

May 5, 1977

TO: MEMBERS OF THE IMT STEERING COMMITTEE

Dear Comrades,

This letter is to convoke a meeting of the IMT Steering Committee for Thursday evening, May 26, immediately preceding the May meeting of the United Secretariat, which is scheduled for May 27, 28, and 29.

The convocation of this meeting flows from developments at the last United Secretariat meeting (April 30, May 1 & 2), where leading members of the LTF expressed their opinions on the IMT Declaration. At this meeting, the LTF stated that they were in political agreement with some aspects of the IMT Declaration and that this agreement laid the basis for an attempt to draft a European document in common, as well as strengthened the need to attempt to draft other major documents for the World Congress in common, such as the world political resolution. The LTF also underlined that the IMT Declaration made a general political characterization of the LTF that tended to contradict the IMT's affirmation of the need to dissolve all tendencies in the FI at the Eleventh World Congress. As well, the LTF expressed its desire to try to overcome concrete organizational disputes in order to improve the smooth and united functioning of the center of the FI, its central press organ, etc.

We propose that the IMT Steering Committee discuss:

- Situation in the Fourth International regarding the existing tendencies and faction
- Preparations for the World Congress, including discussion on approach to drafting European and other major documents in common
- Finalizing the IMT Declaration

As you will recall, the last meeting of the IMT Steering Committee, which took place before the March meeting of the United Secretariat, adopted the general line of the IMT Declaration. A committee of several comrades was selected to edit this declaration, and it was accepted for publication in the international internal discussion bulletin by the March United Secretariat. Members of the IMT Steering Committee who were present at the last meeting of the United Secretariat met and decided to suspend the publication of this Declaration and to ask that it be finalized by a future IMT Steering Committee meeting.

To repeat: IMT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING ON THURSDAY, MAY 26, AT 7:00 P.M. NEXT UNITED SECRETARIAT MEETING ON MAY 27, 28, 29 (Friday, Saturday, Sunday). Both meetings will be held in the usual place. Another letter will be sent in a week's time to confirm this timetable.

Comradely,

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