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Condolences on the death of Haider Akbar Khan Rano

Dear comrades!

It is with great sorrow and our deepest sympathy to all comrades of the Communist Party Bangladesh that we wish to bid farewell to Haider Akbar Khan Rano. He was a Marxist-Leninist, a materialist and a great fighter for genuine socialism. He was an advisor and a teacher, a sincere and modest man, a great internationalist. With his talks and reports, he also contributed to the further development of the ideological-political line of MLPD. In Bangladesh, he was actively involved in the struggle for independence and was a co-founder of a new Bangladeshi state. Unfortunately, the hopeful beginnings, which also included socialism as a state goal, did not continue. The struggle for socialism would have had to be continued in the fight against the attempt to build the new state taking the capitalist road. He was a role model for comrades in Bangladesh and worldwide, especially for the youth with his fighting spirit, patience and confidence in victory. In his long life, he fought many battles with great confidence in his comrades and in the world revolutionary movement. Even increasing health problems could not prevent him from standing up for our common goal to the end.

In a recent visit to Haider Akbar Khan Rano, he reported a very complicated situation in Bangladesh due to the reactionary and fascist course of the AWAMI League, with whose former members he had fought side by side.

In Haider Akbar Khan Rano, the revolutionary workers' movement in Bangladesh has lost a comrade who fought for a new type of revolutionary party in Bangladesh. He was a great fighter to the last and shaped

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and enrichend the Marxist-Leninist movement in Bangladesh like no other. He was a loyal and reliable friend of the MLPD and in particular of the former party chairman Stefan Engel. With his openness to the doctrine of the mode of thinking and the conscious application of the dialectical method, he helped this to take root in the revolutionary movement in Bangladesh as well, but also brought forth new opponents.

We are sure that the comrades will continue his life's work. His legacy gives us and you strength and confidence, just as Haider Akbar Khan Rano never lost his confidence that we could overthrow the capitalist system and build a socialist society.

Our deepest condolences go to his relatives, his closest comrades, the working class and the revolutionary movement in Bangladesh.

With revolutionary greetings and solidarity from all comrades of the MLPD!

Gabi Fechtner (Chairwoman of the MLPD)

Monika Gärtner-Engel (Internationalism Secretary of the MLPD)

Stefan Engel (Founding Chairman of the MLPD for 37 years and head of the theoretical organ of MLPD, "REVOLUTIONARY WAY")