

Abolish all nuclear plants!

Rise up against nuclear power in Japan and all over the world!

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International Labor Solidarity Committee of Doro-Chiba

The Japanese government and TEPCO failed decisively to cope with the nuclear plant accident

On April 2, a government official admitted, “We need several months to stop the leakage of radioactive materials from the plant” “We have experienced in the past several days a serious development, in which reactor meltdown and the breakup of containment structures could occur.” He added that complete control of the radiation would demand considerable effort for months to come. Everybody knows, however, that it will not be months but many years, 20 to 30 of which are needed for the nuclear reactor to be set into a process of decommissioning, or stoppage at low temperature. During this period, if cooling water from outside should stop even momentarily, a large volume of radiation would be emitted from the nuclear plant and the reactor would be under threat of explosion.

CBIRF (Chemical Biological Incident Response Force) thrown into the site

On April 4, the United States CBIRF (Chemical Biological Incident Response Force) landed at Air Yokota Air Force Base. CBIRF, a task force specializing in nuclear warfare, will be sent directly to the accident site in Fukushima. This deployment indicates the extreme seriousness of the present crisis. The Obama administration feels its nuclear monopoly and US global hegemony will be threatened by the failure of the Kan administration to control the nuclear plant accident.

Huge amounts of radiation are being dumped into the air and sea. Contaminated rain is permeating the groundwater and accumulating in soil, agricultural and dairy products, and marine foods. Millions of people are being

exposed to unsafe levels of radiation, which will continue for many years. Anger is boiling up in Japan and across the world. Anti-nuclear movements are exploding on a global scale.

On April 6th, the Kan administration recklessly released contaminated water into the sea. The inevitable result, already seen, is the devastation of Japan’s fishing industry.

We are well aware of the fact that the ruling class as well as the control of information in Japan is under the de facto military control of US forces, exemplified by the deployment of CBIRF on the front lines of the nuclear accident. Japanese people are suffering not only from radiation exposure but also from a military dictated political offensive. Nuclear power and reactionary politics go hand in hand.

We pledge to fight an anti-nuclear struggle in solidarity with workers and people all over the world. We will confront the nuclear emergency created by the US-Japan Security Alliance.

Immediately after the huge earthquake on March 11th, 100,000 Japanese Self Defense troops and 24,000 US PACFORCE personnel set up a joint emergency system with the nuclear aircraft carrier USS Ronald Reagan at its head. This is a striking example of the mobilization capabilities of US-Japan Security forces. The huge earthquake has given momentum for Japanese and US imperialism in their drive for aggressive influence in Asia. This large-scale deployment of Japanese and US forces has never taken place before in Japan. Their military presence in East Japan has continued for over a month now under the pretext of relief aid, a public relations stunt whose actual contributions are token at best.

On March 20th, the anti-war struggle was launched with Zengakuren at its head, in

defiance of brutal, repressive police measures. It was immediately followed by a protest action against TEPCO on March 31st. Now TEPCO headquarters' have turned into a rallying point for every grassroots protest action against the nuclear disaster. April and May will be months of multiple struggles against nuclear power and imperialist war.

A million jobs are going to be lost, but people have begun to fight in the affected areas

A month after the Great Eastern Japan Earthquake, television and newspaper continue to report that many people are driven to the brink of starvation or left without proper care and medical treatment. The Japanese ruling class is still in a state of total confusion and impotency. Vast areas of farmland and fisheries have been swept away by the tsunami. The agriculture and fishing industries have been demolished by radioactive contamination in the affected areas. Over 870,000 workers have already lost their jobs or are going to lose them.

To face this crisis, on April 3rd the National Coordinating Center of Labor Unions established relief headquarters in the affected

areas (Sendai and Fukushima) and began activities to fight against the immediate disaster and imminent unemployment.

We denounce the government and TEPCO (Tokyo Electric Power Company) and demand the abolishment of all nuclear plants and facilities.

Because major industrial plants have been forced to shut down across the country because of the destruction of parts manufacturers in the Tohoku area, mass unemployment is expanding in the entire region.

We must start a powerful movement against mass unemployment, by strengthening and organizing our labor unions. The nationwide campaign of the National Railway Struggle will be a major pillar of this struggle.

US and Japanese imperialism are in a death agony. The nuclear industry is crumbling. The capitalist class is terrified of the anti-nuclear struggle now erupting all over the world.

Crush the capitalists and their dependency on nuclear power!

International solidarity is the key to achieve our goal.

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