phnom Penh, January 10, 1976

Message of Condolence From Lao Comrades Souphanouvong and Kaysone Phomvihane

Comrade Mao Tsetung,
Chairman 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-Chairman of the Communist Party
of China and Vice-Premier of the
State Council of the People's Republic
of China,

Peking

We learnt with the deepest grief of the unfortunate passing away of Comrade Chou En-lai, outstanding communist fighter, respected and beloved leader of the Chinese working class, people and revolution and distinguished statesman of our time. Comrade Chou En-lai had devoted his whole life to the liberation cause of the Chinese nation and people and to China's socialist construction. He rendered meritorious services to the national liberation, the strengthening of peace and the establishment of a new order in international relations. The Communist Party, Government and people of China made contributions to the victory of the Lao people's national-liberation struggle. Comrade Chou En-lai made his efforts and played an important role in this respect and in the ceaseless growth of the fraternity and militant solidarity between the Lao and Chinese peoples. The passing of Comrade Chou En-lai deprived the Communist Party, Government and people of China of an extremely distinguished leader and the Lao people of a great friend. On behalf of the People's Revolutionary Party of Laos, the Government of the People's Democratic Republic of Laos and its people, we express our sincerest, deep condolences to the Communist Party, Government and fraternal people of China and the family of the deceased whose memory will be long cherished.

Souphanouvong

President of the People's Democratic
Republic of Laos and Chairman of
the Supreme People's Assembly of
Laos

Kaysone Phomvihane

General Secretary of the People's Rev-
olutionary Party of Laos and
Prime Minister of the Govern-
ment of the People's Demo-
cratic Republic of Laos

Vientiane, January 10, 1976

Message of Condolence From Malian Head of State Moussa Traore

His Excellency Mao Tsetung,
Chairman of the Central Committee of
the Communist Party of China,

His Excellency Chu Teh,
Chairman of the Standing Committee of
the National People's Congress of the
People's Republic of China,
His Excellency Teng Hsiao-ping,
Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of
the Communist Party of China and
Vice-Premier of the State Council,

Peking

I learnt with profound sorrow of the death of Premier Chou En-lai who has the deep affection of all. The demise of this illustrious statesman is a great loss to the communist world and all the progressive countries. Although Chou En-lai has departed from us his work will always be enshrined in the memories of all the Malians who consider him as one of the bravest sons of China and his eminent qualities as having contributed to the creation of a shining image of his country in the world. I assure Your Excellencies that all the Malian people share the profound grief of China on this occasion. On behalf of the Malian people, the Military Committee of National Liberation and the Government and in my own name I express to the Chinese people and their leaders my deep condolences and at the same time the assurance of my highest consideration.

Col. Moussa Traore
President of the Military Committee of
National Liberation, Head of State
and President of the Government
of Mali

Koulouba, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Zairian President Mobutu

His Excellency Mr. Mao Tsetung,
Chairman of the Central Committee
of the Communist Party of China

Mr. Chairman:

I have learnt with profound grief of the death of Mr. Chou En-lai, Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China.

The passing away of this illustrious figure is a great loss not only to the People's Republic of China, but also to all peace- and freedom-loving countries in general and Zaire in particular.

For Zaire, Mr. Chou En-lai is the image of a distinguished defender of all revolution.

Therefore, in the name of the entire Zairian people united in the Popular Revolutionary Movement and in my own name, I extend to you, to the Chinese Party and the entire Chinese people our deepest condolences.

On this occasion, please convey my deepest sorrow to the family of the great deceased.

January 23, 1976

Highest consideration,

Mobutu Sese Seko Wa Za Banga
President and Creator of the Popular
Revolutionary Movement and Pres-
ident of the Republic of Zaire

Messages of Condolences From Mexican President Luis Echeverria

His Excellency Mao Tsetung,
Chairman of the Central Committee
of the Communist Party of China,

Peking,

China

Distinguished Mr. Chairman:

In the name of the Mexican people and Government, I express to you our deep grief over the death of Chou En-lai, Premier of the State Council, outstanding fighter for world peace and one of the great constructors of the new society of China. The salvation of his people from the bygone oppression and misery, the development of a new conception of human life and the implantation of new forms of social organization, all these serve as the best testimony to the fruitfulness of the task to which Chou En-lai devoted all his efforts together with you and the Chinese people. The Mexican people deeply grieve over the loss of a leader who always employed the vigour and the moral authority of his motherland in favour of the cause of the third world peoples, made fundamental contributions to peaceful coexistence, and contributed decidedly to the promotion of international justice. This Chinese statesman had on many occasions expressed his sympathy and support for Mexico's initiative for establishing a new international economic order and for defending the rights of the developing countries.

Lic. Luis Echeverria

President of the Republic

Los Pinos, Mexico City, January 9, 1976

His Excellency Mr. Chu Teh,
Chairman of the Standing Committee of
the National People's Congress,

Peking,

China

With profound grief we received in Mexico the news on the death of Premier Chou En-lai of the State Council. Generations of today and of the future will forever remember his revolutionary patriotic action made together with the Chinese people and their leader Mao Tsetung in fulfilling one of the most important political tasks assigned by history — the building in China of a

new society based on respect for human dignity and just social relations. On the occasion of my state visit to your country in April 1973, I was able to appreciate directly his qualities as a statesman of vision and the virtue of dedicating himself fully to the exercise of his public responsibilities. His actions in favour of peace contributed substantively to international detente and to the raising of the awareness for solidarity among the emerging peoples of the third world. At this hour of grief, the people and Government of Mexico express to you through me their sincere condolences.

Lic. Luis Echeverria

President of the Republic

Los Pinos, Mexico City, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Afghan President Mohammad Daoud

His Excellency Chairman Mao Tsetung,
Peking

It is with profound regret that I have learnt of the demise of His Excellency Chou En-lai after a prolonged illness. His death is not only a great national loss for the Government and people of China but will be felt throughout the world and by all who had known him, as I have had the pleasure of knowing him personally. Not only was he a leading statesman of Asia but equally so a renowned international figure of great stature of our times. The part that he played during the revolution and its final successful outcome and later in the capacity of Premier in the reconstruction and progress of the People's Republic of China will be remembered in the history of your great country with gratitude. In the field of international affairs, his active participation in the cause of strengthening peace and security will always be recalled with praise. Once again may I extend on behalf of the people and Government of Afghanistan and myself the expression of my heartfelt sympathy and condolences to Your Excellency and the neighbourly Chinese people on the loss of this loyal son of China.

Mohammad Daoud

Kabul, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Rwandan President Habyarimana Juvenal

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

Peking

I have learnt with stupefaction the regretted passing away of Chou En-lai, Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China. At this moment of severe trial, I, on behalf of the Rwandan people united around the National Revolutionary Movement for Development and in my own name, extend to Your Excellency and all the friendly Chinese people our deepest condolences. China and her friends have lost a great revolutionary fighter whose grandeur of spirit and action will be deeply embedded in their memories. Please convey, Your Excellency, to the bereaved family that we share with them their deep sorrow.

Highest consideration,

Major General Habyarimana Juvenal

President of the Republic of Rwanda
and President and Founder of the
National Revolutionary Movement
for Development

Kigali, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Chairman Ibrahim Mohamed Hamdi Of the Command Council of Yemen Arab Republic

His Excellency Chairman Mao Tsetung,
Peking

I have learnt with sorrow of the news of the death of your comrade-in-arms, great Premier Chou En-lai, who had fought side by side with you in the historical course of the liberation of your country and the building of New China.

We remember not only the great role he played in supporting the third world people and the cause of liberation, world peace and the just cause, but also the outstanding role played by the great deceased at the Bandung Conference which laid the foundation for unity among the non-aligned bloc and made it a contemporary effective force.

In the name of my colleagues in the Command Council, the Y.A.R. people and in my own name, I extend to you, the friendly Chinese people and the bereaved family, the saddest condolences and grief. We hope you will restrain your grief at this great misfortune.

Ibrahim Mohamed Hamdi

Chairman of the Command Council of
the Yemen Arab Republic and
Commander-in-Chief of the
Armed Forces

Sanaa, January 9, 1976

**Message of Condolence From
Prime Minister Abdul-Aziz
Abdul-Ghani of Yemen Arab
Republic**

His Excellency Mr. Chu Teh,
Chairman of the Standing Committee of
the National People's Congress of the
People's Republic of China,

Peking

We have learnt with deep grief of the death of the great Premier Chou En-lai, your comrade who joined the struggles of liberating and building China.

The role played by Premier Chou En-lai in supporting the liberation cause and the peoples of the third world, especially his outstanding role in strengthening the unity of the non-aligned nations and making it an effective force in international society, has produced far-reaching effects in our hearts.

In the name of my colleagues in the government and in my own name, I convey to you deepest condolences and grief. I hope that you, the Chinese people and the bereaved family will restrain grief at the gigantic misfortune.

Abdul-Aziz Abdul-Ghani
Member of the Command Council and
Prime Minister of the Yemen Arab
Republic

Sanaa, January 9, 1976

**Message of Condolence From
Syrian President Hafez al-Assad**

His Excellency Mao Tsetung,
Chairman of the Communist Party
of China,

Peking

With great and deep sorrow we received the news of the passing of His Excellency Chou En-lai, Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China. With his death the People's Republic of China and the world as well have lost a prominent statesman and a dedicated militant who devoted his life to struggle for the sake of his people and in defence of the causes of peoples in the world and whose unique characters enabled him to continue his service to his people and his country since the start of the revolution in China and till the end of his life. He also played a major role in laying the foundation of solidarity among Asian and African peoples. On behalf of the Syrian Arab people, the leadership of the Arab Baath Socialist Party and

in my own name, I express to Your Excellency, the leadership of the Chinese Communist Party and to the friendly Chinese people our heartfelt condolences.

Hafez al-Assad
Secretary-General of the Arab Baath
Socialist Party, President of the
Syrian Arab Republic

Damascus, January 9, 1976

**Message of Condolence From
Syrian Prime Minister
Mahmoud al Ayyoubi**

His Excellency Mr. Chairman Mao Tsetung,

Peking

I have learnt with deep sorrow of the news of the death of Mr. Chou En-lai, great fighter and eminent statesman. Mr. Chou En-lai had fought together with the great Chinese people and won glorious victories. In his death, the great Chinese people have lost a resolute fighter and outstanding leader, and the world liberation movement has lost a loyal fighter. He was firmly confident that the peoples of all countries have the right to liberty and independence and had waged a long struggle for its realization. I, on behalf of the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic and in my own name, extend to Your Excellency the sincerest and deepest condolences.

Mahmoud al Ayyoubi
Prime Minister of the Syrian Arab
Republic

Damascus, January 9, 1976

**Message of Condolence From
President Michel Micombero
Of Burundi**

His Excellency Mao Tsetung,
Chairman of the Central Committee
of the Communist Party China,

Peking,

The People's Republic of China

Your Excellency Mr. Chairman:

The Burundi people, Party and Government and I myself learnt with deep sorrow of the sad news of the passing away of His Excellency Mr. Chou En-lai, Premier of the People's Republic of China, comrade-in-arms of Your Excellency and hero of the Chinese revolution. We deplore the loss of a man who contributed

much not only to the grandeur of the valiant Chinese people but also to the revolution of the world peoples. All the revolutionary peoples will cherish the memory of the friendship and support which he had all along given them in their struggle against imperialism, colonialism and racism. At this tragic moment of your country, the Burundi people join me in expressing to Your Excellency and the friendly people of the People's Republic of China our deepest condolences.

Lieutenant General Michel Micombero
General Secretary of the Party of
Unity and National Progress, Pres-
ident and Head of Government
of the Republic of Burundi

Bujumbura, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Sierra Leonean President Stevens

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

Peking,

China

The Government and people of the Republic of Sierra Leone have received with deep sorrow the sad news of the death of your comrade-in-arms, Premier Chou En-lai. Premier Chou belonged not only to the People's Republic of China which he so actively helped to create, but was a friend of and inspiration to all progressive and peace-loving peoples throughout the world. With his deep foresight and unflinching devotion to promote unity and solidarity amongst peoples throughout the third world of developing countries, he was one of the pioneers of the non-aligned movement. His keen interest to strengthen co-operation among countries of the third world was shown by his historic visits to African and Asian countries, followed by the positive Chinese assistance to these countries. The great progress and achievements made by the People's Republic of China, which I was able to see for myself during my visit to China, are the result of your sagacious and able leadership, aided by Comrade Chou En-lai and other members of the Party. Comrade Chou En-lai was a world statesman who devoted a long span of his life to help shape both the destiny of his country and people as well as to promote international peace and progress. His death is an irreparable loss to all peace-loving nations of the world. We have therefore joined the millions of peoples who mourn his death and I send you, personally and through you to the friendly people of China, particularly the bereaved family, my sympathy and deep condolences in this your hour of grief.

Highest consideration,

Siaka Stevens
President of the Republic of
Sierra Leone
Freetown, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Congolesse President N'Gouabi

Chairman Mao Tsetung,

Peking

I have learnt with shock of the death of Comrade Chou En-lai, your close colleague and Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China. The Congolesse people, the Party and I myself pay last homage to this exceptionally outstanding revolutionary with his courage, determination, competence in work and high political sense. He will go down in history not only as a fine builder of the People's Republic of China but also as a diplomat of great talent in raising the prestige of your country, the third world and socialism. We will never forget his personal role in developing the relations between China and the Congo. When I visited your country in 1973, I found in him an excellent interlocutor who took a deep interest in the development of the Congolesse revolution, and a comrade with many fine qualities whose conversations will for ever remain a source of enriching reflection to me. I beg you to convey my deep and militant condolences to the companion of the great deceased and his family, the Communist Party of China and the Chinese Government. I should like to extend my sympathies and militant solidarity to you on the death of your colleague, comrade and friend which has brought you profound sorrow.

With the highest and fraternal consideration,

Major Marien N'Gouabi
President of the Central Committee of
the Congolesse Party of Labour and
President of the People's
Republic of the Congo
Brazzaville, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Malagasy President Didier Ratsiraka

His Excellency Mr. Mao Tsetung,
Chairman of the Central Committee
of the Communist Party of China,

Peking,

The People's Republic of China

We have learnt with shock and deep sorrow of the death of Mr. Chou En-lai, Premier of the People's Republic of China. Premier Chou En-lai will be remembered as a great man who had always been a valiant architect of socialism and the Chinese revolution and worked for more just international relations and for the triumph of the struggle of the people against all forms of domination. The Malagasy people will remember in particular the eminent role played by the Premier in the conclusion of agreements between China and Madagascar which have strengthened the friendly relations and fruitful co-operation between our two peoples. We have lost a great friend. The Malagasy people and myself extend to Your Excellency, the Chinese Communist Party and the Chinese people our sincere condolences. I beg you to convey our deep sympathy to the bereaved family.

Highest consideration,

Didier Ratsiraka

President of the Democratic Republic
of Madagascar

Tananarive, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Maltese President Mamo

His Excellency Mr. Mao Tsetung,
Chairman of the Central Committee
of the Communist Party of China,

Peking,

China

The Maltese people have learnt with profound sorrow of the passing away of Premier Chou En-lai. The People's Republic of China has lost a great son and leader and the world has lost an outstanding statesman whose contributions to understanding among nations and the promotion of peace in the world are incalculable. On behalf of the Government and people of Malta and on my own behalf, I send you and the friendly Government and people of the People's Republic of China sincere and heartfelt condolences. I would ask that an expression of very deep sympathy may be conveyed to the family of the deceased.

Anthony J. Mamo

President of the Republic of Malta

Malta, January 9, 1976

January 23, 1976

Message of Condolence From Maltese Prime Minister Mintoff

His Excellency Mr. Chu Teh,
Chairman of the Standing Committee
of the National People's Congress,

Peking,

The People's Republic of China

Malta mourns the passing away of Comrade Chou En-lai, one of the world's most prominent revolutionary leaders, a very great friend of the people of Malta and one of China's great statesmen. Whilst flags stand at half mast, my colleagues and I send our condolences to his family and to the Government and people of China.

Dom Mintoff

Prime Minister of Malta

Malta, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Ethiopian Chairman Bante

His Excellency Chairman Mao Tsetung,
Chairman of the Central Committee
of the Communist Party of China,

Peking

It is with great sorrow that I have learnt of the passing away of Premier Chou En-lai. China has lost one of her greatest sons, a revolutionary fighter, an outstanding statesman and a great champion for the cause of freedom, independence and social justice. At this time of great sorrow I extend on behalf of the people of Ethiopia, the Provisional Military Government of Socialist Ethiopia and myself to Your Excellency and through you to the people and Government of China our profound condolences in this great loss.

Brigadier General Teferi Bante

Chairman of the Provisional Military
Administrative Council and the
Council of Ministers of
Socialist Ethiopia

Addis Ababa, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Acting President Masire of Botswana

His Excellency Chairman Mao Tsetung,

Peking

Your Excellency:

On behalf of the Government and people of Botswana and on my own behalf, may I express my

greatest shock and sympathy at the untimely death of your colleague, Honourable Chou En-lai, who will always be remembered for his enormous contribution towards the political, economic and cultural development of your great country and for the important role that he has played in the struggle against imperialism, colonialism and racism, particularly in Africa and Asia. Please convey our heartfelt condolences to Mr. Chou En-lai's family.

Q. K. Masire

Acting President of the Republic of
Botswana

Gaborone, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Emir Al Thani of Qatar

His Excellency Chairman Mao Tsetung,
Peking,

The People's Republic of China

We learnt with much sorrow the sad news of the passing of His Excellency Premier Chou En-lai and we extend to Your Excellency and to the people and Government of the People's Republic of China our sincere condolences and deep sympathy on this sad loss on behalf of the people and the Government of the State of Qatar and on my own behalf.

Khalifa Bin Hamad Al Thani

Emir of the State of Qatar

Doha, January 10, 1976

Message of Condolence From Surinam President Ferrier

Chairman Mao Tsetung,

Peking,

The People's Republic of China

On behalf of the Government and people of the Republic of Surinam, we offer you our well-meant condolences on the passing away of Mr. Chou En-lai, former Prime Minister of the People's Republic of China. He will be remembered for his excellent work.

Dr. Johan Ferrier

President of the Republic of Surinam

Paramaribo, January 9, 1976

Messages of Condolences From Australian Prime Minister Fraser

His Excellency Mao Tsetung,
Chairman of the Chinese Communist Party,
Peking

May I express my sincere condolences to you and to the Government and people of China. Premier Chou En-lai was a great leader whose passing will be sadly felt not only by the people of China but by people throughout the world. I know how keenly you yourself will feel the loss of a devoted colleague who was at your side through so many years.

Malcolm Fraser

Prime Minister of Australia

January 9, 1976

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

Peking

On behalf of the Government and people of Australia, I convey the sympathy of all Australians to the Government and people of China at this time of national mourning at the passing away of Premier Chou En-lai. He will be remembered for the great contribution he has made to his country's affairs. History will record him as one of the world's great leaders. Please also convey my condolences and warmest sympathy to Madame Teng Ying-chao.

Malcolm Fraser

Prime Minister of Australia

January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Prime Minister Tupua Tamasese Lealofi IV of Western Samoa

His Excellency Chairman Mao Tsetung,
c/o Ministry of Foreign Affairs,

Peking

We are much saddened by news of the death of Premier Chou En-lai. The world has lost a most remarkable statesman who combined superbly the very

rare qualities of greatness of mind and spirit. The passing of a leader of his international standing and repute is indeed a great loss to the world.

Please accept the deepest sympathy and sincerest condolences of the Government and people of Western Samoa.

Tupua Tamasese Lealofi IV

Prime Minister

Apia, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Prime Minister Leabua Jonathan Of Lesotho

Leabua Jonathan, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Lesotho, sent a message to Chairman Mao Tsetung, expressing sincere sympathy on the death of Premier Chou En-lai. The message reads:

Your Excellency:

The sad news of the death of Premier Chou En-lai of the People's Republic of China has reached us. On behalf of the Government and the people of Lesotho and on my behalf I wish to express our sincere sympathy to the Government, the people and the bereaved family at the death of one of the greatest statesmen of the People's Republic of China.

Leabua Jonathan

Prime Minister of the Kingdom of
Lesotho

Message of Condolence From Peruvian President Morales

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

Peking

On the grievous death of His Excellency Mr. Chou En-lai, Premier of the State Council, I express to Your Excellency, and through you to the distinguished Government of the People's Republic of China, the condolences of the people and Revolutionary Government of the Armed Forces of Peru, especially that of my own.

Lieutenant General Francisco Morales
Bermudez Cerrutti

President of the Republic of Peru

Lima, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Peruvian Acting Prime Minister Poggi

His Excellency Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-ping
of the People's Republic of China,

Peking

I wish to express to Your Excellency and, through you, to the people of the People's Republic of China, the condolences of the Peruvian people and Revolutionary Government of the Armed Forces on the unfortunate death of His Excellency Mr. Chou En-lai.

Lieutenant General Dante Poggi Moran

Minister of the Air Force and Acting
Prime Minister of Peru

Lima, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Chilean President Pinochet

His Excellency Chu Teh,
Chairman of the National People's Congress
of the People's Republic of China,

Peking,

China

In face of the lamentable death of Premier Chou En-lai, please allow me to express to Your Excellency my profound condolences on this grievous loss to the noble people of the People's Republic of China and the cause of world peace.

General Augusto Pinochet Ugarte
President of the Republic of Chile
Santiago, Chile, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Brazilian President Ernesto Geisel

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

Peking

On the occasion of the death of His Excellency Premier Chou En-lai, in my own name and on behalf of the Brazilian people, I express to you, Mr. Chairman, our sincerest regrets.

Ernesto Geisel

President of the Federative Republic of
Brazil

Rio de Janeiro, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Argentine President Maria Estela Martinez de Peron

His Excellency Chu Teh,
Chairman of the Standing Committee
of the National People's Congress,

Peking,
China

On behalf of the Argentine people and Government and in my own name, I express to Your Excellency my deepest sorrow for the death of His Excellency Mr. Chou En-lai, Premier of the State Council and an eminent statesman of international importance.

Maria Estela Martinez de Peron
President of Argentina
Buenos Aires, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Portuguese President Gomes

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

Peking,

The People's Republic of China

With the death of Premier Chou En-lai, China and the world have lost one of the greatest statesmen of our century. I ask you to accept my deep sorrow and to convey to Premier Chou En-lai's family my sincere condolences.

Francisco da Costa Gomes
President of the Republic of Portugal
Lisbon, January 10, 1976

Message of Condolence From Portuguese Prime Minister Azevedo

Mr. Teng Hsiao-ping,
Deputy Prime Minister of the
People's Republic of China,

Peking,

The People's Republic of China

On behalf of the Portuguese Government and on my own behalf, please accept our sincere condolences

for the bereavement of Prime Minister Chou En-lai.

Jose Pinheiro de Azevedo
Prime Minister of Portugal
Lisbon, January 10, 1976

Messages of Condolences From President Ortoli of the Commission Of European Communities

Mr. Chairman Mao Tsetung,
Peking

With deep sadness the Commission of European Communities learnt of the decease of Mr. Chou En-lai, Premier of the People's Republic of China. Considering your close ties with the deceased, my colleagues and I express to you and the Chinese people our deep condolences on the death of the eminent statesman, whose name will always be remembered in the history of China and the world.

Francois-Xavier Ortoli
President of the Commission of
European Communities
Brussels, January 9, 1976

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

Peking

In the name of the Commission of European Communities and in my own name, I express to you our deepest condolences on the decease of Premier Chou En-lai. We highly honour the memory of this remarkable man and join in the grief of the Chinese Government and people.

Francois-Xavier Ortoli
President of the Commission of
European Communities
Brussels, January 9, 1976

Message of Condolence From Premier Kim Il of D.P.R.K.

The State Council of the People's Republic
of China,

Peking

I learnt with grief that Comrade Chou En-lai, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Com-