



## COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE PHILIPPINES

### Red Salute to the 5th Congress of the PCARC!

#### **Solidarity Message of the Communist Party of the Philippines 25 January 2019**

The Filipino people and the Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP) send warmest revolutionary greetings and solidarity to the cadres, members and sympathizers of the Party of the Committee to Support Resistance – for Communism (PCARC) on the occasion of its 5th Congress on 26 – 27 January 2019 in Florence, Italy. We wish you utmost success in attaining the goals set forth for the Congress and in marching forward on the revolutionary road to socialism.

We take this opportunity to thank you for your recent message of congratulations for the 50th Anniversary of the re-establishment of the CPP. We have successfully celebrated the victories which the Filipino people have achieved in 50 years of fighting against US imperialism, feudalism and bureaucrat capitalism. Starting from a few scores of cadres and members in 1968, the Party has grown into tens of thousands, spread across the Philippines, and deeply rooted among the toiling masses of workers and peasants.

The CPP has built itself as a strong revolutionary party of the proletariat because it has correctly described Philippine society as semi-feudal and semi-colonial and set forth the general line of people's democratic revolution through protracted people's war and with a socialist perspective. It has built and led the people's army and the national united front in order to wield them as weapons of the revolution and the people. Thus, it has aroused, organized and mobilized the people in their millions to form a strong revolutionary mass movement of workers, peasants, national minorities, youth, women, professionals, cultural workers and other sectors in all regions of the country.

Guided by the theme "Greater unity, greater victories," the CPP previously held its Second Congress in late 2016 to sum up the revolutionary practice of the Party in 48 years. The Congress took stock of the current objective and subjective conditions, and reaffirmed the Party's determination to advance the national democratic revolution to greater heights.

As we face greater challenges, we are determined to achieve greater victories in the Philippine revolutionary struggle.

We look forward to strengthening the ties of solidarity that bind the Filipino and Italian peoples. We can exchange views and experiences through publications, exchange of visits and other forms of cooperation in order to raise the level of our mutual understanding and mutual support. We are confident that we can achieve greater cooperation in our common struggle against imperialism and fascism, and for democracy and socialism.

***Long live the 5<sup>th</sup> Congress of PCARC! Long live PCARC!***

***Long live the revolutionary solidarity between the Filipino and Italian peoples!***

***Long live international solidarity!***

***Long live proletarian internationalism!***