

(Mike P. is submitting this version to replace the one which appeared in Bulletin #4. It should make the differences clearer.)

For a Broad Third Camp Regroupment

Delete the last part of Kim's resolution, beginning with the last paragraph on the first page ("The IS poses to other..."). Replace with the following:

The IS proposes to other Third Camp organizations, to individuals whose politics are moving in a Third Camp direction, and to organizations which have historically been part of our tendency that an open process of political discussion aimed at a revolutionary socialist regroupment be initiated in the coming months. The process should begin with open forums, articles and statements on questions of importance today--particularly those of relevance to activists in the unions, anti-war movements, women's organizations, and Black and Latin communities. The process should be initiated by as broad a list of sponsors as possible, spanning those who have been forced by events to move in a Third Camp direction as well as those who have long considered themselves 3rd Camp socialists. While the IS will play a responsible role in the process, we do not believe that we can or should do it by ourselves.

We do not think that the entire revolutionary left, with its various and often conflicting traditions and politics, can be brought together in the same organization. A group which does not have rough general agreement on a broad Third Camp politics will not be able to intervene in the very movements or on the very issues which are actually moving people toward thinking about regroupment. We do, however, believe that a revolutionary organization larger than any that exist today is possible and, if there is to be a viable revolutionary pole in the 80's, is necessary.

In our view it is crucial that any organization that comes out of the regroupment process be capable of functioning in American politics, in the anti-war and social movements and in the labor unions. This requires a common approach within the organization toward the cutting-edge questions facing these struggles. These questions change with time. For the next period common agreement appears necessary on:

* Rebuilding the trade unions as militant democratic organizations of workers' struggles; for a labor offensive in politics and building toward a labor party; against strategies of class collaboration.

* Opposing the growing drive toward war and all imperialist domination; for unilateral nuclear disarmament in the U.S. and every other country; support for worker and national liberation struggles everywhere.

* Fighting all forms of oppression (racial, sexual, national) of sections of the working class; support to independent organizations of the oppressed.

An organization with a common politics and agreement on a common program, such as we project, can be an activist organization that both members of present groups and current independents can feel is their organization. It will be possible to break from conceptions that every question requires a line and disciplined action or that every difference requires an organized tendency, or that differences always cut across the same lines.

To implement this perspective, the IS Political Committee will establish a national regroupment committee of the IS, with a steering committee in Detroit. In addition, the pages of Changes will feature open debates and discussions, with articles by people from a variety of tendencies, along the lines of the motion passed in April 1982.