

TO EVERY COMMUNIST

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PEACE OR WAR? That is the question each man asks his neighbor. Every woman awaits the answer.

In a divided world, with both camps armed with weapons capable of total devastation, the theory of the class struggle as well as the theory of capitalism, the welfare state, or the affluent society will prove too small, too slow and too selfish to achieve anything except disaster.

Many honest Communists know it. Too few in the non-Communist world will face it.

Our appeal is to every sincere Communist and Marxist in Russia, in China and throughout the world to join with us in the greatest revolutionary adventure of all time, whereby the root problem—human nature—is dealt with thoroughly, drastically and on a colossal scale, and nations are halted in their mad, historic march to violence and destruction.

It will mean change for all. Changed economic conditions, though essential, do not change men. Decadence in some of every generation among the richer societies of the non-Communist world, decadence among the third generation of Communists in the Communist world prove it.

Too many Communists, as Mr. Khrushchev has pointed out, are too selfish to make their Communism work in their homes, on the farm, in the factory, or in the nation. Too many non-Communists are too selfish to live for anything except their own comfort, their own corner, their own concerns.

IN AFRICA, at a time when many Africans want all white men to leave, 17 nations have invited Moral Re-Armament to their countries. In Nigeria, Tunisia, the Cameroons, Morocco and the Congo responsible leaders say that it has many times averted bloodshed.

In Kenya, hard-core Mau Mau revolutionaries were changed when they heard their white prison commandant apologize for the arrogance and greed in men like himself, which had helped to cause Mau Mau. They gave up their hate, for they saw that where black hates white today, black will kill black tomorrow. They took the all-African film *Freedom*, which dramatizes the answer to bitterness and corruption, to their leader, Jomo Kenyatta. He said, "Get this film into Swahili. It is what our people need."

CURE FOR HATRED AND SELFISHNESS

Edan Mugo, the first man arrested in the emergency, saw the film in Swahili. He had returned from twelve years in prison to find that his two wives and four children had been killed, his home demolished and his land confiscated. He says, "Some power in that film touched my heart and took away my bitterness. I decided to forgive the white man, for I saw that only thus could Africans, Asians, Europeans live in peace." Together with Kenyatta's only brother, he took *Freedom* to 400,000 people in Kenya in six months. "Moral Re-Armament is an intelligent medicine to cure the diseases of hate, selfishness and bitterness, which confuse nations everywhere," he says.

THE TOTAL REVOLUTION

In South America, revolutionary students of San Marcos University, Peru, where Vice-President Nixon was stoned, have changed. "To change the system is only half a revolution," said the editor of

THERE WILL BE no war if East and West, black and white, Communist and non-Communist accept a common revolutionary destiny.

There can be no honest co-existence without a common commitment. Mankind's commitment must now become the rebuilding of the world. It means the transformation of society, an economic, social, political change within and between nations, a revolution so vast that everyone, everywhere, can play his part.

Human nature can be changed. That is the root of the answer.

National economies can be changed. That is the fruit of the answer.

World history can be changed. That is the destiny of our age.

God alone can change men. Lenin was a forceful and dedicated revolutionary. His challenge to the century has altered the shape of our times. But it has divided mankind, and can destroy it, unless we change.

Lenin did not believe in God. He said, "Our revolution will never succeed until the myth of God is removed from the mind of man." Lenin's disbelief was nourished by the actions and inactions of those who expressed their belief in God.

Nations, which professed faith, lived in such a way that they robbed Lenin and his friends of a belief in God. The way some so-called God-fearing nations live makes the Communist world cynical of God today. But unbelief was a fatal flaw in Lenin's philosophy.

Absolute moral standards are a place where all men can make a start—standards of absolute unselfishness in economic planning; absolute love in social attitudes and patterns; absolute honesty in industrial and political

the left-wing student paper. "Moral Re-Armament is the total revolution because it changes the system and produces the incorruptible men to run it. The most reactionary man is the one who wants to change the world, but refuses to change himself."

These students wrote a play, *El Condor*, portraying this total fight for social justice. Capitalists and generals changed, quit their sterile anti-Communism, and took up the fight with them. They were received with tumultuous enthusiasm by the land workers in the Peasant League country. In the port of Recife so many dockers found hope and purpose that the Port Superintendent was able to tell the press that alcoholism had decreased in a marked degree. The Director of the Port Cooperative reports, "Looting and pilfering are going out of fashion. Honesty has come in, so that prices of staple foods in our cooperative have been able to be cut by 35%."

In recent months Moral Re-Armament plays have been seen in football stadiums by more than a million and a half people in Peru, Chile, Bolivia and Brazil. Millions more see Moral Re-Armament programs regularly on television.

FOR WORLD PEACE AND ASIAN UNITY

In Japan on October 22nd, 1962, the Prime Minister spoke at the opening of an Asian training center for Moral Re-Armament at Odawara.

Prime Minister Ikeda told the 2,131 delegates from 41 countries: "We are honored that Japan should be chosen as the center for the Moral Re-Armament of Asia. Since I took office I have striven to double the national income. Now I realize that the foundation for this should be men who are right and true. MRA is working to create new men, new nations, and a new world. May its philosophy take root and spread. I am determined to help in whatever way I can to further this purpose."

The invitation committee for the first assembly

Years ago Frank Buchman, initiator of Moral Re-Armament, in a speech broadcast to the world said, "Is change for all the one basis of unity for all? Can Marxists be changed? Can they have this new thinking? Can Marxists pave the way for a greater ideology? Why not? They have always been open to new things. They have been forerunners. They will go to prison for their belief. They will die for their belief. Why should they not be the ones to live for this superior thinking?"

Many people say that capitalism or Communism, class or color are the problems.

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New men with new motives will build a new world. No concept short of this touches the root of the modern malaise.

Hans Boeckler, the great president of the German Trade Union Federation, put it this way, "When men change, the structure of society changes. And when the structure of society changes, men change. Both go together and both are necessary."

This revolution of Moral Re-Armament already has bridgeheads in every nation. As Moscow Radio said, "It is in its final phase of total expansion throughout the world."

there includes two former Prime Ministers and senior industrial leaders, who say: "In order to lay a foundation for world peace, and especially to create unity in Asia, individuals and nations must now give priority to Moral Re-Armament." Takasumi Mitsui, the President of the Mitsui Foundation, sold his last family property to provide money for the center. The aim is to make real for every Asian the words of Frank Buchman to the rice workers of Ceylon: "Empty hands will be filled with work, empty stomachs with food and empty hearts with an idea that really satisfies."

THE THIRD GENERATION

One of those leading the Assembly is Rajmohan Gandhi. He is the third generation of his family to stand with Moral Re-Armament. His grandfather, Mahatma Gandhi, who achieved India's independence, first met Buchman in 1915, and twenty-five years later said, "Moral Re-Armament is the greatest thing that has come out of the West." His father, Devadas Gandhi, said, "If Moral Re-Armament fails, the world fails." Pressed by leaders of India to take a prominent position in his country, Rajmohan replied, "Where would India be today if my grandfather had accepted the advice to return to his law practice instead of fighting for his country? Today, not just one country is in jeopardy, but the whole world."

The grandchildren of the men and women changed when Buchman moved through Scandinavia in the thirties have written a play which gives an answer to impurity and hate. It offers youth of every nation something great to live for. It will go through Europe this winter.

In Europe, Asia, and throughout the world, the third generation of Moral Re-Armament are working day and night, without salary, to make the work and wealth of the world available for all, and for the exploitation of none.

action; absolute purity in every home: standards which do not vary with personal, party or national interest. Here lies the secret of successful statesmanship, sound citizenship and lasting unity. The logical next step for the Communist and for the non-Communist world is Moral Re-Armament.

Honest leaders in both worlds admit it. The 22nd Congress of the Russian Communist Party called upon every Party Member to observe himself and cultivate in others honesty, moral purity, unselfish labor for society and love of his fellows. Emboldened leaders in East and West will bring these standards to their peoples by living them themselves.

William Penn said, "Men must choose to be governed by God or they condemn themselves to be ruled by tyrants."

When the men of the Kremlin listen to God, He will speak to them as clearly as He would to the leaders of the non-Communist world if they were humble enough to listen—and sane enough to obey—instead of continuing to do efficiently and proudly what is not the way.

From the Mind of God adequate, accurate, definite information can come to the mind of man. Here is a revolutionary experiment that any true revolutionary will dare to make.

The paradox of history may be that this century which discovered the power of the divided atom will learn the secret of uniting man. The Communists, governed by God, could be pacemakers for the world in the greatest revolution of all time, where all men are needed, no man is exploited, and where leaders and led pay the price of a new society, by paying the price of change in their own lives.