

TENG T'O, AN APOLOGIST FOR KHRUSHCHEV REVISIONISM
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On 22 August 1963, not long after the publication of the CCP Central Committee's program document, "Proposal for a General Line for the International Communist Movement," Teng T'o made a report on the question of "anti-revisionism" at a meeting of political cadres and political teachers in universities and middle schools in Peking city. The meeting was held in the Party School run by the CCP Municipal Committee.

In this report, Teng T'o tried his utmost to prettify the Khrushchev revisionists and defend their viewpoint, viciously attacked our party's Marxist viewpoint on the question of proletarian revolution, and distorted in various ways the nature of the polemic. This was another anti-party, anti-socialist poisonous arrow shot by Teng T'o from a platform.

Teng T'o regards Khrushchev, the greatest contemporary renegade of the proletariat, as a fighter who can correct his mistakes and become once again "infinitely loyal to the revolution and socialism."...

As a matter of fact, Teng T'o gave people this advice: Stop your anti-revisionist struggle. He Khrushchev will change his mind and come back. Sooner or later you will shake hands with him and have cordial talks!...

In his report, Teng T'o not only prettified Khrushchev but also defended Khrushchev's brothers in trouble, Togliatti and Thorez. He said that "having been general secretaries for many years" and "being veterans in the international communist movement," they made mistakes also because they "lack Marxist-Leninist cultivation," "deal with problems in a mechanical way," and "employ formal logic." Is this not an open opposition to our party's basic viewpoint as expounded in its anti-revisionist articles such as "More on the Differences Between Comrade Togliatti and Us"?...

In his report Teng T'o frantically denounced the proletarian theory of revolution through violence, and publicly propagated the revisionist theory of "peaceful transition." Playing with philosophical concepts, he said: Only when we combine peaceful transition with non-peaceful transition can we achieve "unity of a contradiction and can we look at a problem in a dialectical and overall manner."

He also distorted the words of Engels and slandered us for making the single reference to the possibility of seizing political power by armed force. He accused us of "onesidedly grasping a viewpoint, making it absolute, and counterpoising it against another viewpoint." He slanderously

charged that our party failed to proceed from reality in its criticism of revisionism, and that it was "a captive of the one-sidedness of metaphysical thinking!"...

What is noteworthy is that a month before Teng T'o's report, the leadership of the Soviet Communist Party had made its open letter public. In this "open letter," the Soviet Communist Party leadership harped again on the old tunes of "peaceful transition." Teng T'o's words followed these tunes precisely! It appears that Teng T'o has exactly executed the orders of Khrushchev; he deserves to be called Khrushchev's faithful mouthpiece!

In his report Teng T'o tried his best to deny that the difference between Marxism-Leninism and revisionism is a fundamental difference in line. He said: "They [the revisionists] too admit the contradiction between them and imperialism, but they think that this contradiction should be solved by means of compromise and concession." In other words, the contradiction between us and the revisionists is not a question of whether we should fight against imperialism or not, but represents only a difference in tactics...

Teng T'o has an axe to grind in stating his views. That is: to confuse the boundary line between Marxism-Leninism and revisionism, persuade the revolutionary people to give up their struggle against revisionism, let the revisionist ideological tide soar into a flood, and let capitalism be restored in China! That is why Teng T'o tries a thousand and one means to gloss over the gravity and sharpness of this struggle. This fact itself represents an acute and sharp class struggle! Teng T'o! The eyes of revolutionaries cannot be blurred, the anti-revisionist struggle cannot be obstructed, and you can never avoid your pre-destined doom!

Through the above analysis, it is not difficult for the reader to see that, while he described the aim of his report as interpreting our party's "Proposal for a General Line for the International Communist Movement," actually Teng T'o went to great lengths in publicizing the "Open Letter" of the Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party. So far as we know, the revisionist leadership clique of the Soviet Communist Party hired a group of so-called "propagandists" and sent them to various areas of the Soviet Union to publicize the anti-China viewpoint of the "Open Letter." It appears that it is only proper to confer on Teng T'o the title of "propaganda agitator" in the employ of the Soviet Communist Party leadership clique!

As Teng T'o made his report as a member of the secretariat of the CCP Municipal Committee and in the name of explaining the documents of the CCP Central Committee and as the audience consisted of cadres engaged in propaganda work, the report has exerted an extremely bad influence. This account must be settled. Revisionist apologists, Teng T'o and the like, and ogres of all kinds in the world must all be struck down!