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[11 January joint editorial by WEN HUI PAO and LIBERATION DAILY: "We Will Live Up to Chairman Mao's Expectation"]

[Text] Today, 11 January, is a glorious one which is worth memorializing forever by the 10 million people of Shanghai. Last year at this time the proletarian headquarters headed by Chairman Mao sent a message of congratulations to the proletarian revolutionaries in Shanghai. This enthusiastic message of congratulations gave the greatest support and encouragement to the proletarian revolutionaries in Shanghai who had just embarked on the struggle to seize power. It is a great historic document which conveyed Chairman Mao's wise instructions concerning the great proletarian cultural revolution in Shanghai and his deep solicitude for the proletarian revolutionaries and revolutionary masses of Shanghai.

As a result of Chairman Mao's approval, the spark of the struggle to seize power which had just begun in Shanghai promptly became a prairie fire and spread all over China. This shook the world and pushed the great proletarian cultural revolution in our country to a new stage. The day on which the message of congratulations was sent has become the festival in remembrance of the great January revolution. Under the leadership of our great leader Chairman Mao and in the tempestuous storms of class struggle, the proletarian revolutionaries in Shanghai, in unity with the broad revolutionary masses, have in the past year advanced courageously along the path of the January revolution charted by Chairman Mao himself, dealt a knockout blow at Chen Pi-nsien and Tsao Ti-chiu, capitalist-roaders in the party, and at demons and monsters in society, thus achieving a decisive victory for the great proletarian cultural revolution and truly mastering the destiny of the dictatorship of the proletariat, of the great proletarian cultural revolution, and of the socialist economy.

The fundamental experience gained in the January revolution is that the proletarian revolutionaries unite together and seize power from the handful of party persons taking the capitalist road. To win victory in the struggle for seizing power, the proletarian revolutionaries must unite on the basis of Mao Tse-tung's thought, uphold the proletarian party spirit in the struggle, organize a massive revolutionary army, and suppress the enemy with overwhelming power. Otherwise, with factionalism prevailing and "mountain strongholds" existing everywhere, we not only cannot assimilate the enemy, but will be assimilated by him. In that case, even if we can seize power we cannot hold and employ it well.

The experience of the January revolution also proves that the seizure of power is not the end of struggle. To strengthen the consolidation of political power, the revolutionary committees at various levels and the revolutionary mass organizations must persist in the general orientation, continuously lead the revolutionary masses to attack the class enemy, do a good job in mass criticism and repudiation, and establish the revolutionary authorities in the course of struggle so as to strengthen our fighting power. Whoever does not take firm hold of class struggle will lose the masses as well as political power.

The experience of the January revolution also proves that we must bring the working class into full play as the main force in the great proletarian cultural revolution, rely on the organizations of revolutionary workers, and build a powerful army of the working class in accordance with Mao Tse-tung's thought. Only by giving full play to the leadership and initiative of Shanghai's working class can the great proletarian cultural revolution in Shanghai advance rapidly. We must carry forward the spirit of the January revolution and the great proletarian cultural revolution through to the end. This is the great task of struggle facing the proletarian revolutionaries of Shanghai.

In retrospect, there is a great gulf between what we have done in the past year and what the message of congratulations from the central authorities expected us to do in this period of time. Arrogance and self-contentment are the beginnings of backwardness. Today's republication of the message of congratulations is aimed at having all of us carefully study this document of great historic significance so as to examine our struggle and work in the past year, sum up our experience, discover the gaps, and learn from the proletarian revolutionaries of other areas.

Chairman Mao supports us, and we must live up to his expectations. The message of congratulations from the central authorities wishes us to be models in creatively studying and applying Chairman Mao's works. So we must find out if there is any gap in our creative study and application of Chairman Mao's works, especially in our all-round implementation of the series of Chairman Mao's latest instructions concerning the great proletarian cultural revolution. What we have done in this respect is not enough. In celebrating the first anniversary of the publication of the message of congratulations from the central authorities, we must redouble our efforts to creatively study and apply Chairman Mao's latest instructions, arm ourselves with Mao Tse-tung's thought, and always advance victoriously along Chairman Mao's revolutionary line.