

WUHAN REVOLUTIONARY MASSES HAILED
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[Full text of an editorial entitled "Salute the Broad Revolutionary Masses of Wuhan."]

In the past few days the brave proletarian revolutionaries and workers, peasants, and soldiers of Wuhan have been carrying on a hard struggle in defense of Chairman Mao, Vice Chairman Lin, the CCP Central Committee, the cultural revolution group of the CCP Central Committee, the cultural revolution group of the CCP Central Committee, and the proletarian cultural revolution personally started and led by Chairman Mao himself. In this they have achieved great success.

With their dauntless spirit they have hit back at the handful of party and army persons in power within the Wuhan area taking the capitalist road in their unbridled attack, and smashed the criminal conspiracy of the handful of evil leaders in the "One Million Brave Soldiers." This is a new victory for Chairman Mao's revolutionary line.

The proletarian revolutionaries of the Wuhan area have fought their way out of the struggle with the handful of persons in power taking the capitalist road and their bourgeois reactionary line. Their general orientation of struggle is correct. They are the core of the broadest revolutionary great alliance of the Wuhan area, the hope of success for the proletarian cultural revolution in the area, and the model for proletarian revolutionaries and broad revolutionary masses throughout the nation.

The present situation of the proletarian cultural revolution in Wuhan is excellent and politically the enemy has been isolated. However, as Chairman Mao has taught us, "The isolation of the enemy does not mean our victory. If we err in our policy, we still cannot achieve victory."

The enemies of the proletariat are not reconciled to their defeat. To save themselves from destruction, they would not only put up a stubborn resistance, but also create rumors to deceive the people and try new tricks and schemes. We must not treat this lightly; we must heighten our vigilance a thousandfold.

In the face of the archenemy, all revolutionary mass organizations must unite more solidly and concentrate their fire on the handful of top party persons in power taking the capitalist road and their representatives in the Wuhan area. We must beware of the attempts of the class enemy to sow dissension among us at this crucial moment.

The proletarian revolutionaries must be good in encouraging, educating, and winning over all people who have been deceived so that they will turn around to rebel against the handful of evil leaders and those manipulating them behind the scenes, and return to the side of Chairman Mao's revolutionary line. They must not attack them in revenge. Lu Hsun has said:

"Since they come from the old fortress, they know the situation better, if they turn around to deliver the blow, they can easily bring about the death of a tough enemy." The hoodwinked people have broken away from the influence and control of the handful of evil leaders and joined the ranks of the proletarian revolutionaries; this is an important factor in isolating those reactionary elements who can never awake.

Wuhan is an heroic city, full of glorious revolutionary traditions. The people of Wuhan are heroic people. The great struggle of the proletarian cultural revolution has tempered the broad masses of revolutionary people in Wuhan; under the guidance of the CCP Central Committee and Chairman Mao and, with the support of the proletarian revolutionaries and the PLA throughout the nation, these people will surely win a decisive victory in this great struggle!

Salute the brave revolutionary masses in Wuhan!