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MY TELNO 194 SOVIET CENTRAL COMMITTEE: 5 FEBRUARY
DETAIL1. THE FOLLOWING ARE A FEW OF THE KEY POINTS FROM THE EARLIER
SPEECHES IN YESTERDAY'S DEBATE AT THE PLENUM ON THE PARTY PLATFORM

A I KORNIENKO (FIRST SECRETARY, KIEV STATE PARTY)

- WORKERS ARE ADDRESSING SERIOUS ACCUSATIONS TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND POLITBURO FOR THEIR MISTAKES DURING PERESTROIKA, FOR THEIR INDECISIVENESS AND FAILURE TO TAKE CLEAR POSITIONS ON FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES

- THE DRAFT PLATFORM NEEDS A LOT OF IMPROVEMENT. THE PARTY SHOULD BE EQUAL IN THE JURIDICAL SENSE WITH OTHER POLITICAL FORCES. BUT LOGIC AND HISTORY REQUIRE OUR PARTY TO HAVE A SPECIAL PLACE, SPECIAL NOT IN A SENSE OF A MONOPOLY ON POWER, BUT IN THE SENSE OF ITS HISTORICAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FATE OF SOCIALISM.

V K MESYATS (FIRST SECRETARY, MOSCOW REGIONAL PARTY)

- OUR MOSCOW PARTY STANDS FIRMLY ON THE POSITION OF MARXISM/LENINISM AND SPEAKS OUT FOR THE LEADING ROLE OF THE PARTY. THERE IS NO OTHER SOCIALIST MOVEMENT APART FROM THE CPSU CAPABLE OF UNITING THE PEOPLE AND OVERCOMING CURRENT PROBLEMS. UNFORTUNATELY, THIS BASIC PROPOSITION IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE DRAFT PLATFORM.

- LEADING STATE AND PARTY BODIES HAVE OFTEN MADE SERIOUS MISTAKES IN IMPLEMENTING PERESTROIKA - ALTHOUGH THE STRATEGY IS RIGHT.

- MUCH OF WHAT IS HAPPENING TODAY - THE UNPRECEDENTED OUTPOURING OF UNHEALTHY FEARS AND ANARCHY IS STIRRED UP BY LEADERS OF ALL TYPES OF ANTI-SOCIALIST GROUPS. PERHAPS I AM WRONG, BUT THIS IS NOT THAT DMEOCRACY OR THAT GLASNOST WHICH WAS ANNOUNCED IN APRIL 1985.

- THE CPSU BEGAN AND LEADS PERESTROIKA. THIS SHOULD BE THE SUBJECT OF A SPECIAL RESOLUTION OF THE PLENUM.

I A KARIMOV (FIRST SECRETARY, UZBEKISTAN)

- THERE SHOULD BE COMPULSORY REPRESENTATION OF ALL REPUBLICAN COMMUNIST PARTIES IN CENTRAL BODIES OF THE CPSU. THERE IS NO ALTERNATIVE POLITICAL FORCE TO THE PARTY. IT SHOULD BE UNDERSTOOD

THAT THE PARTY CANNOT FULFIL ITS ROLE IF IT LOSES CONTROL OVER CADRE POLICY.

G A YAGODIN (CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE COMMITTEE FOR EDUCATION
- I SUPPORT THE PROPOSALS OF THE PLATFORM ABOUT THE POST OF PRESIDENT. COLLECTIVE LEADERSHIP IS FINE UNTIL IT BECOMES COLLECTIVE IRRESPONSIBILITY. WE NEED SOMEONE WHO WILL TAKE UPON HIMSELF FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FUTURE OF THE COUNTRY. OF COURSE, HE SHOULD BE ELECTED BY THE PEOPLE IN DIRECT AND SECRET VOTING. BUT THIS WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO AWAIT THE ADOPTION OF A NEW CONSTITUTION.

YU P ARKHIPOV (SECRETARY OF THE PARTY COMMITTEE OF A LENINGRAD FACTORY

- THE APOGEE OF MISTRUST IN THE PARTY LEADERSHIP HAS NOT YET ARRIVED. BUT WE ARE NOT FAR OFF. PARTY MEMBERS ARE DESERTING IN INCREASING NUMBERS BECAUSE THEY DO NOT TRUST THE CPSU AND ITS LEADERSHIP. THIS PLENUM MUST CLEARLY ACCEPT A MULTI-PARTY SYSTEM AND THE ABOLITION OF ARTICLE 6.
- THE PLENUM SHOULD ADOPT 2 DOCUMENTS - ONE SETTING OUT POLICY BETWEEN NOW AND THE CONGRESS: THE SECOND SETTING OUT THE RULES FOR PREPARING AND HOLDING THE CONGRESS.
- THERE IS NO REASON WHY THE DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM AGREED BY PARTY CLUBS IN MOSCOW ON 21 JANUARY SHOULD NOT BECOME THE PARTY PROGRAMME
- A SPECIAL ORGANISATING COMMITTEE TO PREPARE FOR THE CONGRESS CONSISTING OF 50-60 PEOPLE SHOULD BE ELECTED

YU A PROKOFEV (FIRST SECRETARY, MOSCOW CITY PARTY)

- THE DRAFT PLATFORM IS, AT THE VERY LEAST, DISAPPOINTING. THE PARTY IS LAGGING CATASTROPHICALLY IN THE PROCESS OF DEMOCRATISATION. THE PLATFORM TAKES US BACK 2 YEARS TO THE 19TH PARTY CONFERENCE. IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE PARTY TO STATE CLEARLY ITS ATTITUDE TOWARDS ARTICLE 6 AND A MULTI PARTY SYSTEM. IN PRACTICE, SUCH A SYSTEM ALREADY EXISTS. WE SHOULD RECONGNISE REALITIES.
- EACH PARTY COMMITTEE SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO DECIDE INDEPENDENTLY ON THE STRUCTURE AND SIZE OF ITS APPARATUS AND SALARIES.
- IT IS GOOD THAT WE HAVE AGREED TO PUBLISH THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLENUM, BUT PERHAPS MIKHAIL SERGEEVICH, IF YOU HAD CONSULTED MEMBERS OF THE PLENUM EARLIER, WE COULD HAVE REACHED AGREEMENT TO BROADCAST PROCEEDINGS ON TELEVISION. THE PEOPLE EXPECT THIS.

E E SOKOLOV (FIRST SECRETARY BELORUSSIA)

- REPUBLIC COMMUNIST PARTIES SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO THEIR OWN PROGRAMMES AND POLITICAL DOCUMENTS. BUT THE PARTY RULES SHOULD BE THE SAME FOR ALL COMMUNISTS.

- WHY DOES THE PARTY STAND PASSIVELY TO ONE SIDE IN THE FACE OF EXTREMISM AND SEPARATISM?
- DISCIPLINE IS COLLAPSING. IF THIS IS NOT STOPPED HOW WILL WE REALISE THE PROGRAMME SET OUT IN THE DRAFT PLATFORM
- THE IDEA OF ABOLISHING THE PARTY APPARATUS AND WORKING INSTEAD THROUGH PERMANENTLY ELECTED PARTY BODIES WILL WEAKEN PARTY'S CONTACTS WITH THE PEOPLE.
- WE URGENTLY NEED STRONGER CENTRAL POWER. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SUPREME SOVIET AND THE CPSU GENERAL SECRETARY HAS ENORMOUS RESPONSIBILITIES BUT DOES NOT HAVE THE POWERS TO GO WITH THEM.

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