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On June 17, 1972, a gang of ex-C.I.A. agents, Cuban anti-communist refugees, and hatchetmen for the Republican Party, under the control of the White House, were arrested repairing an electronic bug in the Democratic National Office at the Watergate Hotel complex in Washington, D.C. This has now led to a whole exposure of the criminal activities of the U.S. monopoly capitalist ruling class. In his "Address to the Nation" on August 15, 1973, President Nixon arrogantly put the blame for this activity squarely on the American people. Had the American people not opposed the U.S. war of aggression in Indo-China, then there would have been no need for special espionage groups to deal with national security and hence no "excesses" would have been committed by these groups in the defence of this national security. This was the essence of Nixon's logic.

The address, full of anti-communism, national chauvinist jingoism, appeals to God, lies and distortions, showed the advanced stage of disintegration of the U.S. ruling class. President Nixon attempted to whitewash all his own actions and the actions of his cohorts. "In the 1960's", he stated, "individuals and groups took laws into their own hands". This was "praised as new idealism" while "we were accused as reactionaries". "Free speech was brutally repressed" as people who supported aggression were not allowed to speak. In order to "stop the massive leaks of documents" and "stop burnings and bombings and violence" the Administration was justified in establishing special security groups to "see that these excesses do not take place". "We must fight those who would subvert or overthrow our government by unlawful means" and in creating the White House special security groups which became the organisers of the Watergate break-in, Richard Nixon stated he was only following in the footsteps of "Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy and Johnson to protect national security".

According to Richard Nixon in his statement, "overzealous" people in campaigns do some things "wrong" and "excesses occurred," and "some persons in 1972 adopted those acts they had condemned" and the "extremes of the 1960's led to the extremes of Watergate". Today, he continued, we "need a new level of political decency and integrity in America" and such "mistakes must not be permitted." At the same time "we must not tie the President's hands to endanger our security and hence our liberty" and there must be "a commitment by all of us to respect mutual restraints of a free society". "We must respect the system even if we have disagreements within the law". If this is not done, then the President will be unable to cope with the events taking place in the world where "U.S. prestige is being sapped" and "vital events are taking place in South East Asia which could be a tragedy for the cause of peace".

Richard Nixon called on all the American people to unite around himself and to "create new structures of peace in the world".

Richard Nixon's "new structures of peace" and his "generation of peace" are fascist calls on the par with Hitler's "new German order" and Tojo's "Asian co-prosperity sphere". For decades Nixon has been a crusading reactionary anti-communist, a loyal flunkey of the U.S. monopoly capitalist ruling class, whose criminal method of deceit, fraud, violence, slander, sabotage and subversion are well-known to the American people. He used them

in the 1952 election campaign. He used them in the McCarthyite anti-communist crusades of which he was one of the main organisers. He used them in his campaign for Governor of the State of California in 1960 and his bid to gain and retain the Presidency in 1968 and 1972. His methods are the epitome of U.S. imperialist methods of work - the methods of a small, backward ruling class which has designs to enslave all the people of the world under its stars and stripes and designs to keep its own people in perpetual suppression and tyranny.

It is these policies of war of aggression abroad and fascist suppression at home which led to the glorious mass movement of the American people against the U.S. monopoly capitalist ruling class in the 1960's and 1970. Using the true Hitlerite logic of creating external enemies from which the nation must be "saved", then adopting violence against the people to "save" them from this mythical enemy, Richard Nixon propagandised that the mass movement against his class policies was organised by "foreign communist powers" through individuals in the Democratic Party out to "discredit" him and cause his electoral defeat. To suppress the people and obtain "hard evidence" of this "collusion", untold crimes were committed under the banner of reactionary imperialist patriotism. A class that commits genocide daily abroad and massacres its own people at home, surely will not stop at such "petty things" (as Nixon called Watergate) as burglary, arson, sabotage, electronic eavesdropping, bribery, espionage and blackmail against those who oppose it.

The people of the whole world have a good lesson in Watergate. The inner workings of the U.S. imperialist state machine are revealed once again for all to see. Furthermore, although the different sections of the U.S. ruling class have acute conflicts of interest among themselves, as the last few months have clearly shown, they are all completely united on their fundamental interest: the enslavement of the American people at home and the domination of the people abroad. **ALTHOUGH THE DIFFERENT GROUPS BICKER ON THE CORRECT METHOD OF COUNTER-REVOLUTION, THEY ARE ALL UNITED ON THE BASIC NEED FOR THIS COUNTER-REVOLUTION.** There is no "sensibleness" above classes and the U.S. monopoly capitalist class is "sensible" only in protecting its basic class interest.

While certain groups within the American monopoly capitalist class are opposing Nixon's method of counter-revolution, and while the American people and the world's people oppose his counter-revolution, on August 15, Richard Nixon announced that he would carry on despite all opposition and criticism. He blamed the "excesses" of the mass movement for the "unfortunate" reaction by his patriotic "overzealous" gang of thugs.

The U.S. imperialists are in a predicament. This is why they are crying for a "generation of peace". The people of the world know that when an imperialist talks peace, he means war. The people of the world also know that it is their struggle which has landed the U.S. imperialists in this predicament and is causing their disintegration. It is just for this reason that they are now getting further organised and are developing their revolutionary struggles to wipe U.S. imperialist tyranny off the face of the earth. This way they will win a genuine and lasting peace without war and exploitation.

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