

INEVITABILITY OF THE WORLD REVOLUTION

The letter ends with a call for the American workers and the world proletariat to carry forward the class struggle. "We place our stakes on the inevitability of the international revolution," Lenin said. "We are invincible, for the world revolution is invincible."

Today, both the USSR and China are claiming that their national security depends on alliances with the ruling classes of India and Pakistan. But as Lenin's policy showed, the security of the socialist countries ultimately depends on the strength of the workers and oppressed peoples of the world in their struggle against imperialism. Will history show that any alliances with the historically doomed ruling classes of India or Pakistan helped the socialist countries in any significant way?

The best defense for the Soviet Union and People's China is the prosecution of the revolution in East Bengal, Pakistan, and India, and, of course, the destruction of imperialism by the workers and oppressed people all over the world.

WASHINGTON'S ESCALATION AND VIETNAM'S SOCIALIST ALLIES IN THE "UNITED NATIONS"

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The resumption of massive bombing over North Vietnam is a mad, Hitlerite attempt by the Pentagon and the Nixon Administration to win through air power a war they have lost in ten years of bitter fighting. They are pounding the villages and countryside of North Vietnam in a vengeful action that flies in the face of every diplomatic and political posture assumed by Washington since the Tet offensive brought about the downfall of Lyndon Johnson and the first steps toward supposedly "winding down" the war.

The unpopularity of the war among the masses in this country, as well as all over the world, and the fear within the U.S. ruling class itself that to continue the war could risk explosive revolutionary developments at home and abroad, have long been acknowledged by most of the policy planners in Washington. Why, then, this abrupt about-face that is sure to deepen the disaffection of the masses and further reveal the murderous violence at the core of American "democracy" and "free enterprise"?

Why does Washington feel emboldened to carry out such a dastardly deed, without even manufacturing another Gulf of Tonkin hoax or coming up with any kind of excuse at all?

Part of the answer lies in the unwillingness of any ruling class to accept its own defeat — a problem that the oppressed are always going to have to deal with in shaping a correct strategy.

But besides this, there is an added reason why the most rabid adventurers in the Pentagon can at this particular time convince the generals of industry and finance that the military advantages of the bombing will outweigh the political drawbacks. They are taking advantage of the open and acrimonious split between the Soviet Union and