
C.E. Ruthenberg in New York to the Executive Committee of the Communist International in Moscow on the Dissolution of the Communist Party of America, April 11, 1923.

A document in the Comintern Archive, f. 515, op. 1, d. 180, l. 189.

To ECCI.

April 11, 1923.

Dear comrades —

We have already notified you that the Communist Party of America held its Third National Convention [April 7, 1923] at which a decision was adopted to dissolve the underground party, leaving the Workers Party of America as the only Party having relations with the Comintern. For obvious reasons then it would be impossible for the Workers Party at present to change its name and to affiliate directly with the CI. It will have for the time being to remain as affiliated fraternally only. However, the Workers Party is to be accorded all privileges accorded formerly to the CPA by the Comintern. All communications signed by the Exec. Sec'y of the WP (by comrade C.E. Ruthenberg) are to be recognized as the only ones of an official nature. Members of the Workers Party transferring to other countries are to be admitted to all Sections of the CI, the CPR [Communist Party of Russia] included. Delegates of the Workers Party attending Congresses of the CI or meetings of the Executive Committee of the CI are to be accorded both voice and vote.

The addresses and codes used until now for communicating with the CPA and the WPA still hold good.

With comradely greetings,

J. Miller [C.E. Ruthenberg]

Exec. Sec'y, CPA.

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