

CPC Central Committee: Notice on the Criteria for the Division of the Right

Shanghai Bureau, provinces, municipalities, autonomous regions Party Committee, central ministries, Party groups, State organs Party Committee, General Political Department (this can be sent to county committee and equivalent to county region-level party organizations):

Since the beginning of the anti-right struggle, a number of localities and departments have drawn up criteria for the division of right-wing elements and have asked the central authorities to review and approve them. Taking into account the practical needs of the struggle, the Central Committee believes that it is necessary to establish a uniform standard so that the units do not have a discrepancy in the division of right-wing elements. Now we will send to you the “criteria for dividing the right-wing elements” that have been approved by the central government. Please immediately reach all units engaged in anti-right struggle, study it carefully, and use this piece as the standard when dividing the right-wing elements. At the same time look to note:

(1) The anti-right struggle throughout the country is generally healthy, and the rightists drawn are generally appropriate, but there are cases where there are more and less divisive situations. And after the movement reached an advanced stage, after actually correcting the affectionist right leaning sentiment, some units have relaxed the criteria of the right, so that at most part of the situation of the right, it is more important to draw attention. Whether more or less, they should be corrected in a timely and factual manner in accordance with the right standards. But units that have been drawn more on the right and need to be corrected must pay attention to protecting the enthusiasm and sense of justice of the masses and activists, and do not give the wrong impression that “the anti-right struggle has overburned”. Some center-right activists have spoken and deeds against socialism, but not enough for the right, if struggling as the right, do not declare publicly that his criticism is wrong now, because there is wrong words and deeds should be criticized. However, they should be converted internally to center-right elements, treat them according to the center-right elements, and take care of more education, so that, at the appropriate time, they can declare repentance due to mild circumstances and take off their right-wing hat.

(2) In order to correctly divide the right-wing elements to achieve the purpose of neither overdrawing nor many demarcation, in addition to having appropriate criteria, there must be appropriate procedures for vetting and approving. Any list of units identified as right-wing elements must be reported to the party's governing bodies at the district level or above for review and approval. The lists of high-ranking intellectuals, right-wing elements among key democracies and other right-wing elements with special circumstances must be reported to the party's leadership at the provincial level or above for review and approval.

(3) In addition to carefully scrutinizing the list of right-wing elements reported by their respective units, they must also educate party members and the masses to pay great attention to serious research and concrete analysis of the actual situation, and to refrain from exaggeration and one-sided character. At the same time, the detailed material of the right-wing elements of the unit must be carefully checked and consulted on a regular and proactive basis, in order to correct in a timely manner, and to cite concrete figures and

materials as examples of the boundaries of the extreme right, the general right and the center-right, and to help the subordinate to grasp the right Criteria for division.

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(i) Any person who speaks or acts are of the following nature shall be classified as right-wing elements:

(1) Oppose the socialist system. Rejecting the socialist revolution in urban and rural areas, against the basic socioeconomic policies of the Communist Party and the People's Government (e.g. industrialization, takeover and sale); negate the achievements of the socialist revolution and socialist construction; uphold a capitalist position and promote capitalist system and bourgeois exploitation.

(2) oppose the proletarian dictatorial regime, oppose democratic centralization. Attacking the struggle against imperialism and the foreign policy of the people's government; attacking the struggle to clear the anti-revolutionaries; negating the achievements of the Five Movement; opposing the transformation of bourgeois and bourgeois intellectuals; Attacks on the personnel system and cadre policies of the Communist Party and People's Government; Call for the use of bourgeois Political-legal and cultural education at the level of political law and culture instead of socialist political legal and cultural education.

(3) Oppose the leadership of the Communist Party in the political life of the country. Oppose the leadership of the Communist Party in economic and cultural undertakings; maliciously attacks on the leadership organs and leaders of the Communist Party and the People's Government with the aim of opposing socialism and the Communist Party, stigmatizing industrial and agricultural cadres and revolutionary activists, and defaming the Communist Party's revolutionary activities and organizational principles.

(4) Unity that divides the people with the aim of opposing socialism and opposition to the Communist Party. To incite the masses against the Communist Party and the People's Government; Incite the division of workers and peasants; Instigate divisions between ethnic groups; stigmatize the socialist camp and incite divisions among the peoples of the socialist camp.

(5) Organizing and actively participating in small groups that oppose socialism and the Communist Party; prepares to overthrow a department or a grass-roots unit; incite disturbances against the Communist Party and against the People's Government.

(6) To give ideas to the right-wing elements who have committed the above-mentioned crimes, pull relations, inform them and report to them the secrets of the revolutionary organization.

(ii) If one of the following shall be classified as an extreme right:

(1) Ambitions, heads, masterminds and backbone elements in right-wing activities.

(2) Those who have put forward a programmatic opinion against the party against socialism and actively advocate such opinions.

(3) Those who carry out anti-socialist activities against the party are particularly bad and determined.

(4) Individuals who have historically been anti-Communist against the people and actively

engaged in reactionary activities during this right-wing offensive.

(iii) In any of the following cases, the error shall be corrected by criticism but shall not be classified as right-wing elements:

(1) In the fundamental position does not oppose socialism and party leadership, but only about localized work system, localized policies that do not belong to fundamental principles, problems at work, academic issues, individual organizations of the Communist Party, individual staff members expressing dissatisfaction, critics, even if Wrong opinion and sharp wording should not be classified as right-wing; similarly, in the fundamental position It is not against socialism and party leadership, but only those who have some misconceptions, should not be classified as right-wing.

(2) Those who have had ideas similar to the right, but not published or disseminated, and who had thought wrong, automatically reviewed, or by chance, had spoken similarly to the right have now admitted mistakes, and those who historically did not oppose anti-socialism should not be classified as rightists.

(3) Wrong statements were made about the socialist economic and political system or the leadership of the Communist Party, but did not actively propagate, and it proved not out of hostility and those who had been rectified that they wished to change should not be classified as right-wing elements.

(4) A person who blindly echoed the right-wing opposition anti-Dutuit words and deeds, was either blinded to join small right-wing groups, or once exploited by the right, and after understanding the wrong of the right, quickly stood in the right position and break with the right should not be classified as right-wing.

(5) Those who had historically reactionary positions have not changed significantly, but those who did not engage in reactionary activities during the right-wing offensive should not be classified as right-wing elements.

(6) Suspected elements between right-wing and center-right elements are not classified as right-wing elements until sufficient material to identify as right-wing elements has not been identified, and do not treat them with the methods of fighting right-wing elements.

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