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Commission of International Relations
Socialist Unity Party of
German Democratic Republic

Esteemed Comrades,

The Central Committee of our Party has decided to make a new proposal for unification of the three working class parties of Turkey: the Workers' Party of Turkey, the Communist Party of Turkey and our Party— the Socialist Workers' Party of Turkey.

As you may probably know, our Party has a firm ideological stand of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism; adopts and defends the principles and rules of the international communist movement, traditional line of the Comintern as well as the final documents of the International Meetings of Communist and Workers' Parties of 1957, 1960 and 1969 (Moscow), of the Havana Conference of Communist and Workers' Parties of Latin America and Carribbean (1975) and of Berlin Conference (1976). The Socialist Workers' Party of Turkey is against also all kinds of ideological distortions, such as Euro-communism, etc., within the world communist movement. Also we regard the Communist Party of Soviet Union as the axis of the world communist movement and the vanguard of the unity of the international communist movement.

Thus we believe that all three of the above-mentioned Parties share the same basic ideological line, but that they have different views about the specific conditions of Turkish society, the peculiarities of the proletarian and popular class struggles in Turkey. This brings out several strategical and tactical differences, but we, the Socialist Workers' Party of Turkey, believe that they can be eliminated by means of constructive dialogue and discussions.
Our proposal is to convene a conference between these three Parties in order to unify them under a single Marxist-Leninist Party.

Enclosed, you will find a translation of our written proposal. One copy of this letter was directly delivered to the Workers' Party of Turkey. Another copy was handed to the Central Committee of Communist Party of Bulgaria so that it could be delivered to our comrades who lead the Communist Party of Turkey with whom we do not have the possibility of direct and regular contact.

As information we present copies of this letter also to Communist Party of Soviet Union, Communist Party of Bulgaria and Socialist Unity Party of the German Democratic Republic.

With our best sentiments of international solidarity and comradely greetings,

Fraternally yours,

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Secretary General