

Communiqué on the conclusion of the:

First Congress of the

Worker-communist Party of Iran – Hekmatist

The first congress of the Worker-communist Party of Iran – Hekmatist was held on October 21 and 22, 2006 in Köln, Germany. Over 260 delegates and guests attended this public event. The whole of the proceedings was also made accessible over the internet. During two days of intense debates and discussions a range of the most pressing issues facing the people of Iran and the world were dealt with and appropriate policies and decisions were adopted to tackle them.

The congress was opened by playing the internationale and observing one minute silence in commemoration of the those fallen in the path of socialism and freedom. The proceedings then continued with an opening speech delivered by Koorosh Modarresi, the leader of the WPI-Hekmatist, followed by a deliberation on a report prepared by the Organising Committee for the First Congress. The congress approved the report and the credentials of all the delegates. A number of delegates representing the Party organisations inside Iran were not, due to security consideration, able to attend the congress but were allowed to cast their votes via proxies. The congress then entered into its main business with a speech by Rebwar Ahmad, the leader of the Worker-Communist Party of Iraq. \triangleright Page 5

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The Party's progress report since its foundation in 2004 was presented followed by a round of debates and discussions. Following the report, the congress moved on to discuss the proposed motions and resolutions. The delegates then decided to put, amongst a large number of proposed motions and resolutions, the followings on the agenda:

- The Women liberation movement in Iran and the tasks of the Hekmatist Party
- The International situation and the state of Communism
- The Situation in Iran and the challenges facing the WPI-Hekmatist Party
- The political situation in Iran and the movement to overthrow the regime
- The threat of disintegration of the country and the ways to prevent it
- The political situation in Iran and the Hekmatist Party
- Call to people, political parties and political personalities
- Call for urgent expansion of the Freedom Guards in all cities and towns in Iran
- Expansion of cooperation between the WPI-Hekmatist Party and the Worker-communist Party of Iraq
- The need to intensify the struggle against ethnocentrism and federalism

A number of motions aimed at improving the operation and the function of the Party were also dealt with.

The full text of the resolutions and motions and other documents are available in Farsi and the English translations of these documents will soon be made available.

The congress was extensively reflected and well received within the Iranian and International political organisations. A delegation from Worker-communist Party of-Iraq led by its leader, Rebwar Ahmad; a delegation from Social Democratic Party of Iran; Yanar Mohammad the president of "Organisation of Women's Freedom in Iraq"; Mr Bijan Niabati an Iranian Political personality, Mr Faridoon Ahmadi from the Organisation of Iranian Fedaiian (Majority); Mr Hassan Eatamadi from the National League for Democracy in Iran; Reza Rahimi from the Revolutionary Council of Socialists of Iran (Hekmatist); Nico De Saux representative of Iraq Solidarite and a Marxist activist from France; Roberto Luzzi representing the editorial board of "Marxist Pages" in Italy; Giuseppe Brizzolati a communist and a leader of Fiat workers representing "Class Alternative Circle" in Italy and Orhan Dilbar From the Turkish Communist Paper KOZ.

During the course of the congress a number of fringe meetings and workshops were organised including: "The Party Organisation"; "Worker-communism in Europe"; "Iranian refugees in Europe". Iraj Janatie Ataie a prominent progressive poet also held a poetry reciting session.

The first congress of the Hekmatist Party was an open and magnificent gathering directly dealing with issues affecting the fate of over 70 million people living under the a despotic and medieval regime in Iran. The determination and the resolve of the congress was reinforced by two days of deliberations, the frank and sincere discussions of differing views and finally in the manner in which these policies and resolutions were debated and carried. The holding of the congress at this crucial juncture in the political life of the people of Iran and the content of the policies and resolutions and the way in which the delegates dealt with them was an indication- at the time when most of the opposition forces in Iran are suffering from lack of direction and inaction- of the emergence of a communist party with a clear vision that is challenging the Islamic Republic. The delegates, guests and those who followed the proceedings saw for themselves that this was a congress about the most pressing issues facing the people of Iran and all the efforts were directed towards addressing the challenges facing the society.

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The first congress of the Hekmatist party was also an important event in the process of building a mass social political communist party in contrast with the current sectarian and ideological leftist groupings. The kind of party that its openness and its healthy and modern mechanisms were characteristic of its social character.

Finally the congress elected, amongst 88 candidates a 52 member Central Committee. The elected members

are: Abdullah Darabi; Abdullah Sharifi; Ali Abdali; Aman Kafa; Amjad Ghafur; As'ad Kosha; Asad Golchini; Asad Nodinian; Azam Kamguian; Azar Modarresi; Bahram Modarresi; Behruz Moddarresi; Borhan Divargar; Dariush Niknam; Djalal Mahmoudzadeh; Esmail Waisi; Fateh Shaix; Foad Abdullahi; Hassan Ghaderi; Homayun Ghodazgar; Hossein Moradbeigi; Jamal Kamangar; Kaveh Sadri; Khaled Hajmohammadi; Koorosh Modarresi; Ladann Davar; Mahmoud Ghazvini; Malekeh Ezati; Maryam Afrasyabpoor; Mehrnousch Moosawi; Minoo Homaily; Mohammad Fatahi; Mohammad Jafari; Mohammad Rassti; Mostafa Asdapour; Mozafar Mohammadi; Nahid Riazi; Nasan Nodinian; Nasim Rahnama; Parvin Maazi; Rahman Huseinzade; Rahmat Fatahi; Rasoul Benavand; Rebwar Ahmad; Saeed Arman; Said Yaganeh; Salam Zijji; Saleh Sardari; Sasan Saeed; Soraya Khezri; Soraya Shahabi and Yanar Mohammad.

Following the formal conclusion of the congress the plenum of the Central Committee was held and Koorosh Modarresi was unanimously elected as the leader of the Party and a political bureau comprising of 21 members was also elected.

The Political Bureau in a separate meeting elected Fateh Shaix as the chair of the Political Bureau and elected an eight member Leadership Committee.

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