

PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF AFGHANISTAN

(The Working Class Party of Afghanistan)

The Central Committee of the  
Communist Party of the  
United Kingdom.

Dear Comrades,

Paying great importance to strengthening of confidence and contacts between our parties we consider necessary to inform you about the development of events in Afghanistan since the present leadership of our party has been formed. Such information seems to us to be of special importance in the conditions when imperialistic and Peking propaganda spread false campaign against us, against the April revolution, against our friends.

We would like to tell you frankly about what is actually taking place in our country presently. Why did we overthrow Amin, bring him to trial and execute him? Why did we persistently requested the USSR assistance including military aid?

The Afghan revolution though young experienced impetuous events. The victory of the April revolution in 1978 meant for the people of Afghanistan that completely new way for the construction of really just and democratic society was opened. For a very short period of time we have done very much: land reform was started as well as complete change of the tenor of life of the people based on the principles of social justice and democratic legality. In other words, everything that was necessary to be done for the national-democratic revolution - was carried out.

And now we would like to tell you about what has been done by us for that short period of time we are in power. First of all, we averted a catastrophe that our revolution was faced with, established premises and conditions to defend gains of the revolution, to repulse external intervention, to stabilise People's Revolutionary power, the only goal of which is the welfare of the Afghan people who have chosen the way of construction of new life.

We concentrate our efforts on eliminating consequences of the treacherous policy of H. Amin. We released about 10 thousand prisoners and among them representatives of clergy and intellectuals. All political prisoners subjected to repression on false grounds by the former leadership were set free.

We pay great attention to the struggle for expansion of the socio-political base of our party and the state. We gave instructions to the members of the party and to the party organisations to work intensively with broad masses to win influence among them. Non-Party members are introduced in the new Revolutionary Council. Three Ministers in the newly formed Government are also non-Party men (Ministers of Commerce, Public Health, Agriculture and Land Reform). Our nearest goal as we see it is to establish premises to form National People's Front on the revolutionary and democratic basis with participation of various political, public and religious organisations. Such union is a need for us to counteract in case of aggression against revolutionary Afghanistan.

We undertake steps for improving relations with Moslem clergy that was persecuted by H. Amin. First results are already obtained. The Jamiate-Ulema (the highest Moslem Authority) declared recently its support of our leadership.