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Either Mother Earth dies or capitalism will!

ICOR Environmental Day of Struggle together with the internationally coordinated rebellion of the youth on 29 November Get active to save life's global foundations!

Unquestionably, on all continents an intensification of the global environmental crisis can be observed. We see forests wither or go up in flames and seas rise; we see the ice melt at the poles and huge quantities of methane gas escape into the atmosphere. All essential factors for the destruction of the natural environment in soil, air, and water interact disastrously and reinforce each other.

Impossible to be overheard is a worldwide environmental movement; people do not stand idly by as the foundations of their lives are disrupted and, in the medium to long term, threatened in their entirety.

This international youth movement, "Fridays for Future" (also Climate Strike) , has been active for months, taking to the streets every Friday in more than 100 countries. The high points to date were the 20th and 27th of September, on which a total of 6,388 actions took place in 170 countries on all continents, with seven million people protesting the destruction of the unity of humanity and nature. The ICOR also issued a call for action. One million took to the streets in Italy, 400,000 in Australia, 250,000 in New York, 1.5 million in Germany. Environmental consciousness has grown; more and more protesters name the causers: the international monopolies and their financial system. Governments try to curb and to decompose the resistance with hastily adopted laws. But the comment on them from the movement is clear: "ineffective and lacking credibility." New is the beginning of a union between the **environmental movement and the working-class and trade-union movement**.

The youth and children are a determined, active and rebellious force in the *Fridays for Future* movement. They keep up demanding their rights to a future. At the same time, the young still lack experience and must learn to understand the deeper roots of the environmental destruction in the laws of capitalism and imperialism. Because they make it clear: the worldwide environmental movement must become a society-changing force. In various countries the working-class movement has set examples – for instance, in the struggle of the Peruvian miners, who have included the protection of the natural environment in their fight for wages and jobs. The automotive workers' movement also has decided to send out a signal at the 2nd International Automotive Workers' Conference in February 2020 in South Africa for the joint struggle of environmental fighters and the world's autoworkers.

This is a necessary and good development. Let's do all we can to strengthen it and develop it further.

As revolutionary parties and organizations in the ICOR we are called upon to assume responsibility, to open up and develop a debate on the strategic solution to the environmental question. The great goal of the preserving, restoring and consolidating the

unity of humanity and nature only can be reached in the successful struggle for democracy and freedom and for a socialist perspective through the international socialist revolution.

From **2 to 13 December 2019** the next UN climate summit **takes place now in Madrid**. In the last years this summit has been an object of worldwide protest; it is always an occasion for organizing a counter-summit and demonstrations. This year it was decided: the **Environmental Day of Struggle is 29 November** and takes place together with the actions of the *Fridays for Future* movement worldwide.

***Participate in the ICOR Environmental Day of Struggle on 29 November – worldwide!
Strengthen the ICOR and its member organizations!***

Signatories (as of 18. November 2019, up-to-date list of signatories on www.icor.info):

1. MMLPL Moroccan Marxist-Leninist Proletarian Line
2. PPDS Parti Patriotique Démocratique Socialiste (Patriotic Democratic Socialist Party), Tunisia
3. CPB Communist Party of Bangladesh
4. CPI (ML) Red Star Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist) Red Star
5. Ranjbaran Hezb-e Ranjbaran-e Iran (Proletarian Party of Iran)
6. NDMLP New-Democratic Marxist-Leninist Party, Sri Lanka
7. БКП Българска Комунистическа Партия (Bulgarian Communist Party)
8. MLPD Marxistisch-Leninistische Partei Deutschlands (Marxist-Leninist Party of Germany)
9. UCLyon Unité Communiste Lyon (Communist United Lyon), France
10. UPML Union Proletarienne Marxiste-Léniniste (Marxist-Leninist Proletarian Union), France
11. BP (NK-T) Bolşevik Parti (Kuzey Kürdistan-Türkiye) (Bolshevik Party (North Kurdistan-Turkey))
12. KOL Kommunistische Organisation Luxemburg (Communist Organization of Luxemburg)
13. RM Rode Morgen (Red Dawn), Netherlands
14. MLGS Marxistisch-Leninistische Gruppe Schweiz (Marxist-Leninist Group of Switzerland)
15. KSC-CSSP Komunistická Strana Československa – Československa Strana Prace (Communist Party of Czechoslovakia – Czechoslovakian Workers Party), Czech Republic
16. TIKB Türkiye İhtilalci Komünistler Birliği (Union of Revolutionary Communists of Turkey)
17. TKP-ML Türkiye Komünist Partisi – Marksist-Leninist (Communist Party of Turkey – Marxist-Leninist)

18. MLKP Marksist Leninist Komünist Parti Türkiye / Kürdistan (Marxist Leninist Communist Party Turkey / Kurdistan)
19. KSRD Koordinazionnyj Sowjet Rabotschewo Dvizhenija (Coordination Council of the Workers Class Movement), Ukraine
20. БРП(к) Българска Работническа Партия (комунисти) (Bulgarian Workers Party (Communist))
21. MLP Marksistsko-Leninskaja Platforma (Marxist-Leninist Platform), Russia
22. PCC-M Partido Comunista de Colombia – Maoista (Communist Party of Colombia - Maoist)
23. PCP (independiente) Partido Comunista Paraguayo (independiente) (Paraguayan Communist Party (independent))
24. BDP Bloque Democratico Popular (Popular Democratic Bloc), Peru
25. PML del Perú Partido Marxista Leninista del Perú (Marxist-Leninist Party of Peru)
26. PC (ML) Partido Comunista (Marxista Leninista) (Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist)), Dominican Republic
27. ROL Revolutionary Organization of Labor, USA
28. PCR-U Partido Comunista Revolucionario del Uruguay (Revolutionary Communist Party of Uruguay)
29. CPA/ML Communist Party of Australia (Marxist-Leninist)