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## **How to build a modern Marxist political party —for commemoration of 150 birth of Vladimir Ilyich Lenin**

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### **Abstract:**

From a new angle, this paper discusses how to inherit Lenin's theory and practice of party building based on Marxism modernization, and how to build a modern Marxist party: 1, what is a Marxist political party? 2, what are the goals of Marxist political parties. 3, what are the power composition and organizational structure of Marxist political parties. 4, Lenin's theory of party building and the creation of the Russian communist party; 5, The party style construction of the communist party of China; 6, The difference between the modern Marxist party and the traditional communist party; 7, How to transform the CPC into a Marxist political party. Only into a modern Marxist party can the CPC further deepen its reform and opening up, overcome difficulties, build a new socialist economic and political system and culture, unite the Chinese nation and realize the Chinese dream of great national renewal!

**Keywords:** Marxism modernization, modern Marxist political party, how to transform the communist party of China into a modern Marxist political party

## 1. Introduction

Apr , 22 , 2020 marks the 150th anniversary of Lenin's birth. Lenin is an extremely important and key figure in the development of Marxism. It just was he who turned Marxist theory into revolutionary practice. Applying the essence of Marxism he grasped, Lenin analyzed the international situation of the First World War--the imperialist war, and the domestic situation of Russia; he didn't stick to convention and put forward the bold conclusion that the proletarian revolution in a country may succeed. To make the revolution a success, Lenin first established a well-organized and well-trained Russian communist party, which became the backbone of the socialist revolution in Russia and got the success of the October revolution---opening up a new historical cause of communism in the world. Today we commemorate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Lenin. That is to inherit and carry forward Lenin's Marxist theory of party building and revolutionary practice. We should build a modern Marxist political party to lead China in the conscious development of its socialist revolution and construction, and promote the conscious development of human society toward a community of shared future for humanity.

After the 19th national congress of the communist party of China was held, the construction of the communist party of China also entered a new stage. In his report to the 19th CPC national congress, general secretary Xi Jinping highlighted the construction of the CPC as the most important issue. As the world and China face new opportunities and challenges, the construction of the communist party of China plays a key role in the development of the world and China. How to turn the CPC into a modern Marxist political party is not only of great significance to China but also to the world! As the masses outside the party, originally I should not casually speak. How many experts and scholars in the party to study this problem there are!? For the prosperity and great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation, the author would like to offer his own views on this issue, as casting a brick to attract jade, this is the purpose of this article.

## 2. What is a modern Marxist political party

As the name implies, a modern Marxist political party is a Marxist party established based on modern Marxism, guided by modern Marxism, combining Marxism with its social

development practice, and consciously promoting the development of human society at home and abroad.

The philosophical basis of Marxism is dialectical materialism and historical materialism, especially historical materialism, which enables people to view and analyze the history of human social development from the perspective of science for the first time from the historical development of productive forces. With the development of human society into the 21st century, Marxism must also be modernized <sup>[1]</sup>. The modernization of Marxism is mainly manifested in the following three aspects:

### ***2.1 Human society has evolved from spontaneous development to conscious development***

Before the emergence of great socialized productivity, the spontaneous development of small production promoted the spontaneous development of human society. The law of spontaneous social development is pointed out by Marx in the preface of his famous “critique of political economy”: “There are certain relations in the social productions which are formed by the people living in the society and not being changed by their wills and suitable to the certain developing stage of their substance productivity. The summation of those production relations constitutes the social-economic configuration--the real base, which the juristic and political superstructure is put on, and some certain conscious socialness forms are adaptive to. The production mode of substance life restricts the whole process of the society, political and spiritual life. Does not the people’s consciousness determine the people’s existence, on the converse, does the people’s existence determine the people’s consciousness. When social substance productivity has developed to a certain stage, it will be conflicted with the before existed production relations or possessions relations (it is just the law term of the production relations), in which it still act. Then those production relations have changed from the developing forms of productivity into the shackles of it and the times of the social revolution is coming. Along with the alterations of the economic base, the entirely astronomical superstructure also has to be transformed either slowly or quickly. Seeing those transformations, the following two aspects should always be distinguished: one is the substance transformations of economic conditions of production which could be pointed by the accuracy of natural sciences, another is the juristic, political, religious, artistic or philosophic forms, in short, the consciousness forms, which is the people acted and expressed when they wake up to that conflict and do their best to want to overcome it. When we judge one person it cannot be according to his own opinion on himself. Also when we estimate such

a time it cannot be according to its conscious socialness; the converse, the conscious socialness should be explained from the antinomy of the substance life, and the existed conflict between the social productivity and the production relations. No matter what society configures, the society will never be ruined before the entire productivity, the society it contain, could be brought into play, and that the new and higher production relations never emerged before their existing conditions that are matured in the afterbirth of the former society. So the human beings always only bring forward the tasks themselves which they could solve, because when carefully examined the task-itself only could come into play when the substance conditions to solve it already existed, or at least are in the forming process. Generally speaking, the production mode of the Asian, Archaian, Feudal, and the modern times bourgeois could be viewed as some ages of evolution of society economic configuration. The production relation of the bourgeois is the last antagonistic form of the society production process, the antagonistic form here mentioned is not the person antagonism but the antagonism that grew up from the society living conditions of the person; however, the society productivity developed in the afterbirth of bourgeois society, at the same time, also creates the conditions to solve that antagonism, so the prehistoric phases of human society are ended by that society configuration” [2].

However, when the productive forces have developed into the stage of the great socialized productivity, it is impossible to develop spontaneously! The great socialized productivity must be consciously and involved on the bases of modern science and technology!!! Based on the potential nature of the great socialized productivity, they require human society to consciously open the way for their development. The first is to choose the suitable socialized productivity types for the countries, regions based on their actual situations (including the social conditions, natural environment, and their historical developing paths, etc.) Then consciously establish various social conditions for their development that is the productive relations as their developing forms and provide a variety of necessary social resources. Summarized, that is to apply actively and consciously the various power forms of the superstructure to promote their development rather than passively waiting for the development of productive forces to the transformation of the superstructure. That also is the course of enhancing and transferring the understanding of social development law from the spontaneously developing into the consciously developing and actively and consciously applying the consciously developing law to promote the development of a modern human society based on the great socialized productivity. The basic contradictions of human

conscious developing society are turned into: the contradiction between nature's objective requirement of the great socialized productivity must be consciously developed with conscious socialness, ability and the depth and breadth of the actions of the society to consciously establish the productive relations as its developing form; and the contradiction between the objective requirement of the economic base, which must be consciously developed with conscious socialness, ability and the depth and breadth of the conscious reactions to the economic base of the various fields of the superstructure; It is just these two pairs of contradictions that push the conscious development of human society forward;

While human society entered the consciously developing period, that is the end of the prehistoric human society told by Marx.

## ***2.2 Transform the capitalist economic system into a consciously system that is by the nature of great socialized productivity.***

Marx had pointed out that productive relations must be the developing forms of productive forces; otherwise, they would hinder the development of productive forces. So must develop consciously ---the potential nature of the great socialized productivity requires the consciously society establish various necessary social relations for it, including productive relations and other affiliated social relations, and open the ways for them. The most important thing is to establish a basic economic system that meets the needs of the great socialized productivities.

The great socialized productivity should be organized consciously by capital, intellectual property rights, and human resource team and form a production or service enterprise to provide products or services to society to meet the needs of people in social production and life. Therefore, the capital, intellectual property rights, human resources team shall bear the responsibilities and obligations of one-third of the enterprises, and be responsible for the self-conscious development of the enterprise as a whole. According to the property right, the joint-stock system established in the modern capitalist society, consciously developing society should establish the basic economic system, in which capital, intellectual property rights and human resources team each holds one third stock rights of the enterprise, of course, which conforms to the nature of the great socialized productivity. Only the consciously and dynamic integration of that three aspects (capital, intellectual property rights, human resources team) the real formation of the great socialized productivity can be realized, and their conscious operation and development can be in the correct pathway.

Capital and intellectual property rights should, of course, put into their fund and intellectual property respectively to get its corresponding one third stock rights. But for the human resources team, as long as they work by their mental and physical activities in the production and service process, they have helped the transfer of the old capital and intellectual property value into the new products (or services) and implemented the new value creation. What should be emphasized is that in the process of old value transfer and new value creation, the key role is performed by the human resource team. As a result, the human resources team should have one third stock rights without investing in it. That is also the essential social justice needed.

***That is the fundamental difference between the basic economic system of the consciously developing society and the capitalist system. This system so far has never been in human society, so do not put the failures of other various in the name of socialism social system, as is the failure of the socialist economic system; because they are not socialist systems at all.***

When the real basic economic system, which conforming to the nature of the great socialized productivity--- the basic economic system of socialism has consciously implemented, the driving force to the great socialized productivity is limitless. The success of China's Huawei Group limited is a case in point. Just think a while if the socialism basic economic system, mainly of the three third shareholding system, is implemented in the whole society the one-third of the profits of the society is assigned to the HR team. How can it drive social consumption and stimulate social production!?

Of course, in this economic system, capital, and the intellectual property rights each account for one-third of the stock rights of the enterprise; Intellectual property can also be bought from its owners with money, so in theory, capital can account for two-thirds of corporate property.

If capital is owned by individuals, it may result in a high level of income inequality among members of society and a polarization between rich and poor. To this problem, the consciously developing society should take proper ways, such as establishing the proper tax collection and administration system, and consciously make all corresponding levels of society, have corresponding standards of living adapted to their contribution and their social income status, but have no too large difference and promote the harmonious development of society.

But for the capital all of the whole people, the problems mentioned above will not exist, because the income of the people's capital is owned by the people and should be managed and distributed by the institutions authorized by the people. In addition to the construction of the whole infrastructure and expenditure of the people, the primary income mainly should be put forward to promote the further development of the great socialized productivity. That is the basic reason why Marxism proposed public ownership as the economic base of socialism. If national economy is mainly based on public ownership, then, according to the needs of conscious development of society, consciously build all kinds of production relations and deploy all of social resources for the great socialized productivity within the scope of the whole will have more practical execution basics with more powerful executive power and be able better promote the private capital in the conscious socially planned trajectory to go forward.

### ***2.3 The social fighting forms and social forces to realize scientific socialism---conscious socially developing***

The way for human society to realize the developing from the spontaneous development into the conscious development is that the conscious social force, which is aware of the consciously developing law, can grasp the leadership to lead all members of society and mobilize all social resources and social means to establish a wide range of social economic and political system that meet the needs of the great socialized productivity development, then, according to the development plan constituted consciously to open the way for the development of great socialized productivity.

According to the points of view of Marxism, including the inheritance and development of Marx's view by Lenin, the proletariat must seize power, implement the dictatorship of the proletariat, and then can realize the socialism to communism. Before and after the death of Engels, there was a rightward trend towards the correction of Marxism. Lenin and others criticized the idea of taking the leadership of society through parliamentary struggles, such as Bernstein in the Second International. They were thought to be the revisionists---they are corrections and betrayals of Marxism, and thus, the Third International was established. However, after Lenin's death, the development of the world communist movement entered a dazed period without clear and definite social development goals.

However, when the development of human society into the 20th century, it has not only experienced two world wars but also entered the age of nuclear weapons. After World War II,

the world was the cold war era until the collapse of the Soviet Union. After that, the world entered the United States' single largest unipolar world into the 21st century. Nowadays, it is gradually entering the era of multi-polar and global cooperation. Human society civilization also entered a brand-new development period. Through parliamentary struggles to grasp the state power proposed by Bernstein seems to have been achieved in some European countries by Social Democratic Party in modern civilization; at present, the so-called high social welfare states of several northern European countries seem to have achieved socialism as well. But in essence, these social Democrats, which are in power, do not implement the real socialist economic system and political system that is really in line with the nature of the great socialized productivity. The social system they implemented, in fact, still the capitalist system maintaining the fundamental interests of the capital. The so-called high social welfare is also based on the social system of capitalism, and through the high taxation policy to adjust the income of the social stratum. But the social problems arising from this cannot be solved by the positive cycle of society.

The creators of the great socialized productivity – scientist, technologist, and intellectuals, organizers - entrepreneurs, business owners, various kinds of entrepreneurs, etc. Actual participants in production and operation - from the highest managers to the vast industrial workers in the first line; All are the social forces that made the great socialized productivity to form and give full play to its efficiency. Their conscious and organic combination is the main force that promotes conscious social development; this is not to be summed up in a single word of the proletariat.

The social forces, that are highly aware of consciously developing law, of course should know how to build a strong social force through social practice and by what means to obtain the leadership of the society! There are many ways and means of struggle in modern human civilization, including class struggle and violence, but they are not the only means. India's Gandhi, for example, pursued non-violence and achieved the independence in India. South Africa's Mandela, after a long struggle, has also the independence in South Africa and is not primarily a violent or armed revolution. However, the first thing to do is to combine the creators, organizers, and the actual participants of production and operation of the great socialized productivity into a powerful social force. Then, according to the social civilization and social and political-economic environment of each country, take the most effective and least cost methods to achieve the leadership of the society. The purpose of leadership is not for the benefit of small groups or individuals, but for the conscious development of the



society, for the happiness and long-term interests of all members. The leader of a consciously developing society should not only lead all members to promote social progress consciously; but Its original meaning, is to make every stratum of society, every social member, consciously knowing his class's position in the society, and the positive and negative role in the social development, consciously carry forward the positive role to avoid and reduce the negative effects and constructs a harmonious and consciously developed society. The founder of Marxism said: the proletariat only liberates all humanity, can he himself ! Its' essential meaning lies in this.

The Marxist political party established based on the modern Marxism is to realize that human society has entered the historical period of conscious social development, grasp the law of conscious social development, unite and condense various social forces that promote the conscious development of great socialized productivity, and form a powerful political party; Unite all forces that can be united, take all possible means (including class struggle, violence means), attack the most important enemy at that time, solve the most important problems, consciously promote the development of all aspects of society. That is what a modern Marxist political party should do!

### **3. The goal of a modern Marxist political party**

Modern Marxist political party's goal is to consciously promote the conscious development of human society entered the unprecedented development historical stages of social productive forces, making the classic communism realized, (the essence of communism just a more advanced stage of conscious development of human society) and conscious development of all human societies. Not only, but she also further promotes the conscious evolution of the human species (the evolution of the human species itself in spirit and physical matter); at the same time, it also seeks to develop and settle the space for human existence outside the earth. So far, in addition to the conscious development of social productivity, the need of conscious evolution of human species itself, the efforts to seek the living space of the universe and the need to meet the colorful spiritual life of human beings will become the eternal power of the conscious development of human society.

That is a longer and difficult process than anything humanity has achieved so far. Only when the overall conscious development of human society has been realized, and every human individual has been able to consciously grasp his conscious development, can humans begin

the conscious process of their species evolution. Only under the profound background of big social data can each human be aware of the advantages and disadvantages of his genetic map, choose his preferred evolutionary direction, conduct the optimization process from the gene level to the macro organization level, and conduct different experiments to achieve the set goal. There are numerous individuals in the whole society, which, through conscious guidance and organization, promote the evolution and optimization of the human being; to realize the optimization of the human species itself.

With the rapid progress and development of modern science and technology, especially the development of artificial intelligence, soon, humans will be liberated from repetitive labor requiring only low intelligence; liberated labor force, the best way out is to engage in any industry that requires individual expertise and creative; To be clear, everyone has the opportunity to work in any creative industry they want, or to create a new type of job or industry; Therefore, it will promote human society to give full play to the enthusiasm and creativity of all human individuals, and eventually, under the leadership of conscious social leadership, promote the development of human society and realize the conscious evolution of human species.

Therefore, the goal of the modern Marxist party is not only to realize the classical communism but also to realize the long-term goal of the conscious evolution of human beings and the search for the survival in the universe. As soon as she was founded, she should be fully aware of herself and never forget the final goal in all stages of her struggle, and prepare various conditions for its realization.

#### **4. The power composition and organizational structure of modern Marxist political parties**

Creators of great socialized productivity - scientific and technical personnel, intellectuals; Organizers - entrepreneurs, business owners, various entrepreneurs, etc.; Actual participants in production and operation - from the top managers to the majority of industrial workers in the first line of production; Are the social forces that form the great socialized productivity and give full play to its effectiveness. Their consciously and organic combination is the main force to promote the development of a conscious society. The mass foundation of modern Marxist political parties is these social forces; the members of the Marxist party are among

the best of them. They must be sober, conscious, armed with a modern Marxism mind, excellent work ability, and noble moral character, willing to fight consciously for all humanity.

Members of a Marxist political party must be armed with the ideological and theoretical consciousness of modern Marxism; can be aware of their country and the world's social development stage and future development trend; Be aware of the social environment of his region and industry, the stage of development, and the possible direction of future conscious development; Have a clear understanding of their social environment and the social role they can play; With all kinds of skills required by the society, he can give full play to his maximum social efficiency consciously in his social post and spare no effort to promote social progress consciously; And have a noble purpose, not for their selfish interests.

This conscious awareness, their social skills, their moral character must be written in detail and submitted to the party organization in the application (before the joining as a party membership) or written report (after joining the party, as a regular or irregular report to the party organization) to give a detailed explanation: The first is to elaborate all aspects of the conscious understanding, and to the party in all aspects of each level of the action of the proposal; Then, prove his social skills, social competence, his innocence, legal income, moral integrity, his desire for future development and his potential for fulfillment (all must be well documented and verifiable); In a word, he has no reservations to the party organizations and all is transparent and clear. That makes every member of a Marxist political party, from the very beginning, under the complete perspective of the party organization, could be arranged appropriate work according to their level of conscious awareness, social skills, and social capabilities, and consciously give full play to their maximum social effectiveness. So that the whole modern Marxist party can with all aspects of the conscious demonstration, to win the leadership of society, lead the development of society, promote the progress of human society!

From the perspective of modern organizational behavior, the organizational structure of Marxist political parties should be as flat as possible to adapt to the needs of flexible development in modern society, without the need for a multi-layered hierarchical structure.

The soul of a Marxist political party is to have a fully conscious understanding of all aspects of the social environment in which it is lived, and based on this understanding to formulate the conscious action goals and action programs of a stage and to lead various social forces to

consciously promote the progress of the society. Therefore, in the context of modern social informatization, big data, and artificial intelligence, the Marxist political party must first establish a unified intra-party network information platform; Every member of the party *is required* to communicate publicly on this network their awareness of the problems they face at all levels and the goals, guidelines, and programs of action they must take. Of course, opinions vary; Through debate and concentration at all levels, a higher level of consciousness and corresponding action goals and programs can be achieved under the explanation of the consciousness background and the resolutions of the organizations at all levels. It is believed that the open debate and final resolution on the Internet platform can maximize the conscious awareness of the whole party, thus forming the most effective joint force and consciously pushing forward the cause at all levels. That is a key step for the Marxist political parties to truly realize conscious centralism and democratic centralism.

Secondly, due to the different social environment and social fields in which enterprises are located, the implementation of the program must also have specific conditions and decisions at different levels, and corresponding responsible departments and persons in charge at levels are required. The organizational structure of a Marxist political party in a big country should not exceed three layers (a small country or even one can meet the needs). The central layer is composed of persons with the highest level of awareness, whose duty is to define the Shared ones of the whole party and define the objectives of action and the program of the whole party based on the full debate on the platform described above. The middle level refers to the regions with similar social environments, or the same industry or category composed of them, which has relatively independent decision-making and action rights, and is responsible for the implementation of the program in this region or this industry.

Party organizations at the grass-roots level have the responsibility to implement the program in their units or areas. They face the masses directly and need to have more patience and will to implement the principles; But because the situation at the grass-roots level is very different, they need to serve the basic desire of the people, can communicate with the people and deal with the problems they raise, from the bottom of the society, to realize the goal of consciously promoting the social people forward.

The flattening coefficient of the three-layer structure is not very high. Based on the higher level of social development, the lower regional differences and the higher level of consciousness of the party structure at the grass-roots level, the intermediate level structure

can be canceled. Each primary structure has a higher level of self-consciousness and can deal with problems independently. All it needs is highest layer supervision and guidance. At that time, the Marxist political party has also developed into a new historical stage.

## **5. Lenin's party-building practice and the creation of the Russian communist party**

We are talking here about the Russian communist party, the Russian social democratic labor party (Bolshevik), before Lenin's death<sup>[3]</sup>. After Lenin's creation, through the Iskra (old, and later new) theoretical ground, Lenin cultivated a large number of determined bolsheviks, forming the solid foundation of the Russian communist party and the outstanding leaders at all levels. The incisive analyses of Russian society in the Iskra newspaper; The incisive exposition of the party's program and the refutation of various erroneous ideological trends; the arguments or controversy between different points of view; all of them had promoted the ideological and theoretical level of Marxism-Leninism of the communist party of Russia. In the communist party of Russia, not only Lenin, Trotsky, Bukharin, Zinoviev, Stalin, and others published a variety of works in the party's publications, expounding their knowledge and theories in various aspects, etc., making immortal contributions to raising the ideological and theoretical level of the communist party of Russia.

Under the leadership of Lenin, in the Russian communist party, the democratic centralism of complete historical materialism is practiced. At party conferences, people are free to express their differences in ideology, understanding, program of action and other aspects; By presenting facts and reasoning, a common recognized by most people can gain; The resolution of the party organization shall be formed through the voting of the minority organizations subordinate to the majority. To that of the party organization, the individual may reserve a different opinion, but must carry out to the letter. Even if the majority's decision is wrong, it reflects the level of understanding of the majority at the time. If this kind of mistake was proved in the historical development after the resolution, most people will also learn the lessons of history from it, and the level of knowledge of the whole organization will be improved, thus enhancing the party's fighting capacity. Here are two examples. One is that Lenin's proposal was rejected in the minority by party conference<sup>[4]</sup>. But Lenin readily accepted it because he believed that the majority of comrades disagreed with his, which showed that the conditions of history and the awareness of the masses had not yet reached the

level they should, and that work must be continued to raise it of the masses. Later facts proved the correctness of Lenin's proposal, and the public's awareness was raised, so the party united more closely around Lenin and fought more forcefully. Another example is that, before the October revolution, at the meeting that decided on the timing of the October revolution, various opinions were fully put forward in the analysis of the strength of the enemy and ourselves; At last the majority was agreed upon, and a vote was taken to determine the moment of the October revolution. These two examples fully illustrate the organizing principle and mode of the complete historical materialism of the Russian communist party. It should serve as a model for real Marxist-Leninist political parties.

The organizational structure of the Russian communist party under Lenin was a three-layer structure, from the grassroots to the national leadership. However, many urgent problems can be directly reflected in the central committee and solved by the comrades in charge or even Lenin himself. It reflects the flexibility and timeliness of the organizational structure of the Russian communist party. That is also a manifestation of the powerful effects of the Russian communist party.

In short, the Russian communist party created by Lenin had, first of all, had a highly theoretical position, enabling all members of the party at all levels, from party leaders and theorists to party members at all levels, to fully express their understanding and opinions on the party's environment, long-term program, short-term program and other issues of the party and through their debates and joint discussions, they could better form a conscious and unified understanding of the whole party; The formation of a program of action will enable the party to respond more forcefully to the outside world in a correct, and flexible manner.

The second is the implementation of thorough historical materialism of democratic centralism and flexible organizational structure. It enabled the Russian communist party to achieve the great victory of the October revolution in the complicated environment during the first world war; And maintained its achievements, established the first socialist country in the world and open a new era in human history.

What we want to inherit and carry forward is the party style construction principle created by Lenin. With the rapid development of science and technology in today's world, the Internet, big data, artificial intelligence, and other information and communication technologies are developing deeply; The modern Marxist political party should give full play to these scientific and technological conditions and take party building to a higher level.

## 6. **The building of the party style of the communist party of China**

The communist party of China, born in the Chinese colonial, semi-colonial and semi-feudal social and historical environment, her building of the party style has inevitably left a mark of China's historical development since its establishment. At the beginning of its establishment, the party was divided into several parties. There were Marxist-Leninists and other factions (most of whom later left the communist party of China). Known as Marxism-Leninism, they did not know how to combine Marxism-Leninism theory with China's specific practice to blaze a correct revolutionary path. The construction of party style has not implemented the democratic centralism of complete historical materialism, but centralism with the remnants of feudal society prevailed; These led to the phenomenon of paternalism in the period of Chen Duxiu. Faced with the massacre and betrayal of the Kuomintang reactionaries in the “12<sup>th</sup>,Apr” counter-revolution coup, the communist party reacted weakly and suffered huge losses. Although the Nanchang armed uprising was held on “1<sup>st</sup>,Aug”, firing the first shot against the Kuomintang reactionaries, the whole party had no clear and conscious understanding of the struggle way after the uprising. Under the guidance of the communist international (essentially Stalin), the central committee of the communist party of that time wanted to achieve revolutionary victory in the cities and then in the countryside like the way of the Russian revolution. The result was a serious loss to the revolutionary forces. Under the cruel pressure of the enemy, the remaining revolutionary forces had to retreat into the countryside to seek a chance to regain their power; The reality forces people to think deeply and summarize; There must be a correct understanding and analysis of Chinese society at that time; There needs an analysis of the social contradictions and the historical role of various social forces in Chinese at that time; MAO Zedong made such one, and his familiarity with China's long feudal society and history made the ideological and practical resources on the road to seize national power contained in the peasant uprisings in successive dynasties come into people's vision at that time<sup>[5]</sup>. This road, from the rural areas to encircle the cities, with the armed revolution against armed counter-revolutionary, was proposed by Mao Zedong, he is more familiar with the situation and the history of the feudal society in the Communist Party of China, could be by no means an accident of history! However, at that time, the construction of the party style was still based on centralism or centralization. The leadership group is not open to dissent, let alone dissent; Until had paid a heavy price, had been crushed in the face of reality, and was on the verge of being annihilated by the Kuomintang forces of

Chiang Kai-shek; At last, in Zunyi, Guizhou province, a crucial meeting was held to determine the future of the Chinese revolution, which handed over military command to MAO Zedong and averted the red army's annihilation. (Here, there is no full expression and debate of the positive intra-party differences within the Russian communist party under Lenin's leadership, thus achieving the concentration of intra-party democracy and thorough historical materialism that most people agree on; That is the difference between the communist party of China and of Russia on the historical level).

Under the command of MAO Zedong, the red army's long march finally arrived in northern Shanxi and began a new phase of China's revolutionary; It was also in the changing international situation before the second world war that the Chinese communist party won the historical opportunity for survival and development because of Japan's aggressive aggression against China. In northern Shanxi, under the leadership of MAO Zedong, the communist party of China still had considerable democracy and carried out the rectification movement in the environment of the Anti-Japanese War. MAO Zedong put forward the "Reform of our study," in-depth investigation and research, to overcome all kinds of style of rectification goals that had played a great role in improving the overall level of the communist party of China. However, the rectification also appeared some undesirable phenomena that are only now exposed, such as the expansion of persecuting others, the lack of democracy, and the practice of one word at a time, which reflected the deep-rooted residual influence of the long-term feudal society. After entering the period of the war of liberation, the democracy within the party continued at the level of the war years. The struggle tactics against the Kuomintang and the military command all have a considerable democratic style. For example, the strategic conception of the war of liberation proposed by Su Yu to MAO Zedong and the party central committee was finally adopted, is a remarkable example. During the period of Liaoshen battle, Lin Biao and the central committee about the deployment of it had several of exchanges and repeated, which is also an example. In short, the communist party of China (CPC) under MAO Zedong was fairly democratic until it took power. That is why we won the final victory of the war of liberation and established the People's Republic of China.

During the period from the founding of the People's Republic of China to the end of the cultural revolution, the construction of the party's style within the party, due to well-known reasons and the lack of relevant information, the author does not make any comments here. In the past 40 years and more since the reform and opening up, all living adults have witnessed the development of the party. The author also does not comment here. The following mainly



discusses the difference between the modern Marxist political party and the traditional communist party, and how to transform the communist party of China into a Marxist political party, to fulfill the historical mission of the communist party of China.

## **7. The difference between a modern Marxist party and a traditional communist party**

The main difference between the Marxist party and the traditional communist party lies in: First, we should arm ourselves with modern Marxism, which holds the historical law of the conscious development of human society, and become the conscious soul of the whole party. Second, under the conditions of contemporary and history, the party must have a fully conscious understanding to establish the social-economic system, the social-political system, and the consciously reactions in all fields of the superstructure. Third, the whole party must have a clear understanding of the various social forces that can consciously promote the development of the socialized great productive forces under contemporary society and historical conditions and organically organize them to form powerful social forces that under the leadership of the party actively and consciously promote the development of social productive forces and the conscious development of all aspects of society. Fourth, every member of all party organizations at all levels, from the central hub to the grass-roots level, should have a fully conscious theoretical understanding; To the social status, engaged in the social industry, the historical development of social work have a full understanding, and aware of their own should play a positive and proactive role; Actively for the social productive forces, especially the conscious development of great socialized productivity, open up the way and establish a variety of necessary social relations and social networks, instead of waiting for the emergence of problems, passive to deal with and solve problems.

Just as human history has moved from spontaneous development to conscious development, but the human beings are often unconscious; A self-conscious modern Marxist party must consciously promote the development of history from the above four aspects, instead of passively waiting for history to raise problems and then deal with and solve them. The difference is moving from “passive, waiting” to “active, conscious.”

## **8. How to transform the Communist Party of China into a modern**

## Marxist political party

The 19th congress of the communist party of China, with many new characteristics, also opened up a new historical process of the development of the communist party of China has the following historical significance:

(1), First of all, the theme of the conference is: ***“Remain true to our original aspiration and keep our mission firmly in mind, hold high the banner of socialism with Chinese characteristics, secure a decisive victory in building a moderately prosperous society in all respects, strive for the great success of socialism with Chinese characteristics for a new era, and work tirelessly to realize the Chinese Dream of national rejuvenation!”*** [6] This is to re-define the communist party's original intention to fight for the people and the nation in the war era as the fundamental purpose of the communist party. With this initial heart and this fundamental basis, everything will have! No conscious awareness will have, no ability can learn, immature can gradually mature and gradually into the new situation of conscious development; Only in this way can we have the ability and determination to correct the mistakes left over from the history of the communist party of China and keep the development of Chinese society on the correct Marxism track [7].

(2), Secondly, general secretary Xi Jinping's report is a perfect combination of the recent program and long-term program of the CPC leading China's social development in the next 30 years<sup>[8]</sup>, which is comparable to the expression of the perfect program of the Russian communist party under the leadership of Lenin: For the recent program there are 14 big, nearly perfect measures<sup>[9]</sup>; for the long-term program, there are long-term goals and ways to implement them; it cannot but should say that this report is the perfect combination and expression of the party's recent and long-term program since the founding of the communist party of China.

(3), The emergence of the second item above means that the CPC has a perfect combination of the recent and the long-term program and which is just happening on the road of building socialism with Chinese characteristics, indicating that the conscious understanding of the CPC on the road of socialism with Chinese characteristics has reached the node of qualitative change; This node is that: the communist party of China has completely crossed the stage of “crossing the river by feeling the stones” and entered a new stage of leading China more consciously to carry out the great cause of socialism with Chinese characteristics; This is a new stage in which the communist party of China has begun to have a higher degree of

historical conscious awareness. That is a major event that is more important than the great development of China's social productivity, the GDP entering the second (or even the first) in the world and the people's livelihood entering the historical achievements such as having enough to eat and wear; Because the communist party of China is an irreplaceable social leadership force for the conscious development of Chinese society; the improvement of the historical conscious awareness of the communist party of China is the good fortune for the development of the entire Chinese nation and the development of human society in the world!!! The most important characteristic of socialism with Chinese characteristics entering a new era is that <sup>[10]</sup>: socialism with Chinese characteristics has completely spanned the stage of “crossed the river by feeling the stones” at the beginning of the reform and opening up and it developed into a new era of rather conscious development. <sup>[11]</sup>

(4), In the report, the understanding of the major social contradictions in the new era: the major social contradictions in China have been transformed into the contradictions between the people's growing needs for better life and the unbalanced and inadequate development; <sup>[12]</sup> <sup>[13]</sup> that is a completely correct judgment; Therefore, as the party in charge of China's social leadership, it should consciously and continuously strive to solve this contradiction. To that, general secretary Xi Jinping proposed 14 measures in the recent program. It is hoped that the whole party and the people of the country, under the guidance of this program, will make unremitting efforts to meet the development goals of our society on schedule or even ahead of the schedule.

(5), The report has deeply recognized that human beings and nature are a community of life; And human beings must respect, accommodate and protect nature; only by following the laws of nature can humans effectively prevent taking detours in the exploitation and utilization of nature <sup>[14]</sup>. Humans' harm to nature will eventually harm human beings themselves, which is an irresistible law. This is a complete correction of the arrogance and childishness of the former notion that “man can conquer nature.” It has laid a fundamental ideological foundation for the restoration and construction of a beautiful China. It coincides with the “unity of man and nature” and “governing without doing anything” in Chinese traditional culture and the modern inheritance of the essence of Chinese traditional culture.

(6), The report accurately determined the new historical orientation for China's position and role in the international community for the new era; China has continued to uphold fairness and justice in international affairs and has sought to work with all countries to build a

community of Shared future for mankind; <sup>[15]</sup> For the peaceful and conscious development of the world's human society contribute to China's wisdom and scheme; and with our conscious development, become the strongest impetus of world's conscious development! That is a perfect combination of historical materialism of Marxism and the essence of China's excellent culture, reaching an unprecedented height in human history!

These characteristics have demonstrated that the current CPC has developed to the best level in history and has an unprecedented degree of historical conscious awareness and arrived with the highest achievement in the sinicization of classical Marxism and socialism; that is indeed the good fortune of the Chinese nation and the development of the human society in the world!

But as we discussed earlier, Marxism also needs to be modernized. In the second section, we've discussed how the three components of Marxism develop under the conditions of modern society to meet the needs of the development of current society.

The sinicization of modern Marxism is discussed as below.

The first is to build socialism with Chinese characteristics based on the modern Marxism. China has entered the stage of conscious social development. the basic contradictions of human conscious developing society are turned into: The basic contradiction between nature's objective requirement of the great socialized productivity must be consciously developed with conscious socialness, ability and the depth and breadth of the actions of the society to consciously establish the productive relations as its developing form; and the contradiction between the objective requirement of the economic base, which must be consciously developed with conscious socialness, ability and the depth and breadth of the conscious reactions to the economic base of the various fields of the superstructure; It is just these two pairs of contradictions that push the conscious development of human society forward; This is not in contradiction with the main contradiction of Chinese society in the new era of socialism with Chinese characteristics-the contradiction between the people's growing needs for better life and the unbalanced and inadequate development; That is the social manifestations of the above two social contradictions in the new era.

The second is to establish a socialist basic economic system, namely the three-third shareholding system, in accordance with the social nature of the socialized great productive forces. We hope that based on the investigations and studies and pilot operations, china will gradually implement several steps to establish a basic socialist system: First of all, in

state-owned enterprises, the state monopoly capitalism is pushed forward one step to realize the basic socialist economic system (that is, the human resources team occupies one-third of all the shares of the enterprise, and has appropriate representatives to enter the board of directors of the enterprise to participate in the operation and decision-making of the enterprise; and the human resource team shares one-third of the profits of the enterprise). In the private economic enterprises, through the combination of voluntary and national selection, to determine the pilot units to try the trial operation of the “three third joint-stock system”; I believe that the vitality and profits of enterprises will make them willing to implement the new economic system (the success of China's Huawei group is a living example). Then through the corresponding promotion and legislation, the new socialist basic economic system would be established throughout the country; In this way, the initiative and creativity of employees throughout the country can be stimulated to open up the way for the creation of new productivity; At the same time, the increase in the income of all employees has become a strong driving force for social consumption, which in turn promotes the development and progress of social production; This kind of positive cycle of social development, far from capitalist society can be compared; It is bound to become the fundamental guarantee for the victory of China's socialist consciously development over capitalism and imperialism.

The third aspect is to organize social forces that can create and realize the conscious development of great socialized productivity in a new sense, not just the proletariat in the original traditional sense. The creators of great socialized productivity - scientific and technical personnel, intellectuals; the organizers of great socialized productivity - entrepreneurs, business owners and all kinds of entrepreneurship personnel; the actual participants in production and operation - from the highest management to the vast number of industrial workers on the production front; all are social forces that have formed and given full play to their effectiveness of the great socialized productivity; Their conscious and organic combination is the main force to promote the conscious development of the society.

The CPC has become the leading force for the conscious development of China's modern socialist society in history. She must do her best to improve her historical conscious awareness so that she can unite all kinds of forces of Chinese society and fulfill her historical mission <sup>[16]</sup>.

We can see that putting socialism with Chinese characteristics in the new era of the CPC based on the modern Marxism has a deeper theoretical foundation, a higher sense of

historical consciousness and a stronger sense of the CPC's historical mission; Of course, there are still many challenges ahead. As the general secretary pointed out in his report, the outstanding problems existing in the party, such as ideological imperfection, organizational imperfection, and style imperfection, have not been fundamentally solved and are still quite serious.

So we have to do a lot more and the best according to the four aspects transformation in the 7<sup>th</sup> section of the article to meet the requirements of general secretary Xi Jinping and gradually become a modern Marxist political party.

## 9. Conclusion

This year, as we commemorate the 150th anniversary of Lenin's birth, we should learn from him, grasp the essence of Marxism, and carry forward Lenin's theory and practice of party building; Based on the modern Marxism, the communist party of China should be built into a Marxist party and strive to fulfill the historical mission of China and humanity!

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