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**ICOR** call

## May Day 2022 and May 8. and 9. – International Days of Struggle for Workers' Rights, Peace, Freedom, and Socialism!

## Active resistance against any imperialist war and the danger of World War!

May Day 2022, as international day of struggle of the working class, is overshadowed by a barbaric invasion of Ukraine by Russian imperialism and a massively intensified general interimperialist danger of war and world war. Imperialist countries or blocs of Russia or the USA, as the main warmonger in the world and in alliance with NATO, directly confront each other in different ways on Ukrainian territory – creating the potential for a Third World War.

**May 8/9** stand for the victory of the Allies, above all the Red Army of the socialist Soviet Union over Hitler's fascism in 1945. The masses in Russia and Eastern Europe celebrate this day until today and the ICOR has elevated it to an anti-war day of struggle.

The international working class, especially the international industrial proletariat is challenged to form the decisive backbone in the struggle of the masses, the workers, women, youth, environmentalists, and antifascists against imperialism and today especially against the imminent danger of a nuclear-led III World War.

The interaction between the persisting world economic and financial crisis, the corona pandemic, the arms race now being stepped up worldwide, and the accelerated transition to a global environmental catastrophe has affected the lives of the world's masses to the point of questioning their foundations of life. Inflation is rising rapidly, making life unaffordable for increasingly growing masses of people. An estimated 17 million people have died from COVID-19. Many of them could still be alive if they had received a vaccination. However, the imperialist countries and monopolies continue to greedily guard their profitable patents at the cost of the lives of millions of people. 160 million persons have additionally been thrust into poverty. In more than 100 countries, hard-won social benefits and health services have been reduced or even entirely revoked during the crisis. Millions of jobs have been destroyed or earmarked for elimination.

The masses are fighting back in demonstrations, resistance actions, strikes, and movements similar to uprisings. In hunger revolts and struggles against inflation and the energy companies' policy of monopoly prices they defend their existential interests.

ICOR has clearly positioned itself. Now it is necessary to follow words with deeds: May Day is above all the day on which we take stock of the strengthening of ICOR and all our member organizations in order to make the call unmistakable worldwide: forward to socialism and communism! Only with the seizure of power of the proletariat the way is opened that imperialist wars, exploitation and oppression of the workers and the broad masses, environmental destruction, and lack of prospects for the youth belong to the past.

## **Active resistance:**

No to Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine!

No to every imperialist policy – Step up the anti-imperialist struggle against the threat of World War – Strengthen the anti-imperialist and antifascist united front!

Fight the shifting of the burdens of war and crises on the backs of the workers and the toiling masses!

For the right of self-determination of nations!

Long live the friendship between the Ukrainian and Russian peoples! Worldwide struggle for democracy, peace, freedom, and socialism!

## Signatories (as of 27 April 2022, further signatories possible):

- 1. PCPCI Parti Communiste Proletarien de Côte d'Ivoire (Proletarian Communist Party of Ivory Coast)
- 2. 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)
- 3. MMLPL Moroccan Marxist-Leninist Proletarian Line
- 4. CPSA (ML) Communist Party of South Africa (Marxist-Leninist)
- 5. PCT Parti Comuniste du Togo (Communist Party of Togo)
- 6. PPDS Parti Patriotique Démocratique Socialiste (Patriotic Democratic Socialist Party), Tunisia
- 7. CPB Communist Party of Bangladesh
- 8. CPI (ML) Red Star Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist) Red Star
- 9. NCP (Mashal) Nepal Communist Party (Mashal)
- 10. PPRF Patriotic Peoples Republican Front of Nepal
- 11. CPA/ML Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist)
- 12. БКП Българска Комунистическа Партия (Bulgarian Communist Party)
- 13. PR-ByH Partija Rada ByH (Party of Labor Bosnia and Herzegovina)
- 14. MLPD Marxistisch-Leninistische Partei Deutschlands (Marxist-Leninist Party of Germany)
- 15. UC Unité Communiste (Communist United), France
- 16. UPML Union Prolétarienne Marxiste-Léniniste (Marxist-Leninist Proletarian Union), France
- 17. KOL Kommunistische Organisation Luxemburg (Communist Organization of Luxemburg)
- 18. RM Rode Morgen (Red Dawn), Netherlands
- 19. UMLP União Marxista-Leninista Portuguesa (Portuguese Marxist-Leninist Union)

- 20. RMP Российская маоистская партия (Rossijskaya maoistskaya partiya) (Russian Maoist Party)
- 21. MLGS Marxistisch-Leninistische Gruppe Schweiz (Marxist-Leninist Group of Switzerland)
- 22. MLKP Marksist Leninist Komünist Parti Türkiye / Kürdistan (Marxist Leninist Communist Party Turkey / Kurdistan)
- 23. KSRD Koordinazionnyj Sowjet Rabotschewo Dvizhenija (Coordination Council of the Workers Class Movement), Ukraine
- 24. UoC Union of Cypriots, Cyprus
- 25. PCC-M Partido Comunista de Colombia Maoista (Communist Party of Colombia Maoist)
- 26. OAPCM Organización Apoyante del Partido Comunista de México (Supporting Organization of the Communist Party of Mexico)
- 27. PCP (independiente) Partido Comunista Paraguayo (independiente) (Paraguayan Communist Party (independent))
- 28. PPP Partido Proletario del Perú (Proletarian Party of 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. ROL Revolutionary Organization of Labor, USA