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Abimael Guzman (Gonzalo), leader of the Communist Party of Peru, was assassinated by the State of the Republic of Peru on September 11, 2021. Glory to Gonzalo, the ideological-political-organizational leader of the glorious "People's War" led by the Communist Party of Peru, the valiant son of the people of Peru and of the international proletariat! The uninterrupted struggle of the "International Proletariat" for communism, and the will and perseverance under the guidance of Marxism-Leninism-Maoism, will continue to grow carrying on Gonzalo's commitment to revolution and communism.

Gonzalo is engraved in the pages of history as a historic communist who led the Communist Party of Peru and the revolutionary war, and provided it with the theoretical and political equipment, through and as a result of protracted struggle. He affirmed that the revolution in Peru would only

be victorious through the "Protracted People's War". He assured its initiation. From 1980 until he was captured on September 12th, 1992, he successfully turned the people of Peru into active participants in the revolutionary war with the "People's War" under his leadership. He developed and advanced the "People's War" against the bloody, suffocating, reactionary and fascist Republic of Peru. He developed the communist line that would inspire Latin America. He succeeded honorably in earning the hostility of the imperialist powers, mainly US imperialism. This was because the revolution in Peru was developing, advancing and marching towards success, while Russian social-imperialism had shed the mask of socialism. This class struggle pierced through the propaganda and tore apart the claims that "the era of socialism and revolution is over". Attacks on the communist line and its leadership were further intensified with the consequent fear and anxiety this induced. The State of the Republic of Peru – with the strong support of US imperialism – increased its reactionary attacks and captured Gonzalo and many other comrades on September 12, 1992. On September 28 they attempted to humiliate Gonzalo by exposing him to the world in a cage. Gonzalo shouted to the whole world from inside the "cage" that the "People's War in Peru" with the power of "Marxism-Leninism-Maoism" would continue uninterruptedly and that its victory is inevitable. With clenched fist, he sang the Internationale, signifying the invincibility of the great cause of the proletariat.

Comrade Gonzalo was kept in complete isolation at the Callao Naval Base from the date of his capture until the day he was murdered. He was cut off from his family, from his comrades and from the whole world. The State of the Republic of Peru saw this as a means to suffocate, isolate and defeat the revolution in Peru, separating it from its founder and theoretical leader. The fascist state of the Republic of Peru persisted in its complete isolation of Gonzalo for 29 years –

despite his advanced age and deteriorating health. In Gonzalo's case they ignored and violated all norms and rules of war, as well as local and international laws. Because of his leadership in the "People's War", imperialism and the reactionary Republic of Peru had come to fear him. For this, they exposed him in a cage and condemned him to 29 years of complete isolation.

As his health problems worsened on July 13th, he was hospitalized on July 20th, but was discharged on August 5, despite there being no improvements in his health condition. He was then sent back to the specially assigned prison, where he had been isolated for 29 years. On the morning of September 11, he was murdered by the Peruvian State in his isolation cell. It is a savage and brutal massacre carried out by the rulers, consumed by their "class hatred" against revolution and socialism. Gonzalo was deliberately murdered by imperialism and the reactionary Republic of Peru.

Comrade Gonzalo developed and contributed to the line of the People's War along the Marxist-Leninist-Maoist road against the reactionary wind blowing in the world. He left his mark in history as a communist dedicated to the interests of the people of Peru, as a valiant and unyielding leader of the international proletariat.

Comrade Gonzalo has a historical importance in formulating and outlining Chairman Mao's contributions to "Marxism-Leninism".

He is a special communist leader, who proved and presented theoretically to the international proletariat that "Marxism-

Leninism” had reached the stage of Maoism. His level of understanding and application of MLM has successfully inspired all Maoist forces.

Now is the time to honor his memory. Now is the time to follow his line, which shows what is possible to achieve, going against the current, in spite of difficult conditions....

We call upon all our people, the revolutionary forces, the international communist movement and revolutionary movements to honor the revolutionary-communist memory of Gonzalo, and to organize widespread and powerful commemorations and protests to unmask the genocidal policy of the Republic of Peru! It is our revolutionary duty to spread the awareness and to take action to hold the Republic of Peru and the imperialists responsible for this massacre. Our immortal comrades are the light that illuminates our struggle. With their faith and determination, we will continue to raise the class struggle, and reaffirm our faith in the cause of communism and the confidence that we are sure to win.

Glory to the Communist Leader Gonzalo!

Glory to the “People’s War in Peru”!

Glory to the People’s War That is Destined to Win!

Glory to the International Proletariat!

Glory to Marxism, Leninism and Maoism!