

4 Heinous Crimes of the State, Big Business and Labor Misleaders

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International Labor Solidarity Committee of Doro-Chiba

A shameless band, composed of the Japanese government, the Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency, Nuclear Safety Commission, TEPCO, big business, their mouthpiece mass media, hired pundits and among others, company unions and their national trade union center, are gathering their power in carrying out crimes against working people.

The first crime:

They are neglecting necessary relief measures, such as searching for the whereabouts of still missing people, providing housing, foods, clothing, medical care for evacuees. Instead, what they are intending is to introduce “restoration tax” “tax for disaster” in order to “recover” Japanese economy for the interest of capital by the help of the state power.

The second crimes:

They have launched a series of massive dismissal. Local industries in Tohoku region are totally swept away by the quake and tsunami with their factories and facilities completely demolished. Hit by this, Toyota’s domestic production of cars plunged by 37% in March from the previous month, the worst in the recent history. They are trying to transfer the damage to the shoulders of workers. While regular employees are instructed to stay home without being paid, temporary or casual workers are thrown out of job without any means of making complaint. Mass dismissal in an unprecedented scale is raging over Japan.

The third crime:

They are easing the limit of exposure just in line with the desperately aggravating situation of the wrecked nuclear plant and ineffective restoration work. Basically there is no threshold for radiation for human health. The state power and capital, especially nuclear



Fukushima Farmers' protest in front of TEPCO head office in Tokyo

industries have quite arbitrarily determined the “permissible value” under the name of “Atoms for Peace”. Once an accident broke out, they suddenly eased the limit of radioactive exposure in a large scale. For example, for nuclear plant workers, the limit of permissible cumulative exposure at work has been raised to 250mSv from 100mSv. For ordinary people the change is more drastic: from 1mSv/year to 20mSv/year. The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology insists that it can be applied also to vulnerable children and baby. Angry mothers in Fukushima rose up against this outrageous and dangerous policy.

The fourth crime:

They are underplaying the existing danger. Koga, the president of Rengo (Japanese Trade Union Confederation) together with the state power and capital are propagating in [its paper in English](#):

“Scattered radioactive contamination is measured in surrounding areas and any density of radioactivity that directly affects the health of the people is not detected, except in the neighboring areas close to the plant.”

“Rather, the damages caused by rumors inside and outside Japan are aggravating and impeding the life of the people and the industries. Calm response based on accurate information is now required.”

Quite an outrageous and impermissible demagoguery of corrupt labor boss!

To confront these desperate attacks of capital and the state power, we are firmly determined to establish a militant pillar of class struggle labor movement through organizing or re-shaping labor unions in every workplace all

over Japan.

We pledge our struggle to be a powerful political force, gathering mounting anger of a large layer of working people. National railway workers’ struggle, being carried out against the Division and Privatization since 1987, should play a leading role in the current struggle.

We are going to rise up for a series of struggle from May 1 to May 7.

We call on brothers and sisters, workers of the world to join us in this struggle.

May 1

Anti-Nuke Plant, Anti-dismissal May Day

Protest demonstration against TEPCO Shiba Park, Tokyo: 13:00 pm

Stop and abolish all nuclear plants!

Sponsored by Planning Committee of May Day Action

No layoff under the pretext of the huge quake!

Give jobs and decent life for all workers!

Let’s organize a nationwide relief action of labor solidarity for the suffering brothers and sisters!

Withdraw dismissal of 1047 national railway workers! Expand nationwide campaign of national railway struggle to every workplace

and community!

Kick out Kan administration by the united power of workers! Let set up a society, in which workers are the masters!

Workers of the world, unite!

May 7

Abolish Nuke Plant! May 7 Action Day Chiba Central Park, 1:00 pm

Sponsored by Block the Road to War! Million Signature Campaign, Chiba Prefecture Committee

We must act now!

Participants are requested to bring message boards and placards!

TRUTH

Please help us!

I am a high school girl

Living in Minami-Soma City of Fukushima

The tsunami killed my fellow students a lot

Some of my friends lost their parents

My dearest friend cannot evacuate her area

Because her family have no gas to run away

I cannot do anything

But just to encourage her

Sending e-mail or talking over the phone

My friend has been fighting her rising panic

Because of an incredible sensation of fear for

A high school girl in Minami-Soma City near Fukushima Daiichi

radiation

But now she is deeply depressed

She seems to have given up everything in despair

She is only sixteen years old

And she is now prepared to die

She feels the death approaching her stealthily

Even if she could survive

She has to live on

With a fear of radiation

The state, politicians,

Mass-medias, so-called experts--

All of them are our enemies

They are lying about everything
About the nuclear plant disaster
TVs are now broadcasting too little
They are repeatedly showing tsunami scenes
Their interviews are too insensitive
They express insincere and empty condolences
An abhorrent politician insulted us
He dared to describe the catastrophe with outrageous words
"I really do think this is Divine Punishment"
Politicians, you should offer your salaries
Spend all your savings on the affected people
Stop lavish extravagance
And let the affected people live!
You are just bossing around
Looking from a remote vantage point
Come down to the affected areas
And try hard to save the people
We feel like...we are absolute outcasts
Fukushima will be segregated in settlements
We are absolutely abandoned
We will be killed by the state!

We--the people in the affected areas
Never forgive the state for abandoning us
Forever and ever...and keep condemning it!
The people who read this
Please listen to me
I want you to know how hard it is
You never know when to lose your loved ones
Please imagine your dearest one
Smiling beside you
And suddenly passes away
Please care about your loved ones
And love them more than ever
Schools where you spent your vernal years
Have now turned to morgues
Dead people are lying down cold and still
In gym where you enjoyed a lot of sports
How can I let the people know the truth?
As many people as I can...
But I will be grateful
If someone would read this
After much thinking
I took this opportunity to write my feelings
I am sorry
And thank you

You can find the archive of Doro-Chiba Quake Report: <http://dorochibanewsletter.wordpress.com>

Let's relieve earthquake victims through people's power!

(1) PayPal Account for Donation:

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(2) Donation through the International Humanities Center (IHC):

- Alternatively, donation could be made through the international Humanities Center (IHC) in each following way.
1. Checks can be made out to "People's Earthquake Relief Center / IHC" or "PERC / IHC", and mailed to the Coalition for Alternatives to Militarism in our Schools (CAMS) box: PO Box 3012, South Pasadena, CA 91031.
 2. Donations can also be made on line at: <http://ihcenter.org/groups/perc>

(3) Bank Account for Donation:

Some or all of the following data 1 to 9 are required to send a remittance to Japan. And if the purpose of remittance is questioned, please reply that remittance is made for relief to the earthquake in Japan through the National Railway Motive Power Union of Chiba (Doro-Chiba).

1. Bank name: The Chiba Bank, Ltd
2. Bank code# in Japan: 0134
3. Branch name: Chuo Branch
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5. Branch address: 2-5-1 Chuo, Chuo-ku, Chiba City, Chiba 260-0013, Japan
6. Type of address: Ordinary deposit
7. Account number: 4177605
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Phone No. of Account: +81-43-222-7207
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