May 1st, 1980—a mighty twister tore through the political landscape of the U.S., transforming it forever. From New York, Washington D.C. and Atlanta to Portland, Seattle, Oakland and L.A., and cities in between—from coast to coast people saw a new force emerging—class conscious, revolutionary workers, taking to the streets in unity with their brothers and sisters world wide. Hundreds of thousands perhaps even millions were watching, waiting to see if May Day 1980 would happen here, and it did. As one man sitting in a restaurant in L.A. said, jumping up as the demonstration went by, "It's the workers! They said they would march and they did! They did! They did!"

For analysis of the importance of May Day 1980 see "A Great Leap on May 1st" on page 3

Statement by Bob Avakian, Chairman of the Central Committee, RCP

What lessons can we draw from the great, history making May First 1980? And now what do we do? First we must see clearly what happened. On that day a qualitative leap forward was taken in the development of a revolutionary proletarian movement in this country—taking its place in the ranks of class conscious workers internationally. A force of revolutionary workers, determined to see the battle through, has arisen at a time when this imperialist system is in big trouble, and is preparing for war and when unprecedented revolutionary opportunities lie ahead. With May First our ability to seize these opportunities has jumped ahead.

The aftermath of this event—the excited, inspired and...
This week, hot on the heels of May 1st, 1980, the time is now to seize the time, and take another leap forward with the distribution of 150,000 copies of the special, double, Red Flag Edition of the Revolutionary Worker. This newspaper, the voice of the Revolutionary Communist Party is the main weapon of the class-conscious revolutionaries today in preparing for the armed seizure of power when a revolutionary situation ripens. And as Chairman Bob Avakian pointed out in the statement in the May 1st, No. 49, May 1st - Dare to Join Those Forging the Future, "What we do from now forward, focused immediately on May 1st will be of tremendous importance in deciding whether we are able to seize this opportunity when it arises." At this time, the distribution of the 150,000 RW's is key to building off the great leap taken on May 1st, and waging the fierce battle against the bourgeoisie on the summer of May 1st, 1980. It's significance and where to go from here. The revolutionary forces have to muster our strength and go into the streets armed with this newspaper and get into the hands of all people who are hungry to read the truth about May 1st, 1980. The Revolutionary Worker has been the main weapon in waging the battle for May 1st itself and all those who stepped forward to pick up the Red Flag, who watched in the streets, who defended May 1st 1980 from attack, who "wanted to do something" and did it, must now take up the task of getting this paper into the hands of many, many thousands more. Literally millions of people have had their heads turned by May 1st 1980 and the revolutionary hopes and thoughts of many have been stirred. There is a basis for greatly expanding the regular distribution of the RW - this 150,000 effort is a special effort but it's not just a one shot deal. In the aftermath of May 1st, what has been revealed is that there were literally thousands of people beyond the numbers who took to the streets, who "wanted to do something on May Day" and did, and there were millions made aware about the he and what was happening for the first time, looking to see what the revolutionary workers would do. Now it is crucial for all those who took part to go out and do this again, to write to the Revolutionary Worker and tell us what you did and why. This is very necessary so that an assessment can be made of the breadth and depth of the revolutionary movement it is necessary so that the class conscious forces in the country get better appreciation of their strength, their allies and prepare for revolution. Each issue in the weeks ahead will be printing these other reports on May Day.

We have already received some reports and from those we know that the current information is only the tip of the iceberg. But the reports that we have received reveal the profound effect of May 1st on revolutionary-minded workers and revolutionary elements throughout society. One woman in Cincinnati put it like this, "There is something strange about your organization. It makes you want to do things that you don't want to. I would have had to fight thee (referring to reactionary counter-demonstrators on May Day) and I would have risked it all to prevent those people from doing anything to you." And what people have to grasp is what is making them do things and who is knocking at the door. As Bob Avakian said, "In the period ahead, someone is gonna come knocking on your door. You're not gonna be able to stick your head under your pillow and pretend it's not there, you're gonna be able to escape with dope or alcohol or tranquillizers or any of this stuff people try to use to get through the day, one way or another. They are gonna come knocking on your door, the capitalists are gonna come knocking. The class-conscious among the proletariat - the class in this country that doesn't have a stake in this system, no real interest except to rise up and overthrow it - it's class conscious forces are gonna be there knocking on your door. And we're not gonna quit knocking until you, until millions and millions like you, come out from the confines that the capitalists try to force us all into and march onto the stage of history to stay!"

It is the time for all those who heard May 1st 1980 knocking on their door and stepped out to write to the time stand to start knocking on some other people's doors and wake them up to what class of people is going down, and what class is rising up. Seize the day, get 150,000 Revolutionary Workers into every pocket of resistance in this imperialist rat trap. Become a Co-conspirator right now.

The following reports from some cities around the country about the dramatic and historic Revolutionary May Day events held on May First itself and in the days immediately following it are based on still only partial knowledge of all that went down and the far reaching affects these bold actions had. Nevertheless, these initial reports not only vividly show the profound impact of the revolutionary blows delivered on May 1st, 1980 as the working class took the political stage as never before in this country. They also indicate the immense revolutionary potential of the masses of working class and oppressed people in this country, the very heart of the U.S. imperialist state.

Thousands of workers and others oppressed by the U.S. bourgeoisie in 16 cities across the country chanted as one, clearly declaring their intentions and uncompromising stand.

Red, White and Blue We split on you We stand for plunder You'll go under!

Join with the workers of other lands Let's take history into our hands

May Day 1980

Seattle - May Day March Passes Sheet Metal Shop.
Great Leap on May 1st

A great and historic step was taken on May 1st, 1980. Powerful political demonstrations exploded onto the streets to mark May Day. The sadness of those who had never been involved in any kind of demonstration like this became an inspiration because the working class was rising to new heights. In Oakland, a worker brought friends out to act as a security shield when he lay down in front of the police attack. The youth were inspired as they saw the selling of the same story. In the San Francisco Bay area and Detroit in a similar situation in which the march was broken up only to be reconstituted with 6 people forming a new leadership core. Among those who all through my life have had a vision of a better world, there was no one going to stop it.

The ruling class, though they tried to discredit it, couldn’t ignore it. Even their newspapers made it onto the front page and the newscasters gulped hard, maybe chowing a bit, when they read the reports of armed clashes with the authorities, as the Chairman of our Central Committee, Bob Avakian, said in the New Year’s article: “We are about to enter the 1980s. When we criticize the plans of the working class, because the whole world will be drastically changed. For we are heading into a new world, a world where all the basic contradictions in the world are being redressed with incalculable intensity. War is no longer a war to defend the life and soul of the country, but rather a threat to the survival of the entire human race. The ruling class recognized that May Day demonstrations somehow threatened their interests. And if revolution was on the agenda, it was a brazen threat. The red flag symbolized the red flag of the Alamo, symbolizing this revolutionary movement. In the United States it was a very real threat, a core emerging to carry this struggle out, to draw the lines of battle sharply.

The ruling class recognized that revolutionary movements were being organized, and they were arrested, peoples lives threatened. And the struggle became more intense. We noted the walls of the Alamo, the symbolizing this revolutionary movement, it was a very real threat. We couldn’t just sit around and do nothing. The people were being arrested, peoples lives threatened. And the struggle became more intense. We noted the walls of the Alamo, the symbolizing this revolutionary movement, it was a very real threat. We couldn’t just sit around and do nothing.

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MAY DAY WORLDWIDE 
Proletarian Internationalism

The demonstrations and actions carried out by workers and oppressed people which shook imperialism on May 1, 1980 were the largest in history, with millions of demonstrators in many countries around the world. May Day is an international strike against a critical point in world history, a point at which all the basic contradictions of the world are rapidly sharpening and a new situation can be seen coming into being. May 1st is a superpower's rush to line up workers and whole continents behind them. What is their only possible response to imperialist aggression and political crisis, at the same time opportunities for revolutionary action are also growing rapidly in many countries. The ferocity of the repression against May Day in Iran and Turkey this year and the stubbornness and determination with which the workers have carried out despite this is a sign of the deepening and spreading of the world proletariat, the workers' class, which the rulers are headed toward. End of the increasingly excellent revolutionary struggles all over the world, which was also reflected in the demonstrations. The imperialism's hold is in serious crisis. The upsurge has been extremely significant and powerful May Day actions. Immigrant workers in the U.S. have been forced to work throughout Europe because of imperialism's aggression. The West Germany's May Day Spring always began late. The revolutionary movement is growing and harder at its whole bloc.

In France, for the first time ever, an event between the French working class in a stronghold were not able to pull off major May Day demonstrations, mainly because of a sharp and sharp increase. However, the superpower to stand with these objective circumstances provided with a basis in place. The workers in France have been working in order revolutionary agitation and help create the conditions for a different situation.

In West Germany, too, there were official actions sponsored by the reactionary unions and federations. There was a significant revolutionary current. In Berlin, a prominent union ban who called for support the American hostages in Iran, won participation with eggs, and stones from among the crowd of 20,000 workers. In Frankfurt, too, the May Day demonstration book on a more revolutionary aspect because of the influence of the 5,000 workers from Turkey among the 20,000 workers. Especially significant was the demonstration of 600-700 people in Hamburg, West Germany. In the home of the Opal our manufacturing company, for years revolutionary actions have begun. Also important was the way the U.S. Trotskyist influence is seized in May Day demonstrations and strike action this year. As usual, it focused on the usual formal government parade. But in May 1980, the demonstration was a show of political strength by the workers, not a celebration of the struggles in the Soviets' faces, a move just as aggressive as the usual Soviet May Day display of military hardware, and just as explicitly leading to a violent confrontation.

Also important was the way the U.S. government called May Day this year. As usual, it focused on the events in the revisionist camps. The struggle to maintain the system and sabotage of the exodus from Cuba, to demand that May Day replace the May 1 holiday of the workers. A Chicago columnist explicitly linked the flight from what he called slavery in Cuba with the RCP, USA's May Day actions in the United States. The suppression of the "anti-war" and "anti-imperialism" movement by the U.S.

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From a speech by John Hope of the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Communist Party, November 16, 1980 D.C.

Statement from Glenn Gun

Even though we were unable to be on the streets with all of you on May Day, our solidarity is with you and all those who were in this country and the world. Our actions spoke for millions here and around the world. We proudly held high the red flag, the symbol of the proletariat, for the revolutionaries everywhere, and in memory of Comrade Sungian Garcia. Let our rulers tremble for in their midst a growing revolutionary section of workers, the future of this country can be changed. Keep the name of May Day, the bright future. Long live May Day. Long live the RCP, on to proletarian revolution.
One year has passed since May Day demonstrations swept through the streets of Santiago, Chile in 1975—demonstrations which jolted the U.S. imperialists and their allies. After the earth-shaking blows that May Day 1975 dealt to the junta, it became evident that the government was preparing a conspiracy, what the Left called an "orchestrated coup," May Day was coming under imperialist control, and the government must arrest its leaders. 

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Celebration in Streets Of Santiago, Chile

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May Day Defies Tanks And Troops In Turkey

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Damian Garcia is Dead  

But in His Death I Came Alive

DAMIAN GARCIA, SECOND FROM LEFT, AND OTHER MAY DAY BRIGADE MEMBERS TALK TO PACKAGING WORKERS IN L.A.

REVISIONISTS CAW OVER MURDER OF COMMUNIST

What is revisionism? While not having exclusive rights to it, the CPML has been practicing it for some time, but now they have stooped to new depths of depravity to provide us with yet another example of their endless ability to teach genuine revolutionaries by their negative example.

In The Call, May 5, 1980, they join the crowd's chorus of the bourgeoisie's press, the L.A. Police Department, every opportunist group in the country, not to mention the KKK and the Nazis, in declaring that Comrade Damian Garcia was "killed by the residents" of the Pico-Alliso hooping project. This should in no way be a surprise to anyone who is aware of the line and practice of the CPML. What is astonishing is the fact that this time they have so thoroughly and callously exposed themselves. They, survey lapdogs of the rich that they aspire to be, hypocritically described Comrade Damian Garcia "as an individual who was deeply committed to the working class struggle", while from beginning to end they painted this heroic martyr of the international proletariat, a member of the Revolutionary Communist Party, as a "dupe" of the murder. They went even further than the bourgeoisie press when they characterized his murder as a just reaction of "local people", of "community youths fed up with their", (referring to the May Day Brigades) "harassment."

In their futile attempt to buttress this attack of theirs, the CPML resort to the most thinly veiled demagogy. They have actually outdone themselves this time.

They quote a high school youth saying, in reference to the May Day Brigades, "They would talk about the Alamo, world war, and the stealing of Mexican land. They played on our Chicano pride. But there must be another way." We plead GUILTY with two exceptions. First, we do not play, and we think it is a fine thing if the national pride that exists among the Chicano people is unleashed against the chauvinist the bourgeoisie unleashes on the oppressed nationalities. Second, there is no other way. And while this sister is thinking this question over, the CPML has already answered it. It is an historic feature of revisionism to answer this question with the lie that the slaves can easily, painlessly and slowly rid themselves of oppression.

And what should "communists" be doing, according to the CPML, they should be "slacking their ideas to the demands of the community." Of course, these demands, according to the CPML, must have nothing to do with world war, the stealing of Mexican land, the Alamo, or Chicano pride.

And then, they quote a 10 year old saying "Everytime they come, the police come." It is evidently a great source of pride to the CPML that the pigs do not give a damn what CPML is doing. According to these scum sucking pigs calling themselves revolutionaries, this is proof of "ultra-left antics" on the part of the RCP. Evidently the CPML thinks that calling on the masses to overthrow their oppressors, unleashing the masses to struggle for the emancipation of all mankind, should be possible without incurring the wrath of these oppressors. Perhaps they do not realize in their frenzy to assist (or hide behind) every social democrat and reformist in their task of trying to keep the anger of the people merely bottled up in pie-in-the-sky schemes, that the pigs are out here in the streets, including in Pico-Alliso, shooting the masses down every day. Or perhaps they realize it all too well and they want to stay as far away from it as they can.

Of course the CPML does not want any talk of world war, and certainly not in planes.

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debated. Perhaps the impact of this march on tens and hundreds of thousands throughout the area was jubilant about the victory, while others were running projects of East L.A. where Damian Garcia was murdered, it seemed out of their houses, telling the revolutionaries they had called into the march. Hundreds of riot-clad pigs were on hand from the beginning. They were intentional in nature and selectively declared from the beginning: "Don't dare march or we will beat you, arrest you, or kill you like we did to Damian Garcia." One of these contingents, the pigs from Grand Central, passing out leaflets in English and Spanish to those who had come, warning them of the size and force likely to be fanned by anyone marching on the streets of Oakland. Against this, by the time everyone had left the rally site, a joyous sea of red proudly fanned out along the sidewalks and lined the sidewalk on other side of the street. By the time the march had reached within two blocks of the broad avenue, it was too big to fanned out throughout the area, driving up sidewalks, slamming people up against the wall, ripping up streets of Oakland, and chanting loudly. Red flags were staring these stormtroopers right in their faces. That was the message that made it through to the downtown office, that the police were so bent on keeping people away from and out of the street routes and lining the sidewalk on the other side of the street.

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A group of Latino youth, inspired by the visit of the May Day agitators to the Bay Area, the Cholo Brigade. An entire low rider club joined. "There were hundreds of red, white and blue," I said so he could remember. The group was clearly large and visible, with over 100 people.

As the march moved out, along its flanks blocking both car and foot traffic, people stood visibly debating which road to step onto: flag-wavers standing next to the pigs. People who were talking about it and I guess they knew the significance of the day.

"It's a history in the making, the struggle to openly join the revolutionary movement, the taking of power, the struggle to freely determine our own May Day." I said it had been a break in the day's battle. Meanwhile, the ruling class, even as they were using their press to spread the lie that all this was "over" by 11 a.m. by 11 a.m. The pigs took this as it being on the march. The pigs were talking it down for the pigs. The pigs were talking it down for May Day.

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The march surged down Michigan Avenue and around the loop, many who had taken the day off marching alongside, for the first time in history, they were blocked by police who moved in, but the pigs were not able to contain the crowd.

The sight of pitched battles during the '60s was showing by its actions that they knew what a powerful influence the demonstration had broadly among the masses of people and especially in the working class. As we walked, police were marching alongside the pigs, and prisoners of war were taking a step closer to revolution, their determination of the May Day marchers did not stop.

"I learned is that when we read all your literature. We knew we had to do it. We must learn this and apply it in Detroit. A recently fired River Rouge worker drove his car at the front of the march. "The pigs are not as weak as they appear to be, come, seven workers from one federal agency walked for blocks on the sidewalk beside the march. The RG on television, the RG on television, the RG on television. We know we have read all your literature, we knew we had to do it. We joined the march for a while and when the pigs tried to break it up, we thought we were going to be stopped. The marchers dispersed, but the determination of the marchers did not stop.

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OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA
LEAP

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character and spirit of the bourgeois
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tion in this country? To those
who participated in May Day, it
was a demonstration against the

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socialist revolution.

May Day was held under the
banner of the international
working class, declaring their
support for the Iranian
revolution, declaring their


in Afghanistan. During the
month, Islamic forces attempted
to drive a wedge between the

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Iranian forces, for example, that
the Islamic forces are "godforsakes" and should be opposed at all
cost. This little plot flopped; in

the workers, only made the

Men's--Victory to the Anti-Imperialist

the May 1st Message by the
Revolutionary Communist Party, USA
to the Union of Iranian

was smaller numerically. But
critically conscious workers

should...—a big difference from
their youth. Overall, May Day in
Tehran illustrates the fact that
the twists and turns of the
class struggle are substantial.
A revolutionary working class is
being forged which will lead the
people in Iran to final victory.

millions for this system. And
the bourgeoisie views the

slogan of this struggle is a

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the working class can aspire to
 Revolution is no longer
visible in the faces of

the workers.

of the international
capitalist countries.

nationalism has never beenefore in this country's history.
The bourgeoisie was
giving itself a long time to come.
But, again, on the basis of the

as nothing.*

working class.

peaceful means.

it materialized in

May Day demonstration

the factories in Tehran

and nationwide in Iran.

This statement was a
declaration of the

workers' plans to deepen
and broaden the struggle
against imperialism. In
particular, it sharply denounced
the U.S. "raid" on Iran, which

the May Day demonstration

to the marches. There was
tremendous anticipation and
tension in the plants targeted
by the May Day brigades.
The May Day threat did

up the ante. Even under
the worst conditions, the
forges tended to overwhelm
the resistance of the

the achievements of

the May Day marches. This
is a lesson to be

in the near future.

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...only in their black pits. In spite of this show of force marchers stood up and proudly waved the red flags in the faces of these neanderthals.

A large number of the anti-May Day forces were youth out of a downtown Catholic School. A legal observer's reaction to this was: "They are those who are holding up the black flags when they're laying in the trenches, thinking about what happened today, and wondering what the hell they were carrying the red, white and blue for."

Cleveland

A pitched battle raged in the streets of Cleveland as a hundred Democratic demonstrators were separated by pikeonday flag parties to fly the red flag on May 2.

The forces were definitely the red flag as the air resounded with 'We're the red flag movement!'; 'Our flag is red white and blue'; 'We're for our flag, red flag is red white and blue'. Organized by a hard core of Nazis and union officials these hundreds of thugs, some wearing black berets, proceeded to sing the whole class in the face of stomach determination and sharp agitation, one of their frock coats all chewed up and turned on the march. Several were half-way admitting defeat, with comments like, "You guys have had your fun. Now we're going to do something about them."

Five pikeonday flag parties were physically held back by sympathetic people on the sidewalk.

One Black man, who originally was part of the caretman squad, chanted slogans, and at a press conference immediately following the march, apoloized, saying, "My eyes have been closed but the march opened them and I understand much more clearly the nature of the class and the working class.".

The Local ruling class had mounted a major campaign to turn public opinion against the May Day action and had unleashed reactionary elements against the march. It homogenized badly. As one black worker described the very thorough May Day march: "This rally here today is a clear indication that we have, you know, it shows the people that they can't fuck us around. You know when they started to come against us. We didn't back down. We kept marching through the bricks and bottles, the whole works. We kept on stoppin'. I believe we won a lot of believers and I believe we will win in the end."

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Turkey

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vity. In Ankara, clashes with the armed forces left at least two dead and 10 wounded as protesters marched in defiance of the ban on May Day events. There were also major May Day events in Ankara, where 60,000 were arrested, and in the town of Mersin where 15,000 were arrested. The local ruling class had mounted a major campaign to turn public opinion against the May Day action and had unleashed reactionary elements against the march. It homogenized badly. As one black worker described the very thorough May Day march: "This rally here today is a clear indication that we have, you know, it shows the people that they can't fuck us around. You know when they started to come against us. We didn't back down. We kept marching through the bricks and bottles, the whole works. We kept on stoppin'. I believe we won a lot of believers and I believe we will win in the end."

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