ARTICLE SAYS MUDDLEHEADS INCITED BY SPLITTISTS

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[Text] An adverse stream has begun to flow in the current excellent revolutionary situation. From behind the scenes, a handful of evil persons are fanning up an evil wind and lighting ghost fires. In a well planned, organized manner they are inciting muddleheads to be the vanguard of a move to split the CCP Central Committee Cultural Revolution Group and bombard the proletarian headquarters under the pretext of ferreting out black, behind-the-scene supporters. This is a counterrevolutionary adverse current and must be dealt a smashing blow.

The class enemies definitely will seek opportunities to express themselves. In analyzing the situation, it becomes apparent that their judgment has always been wrong. They presently think they have a golden opportunity, so they have put forth a big outcry to expose the black behind-the-scenes supporters.

"Expose the black," they say. But have they taken a look at themselves in the mirror? What is their color? Is it red? Bluntly speaking, the proletarian revolutionaries of Shanghai have keen perception and know these people only too well. Despite all their claims that they are oriented toward the East, they are, in fact, oriented to the West. Their methods are not as insidious as they think. Their attempt to turn red into black, and vice versa, is doomed to failure.

This small adverse stream of exposing the black, behind-the-scene supporters flows from the same source that gave birth to the adverse current of the rightist, reactionary ideologies which exist in our society at present. Reversing decisions against right deviation; and right splittism are all acts of the right. This is a counterattack launched by bourgeois reactionary forces against the proletariat. This cannot be tolerated in the city of Shanghai, where the proletarian revolutionaries hold power.

Reversing the decision to favor deviationists proceeds from the bourgeois position of reversing past verdicts in favor of the bourgeois headquarters. In our eyes, such moves will never succeed. But there are a handful who are absolutely not reconciled to their defeat. They are attempting to reverse decisions at every opportunity. They are grasping at every straw. They want to deny the general orientation of the great January Revolution and the proletarian revolutionaries; they want to affirm the bourgeois royalist faction and the fallacy that there are merits in being royalists.

Long ago, Chairman Mao pointed out that in the years following the complete demise of the exploiting class of the world there would remain the possibility that there would still be representative elements of the Chiang dynasty active in various areas. China's Khrushchev and his underlings have been overthrown for only a little more than a year. It will be surprising indeed if they remain dormant and inactive.

Be active if you so desire and do your infernal best to stir up trouble! The proletarian revolutionaries are strong enough to tackle you in a trial of strength. Your attempt to reverse decisions will not succeed. The proletarian revolutionaries adhering closely to the revolutionary line of Chairman Mao are in power. The die is cast and nothing can change this. Furthermore, they will continue to hold the seat of power and you will never be able to stage a comeback.

To all muddleheads and to those who have erred in the great proletarian cultural revolution but who are unable to remold their thinking, we want to warn you: Do not continue being foolish; do not follow the enemy on the dangerous road to the point of no return; rein in your horses at the brink of the cliff.

As for proletarian revolutionaries they should continue unfolding the thorough revolutionary great criticism and repudiation movement, further consolidate and develop the revolutionary great alliance and the revolutionary three-way alliance, and do a good job with struggle-criticism-transformation in their own units.

We proletarian revolutionaries must never forget the general orientation of the struggle. We must always aim the spearhead against the party capitalist-roaders, renegades, and secret agents, as well as landlords, rich peasants, counterrevolutionaries, bad elements, and rightists. Purification of the revolutionary ranks must be vigorously continued.

We welcome assistance from all those who are willing to cooperate with us but we shall not permit anyone to launch attacks simply to fulfill reactionary hopes under the pretext of irrelevant subjects or to aim the spearhead against the proletarian revolutionaries and the proletarian headquarters. If one dares to do so, he shall face the consequences of his actions and end up with a bloody head.