



RESOLUTIONS OF THE FOURTH CONGRESS
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The Fourth Congress of the Labour Party of Turkey reaffirms that

- Turkey, for the past sixty years, has been progressing along the path of bourgeois-democratic revolution;
- The primary objectives of the democratic revolution have been, to a great extent, realized in Turkey;
- The prevailing relations of production are of a capitalist nature and feudal relations of production, viewed at national scale, have been greatly destroyed and exist only as solitary patches in certain regions; these feudal remnants are rapidly and incessantly being transformed into capitalist relations of production;
- The capitalist development of Turkey, coming under the pressure and exploitation of imperialism, pursues a warped and unbalanced path, and for these reasons, proves incapable of realizing true development, i.e. raising Turkey to contemporary standards of social and economic development;
- Political independence, realized by the War of Independence, was not followed up by a path of socialist development and, hence, economic independence; consequently, important deviations from political independence occurred;
- The process of capitalist development gained momentum throughout this period, and especially during the 1950's, and nascent bourgeoisie consolidated its relations with imperialism, becoming imperialism's basic ally within the country;
- Consequently, the fundamental contradiction within the social structure, the contradiction between labour and capital, coincides with the contradiction between imperialism and the anti-imperialist class forces; thus, the anti-imperialist struggle for political independence and the struggle for socialism form the two sides of an insoluble revolutionary movement;
- The anti-imperialist struggle inevitably bears a democratic content and, therefore, the socialist struggle, naturally and consequently, involves and engulfs a struggle for democracy; thus, the struggle for socialism, against imperialism and fascism, constitute an insoluble whole;
- As a result, the revolutionary step facing Turkey today is that of socialism.

The Fourth Congress of the Labour Party of Turkey declares that

- For the reasons listed above, views claiming that the revolutionary step facing Turkey is one of "National Democratic Revolution" and, hence, the strategy of national democratic revolution, are completely invalid and unfounded;
- Demands and action for National Democratic Revolution define the tar-