

Comrades, I am addressing this email to you to inform you that I am formally resigning from the Party of Communists USA and all of the organizations connected to Ideological Fightback effective immediately, including my position as National Director of Peoples LGBT+ United Society and my positions as Assistant Director of the Peoples School for Marxist-Leninist Studies and at-large member of the boards of directors of Movement for People's Democracy and Women for Racial and Economic Equality. I'm resigning of my own accord and my own conscience. I've made my decision and will not be rejoining or reconsidering.

I've been in this party for just over 3 years, and I've poured years of work into it because I believed in us. This decision is very unfortunate and heartbreaking, it's not one I take lightly, and I never ever thought I'd be doing this - nor do I want to - but a section of the leadership of the party has made it clear that they're willing to put all of what we've built on a path which I no longer can support, and one which I strongly believe will lead the party to ruin.

The primary reason for this resignation is because of the party's shameful, arrogant stance and actions regarding the question of the Palestinian struggle. During a genocide where likely over 40,000 Palestinians have been slaughtered by the fascist Israeli state and all of Gaza's population is homeless and starving while bombs rain on them, the party still upholds an outdated and incorrect position of supporting the two-state solution.

The party also supports a very gross, anti-Marxist and ahistorical view of the creation of the state of Israel and the "Israeli War of Independence" (the Nakba) as progressive developments in the region at the time and downplays the genocide against Palestinian Arabs that foreshadowed the present moment. Additional context that debunks this misrepresented history has been repeatedly rejected and ignored, especially in regards to PSMLS classes held on this subject. We're not even allowed to say the "from the river to the sea, Palestine will be free" chant, the most popular chant in the Palestinian movement. This is insanity.

Beyond this, the party shows almost no enthusiasm or respect to joining mass protests in defense of Palestine. The members of the party that have consistently gone to these events and built coalitions with them did so of their own initiation, not the party's. The party routinely hesitated to participate in any of these actions. This is one of the forefront issues of the time, much like the Spanish Civil War and Vietnam War were at their respective times, and it is an issue that demands urgency and a re-analysis of the

Palestinian question from a Marxist-Leninist lens that actually captures the whole history of Palestine and not just '48, '67, Oslo and now from the perspective of white American and European communists.

I was told by our current General Secretary on a phonecall that we were supposed to draft a new position at the Third Party Congress this year, yet this didn't happen. A new position was to be drafted and presented to the Central Committee in September and there would be a committee to draft this position that would be under the international department.

That hasn't materialized, and the Secretariat passed a motion (from the Midwestern District?) in early July doubling down on the shameful pro-Israel positions and then failed to send out the email about it as a passed motion. Why are you circumventing the Central Committee and thus breaking from democratic centralism? Why aren't you telling your cadre so they know? Why hide it?

Upholding these positions and distancing the party from the mass movement is putting the party and our mass organizations on a suicidal course where we will lose our international and domestic allies, our place in alliances and coalitions, our trustability, our credibility and our members. All of our great work over the years is being risked because a few pro-Israeli members would like to die on the hill of the two-state solution.

This is a position that basically aligns with both major bourgeois parties, the revisionist CPUSA, the KKE, the fascist Ukrainian government and NATO. How can we be so hypocritical in supporting reunification of Korea or China with Taiwan but continue to support the partition, occupation and ethnic cleansing of Palestine? How can we be so forceful against UkroNazism and so tame against Zionism?

I can't even manage to recruit people because pretty much all of the people who I've talked to can't get past our position on this question when I tell them, and some start to avoid me. I thought I'd never leave the party unless I wasn't safe in it, but one thing may be true one day and not true on another. I would rather be working in person with working class people of my community from all kinds of groups on my own or with a different party and have my community members respect me, than just continue to be attached to a party that's swiftly losing any respect it might have had and is going to bring its members down with it. I'm afraid the party is already on a pretty irreversible trajectory to this fate.

I respect most of the comrades that I've worked with, and I'm proud of the good work we did. I am sure they will continue to do good work, and maybe we'll remain comrades or friends outside the party. So many of y'all are wonderful communists and human beings, and you're incredibly talented and skilled and passionate. It's a shame the party is wasting all of it for Israel and relegating you to zoom meetings and over a dozen empty mass orgs instead of real tangible Bolshevik work. I am not taking anything from me but my dignity. We could've been so much better.