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CONVOGATION OF HUNGARIAN PEACE CONGRESS

At a meeting held on 6 September 1952, the Presidium of the National Peace Council convoked the third Hungarian Peace Congress at Budapest for 22-23 November 1952 and issued the following proclamation:

The world is preparing to pass the forces of peace in review. The peace congress of the peoples will be held at Vienna 3 months hence, on 5 December. The last meeting of the World Council of Peace, held at Berlin, worked out a program for this great meeting of the peoples. The aim of the program is to save the world from the destructive fire of war. Realization of this program lies in the hands of the peoples: it is their responsibility to arrest the daring hand of the incendiary warmongers. It is necessary to stamp out the nest of fire built in West Germany, from which the torch of war is to be carried over all of Europe, and also the other, which has been built in Japan for the purpose of setting all Asia on fire. An end must be made of the war in Korea, and the users of pest and the napalm bomb for warfare must be brought before an international court.

At Vienna, the peoples rather than individual fighters for peace will raise their voices. These voices must sound stronger than ever before to make the war criminals understand that the desire for peace has become a hard resolution and a fighting purpose supported by the increasing and invincible strength of hundreds of millions.

The entire world has been roused to answer Eisenhower and Dulles, the two drunken war criminals, who have openly admitted that the US is preparing war against the peace-loving peoples. They are planning, in league with the enemies of the Hungarian people -- large landowners, Fascists, Horthy generals, and the Hapsburgs -- to destroy Hungarian freedom and independence. The peoples of the world have closed their ranks and, making a united front against US imperialism, which threatens their independence and freedom, demonstrate their determination to defend peace. Preparations are under way everywhere for the world meeting of the bold and resolute. The USSR, leader of the peace camp, is marshaling its immense power to oppose the sinister, warmongering machinations by realizing its Five-Year Plan, the gigantic project of Communism. The workers of the people's

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democracies, as well as of capitalistic and colonial countries, are adding, by different means but inspired by a single purpose, day by day to the strength of the peace camp and are making the war enterprise of the imperialists increasingly risky.

Alf over the world, the peace committees are stirring to take the fighting message of peace even to those who have not yet become conscious of the fact that war can and must be prevented. New fighters are aligned in the peace camp, which will declare at Vienna in the name of the peoples of the world that it will defend peace.

Our industrious, peace-loving people, too, must prepare for the Vienna congress of the peoples. It should prepare by a review of the forces of the Hungarian Fighters for Freedom prior to the great meeting of the peoples. For this reason, the Presidium of the National Peace Council has resolved to convoke the third Hungarian Peace Congress for 22-23 November 1952.

The news of the Vienna congress of the peoples and of the third Hungarian Peace Congress should be carried into every house and home and to every person by the members of the peace committees. They should explain to everyone that Socialism, the happy future, cannot be built without peace and that peace cannot be defended without building socialism.

Preparations for this peace congress, together with the large-scale national meeting of the Hungarian Fighters for Freedom, should give new impetus to plan fulfillment in the last quarter of the decisive year of our Five-Year Plan. These preparations should manifest to the whole world the indivisible unity of our people aligned behind the party and Comrade Rakosi. They should rouse to greater heights the feeling of creative patriotism and of the international Solidarity which envelops the broad masses of our people, as well as the hatred toward the imperialistic warmongers and Tito lackeys. They should give new proof of the interdependence and indivisibility of the building and defense of the socialist fatherland.

Let the next 3 months be an unceasing demonstration in deeds by the Hungarian people for peace. Let each peace committee delegate a representative to the jaras [subdivision of county] and city peace committees and let these latter committees delegate the best of our Fighters for Freedom to the third Hungarian Peace Congress. Let the delegates carry to the congress the message of the simple people saying how they want to fight for peace. Let the preparations for the congress open the eyes of additional tens and hundreds of thousands to see reality, the danger of war, and the responsibility to defend peace. Let the hearts of the Fighters for Freedom be filled with a deeper love of the country and the resolve to defend peace. Let their vigilance be enhanced and the strength of their arms ready for work or fight be increased.

Long live the Third Hungarian Peace Congress, the grand review of the entire Hungarian working people! Forward to strengthen the land of peace, our sweet country! Forward for the success of the Vienna congress of the peoples!

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