

## COMMUNIST PARTY OF INDIA (MARXIST) 21<sup>st</sup> Congress Samar Mukherjee Nagar Visakhapatnam, April 14-19, 2015

## Resolution

## On Latin America

The 21<sup>st</sup> Congress of the Communist Party of India (Marxist) condemns the unjust economic sanctions on Venezuela imposed by the United States in order to destabilise the country. This is part of U.S. efforts to strangle the country by launching an economic war against it. The direct sabotage of the country's economy, the circumvention of the various means of control that the government has tried to implement in the economy, the planning of coups, the financing of paramilitaries and terrorist acts within the country, and other such measures have been organised in order to push Venezuela into a crisis and ensure a regime change.

This Party Congress denounces the recent attempt to overthrow the Maduro government by reactionary right-wing forces. The elements involved in the 2002 coup against President Hugo Chavez continue to plot to overthrow the present Bolivarian government.

The U. S. is actively encouraging and aiding various right-wing opposition groups to destabilise Left progressive governments in Latin America, particularly in Brazil, Bolivia, and Ecuador. It is pumping millions of dollars through USAID to fund their subversive activities. Its hand can clearly be seen in the coups in Honduras and in Paraguay. It sent its military to Haiti, and became *de facto* ruler of the country.

The U. S. instituted illegal surveillance against various governments in contravention of international treaties. Brazil stood firm against such designs, condemned them, and also initiated steps to mobilise other countries against hegemonic U. S. control of the Internet.

This Party Congress extends its greetings to the Left progressive governments of Latin America, which, in spite of the severe impact of the global economic crisis, continue to implement social welfare measures and policies to reduce poverty and empower the people, thus increasing popular support. In contrast to many other parts of the world, Latin American Governments such as those of Brazil, Ecuador, and Uruguay are being re-elected because of their alternative policies.

This Party Congress notes with concern that ruling oligarchies in these countries, who have been kept out of government for long periods of time, are being encouraged by the imperialism to create chaos and violence. It is heartening to note that, in spite of these efforts of imperialism, the people of Latin America have stood firmly against such acts of destabilisation.

The 21<sup>st</sup> Congress of the CPI(M) expresses its solidarity with the fighting people of Latin America in their struggle against imperialism, neo-liberal policies, and for the people's economic and social advance.

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