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Radically left – Revolutionary – Socialism Call for May Day 2013 by the MLPD

Dear colleagues,

come out to the international day of struggle and holiday of the workers! May Day 2013 is a sign of the struggle against the shifting of the burdens of the crisis onto the backs of the workers, of the criticism of the capitalist profit economy and of the search of the people for an alternative to the out-dated capitalist system.

Under the slogan "uprising", the masses in Cyprus protested against the compulsory expropriation of their savings deposits by the EU governments in the interest of international finance capital! Now we know what Merkel means when she declares that "all savings deposits are safe!" Contrary to the soothing words of bourgeois "experts", the world economic and financial crisis has not been overcome at all . The economic development in Europe is further declining, the euro crisis is intensifying. The crisis management of Chancellor Merkel does not change that at all! Millions of people in southern Europe are fighting against the raising of the retirement age, reduction of wages, a rapidly growing mass and youth unemployment and the dismantling of bourgeois-democratic rights and liberties.

The workers and the broad masses of people in Tunisia and Egypt do not accept being deprived of the achievements of their uprisings. In the struggles that have flared up anew, the democratic movements of revolt want to get out of the dead end in which they had come temporarily. The clear goal has to be the perspective of a new-democratic revolution in which the power will go over into the hands of the people.

More and more people are looking for a future worth living for, a social perspective. All promises of a "crisis-free capitalism" or the "regulation of the financial market" have failed. Worldwide capitalism gets embroiled in more and more crises! We need a fundamental alternative! Today all conditions exist for the creation of the untied socialist states of the world. In order to maintain the out-dated capitalist social system, to suppress every revolutionary action and to denigrate the ideology of liberty of the working class of a society liberated from exploitation and oppression, those in power are spreading modern anti-communism.

For this reason the MLPD is launching an offensive for genuine socialism and against modern anticommunism in 2013 . Radically left, revolutionary and as a socialist alternative — in this spirit it is also participating in the federal elections. 70 percent of the members of the MLPD are blue and white collar workers. This party does not make empty promises, but encourages and promotes the self-confidence of the broad masses of people to become new politicians themselves, and it helps to develop the class independence and organization of the workers and their ability to fight.

In this spirit, congratulations to the workforce of Opel in Bochum that rejected being black-mailed to sacrifice wage increases and jobs! This expresses a new self-confidence of the working class. More than three quarters of the workforce rejected the so-called "treaty of redevelopment". It is setting a clear signal: We do not want a trade union as a manager of renunciation, we need a fighting organization! Alone in Europe, 12 car plants are being threatened by closures. Let us go into the offensive together and beyond borders against rising exploitation, flexibilization of working hours, the attacks on our wages and jobs – for the defense and improvement of the wage and working conditions at the expense of the profits! Instead of division among the locations of production – forward to the working-class offensive!

In the middle of March, nine cooling systems failed in the damaged nuclear power plant of Fukushima – nuclear power cannot be controlled! With the further use of nuclear power, the irresponsible fracking, the unhindered CO2 emissions, the overexploitation of the natural resources etc., the capitalist profit economy gives rise to the irreversible destruction of the natural foundations of life. An international front of active resistance is necessary. Its goal can only be a social order in which the needs of people in harmony with nature are at the center.

The 1st International Miners' Conference in Arequipa/Peru with 500 representatives from 25 nations, that took place at the beginning of March, set an encouraging signal with a promising future for the worldwide coordination of the struggles of miners. It is a big step forward and a good example for uniting the international working class to become a force that is superior to international capital.

ICOR ("International Coordination of Revolutionary Parties and Organizations"), that was founded in October 2010, with presently 45 members from 32 countries promoted this step and stands for the coordination and revolutionization of the struggles of the working class and the broad masses worldwide. The MLPD is proud to be a member of ICOR. Strengthen the MLPD – take part in the voter action groups!

Demands and slogans for May Day

- Joint struggle against the shifting of the burdens of the crisis onto the backs of the workers and the broad masses!
- Fight against speedup in the companies!
- For higher wages and salaries!
- Fight for every job and against plant closures!
- 30-hour workweek with full wage compensation!
- Massive restriction of agency work!
- Abolish the Hartz IV laws!
- Full legal right to strike in all matters!
- Save the environment from the capitalist profit economy!
- Against imperialist aggressions and wars Federal Armed Forces out of Afghanistan and other countries!
- For the liberation of women!
- For genuine socialism!

Workers of all countries, unite!
Workers of all countries and all oppressed, unite!