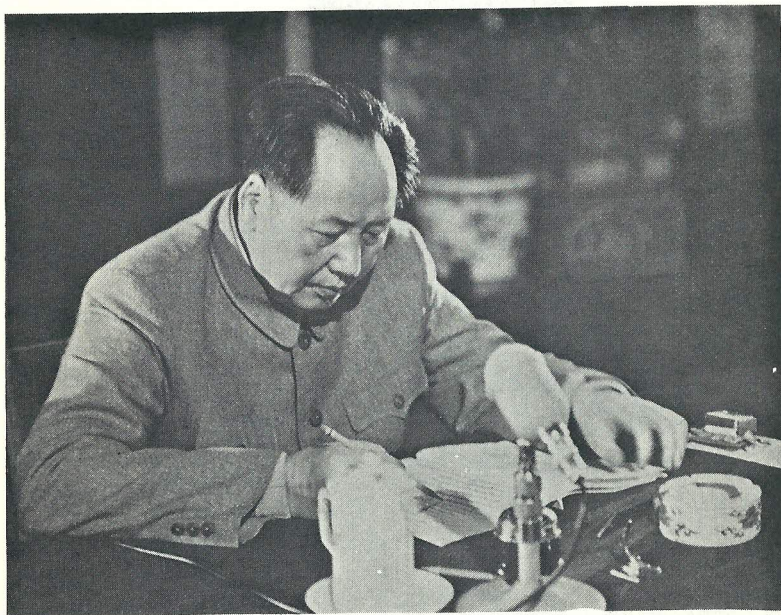




Albanian people demonstrate their ties of friendship with the Chinese people and their great respect for Chairman Mao in May 1st parade.



Chairman Mao revising the Constitution of the People's Republic of China, the first socialist constitution of China, in 1954.

'THE BRILLIANT WORK OF COMRADE MAO TSETUNG IS IMMORTAL'

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With deep grief, the Albanian communists and our entire people learned of the passing away of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the great leader of the glorious Communist Party of China and the heroic Chinese people, the great Marxist-Leninist, the most beloved and respected friend of the Albanian people. The message of the Central Committee of the Party of Labor of Albania, the Presidium of the People's Assembly and the Council of Ministers of the People's Republic of Albania to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the Standing Committee of the National People's Assembly and the State Council of the People's Republic of China, says:

"The Albanian communists and people bow in honor and respect to the memory and brilliant work which Chairman Mao Tsetung, the strategist of the Chinese revolution, the inspirer of all the victories achieved by the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people, has left behind him." This great loss grieves the Albanian communists and all the Albanian people just as it grieves the Chinese communists and the fraternal Chinese people.

Comrade Mao Tsetung, as a great revolutionary, dedicated his whole life and activity to the founding of the Communist Party of China, the protracted legendary struggle of the valiant Chinese people, the historic victory over the forces of local reaction and international imperialism, the founding and building of the People's Republic of China. As an outstanding strategist, he led the Communist Party of China and the Chinese people to victory, in the great people's revolution, in the people's libera-

tion struggle, in the struggle against imperialism and reaction.

Chairman Mao Tsetung, the founder of the Communist Party of China, of the People's Liberation Army and the People's Republic of China, led the Communist Party of China and the fraternal Chinese people with rare mastery in a stern and intricate class struggle, against the right and "left" opportunist lines, from Chen Tu-hsiu to Teng Hsiao-ping. As a result of this struggle, the party was strengthened, the cause of the revolution, of the dictatorship of the proletariat, the cause of socialism in China triumphed. It was the wise and farsighted leadership of the Communist Party of China with Comrade Mao Tsetung at the head that made China a powerful colossus, an invincible fortress of socialism, defender and inspirer of the revolutionary peoples of the world.

Under the leadership of the Party with Comrade Mao Tsetung at the head, by applying the teachings of Marxism-Leninism in the concrete conditions of China, the revolutionary line of Chairman Mao Tsetung, within a short period of time, the People's Republic of China succeeded in transforming itself into a powerful developed socialist country, with modern industry and advanced agriculture, with science and technology of the highest world standards, with a defense potential capable of destroying any aggressor or coalition of aggressors who might dare to lay a finger on it.

Mao Tsetung, as a great Marxist-Leninist who continued the immortal theory and work of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, resolutely fought against the enemies of Marxism-Leninism with the Khrushchovite revisionists at the head, and rendered to the international workers' and communist movement outstanding services.

CULTURAL REVOLUTION A BRILLIANT CHAPTER

The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution launched and led by Comrade Mao Tsetung personally is a brilliant chapter in the history of the Communist Party of China. This revolution routed the bourgeois revisionist line of the traitor gang of Liu Shao-chi and smashed the counter-revolutionary plot of the traitor and agent of the Soviet revisionists Lin Piao. It defended socialism in China, further strengthened the dictatorship of the proletariat. The triumph of the proletarian revolutionary line of Chairman Mao Tsetung destroyed the hopes and efforts of the imperialists and the social-imperialists to overthrow the socialist victories of the Chinese people and to restore capitalism in China.

Responding to the call of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the multi-million strong Chinese people hurled themselves into resolute class struggle against the revisionist, counter-revolutionary and capitulationist line of Teng Hsiao-ping, who wanted to reverse the correct verdicts of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution.

Under the leadership of Chairman Mao Tsetung, the People's Republic of China was transformed into a state with a high international prestige and authority, which fights resolutely for the cause of freedom and inde-

pendence of the peoples, the revolution and socialism against the hegemonistic and aggressive policy of the two imperialist superpowers, the United States of America and the Soviet Union. Socialist China and its glorious Communist Party enjoy authority and respect throughout the world. This authority and respect for People's China are closely bound up with the name and revolutionary work of Comrade Mao Tsetung. "The splendid victories achieved by the fraternal Chinese people under the leadership of the Communist Party of China in the revolution, socialist construction and in the international arena, are the living embodiment of the correct Marxist-Leninist line of the great and tested revolutionary leader, Comrade Mao Tsetung," Comrade Enver Hoxha has said.

PRECIOUS AND EVERLASTING FRIENDSHIP

In these days of sorrow, the Albanian people stand by the side of the fraternal Chinese people. A precious, everlasting friendship links the Albanian people with the fraternal Chinese people. This great and militant friendship between our two parties and two peoples, based on the teachings of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism has been founded and tempered by Chairman Mao Tsetung and Comrade Enver Hoxha.

Comrade Mao Tsetung was always a resolute fighter for ever stronger fraternal revolutionary ties of Albanian-Chinese friendship. The Albanian people and the Party of Labor of Albania have always seen and felt this. Chairman Mao Tsetung always took a close interest in the all-round strengthening of the economy and defense of the People's Republic of Albania.

The revolutionary Albanian-Chinese friendship has been tempered in the common battles against imperialism and world reaction, against the two biggest and most dangerous enemies of the world's peoples, U.S. imperialism and Soviet social-imperialism, against modern revisionism. It has withstood all tests and has been steeled day by day. It is immortal, Comrade Mao Tsetung has said:

"The power generated by this friendship is inexhaustible and truly invincible. May our two parties and two peoples unite even more closely with the genuine Marxist-Leninists and the revolutionary peoples of the whole world and fight shoulder to shoulder for the final burial of U.S. imperialism and Soviet revisionism, the common enemies of the people of the world."

The passing away of Comrade Mao Tsetung is a colossal loss for the Communist Party of China and the fraternal Chinese people. But as the message of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the Standing Committee of the National People's Assembly of the People's Republic of China, and the Military Commission of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China to the whole party, the whole army and people of all nationalities throughout the country says, the Chinese Communists and all the Chinese people will turn this profound grief into

strength, to continue the work of Chairman Mao Tsetung.

The work of Comrade Mao Tsetung is immortal. It will remain a great source of inspiration for all the revolutionaries and the freedom-loving peoples in their struggle for true national and social liberation.

May the memory and work of Comrade Mao Tsetung, the glorious son of the Chinese people, the outstanding Marxist-Leninist, the most beloved and most respected friend of the Albanian people, live through the centuries.



Chairman Mao at Ching Kangshan Mountains in 1965.