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The Pro US Arguments

The statements in support and in opposition to the US imperialist policy to attack Iraq have occupied special places in the mass media and in the press of different organisations and parties.

The US imperialists present ridiculous reasons for the justification of their open and criminal aggression against Iraq. These reasons are stated only to cover up the sinister intentions of the US imperialists. They claim that:

- Iraq is trying to build nuclear weapons.
- Iraq is trying to stockpile chemical and biological weapons.
- Iraq is trying to produce long range missiles.
- Iraqi government is a criminal regime and the Iraqi people do not deserve such an illegitimate and oppressive regime.
- Iraqi regime is an aggressive regime that threatens the world peace.
- Iraqi regime does not implement the UN resolutions, but it violates them.
- Iraqi regime supports terrorism, and since it is not with the US, it is against the US.

Can the military aggression and the destruction of a country be justified with these arguments? The US puppets and flunkies answer this positively.

The government of Iraq has stated many times that it is ready to invite an international inspection team to Iraq to investigate, search, and to inspect every corner of the Iraqi land, and that the inspection team will discredit the US empty claims and accusations. The Iraqi government has stated that the inspection team should consist of the experts of the UN and international authorities, not of the agents of the Central Intelligence Agency, as the previous inspectors were.

But the US government stubbornly insists that the acceptance of an international inspection team to visit Iraq is not sufficient, and that the Iraqi regime should be overthrown! In other words, the US imperialists say that their reasons stated above are only for the

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STOP A NEW IMPERIALIST WAR AGAINST IRAQ! STOP THE ENDLESS WARS PROCLAIMED BY BUSH!

The American president Bush has ordered his huge military machine to be ready for a second Gulf war against Iraq to install a regime obedient to the interests of US imperialism.

Such a war will be a naked and criminal war of aggression. Under the hypocritical pretext of destroying weapons of mass destruction and creating "democracy" the United States intends to grasp hold of the huge oil reserves of Iraq and get complete military, political and economic control of this strategically important zone.

The American plans are conducted with the assistance of its key allies Tony Blair of England and the butcher of the Palestinian people Ariel Sharon. They seem set to unleash this war, that is condemned by the peoples all over the world as well as the majority of the states. This war is not only a deadly threat to the long suffering people of Iraq, but also poses acute dangers of new grave crimes against the Palestinian people, who are fighting a just fight for an independent State of Palestine.

More than a million Iraqis, and more than half a million Iraqi children have already died as a consequence of the unjust and

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The Islamic Houses of Chastity! The Brothel Houses!

Recently, the regime of the Islamic Republic has come up with a plan to establish the houses of "chastity". Young girls will be registered in these houses to become temporary wives, Islamic Sighe, for men. All sections of the society, including high school students, can register in these houses. All sections of the society, including the high school males can choose their temporary wives from these houses and take them to a house or to a registered hotel for a definite period of time, as short as one day or night! The husband is supposed to pay a dowry, as little as a few dollars, to the wife!

Temporary marriages are allowed by the Islamic laws. A man can temporarily marry with several women for pleasure for a short period of time. According to the Islamic laws, a temporarily married woman has to wait for about 100 days to remarry if the marriage is dissolved. The child born by a temporary marriage will be the father's child and inherit the father's wealth.

The plan of institutionalising temporary marriage was first introduced by Ex-President Rafsanjani. During the rule of the Islamic Republic, prostitution has been constantly on the rise. The Islamic rulers have created gender apartheid in the society.

The Islamic institutions have had enormous problems dealing with the gender relation in the society. The voluntary gender

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deception of the public. According to the US, the Iraqi government should go regardless of the findings of an international inspection team, and regardless of whether or not Iraq has weapons of mass destruction! The US is trying to replace Saddam with an Arab Karzai (Afghani President) so that he will protect the US imperialists' interests in the region.

The supporters of US imperialism are applauding this naked aggression. They claim that although the US invasion of Iraq will kill many thousands of innocent Iraqis and will destroy the material life of the country, Saddam is still an illegitimate aggressor who murders the Iraqis and destroys the society. They further claim that the US, as it acted in Afghanistan, gives the Iraqis a "historical opportunity" to build their country after the victims are buried and to develop their society under the humanist blessing of the US!

The countries that have produced nuclear weapons are USA, Russia, France, Britain, Israel, China, India, and Pakistan. All the industrialised countries including Germany, Austria, Netherlands, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Italy, Spain, Belgium, Czech Republic, Poland, Australia, Canada, and Japan are capable of producing atomic bombs as quickly as they desire. The US is the only country that has used atomic bombs. The US, partly to avenge the Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor, dropped two atomic bombs on Japan in 1945 when the fate of the Second World War became clear and after Japan was ready to surrender. Well over one hundred thousand of Japanese people died in Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The US is the only country that has produced weapons of mass destruction equipped with the diluted Uranium and used them on Iraq and Yugoslavia. The US is the only country that has built a Neutron bomb, which destroys only beings. The US is the only country that does not allow any international inspectors to visit its nuclear installations. Why would such a country puts such ridiculous demands on Iraq? The answer is clear, aggression!

US imperialists are amongst those who continue to produce and to further develop biological and chemical weapons of mass destruction. They, after the collapse of the USSR, have employed many Russian experts in making weapons of mass destruction in order to further develop their own weapons. The US has developed bacteria that are resistant to the existing drugs. The US did not sign the treaty to ban biological and chemical weapons. The US pressured many countries and forced them to discharge the Brazilian head of the Organisation for Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, Jose Bustani, when he had served only half of his period of duty! The US is the only country in which, with or without implicit government's consent, Anthrax was distributed. The US produces Anthrax in its military laboratories. The US authorities who investigated the distribution of Anthrax among the civilians after September 11 did not issue a public report on the investigations.

Every country that has petro-chemical industry can produce biological weapons in a small laboratory with little cost. On what basis does the US decide which country can or cannot have biological weapons? The US, Germany, and Britain are among countries that showed the Iraqis how to build and use chemical weapons. Weapons that were used against the Iranian

Kurds in the 1980s. In those days, the use of weapons of mass destruction was not a threat to the world peace because they were killing Iraqis, Iraqis, and Kurds!

The US claims that Iraq has the intention of building long range missiles, and that this is dangerous for world peace. If there is any country to complain about the Iraqi missiles, it is Iran. The American, German, and French authorities closed their eyes when Iraq was extensively using missiles against the Iranian cities. The US even accepted Saddam's apology and kept quiet when a French made Iraqi missile was misdirected and hit a US warship in the Gulf.

Weren't they US missiles that caused enormous destructions to Iraq? Weren't they US missiles that destroyed the non-military facilities, bridges, historical buildings, etc in Yugoslavia? Wasn't it a US missile that hit the Iranian Airbus and killed nearly 300 innocent civilians? Aren't they US missiles that are destroying Afghanistan in order to bring "modernisation" and "historical opportunities" to its people?

The US imperialists say that Saddam is an invader and threatens his neighbors. Even George Bush suddenly remembers in the General Assembly of the United Nations to condemn the Iraqi invasion of Iran and Kuwait, and warns the world of Saddam's menace to world peace. What rubbish! Saddam was not threatening the world peace. He was threatening the territorial integrity of Iran and the oil fields of Kuwait.

The questions that must be asked from the US imperialists are: Didn't Turkey invade and continue to invade Iraq? Hasn't Turkey occupied the Cypriot lands? Didn't the US invade Cuba, Granada, Dominican Republic, Panama, Columbia, Laos, Korea, Libya, Lebanon, etc? Didn't the US shamelessly interfere in the internal affairs of Iran, Chile, Indonesia, Argentina, Mexico, Guatemala, Bolivia, Columbia, Congo, South Africa, Nicaragua, etc? Aren't the Israeli Zionists symbols of shamelessness in invading and occupying the Palestinian lands? Isn't it the Israelis who refuse to implement the UN resolutions on the Palestinian conflict? Isn't it the Israeli Zionists who refuse to admit the UN inspectors and the international human rights authorities to the occupied Palestinian territories? Aren't the territories of Syria under the Israeli occupation? Isn't black Africa still bleeding from the French, British, Italian, and German invaders?

It is being said that Saddam is in alliance with terrorists.

Isn't the Israeli government in alliance with terrorism? In regard to state terrorism, can you find any similar state in the world to Sharon's government in Israel? Wasn't it the US imperialism that strengthened the "Moslem Brotherhood" in Egypt to fight against the communists and revolutionaries? Wasn't it the US imperialism that built Alqaeda, trained them in military bases in the US, built them military bases in Tirana, Albania, and used them to fight against the Serbs of Yugoslavia? Isn't it the Turkish government which assists the Alqaeda terrorists in Chechnya so that oil pipelines pass through Turkey and not through Russia? Wasn't it the US government who ordered its intelligence agencies to assassinate its opponents such as Cuban President Castro?

The imperialists say that Saddam's regime is despotic. There is nothing new in what they say. The question is that were (are) the other regimes supported by the imperialists, despotic?

among countries that showed the Iraqis how to build and use chemical weapons, weapons that were used against the Iranian and Iraqi people. The US vetoed the UN resolution to condemn the use of chemical weapons against Iranians and

nothing new in what they say. The question is that were (are) the other regimes supported by the imperialists democratic? Was the Shah of Iran a democrat and freedom lover?

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Was Pinochet of Chile a democrat? Were Ian Smith of Rhodesia, Lon Nol of Cambodia, Al-Saud of Arabia, Ayob Khan of Pakistan, Ngo Dinh Diem of Vietnam, Marcos of Philippine, Salazar of Portugal, Franco of Spain, King Hussein of Jordan, and King Hassan of Morocco, Batista of Cuba, Somoza of Nicaragua democrats? The US defended them tooth and nail and with the weapons of mass destruction and stopped them from falling. Did the people of these countries deserve the pro US, illegitimate, and despotic regimes for decades?

The reasons given by the US imperialists, Israeli Zionists, and their "leftists" and rightists allies for aggression against Iraq are nonsense and are stated in order to deceive and mislead the public. The US intentions in attacking Iraq are neither for saving the Iraqi people from Saddam's regime nor for fighting terrorism nor for preventing the production of weapons of mass destruction. The examples of Kuwait and Afghanistan are in front of our eyes. Any attempt to justify the US attack on Iraq is in vain. The US aggression has roots in something else. During the Gulf war of the early 1990s, the US used the UN resolutions on Iraq-Kuwait conflict as a pretext. This time, the US has the intention of attacking Iraq even without such pretext. President Bush has explicitly stated many times that he would accept and use a UN resolution on Iraq only if it supports the US intention. Otherwise, he will not hesitate to launch an attack on Iraq even if the UN does not approve the US proposed resolution on Iraq. The truth is that Iraq has the second largest oil reserves in the world, which is about 10% of the world oil reserves. Japan, Russia, and China have reached agreements with Iraq on purchasing its oil. The French oil companies are active in Iraq. The American oil cartels have not gained much from these agreements. The attack on Iraq, which is a violation of national sovereignty and of territorial integrity of Iraq, is partially for the control of the oil fields of the region. The US appetite in gaining access to rich oil fields of Iraq and Iran is instigated by the access to cheap oils of Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. The occupation of Iraq by the US imperialism is a total siege of Iran. The sinister melody of secession of oil rich Khuzistan Province of Iran is being heard, this time with the presence of the US forces in the region and under the control of a "non-despotic", "legitimate", "modern", "anti-terrorist", and "peace lover" would be regime of Iraq. The possibility of imposing another war on Iran exists. This time the despotic, illegitimate, and reactionary Islamic regime of Iran will lack a mass basis and cannot rely upon the high revolutionary aspirations of the Iranian masses to resist the future aggression. We condemn the US aggression against Iraq, and at the same time, we call upon the Iranian masses to topple the regime of the Islamic Republic so that the sovereignty of the country can be guaranteed in a democratic Iran. The democratic unity of different nationalities of Iran is a thorn in the side of the biggest enemy of humanity: the US imperialism. The need for the leadership of the party of the working class of Iran is being felt more than ever. We must work in the direction put forward by the organised Marxist-

events that must not be left without our effective involvement. Our doors are open to all those who genuinely sympathise with Marxism-Leninism.

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relations between individuals are totally prohibited. The people have had many clashes with the regime's forces and with the regime's office of "promotion of virtue and prohibition of sin". There have been clashes between married couples walking in the streets and the regime's armed forces. The youths defy the regime's restrictions and involvement in their personal lives. It is under these conditions that Rafsanjani came with the suggestion of institutionalising temporary marriage.

The establishment of brothel houses under the cover of Islamic houses of chastity shows the hypocrisy of the Islamic regime of Iran. The Islamic Republic is trying to cover up the ugliness of their plan by putting a "chastity" label on their brothel houses. These houses will be places for the Mullahs to prey on poor young girls to sell them to the Arab sheikhs of the Middle East, and to make a big profit out of this sick and degenerative business.

The regime of the Islamic Republic has been incapable of providing the basic needs of the society. Unemployment has reached an unprecedented level. Poverty and economic misery are wide spread. As a by-product of this situation, prostitution has been on the rise. Lack of proper health care, drug addiction, and street prostitution have caused a rapid increase in the number of AIDS victims, something that the regime has tried to deny in the Islamic society! The institutionalised prostitution (Sighe) is the Islamic solution put forward by the empty headed mullahs to fight AIDS also.

The social roots of prostitution in the regime of the Islamic Republic are the same as in the regime of the Shah. If in the Shah's regime, only the pimps lived parasitically on the money made by the prostitutes, the regime of the Islamic Republic would elevate the brothel houses to profit institutions under its control. In this modern capitalist investment, all religious beliefs that the regime was promoting will be killed.

The hypocrisy of the Islamic rulers, whether the Conservatives or Reformists, can be seen in the fact that none of the authorities will be willing to expose the true nature of the proposed plan. None of the factions of the government tries to label women who sell their bodies in the market of lust under the Islamic Sighe as prostitutes. The Sighe that the regime will implement does not even observe the Islamic law of keeping a period in which a woman must not remarry. A woman who observes this law defeats the intention of selling her body to meet her own needs and livelihood of her children. A woman who keeps this period will not be good for sex trafficking.

The wealth of the tiny fat minority in the regime of the Islamic Republic is based upon a mountain of poverty and misery, upon a mountain of suffering of broken mothers from whom hungry children are awaiting a piece of bread, upon the suffering of grief-stricken fathers who see their lovely daughters wither away. Capitalism, even in its theocratic form

working class of Iran is being felt more than ever. We must work in the direction put forward by the organised Marxist-Leninists of Iran. We call upon all individual Marxist-Leninists to put aside their petty differences, take into consideration the high interest of the united working class, and join the single working class party of Iran to lead the masses through this grave situation. The Middle East is pregnant with

suffering of grief-stricken fathers who see their lovely daughters wither away. Capitalism, even in its theocratic form, divides the society into two camps, a tiny camp of wealthy and fat, and a large camp of poor and downtrodden. Capitalism divides the society into a poor majority who constantly suffer and a rich minority who pray for their leaders to have a

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genocidal sanctions imposed by the US and the UN. A new war will ad immensely to the suffering.

Only a world wide mobilisation of the peoples against this war can stop it, before it begins.

THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF MARXIST-LENINIST PARTIES AND ORGANISATIONS support the call for world wide mobilisations against the war on Iraq and works actively to develop the global mass movement against this war and the endless "war against terrorism" proclaimed by the Bush-administration.

The Bush -doctrine, embodied in the "National Security Strategy" openly calls for the global hegemony of US imperialism, the only superpower in the world today. The US grants itself the right to attack any nation, any people and any movement, which acts against its interests. Under the pretext of "preemptive strikes" it will start a series of wars without end, that does not preclude even the use of nuclear weapons.

The war against Afganistan was the first in this socalled "war on terrorism", that has been extended to the Philippines, Colombia and other countries and regions of the world.

The Marxist-Leninist Parties and Organisations call on the working class and the peoples of the world to rise in a massive and revolutionary manner against this criminal imperial endeavour of the US and its allies, that aims to perpetuate an intensify the global system of exploitation and repression.

STOP THE NEW WAR FOR OIL!

NO BLOOD FOR OIL!

FOR AN INDEPENDENT STATE OF PALESTINE!

COMMUNIST PARTY OF BENIN - PCB

REVOLUTIONARY COMMUNIST PARTY OF BRAZIL - PCR

COMMUNIST PARTY OF COLOMBIA (MARXIST LENINIST) - PCC(ML)

WORKERS' COMMUNIST PARTY OF DENMARK (APK)

COMMUNIST PARTY OF LABOR OF DOMINICAN REPUBLIC - PCT

COMMUNIST MARXIST LENINIST PARTY OF ECUADOR - PCMLE

WORKERS' COMMUNIST PARTY OF FRANCE - PCOF

COMMUNIST PARTY OF GERMANY -KPD

ORGANIZACION FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF GREECE

PARTY OF LABOR OF IRAN (TOUFAN) - PTI

ORGANICION FOR THE PARTY OF PROLETARIAT OF ITALY

COMMUNIST PARTY OF MEXICO (MARXIST LENINIST) - PCM(ML)

MARXIST LENINIST ORGANIZACION REVOLUTION OF NORWAY - MLO Revolusjon

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REVOLUTIONARY COMMUNIST PARTY OF TURKEY - TDKP

PARTY BANDERA ROJA OF VENEZUELA

REVOLUTIONARY COMMUNIST PARTY OF UPPER VOLTA - PCRV

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luxurious long life!

Dr. Shahin Zand, a university professor, has stated that the proposed plan of establishing chastity houses is one of ugliest and most painful plans proposed in the last few years, that the depth of the tragedy is so great that all men and women must rise up against authorities to resist such a vicious insult and contempt. She continued that the so called authorities of the society, because of misuse and lack of ability, who had no success in creating well being or adjusting the

has rightfully taken the stand that the Islamic authorities' invitation of under aged girls to participate in this crime will cause further degeneration of the society.

It is clear that the new label "chastity houses" to brothel houses cannot change the nature of the action of prostitution. Even an Islamic miracle cannot do this. Mullahs have become pimps. Their attempts to present themselves as managers or protectors of "innocence" are in vain. This is why no authority has openly accepted the responsibility of publicizing or defending this plan.

The office of the public relations of the Judiciary Branch of the Islamic Republic has issued a statement that:

"The Judicial Branch denies any involvements in the plan to establish chastity houses, and will consider it as a negation of moral values and of a strong family foundation".

The paper Hayat e No stated that the deputy of the office of the representative of the Supreme Leader in the armed forces had said clearly that he was unaware of the plan.

The Mullahs-regime of Iran, which is a bourgeois capitalist regime in a theocratic dress, spreads prostitution all over the country by false promises of uprooting "immorality" and corruption in the society. At the beginning of the Iranian revolution, the mullahs attacked the brothel houses, imprisoned the poor women who were themselves the victims of the Shah's class society, and executed some of the prostitutes. The Islamic authorities, with the "intention of fighting immorality", closed the brothel houses and claimed victory over prostitution. Not much time passed before the authorities faced a wave of corruption and prostitution in the society with deep social and cultural roots. Islam achieved the opposite of what it was intending to correct because it is an extremely backward and anti-human ideology.

In a society in which the freedom of sex relationship between individuals is prohibited with the threats of going to hell, in a society in which poverty and misery rob families of a meager meal, in a society in which social ills destroy families and individuals cannot form a family, in a society in which AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases are rapidly spreading out, in a society in which individuals laugh at the Islamic authorities when they are threatened with stoning for not keeping their chastity, in a society in which the heads of the state each have a personal brothel house, the bourgeois propaganda against communists on the question of family has no effect anymore. In this society, the validity of the communist view on family becomes clearer with every passing day. In regard to family and accusations made by bourgeoisie against the communists, Comrade Marx and

Engels in their epoch making work, "Manifesto of the Communist Party" have exposed the bourgeoisie, and have stated that:

" Abolition of the family! Even the most radical flare up at this infamous proposal of the Communists. On what foundation is the present family, the bourgeois family, based? On capital, on private gain. In its completely developed form, this family exists only among the bourgeoisie. But this state of things finds its complement in the practical absence of the family among proletarians, and in public prostitution.

The bourgeois family will vanish as a matter of course when its complement vanishes, and both will vanish with the vanishing of capital.

Do you charge us with wanting to stop the exploitation of children by their parents? To this crime we plead guilty.

But, you say, we destroy the most hallowed of relations, when we replace home education by social.

And your education! Is not that also social, and determined by the

called authorities of the society, because of misuse and lack of ability, who had no success in creating well being or adjusting the social ills, have decided to spread and extend the ills, and have invited even the high school kids to participate in this painful tragedy. She has also stated that in the society in which the indecency is removed from such action, the occurrence of any other crime will be possible, and that to label the centers of prostitution with chastity houses will destroy the honour of the society.

Dr. Shahin Zand has rightfully put the responsibility of the wide spread prostitution in the society on the shoulders of Ex-president Rafsanjani, Supreme Leader Khamenei, and other authorities. She

replace home education by social.

And your education! Is not that also social, and determined by the social conditions under which you educate, by the intervention direct or indirect, of society, by means of schools, etc? The Communists have not intended the intervention of society in education; they do but seek to alter the character of that intervention, and to rescue education from the influence of the ruling class.

The bourgeois claptrap about the family and education, about the hallowed correlation of parents and child, becomes all the more disgusting, the more, by the action of Modern Industry, all the family

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International Court

treaty, but the Bush administration cancelled the signature on May 2002. According to its statute, the Court has jurisdiction over war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide. The Court will try individuals from countries that are parties to its statute, or anyone who is charged with a crime committed on the territory of a country that is a party. Under Article 16 of the Rome Statute, the United Nations Security Council can vote to suspend any investigation or prosecution for a renewable one-year period. The US authorities, who were seeking immunity for their soldiers, try slyly to use this Article. In a vote on a Security Council resolution extending the length of stay of the UN peacekeepers in Bosnia, the US used its veto power. The US was the only country on the 15-member Council to stand in opposition to the resolution. After three weeks of US pressure on the Security Council, the Council passed a US proposed resolution to exempt the US and UN peacekeepers from prosecution by the International Criminal Court for a 12-month period. The Security Council resolution also expressed the intention to renew the exemption further for 12-month period and for as long as it may be necessary! Immediately after this resolution was passed, the Security Council approved the extension of the mandate of the UN "peacekeepers" in Bosnia! Clearly, The US is trying to remove its accused soldiers from the possibility of being tried by the International Criminal Court. The concerns of the US authorities are not to investigate and prosecute their accused soldiers, but to create an escape route for them. It is also clear that not all "peacekeeping" forces are immune from the Court prosecution because some members of the Security Council can veto the extension of the one year grace period. The accounts are set for the dependent countries now; those leaders who do not listen to the dictates of the imperialist powers are world criminals! The massacre of the people of these countries by the imperialists is not considered a crime against humanity at all! The Chinese and Russian leaders knew that the formation of the International Criminal Court with political motive has nothing to do with the prosecution of those who commit crimes against humanity. They showed a tendency towards the US proposal because this political tool may be used against them someday. Already, the Tiananmen Square massacre has been talked about hundreds of times more than the genocide of the Palestinians by the Israeli Zionists. The US authorities made some concessions to Syria, *one of the evils*, to gain its vote. Syria kneeled to the US proposal because otherwise, Syria would be the next country on the agenda to take care of! The US imperialists pressured Mauritania, Mexico, Cameroon, and Columbia to kneel to their proposal. The US authorities have told Columbians that if they did not vote for the US proposal, the US "financial assistance" to

US attempts to establish a "new world order", an order that gives the US a complete hegemony over the world.

From this, we can see that:

- The International Criminal Court is a judicial tool for the justification of the imperialist domination and a political tool for the deception of the masses and is being utilised by both the US and European imperialists.

- The imperialists do not have any respect for humanity and human rights. Their expression of support for human rights, democracy and for justice is only an empty phrase. They do not hesitate to massacre millions of human beings to protect their imperialist interests.

- The inter-contradictions exist between the imperialist powers. The big powers set up traps against each other in their attempts for further domination. The quarrel between the US and European imperialists over the International Criminal Court is judicial in form and dominative in nature.

- The American "order" is the oppressive order of a fat and robust superpower. This order has no difference in form or nature with the European "order", which has suddenly become respectful to the international norms and wants to curb the US imperialists' wildness.

- The communists must see the true nature of the sham quarrel between the imperialists over the "respect for human rights" and the "international norms". They must analyse each imperialist move and expose the nature of its demagogy. We must expose as lackeys of imperialism those who consider the US a savior of Iraq, Afghanistan, and Yugoslavia, and the exporter of "civilisation", "open society", and "democracy".

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ties among the proletarians are torn asunder, and their children transformed into simple articles of commerce and instruments of labor. But you Communists would introduce community of women, screams the bourgeoisie in chorus.

The bourgeois sees his wife a mere instrument of production. He hears that the instruments of production are to be exploited in common, and, naturally, can come to no other conclusion that the lot of being common to all will likewise fall to the women. He has not even a suspicion that the real point aimed at is to do away with the status of women as mere instruments of production.

For the rest, nothing is more ridiculous than the virtuous indignation of our bourgeois at the community of women which, they pretend, is to be openly and officially established by the Communists. The Communists have no need to introduce free love; it has existed almost from time immemorial.

Our bourgeois, not content with having wives and daughters

vote for the US proposal, the US "financial assistance" to Columbia would be cut.

The European imperialists say that the "world order" should be respected by all, and that it is not acceptable that the US violates this order whenever it is not in its interest. The European imperialists want to put a bridle on the US imperialist horse to weaken its hegemony. The US wants to remove all barriers to the implementation of its aggressive policies. The US wants to have "world order" led by Washington. The Europeans say that the US attack on the International Criminal Court is an attack on the existing world order established by the all imperialist powers. However, the

Our bourgeois, not content with having wives and daughters of their proletarians at their disposal, not to speak of common prostitutes, take the greatest pleasure in seducing each other's wives. (Ah, those were the days!)

Bourgeois marriage is, in reality, a system of wives in common and thus, at the most, what the Communists might possibly be reproached with is that they desire to introduce, in substitution for hypocritically concealed, an openly legalized system of free love. For the rest, it is self-evident that the abolition of the present system of production must bring with it the abolition of free love springing from that system, i.e., of prostitution both public and private".

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The International Criminal Court, a Tool of Political Pressure!

The Belgian government, which had gone too far to pass a national judicial law that can try those who have committed crimes against humanity anywhere in the world, changed the law as soon as it faced with the cases of criminals such as Ariel Sharon, Pinochet, Rafsanjani, etc. The Belgian appeal court ruled on June 26 that the law was not applicable to Sharon because he was not on Belgian territory. From now on in Belgian laws, the respected human rights find a geographical boundary!

Naturally, those criminals who have no diplomatic immunity or are not in Belgian territory have to apply for a Belgian visa to get into the country. According to its judicial laws, Belgium does not issue a visa to someone who has committed crimes against humanity. Thus, the criminals not on Belgian territory are immune from the laws. However, Belgium is going to keep this law on the books just in case and for showing the world the Belgian great "sense of honor". This is the same Belgium that cut off the hands and gouged out the eyes of Africans in Congo. This is the same Belgium that committed crimes in Rwanda, Burundi, and many other African countries. The European Union has formed an International Criminal Court. This court, contrary to its name, is not a judicial but a political institute for pursuing the political goals of the European imperialists. No mistake, when European imperialists talk about an International Criminal Court, they do not mean a court that punishes their lackeys who have committed grave crimes. You would never see the Shah's family, Nixon, Kissinger, Pinochet, Suharto, etc on trial at this court even if they were alive. The goal of European imperialists is to create a tool to justify the punishment of the world leaders who do not yield to their dictates. Saddam of Iraq became a world criminal and deserved punishment not when he dropped chemical weapons on Iranians, Iraqis, and Kurds, but exactly when he did not listen to the "respectful world leaders" and when he hit Israel with Scud missiles. For the imperialist powers, Saddam was a hero when he was hitting the Iranian cities with scud missiles and when he dumped mustered and cyanide on Iranian and Kurdish people. Saddam with all these crimes was supported by the very same "respectful" European leaders who have established an International Criminal Court!

Rights and judgment are class issues and are defined and

The natures of these imperialist political games are clear to our organisation. We have written many articles to expose the class nature of these games. We will continue to write on these issues for those who cannot see the strategy of domination of nations under the cover of "human rights", "the rights of nations to self determination", and now "the International Criminal Court" and who are fascinated by the charms of the imperialist propaganda. Some Iranian oppositions that present themselves as revolutionary have journalistic attitude on these matters. In our opinion, the issues at stake are classes, the class nature of the imperialist actions, the nature of democracy in the imperialist countries, and the dependency of the judicial system on political and executive systems.

A quarrel was developed between the USA and Europe on the extension of the length of stay of the UN "peacekeepers", including the Americans, in Bosnia Herzegovina. As a precondition to the extension, the US government asked for blanket immunity from arrest, detention, or prosecution for its soldiers in connection with all acts committed on the territory of the UN member states. No international authority should have the right to investigate any crimes committed by the American soldiers!! That is, the US soldiers should be given a blank check so that they can commit hideous crimes, as they did in Afghanistan, Iraq, and Yugoslavia, without any fear of prosecution. The US authorities tried to obtain this immunity through the UN Security Council.

The Europeans and other nations are angry at the US for the shameless recognition of the principle and rights for its soldiers to commit crimes and for the lack of respect for the international norms. The representatives of 40 countries have protested against this shamelessness. Let us mention here that the European imperialists are angry at the US not because they care about humanity and human rights. NO! They are not opposed to the US crimes in Afghanistan, Somalia, Yugoslavia, Iraq, etc. Their anger is more about the fact that the US has read their hands and is not willing to give any judicial tool to mobilise their deceived public opinion whenever the political and economical contradictions between the US and Europe intensifies.

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