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Central Committee

Communist Party of Greece

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Dear comrades,

The Political Bureau of the Communist Party of Aotearoa met today and discussed *inter alia* the situation in Greece that has unfolded in the past two weeks.

We discussed with great dismay the news of the repression against militants of the Communist Party of Greece and Greek trade unions on November 17 as they, the class-oriented fighters of and for the Greek working class, commemorated the anniversary of the Polytechnic Uprising against the military dictatorship in Athens.

The repression of this nature, reminiscent of the dictatorship, highlights the anti-people nature of the capitalist system regardless of its form of government and shows to working people of Greece, and the world, that full social, civic and economic rights cannot be gained through 'left' reform of capitalism, but by its overthrow and the establishment of socialism.

The Political Bureau also expressed its solidarity with the All-Workers' Militant Front (PAME) in the strikes for 26 November. The class-oriented trade union movement led by organisations such as PAME within the World Federation of Trade Unions is dear to the workers' struggle. As you may know, our CPA militants in the trade unions have led to the first WFTU affiliate in New Zealand since 1951.

We express our desire to deepen relations with the Communist Party of Greece / KKE given the important role your Party plays in the world Communist movement, and the tumultuous social and political situation within Greece. We are confident that the KKE and the Greek class-oriented workers' movement will continue to play the main role in the struggle for democracy and socialism.

In solidarity and struggle,

Kat Buissink

Chair of the Central Committee Communist Party of Aotearoa

