

Call of the ICOR for the International Day of Environmental Struggle on Saturday, 14 November 2020

**World economic and financial crisis, health crisis and environmental crisis are demanding:
Save the environment from the profit economy!**

In the connection of the deep world economic and financial crisis with the corona crisis and the global environmental crisis, a race for the preservation of the foundations of human life is developing worldwide. The worst victims of the Covid-19 pandemic are mostly claimed where environmental pollution is at its worst, where people are crammed into miserable living quarters and working conditions and where capitalist exploitation is carried out with little or no health protection.

Contrary to all the imperialists' targeted propaganda of a "respite for the environment through the corona pandemic", the accelerated transition to a global environmental catastrophe is clearly evident. All over the world, large forest areas are burning, the polar ice masses are melting, the permafrost is thawing and the rainforests are being cleared (slash and burn) at an accelerated pace for the maximum profit of corporations. In 2021, the Amazon rainforest, one of the "green lungs of the earth", long term a tipping point is threatening and thus its irreversible transformation into a steppe. At over 411 ppm, the CO₂ content of the atmosphere has reached a new peak, as did the temperature of land and water. The global average temperature has already risen by 1.22 degrees centigrade compared to the pre-industrial era, while the ruling classes are still debating over the non-binding intention of limiting it to a "1.5 degree target" in the Paris Climate Treaty. However, this means already accepting devastating consequences and is triggering self-destructive processes that should actually be prevented. Violent storms, inundations, aridness and drought are destroying millions of livelihoods and forcing the survivors to flee. In many countries excessive mining poisons water, soil and air.

International monopolies, imperialist governments and imperialist alliances like the EU are pushing for a pseudo-ecological, profit oriented and imperialist policy and opinion manipulation like the „European Battery Alliance“ which promotes lithium fever with all its consequences for the people and to mislead the masses they fantasize about a "Green Deal" with billions of subsidies for international finance capital, or like Trump or Bolsonaro openly reject environmental protection. Neither this, nor green packages of non-binding promises will save the environment. With the basic line "environmental protection only if the profits flow" humanity will perish!

Mass struggles and even rebellion-like developments in some countries and the criticism of capitalism, especially among young people, are increasing. The masses need more clarity and organization! In the struggles against mass layoffs, environmental destruction, hunger crises and rightward development of governments, as well as in the protests of the Fridays for Future movement, the search for a societal alternative is growing!

The massive spreading of anticommunism is intended to suppress this debate, search and organization. The imperialists know that their destructive rule will be overthrown when the masses worldwide, with the perspective of socialism in mind, unite and fight for their future under the leadership of the international proletariat!

With reference to the Corona pandemic, the imperialists have postponed the 26th UN World Climate Conference in Glasgow by one year, to November 1-12, 2021. The revolutionary and workers movement and the militant global environmental movement have no reason to postpone their activities. Time is pressing!

As planned, ICOR will conduct its annual Environmental Day of Struggle on November 14th, the date of the traditional annual Global Action Day of the militant environmental movement. We call upon the youth, the workers, environmentalists and activists of the popular and social movements: Let us set a militant signal together on this day:

- in the struggle for jobs and comprehensive environmental protection at the expense of profits
- for the enforcement of renewable energies
- against the pollution of man and nature, against plundering and littering of the planet
- against the destruction of forests and marine ecology
- in the struggle for our democratic rights and freedoms, for the rights and protection of millions of refugees worldwide
- Against every division in the struggle for jobs and protection of the natural environment: Build together an international active resistance front to save the environment! Working-class, popular and environmental movement together hand in hand!
- Mass discussion about saving the unity of humanity and nature, about genuine socialism as a societal alternative!
- Determined struggle against the destructive environmental policies of the imperialist countries – only the democratic revolution and ultimately socialism and communism will make the solution of the vital environmental question possible.

Participate in the ICOR Environmental Day of Struggle on 14 November - worldwide!

Strengthen the ICOR and its member organizations!

Signatories (as of 13 November 2020, further signatories possible):

1. UPC-Manidem Union des Populations du Cameroun - Manifeste National pour l'Instauration de la Démocratie (Union of Populations of Cameroon - National Manifesto for the Establishment of Democracy)
2. MMLPL Moroccan Marxist-Leninist Proletarian Line
3. CPSA (ML) Communist Party of South Africa (Marxist-Leninist)
4. PPDS Parti Patriotique Démocratique Socialiste (Patriotic Democratic Socialist Party), Tunisia
5. MLOA Marxist-Leninist Organization of Afghanistan
6. CPB Communist Party of Bangladesh
7. CPI (ML) Red Star Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist) Red Star
8. NCP (Mashal) Nepal Communist Party (Mashal)
9. NDMLP New-Democratic Marxist-Leninist Party, Sri Lanka
10. CPA/ML Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist)
11. БКП Българска Комунистическа Партия (Bulgarian Communist Party)
12. БРП(к) Българска Работническа Партия (комунисти) (Bulgarian Workers Party (Communist))
13. PR-ByH Partija Rada - ByH (Party of Labor - Bosnia and Herzegovina)
14. MLPD Marxistisch-Leninistische Partei Deutschlands (Marxist-Leninist Party of Germany)
15. UCLyon Unité Communiste Lyon (Communist United Lyon), France

16. UPML Union Prolétarienne Marxiste-Léniniste (Marxist-Leninist Proletarian Union), France
17. BP (NK-T) Bolşevik Parti (Kuzey Kürdistan-Türkiye) (Bolshevik Party (North Kurdistan-Turkey))
18. KOL Kommunistische Organisation Luxemburg (Communist Organization of Luxemburg)
19. RM Rode Morgen (Red Dawn), Netherlands
20. UMLP União Marxista-Leninista Portuguesa (Portuguese Marxist-Leninist Union)
21. MLP Marksistsko-Leninskaja Platforma (Marxist-Leninist Platform), Russia
22. MLGS Marxistisch-Leninistische Gruppe Schweiz (Marxist-Leninist Group of Switzerland)
23. KSC-CSSP Komunistická Strana Československa – Československa Strana Prace (Communist Party of Czechoslovakia – Czechoslovakian Workers Party), Czech Republic
24. TIKB Türkiye İhtilalci Komünistler Birliği (Union of Revolutionary Communists of Turkey)
25. KSRD Koordinazionnyj Sowjet Rabotschewo Dvizhenija (Coordination Council of the Workers Class Movement), Ukraine
26. PCC-M Partido Comunista de Colombia – Maoista (Communist Party of Colombia - Maoist)
27. PCP (independiente) Partido Comunista Paraguayo (independiente) (Paraguayan Communist Party (independent))
28. BDP Bloque Democrático Popular (Popular Democratic Bloc), Peru
29. PC (ML) Partido Comunista (Marxista Leninista) (Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist)), Dominican Republic
30. PCR-U Partido Comunista Revolucionario del Uruguay (Revolutionary Communist Party of Uruguay)
31. PS-GdT Plataforma Socialista - Golpe de Timón (Socialist Platform – Change of Course), Venezuela