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PRESERVE UNBROKEN THE UNITY OF THE POPULAR  
MASSES AROUND THEIR GOVERNMENT.

We are not only fighting against a few rebellious generals and an army they have trained, but we are also fighting against a more powerful enemy - against German and Italian fascism which has invaded our country. The vile aggression of the German Navy on Almeria, the continual reinforcements of men and material sent by Italy and Germany to the fascist army, prove that our fight has entered a phase of the utmost importance, and that all our forces must be directed against those who wish to make Spain a colony of slaves.

In this fight for the independence of the fatherland, every man who wishes to be free should reply, "I am ready!". There is but one enemy to be vanquished, the fascist invader allied to those who have given him the chance of committing this inglorious crime against people whose sole wish is, freely and democratically, to work out its own destiny.

During ten months of war the Spanish people has proved that it is invincible when firmly united, and it is this unity of our people which we must safeguard at all cost. We can never be too vigilant in preventing the slightest crack in the national unity of those who wish to conquer fascism and save the independence of the fatherland.

At the present moment the unity of the Spanish people is guaranteed by the government, which enjoys the confidence of all the workers, of all the peasants, of all the popular masses. No one can doubt this. The present Government has shown that it is worthy of the people's confidence. All the parties and organisations of the Popular Front are behind it; they have made a mistake, those who thought that this Government would not have the support of all Republican Spain. In a general manner all Spanish antifascists are represented in the Government.

We do not make any distinction between the offers of support to the Government or collaboration of the National Committee of the C.N.T. The two terms have the same significance, that the National Committee considers the Government deserving of support. This is an acknowledgement of the fact that, since the very first moment, all workers have been behind the Government of the Popular Front. It is absolute logic. In the face of the peril that menaces the Republic and the Revolution, every honest antifascist cannot refuse to help and support the Government.

Let us be ready and united. Our army must be reinforced and supplied with sufficient reserves. War Industry must be rapidly organised. The rearguard must be cleaned. In a word, the period of defence must quickly give way to the offensive, and united we must realise the slogan of "PASAREMOS" just as we realised that of "NO PASARAN".

Today like yesterday, and even more than yesterday, the slogan "UNITY OF THE PEOPLE".

ALICIA, 3rd. A deputation of the unions of the C.N.T. made a visit to the President of the Generality, Companys. It expressed its anger over the bombardment of Almeria and offered its support to the Government of the Republic and of the Generality. It declared its agreement with the creation of a sole police body, the measures taken to increase production in industries and the activity on the Front. The unions of the C.N.T. organised a great meeting of protest against the fascist aggression in front of the Palace of the Generality. Called by the demonstrators, President Companys appeared on the balcony and made a short speech.

## NEWS FROM THE FRONTS.

**BASQUE FRONT.** The Republican troops counter attacked and reconquered the rocks of Lemona, a position of great strategical importance. This victory means that our lines have been rectified very favourably.

## AIR COMMUNIQUE.

**CENTRE FRONT:** Four Republican bombers, which were bombarding the enemy position at Revenga, and the pursuit planes protecting them, were attacked by a squadron of 25 Fiats. The ensuing aerial combat resulted in 6 fascist planes being brought down. We regret the loss of one machine which took fire. The occupants jumped from the plane with para chutes, one of them was unhurt, one seriously wounded and the other killed.

## LATEST NEWS BY RADIO

**BAYONNE.** Two British War ships have arrived at St.-Jean-de-Luz, a French port near the Basque Frontier.

**BAYONNE.** Several fishing boats were near the Basque coast when one of them was stopped by a fascist vessel. After a search, the fascist ship retired without doing anything more. The Fascist Commander stated he was searching for a captain with whom the Nationalists had some differences.

**BORDEAUX.** The dockers of this town have refused to unload the German ship "Marie-Ferdinand" which was loaded with fuel. This was a protest against the bombardment of Almeria.

**ROME:** The Italian Government will reply tomorrow to the British note concerning the working of the control.

**LONDON:** Mr. Eden and Foreign Office experts today finished the examination of the measures for giving guarantees of safety for vessels sailing round the Spanish coasts, as demanded by Italy and Germany.

The proposal of closer contact between the various control fleets has met some difficulty due to the repugnance manifested in British Naval circles because of the admission of foreign observers on board their vessels.

British Diplomats consider it very difficult to give satisfaction to Germany's desires for closer contact between the fleets in order to suppress certain incidents. The Governments are now studying the method of collaboration of the fleets to reach a strict accomplishment of their commitments.

**MADRID.** 3rd. Tonight's newspapers are closely following the outcome of the discussions between the Powers. Their articles strongly attack this position where safeguards for everybody except Republican Spain is being discussed.

**VALENCIA, 3rd.** The Premier has received a telegram from the International Federation of Trade Unions protesting against the crimes committed by the fascist states against Spain, and expressing active solidarity with the Spanish people.

**VALENCIA, 3rd.** According to information not yet confirmed, a fascist merchant ship loaded with more than 100 planes and other war material has been sunk by the Republican fleet.

**VALENCIA, 4th.** Further details of the accident which resulted in the loss of the Fascist General Mola's life, are now to hand. The passengers who accompanied General Mola and who were also killed, were: his adjutant, lieutenant colonel Pozas, chief of General Mola's staff of the Army of the North, Senac, a man of great technical knowledge of modern war, the pilot, aviation chief Chamorro and two mechanics, one of whom was Italian. The accident happened near Peones and Alcocero, in the Province of Burgos. The bodies were found 100 metres away from the machine.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS.

**DETROIT, 3rd.** The Ford Workers' Union have complained against the Ford Company for its brutality and violence directed against the workers. Henry Ford will be obliged to appear before the Detroit Assises.

**PARIS, 3rd.** A meeting of the Committee of Left Parties of the Chamber of Deputies discussed a proposition of communist representative, expressing sympathy with the victims of the bombardment of Almeria, after a long discussion a motion was voted, asking the French Government to take steps to prevent the repetition of similar acts and to work for the withdrawal of all foreign combatants.

**BORDEAUX, 3rd.** The French Communist Party has sent its first food aid to Bilbao.

**BAYONNE, 3rd.** It was learnt from the British vessels MacGregor and Eackwood have arrived there loaded with foodstuffs.

**QUIMPER (FRANCE) 3rd.** 796 women and children arrived in this town this morning, all are refugees from the Basque Country.

**LONDON, 3rd.** It is said among diplomatic circles that the British Government is consulting the French, Italian and German Governments on the conditions under which the Committee of Non-Intervention can resume its work.

**LONDON, 3rd.** The suggestion of the Government for the safety of the participating in the control of the extension of the zones of co-operation between the participating fleets.