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NOTES ON THE CIRCLE MEETING OF SUNDAY JUNE 16

Purpose of the meeting as stated by the chair was;
"try and gain clarity and unity on the struggle that has gone down so far and to unite on a written statement of unity."

Through the course of struggle in the meeting a statement of UNITY and the Detroit statement were adopted in their entirety along with fundamental unity on the main points and essential thrust of the long report which deals with a summation of the struggle in the circle.

Greater clarity and unity was achieved on our basis of unity which helped lay a foundation in order to carry out struggle in the next few weeks around our principle local task of welding the core, and around reaching org. inity with the B.W.C.

In the course of adopting the principles of unity at least three sharp struggles went down.

I --The first one dealt with pt. 7 of the principles of unity and the long report both of which layout the obstacles and bour. trends that have risen since the circles inception.

comrade B raised the objection that he could not unite with the essential thrust of the long report because it was "inaccurate" and "unclear" in its presentation of the struggle around C.L. and the effect of raising C.L.

This comrade was struggled with and clarity and unity were reached on the following points.

- 1)the way C.L. was raised within the circle was opportunist and hindered the development of the circle given our central task of theoretical struggle for a M.L. line on party building.
- 2)fundamental unity on the essential thrust of the long report.
- 3)the long report contained several vague and misleading statements and a further summation and more specific examples were needed in order to learn more from our mistakes and move ahead.

II a second struggle took place centering in on pt.6 of the statement of unity which says that given "the main aspect of our central task is the theoretical struggle for clarity on line in order to grasp our P.B. responsibilities" we have a principle local task of welding a core of M.L. within the circle.

comrade D speaking also for comrade L presented his views on their central task. They were going to write a paper explaining their views on some of the key questions facing the communist movement, (p.b., c.c., c.l., t.u.) He felt that since they were a center of controversy within the circle that the best contribution he could make to the struggle was to clarify his own position by writing it down.

The majority of the circle disagreed with the comrades position and stated that:

1) no comrades views were so critical or important at this time that they needed to be written down

2) the best way this comrade could contribute to the circle was to stand two feet firm behind the process we are engaged in and to help other comrades reach clarity on our central task, on a M.L. line on P.B. and on org. unity with the B.W.C.

3) the comrades position was an individualistic style of work putting his needs and development before the needs and development of the entire circle and comm. movement.

Given that the comrade was told that he could not remain in the circle and write his paper and his decision is expected by the next steering comm. meeting. Since then the comrade has chosen to leave the circle along with comrade L.

III Around org. unity with the B.W.C. there was unclarity as to what this meant in relation to our principle local task of welding a core of M.L. within the circle. This refers to pts. 6 & 8 of the principles of unity.

comrade H stated that if it was merely a question of individuals deciding to join the B.W.C. then there is no reason for the circle to stay together.

Clarity and unity was reached on the following; that the principle task of the circle is welding a core of M.L. around a correct line on P.B. (unity of will) and this is dialectically related to org, unity with the B.W.C. See the org. proposal for welding the core.