

Strengthening the Work of Suppressing Counter-Revolutionaries in the Cities

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The campaign of the people in the cities of the country to suppress the counter-revolution is gradually unfolding, and some cities have already achieved initial results; However, certain leading cadres in a number of cities still have insufficient understanding of the seriousness of counter-revolutionaries endangering the country and the people and of the extreme importance of suppressing counter-revolutionaries. In these cities, people from all walks of life have put forward many opinions, some of which have questioned by name why such and such a special agent or such a major counterrevolutionary leader has not been arrested or executed. The people's opinion is correct and well-founded. Therefore, the people's government should adopt it, earnestly implement it, and recognize and strengthen the work of suppressing counterrevolution in the cities

The reason why the work of suppressing counter-revolutionaries in cities must be strengthened is that in the past cities were the lairs of counter-revolutionaries. Today, if our work is not done well, it is still easy for counter-revolutionaries to hide. During the long period of reactionary rule in the past, the Kuomintang gang established a huge spy organization and raised a large number of professional spies at home. These spies colluded with reactionary sect leaders and other counter-revolutionaries and poured into every corner of society. Their base camp is in the city. During the War of Resistance Against Japan, a large number of traitors and spies also concentrated or fled to hide in the city. The same was true in the Liberation War. When the People's Liberation Army moved forward aggressively and began to liberate major cities across the country, the Kuomintang bandit gangs saw that their situation was over, and their top-secret service agencies proposed plans to "response", "latent" and organize special forces in order to carry out covert sabotage activities for a long time.

In April 1948, the Chiang Bandit Secret Security Bureau held a meeting of cadres at and above the level of station chiefs in Nanjing, and the most important decisions they made, in addition to strengthening intelligence and sabotage to coordinate with reactionary military actions, were "all-out preparation for lurking" and "mastering armament." Other secret service systems have also actively arranged latent work, and all Jiang bandit spies have generally adopted the so-called "multi-layered and multi-line", "one yuan, two layers and three sets", and "whole retreat and zero advance" and so on. After the basic liberation of the whole country, whether it was the cities that were peacefully taken over or the cities where the Chiang Bandit army retreated in panic, except for some counter-revolutionaries who could not be concealed and fled to Taiwan, a large number of other spies lurked in a planned way to continue their destructive activities. Taiwan bandits have successively sent spies to infiltrate the mainland. Their main hidden stronghold is also the city. Since the vigorous campaign of banditry, anti-corruption, rent reduction, and land reform was launched in the vast newly liberated areas of our country, quite a few counter-revolutionaries in the villages have fled to the cities again. These are the reasons why the work of suppressing counter-revolution in cities must be particularly strengthened. However, the leadership of some of our cities has not paid enough attention to this. So much so that in a city like Nanjing, not long ago there were thousands of professional agents scattered in all corners of society.

The number of counterrevolutionary agents hidden in other cities is not very small. This is only for professional agents. Coupled with the reactionary leaders, big bullies, and bandits, there are even more counter-revolutionaries in the cities. If these counter-revolutionary leaders are not resolutely and thoroughly suppressed, then the security of the cities and the safety of people's lives and property will still not be fully guaranteed.

Today's cities are the political, economic and cultural centers of our country. Counter-revolutionaries are plotting vicious sabotage all the time. A long time ago, the secret service agencies of the Kuomintang gangs put forward the so-called "focused destruction" policy, that is, to concentrate their efforts on the destruction of factories, mines, and especially power equipment. Moreover, the spies and gangsters have caused us great losses in this regard. The Beijing Tramway Company was burned down by spies to burn more than 50 trams, which is an obvious example. Because the urban population is concentrated and factories and shops are everywhere, any sabotage activities by counter-revolutionaries will cause great losses to the country and the people. In a small city like Lingling, Hunan, the spies set fire to it, which caused heavy losses of 15.9 billion yuan to the people. Due to the paralysis of some of our agencies and comrades, the spies and gangsters have caused incalculable losses to our country and people in terms of burning factories, destroying machines, exploding warehouses, etc. Therefore, in the cities and industrial and mining areas, if the counter-revolutionaries are not severely suppressed and the hidden counter-revolutionaries are thoroughly eliminated, the advancement of our people's cause of construction will be hindered.

Some people think that the concentration of the population in cities and the suppression of counter-revolutionaries with great fanfare will cause shocks, so they waver, hesitate and shrink back. This is completely wrong. Now the facts have fully proved that as a result of vigorously suppressing the counter-revolutionaries in the cities, the people are elated and joyful, and the counter-revolutionaries are terrified and frankly confess their guilt, thus bringing about a new look in society.

Of course, in the work of suppressing counter-revolutionaries, it is necessary to fully mobilize the masses and make it known to every household, and not rely solely on a small number of police and judicial personnel; And deal with the case seriously, without any rashness. That is to say, one must not be careless in suppressing counter-revolutionaries with great fanfare. But only by launching propaganda work on a large scale, fully mobilizing the masses, and firmly grasping the leadership, can we correctly achieve the goal of purging counter-revolutionaries. Suppressing counter-revolutionaries with great fanfare has now become a common demand of the people, and the people's government must gather this demand and persist. In the cities, due to the concentrated population and convenient transportation, there are more conditions to carry out large-scale propaganda work, and even more conditions to suppress counter-revolutionaries with great fanfare, thus gaining the enthusiastic support and active assistance of the broad masses of the people. Experience everywhere has proven this. As long as we strictly suppress counter-revolutionaries, the masses of the people will unite more closely around the people's government, the people's revolutionary enthusiasm will be further enhanced, and the united front of the four democratic classes will be further consolidated.

Leading cadres in every city in the country must fully understand the seriousness of counter-revolutionaries endangering the country and the people and the extreme importance of suppressing counter-revolutionaries in cities. Every city in the country must carry out campaigns to suppress counter-revolutionaries with great fanfare, to wipe out counter-revolutionaries thoroughly, and to create conditions for the production and construction of the country.