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白求恩同志[1]是加拿大共产党員,五十多岁了,为了帮助中国的抗日战争,受加拿大共产党和美国共产党的派遣,不远万里,来到中国。去年春上到延安,后来到五台山工作,不幸以身殉职。一个外国人,毫无利己的动机,把中国人民的解放事业当作他自己的事业,这是什么精神,这是国际主义的精神,这是共产主义的精神,每一个中国共产党員都要学习这种精神。列宁主义认为:資本主义国家的无产阶級要拥护殖民地斗殖民地人民的解放斗争,殖民地半殖民地的无产阶级要拥护资本主义国家的无产阶级的解放斗争,世界革命才能胜利[2]。白求恩同志是实践了这一条列宁主义路綫的。我們中国共产党員也要实践

① Norman Bethune ['nɔ:mən be'θju:n]: 諾尔曼·白求恩. ② made light of travelling thousands of miles: 不远万里. to make light of 不在意; 視为等開; 觉得沒什么。 ③ and to our great sorrow died a martyr ['mq:tə] at his post: 不幸以身殉职. to our great sorrow 使我們很悲痛. 介詞 to 往往以表情感的名詞作宾語,表示因某种行动的結果而产生的情感,如 to my surprise, to his delight 等. died a martyr at his post 以身殉职. 动詞 die 在这里既有本身动作概念,又起联系动詞作用,martyr 可视作表語. died a martyr 从意思上了解,相当于 He was a martyr when he died. martyr 为一个伟大事业或信仰牺牲的人;烈士. ④ if the proletariat ['proule'tsəriət] of the colonies and semi-colonies supports that ...: proletariat 是集合名詞,指整个无产阶級.

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Comrade Norman Bethune, 1 a member of the Communist Party of Canada, was around fifty when he was sent by the Communist Parties of Canada and the United States to China; he made light of travelling thousands of miles[®] to help us in our War of Resistance Against Japan. arrived in Yenan in the spring of last year, went to work in the Wutai Mountains, and to our great sorrow died a martyr at his post. What kind of spirit is this that makes a foreigner selflessly adopt the cause of the Chinese people's liberation as his own? It is the spirit of internationalism, the spirit of communism, from which every Chinese Communist must learn. Leninism teaches that the world revolution can only succeed if the proletariat of the capitalist countries supports the struggle for liberation of the colonial and semi-colonial peoples and if the proletariat of the colonies and semi-colonies supports that 4 of the proletariat of the capitalist countries.2 Comrade Bethune put this Leninist line into practice. We Chinese Communists must also follow this line in our practice. 3 We must unite

这里 that 是代詞,代前文 the struggle for liberation. ⑤ Comrade Bethune put this Leninist line into practice. We Chinese Communists must also follow this line in our practice. put ... into practice 把...付之实践; 实行follow this line in our practice 在我們的实践中遵循这条路綫. put... into practice 是成語,結构固定,不能任意更动. follow ... in one's practice 不是成語,follow 表達循、奉行,其后可以不用 in one's practice.

这一条路綫。我們要和一切資本主义国家的无产阶級联合起来, 要和日本的、英国的、美国的、德国的、意大利的以及一切資本主 义国家的无产阶级联合起来,才能打倒帝国主义,解放我們的民 族和人民,解放世界的民族和人民。这就是我們的国际主义,这 就是我們用以反对狭隘民族主义和狭隘爱国主义的国际主义。

白求恩同志毫不利己专門利人的精神,表現在他对工作的 极端的負責任,对同志对人民的极端的热忱。每个共产党員都 要学习他。不少的人对工作不負責任,拈輕怕重,把重担子推給 人家,自己挑輕的。一事当前,先替自己打算,然后再替別人打 算。出了一点力就覚得了不起,喜欢自吹,生怕人家不知道。对 同志对人民不是满腔热忱,而是冷冷清清,漠不关心,麻木不仁。 这种人其实不是共产党員,至少不能算一个純粹的共产党員。从

① This is our internationalism, the internationalism with which ... patriotism. 这就是我們用以反对狭隘民族主义和狭隘爱国主义的国际主义. the internationalism with which ... patriotism. 是一个同位語成分,和前文 our internationalism 同位,具有进一步解释前文的作用,internationalism 一制重复,可使其概念更加解明突出. ② utter devotion to others without any thought of self: 毫不利己专門利人. 意即完完全全为别人,絲毫不想到自己. utter devotion 有 "全心全意" "忠于"之意. ③ passing the burdensome ['bə:dnsəm] tasks on to others and choosing the easy ones for themselves: 把重担子推給人家自己挑輕的. "担子"是比喻說法,意指"工作任务",担于释重亦即任务艰巨还是容易,故用 the burdensome tasks, the easy ones. ones 是代詞,代 tasks. pass (something) on to (somebody) 把...传給...; 即輪到自己时,立即轉給別人. ④ at every turn: 原义"每一轉弯",即每发生一变动时,引伸义为 "老是"、"經常"。这里譯汉語原文"一事当前". ⑤ When they make some

with the proletariat of all the capitalist countries, with the proletariat of Japan, Britain, the United States, Germany, Italy and all other capitalist countries, for this is the only way to overthrow imperialism, to liberate our nation and people and to liberate the other nations and peoples of the world. This is our internationalism, the internationalism with which we oppose both narrow nationalism and narrow patriotism. ①

Comrade Bethune's spirit, his utter devotion to others without any thought of self, was shown in his great sense of responsibility in his work and his great warm-heartedness towards all comrades and the people. Every Communist must learn from him. There are not a few people who are irresponsible in their work, preferring the light and shirking the heavy, passing the burdensome tasks on to others and choosing the easy ones for themselves. At every turn they think of themselves before others. When they make some small contribution, they swell with pride and brag about it for fear that others will not know. They feel no warmth towards comrades and the people but are cold, indifferent and apathetic. In truth such people are not Communists, or at least cannot be counted as devoted Communists. No one who returned from the front failed to

small contribution, they swell with pride ...: make some small contribution 作出了点小貢献. make ... contribution 是連用詞,表示"作出...貢献",譯汉語原文"出了一点力". swell with pride 趾高气揚; 觉得了不起. ⑥ They feel no warmth towards comrades and the people. 对同志对人民不是满腔热忱. They feel no warmth towards ... = They have no warm feeling for ⑦ indifferent and apathetic [,æpə'θetik]: 漢不关心; 麻木不仁. indifferent 冷淡; 不关心. 它不是 different 的否定意义的反义詞. apathetic 无动于衷;毫无同情. ⑧ in truth: 其实; 老实說.

前綫回来的人說到白求恩,沒有一个不佩服,沒有一个不为他的精神所感动。晋察冀边区的軍民,凡亲身受过白求恩医生的治疗和亲眼看过白求恩医生的工作的,无不为之感动。每一个共产党員,一定要学习白求恩同志的这种真正共产主义者的精神。

白求恩同志是个医生,他以医疗为职业,对技术精益求精; 在整个八路軍医务系統中,他的医术是很高明的。这对于一班 見异思迁的人,对于一班鄙薄技术工作以为不足道、以为无出路 的人,也是一个极好的教訓。

我和白求恩同志只見过一面。后来他給我来过許多信。可是因为忙,仅回过他一封信,还不知他收到沒有。对于他的死,我是很悲痛的。現在大家紀念他,可見他的精神感人之深。我們大家要学习他毫无自私自利之心的精神。从这点出发,就可以变为大有利于人民的人。一个人能力有大小,但只要有这点精

① no soldier or civilian was unmoved who had been treated by Dr. Bethune ...: who 引导的定語从句,本应紧跟它所修飾的主語 soldier or civilian,但因为它很长,所以就移放在潤語的后面. ② the moment = as soon as —...就. 相当于連詞. ③ despise technical work as of no consequence or as promising no future: 鄙薄技术工作以为不足道、以为无出路. 这里 as 是介詞.

express admiration for Bethune whenever his name was mentioned, and none remained unmoved by his spirit. In the Shansi-Chahar-Hopei border area, no soldier or civilian was unmoved who had been treated by Dr. Bethune[®] or had seen how he worked. Every Communist must learn this true communist spirit from Comrade Bethune.

Comrade Bethune was a doctor, the art of healing was his profession and he was constantly perfecting his skill, which stood very high in the Eighth Route Army's medical service. His example is an excellent lesson for those people who wish to change their work the moment[®] they see something different and for those who despise technical work as of no consequence or as promising no future.[®]

Comrade Bethune and I® met only once. Afterwards he wrote me many letters. But I was busy, and I wrote him only one letter and do not even know if he ever received it. I am deeply grieved over his death.® Now we are all commemorating him, which shows how profoundly his spirit inspires everyone.® We must all learn the spirit of absolute selflessness from him. With this spirit everyone can be very useful to the people. A man's ability may

两个 as 引导的短語是直接宾語 work 的宾語补足語,二者构成 despise 的复合宾語. ④ Comrade Bethune and I ...: 我和白求恩同志.... 英語习慣: 如有別人同作主語,先說別人. 后說 I,与汉語习慣不同. ⑤ I am deeply grieved over his death. 对于他的死,我是很悲痛的. 这里 grieved 是形容詞,起表語作用. 衷情感的动詞大多能这样用. 这里介詞 over 表原因. ⑥ Now we are all commemorating him, which shows how profoundly his spirit inspires everyone. 这里关系代詞 which 前面有逗号,引导的是非限制性定語从句. 它不代表前面哪一个詞,而是指前面整个分句. 意为: 現在大家都紀念他, 这种情况說明他的精神感人之深。

神,就是一个高尚的人,一个純粹的人,一个有道德的人,一个脱离了低級趣味的人,一个有益于人民的人。

be great or small, but if he has this spirit, he is already noble-minded and pure, a man of moral integrity and above vulgar interests, a man who is of value to the people.

① a man of moral integrity [in'tegriti] and above vulgar ['vʌlgə] interests: 一个有道德的人,一个脱离了低級趣味的人. moral integrity 道德上健全. of 表示 "具有"的意思. vulgar interests 庸俗的兴趣. above 表示 "超乎其上"、"超脱"、"不屑为"的意思. 如: He is above such mean actions 意为他的品格高尚,不会做这样卑劣的事.

洼 釋

- [1] 諾尔曼·白求恩,加拿大共产党党員,著名的医生。一九三六年德意法西斯匪徒侵犯西班牙时,他曾經亲赴前綫为反法西斯的西班牙人民服务。中国的抗日战爭爆发,他率領一个医疗队,于一九三八年初来到中国,同年三、四月間到达延安,不久又轉赴晋察冀边区。白求恩同志以高度的国际主义精神和忘我的工作热忱,为八路軍伤病員服务将近两年。因为在一次为伤員施行急救手术时中毒,經过医治无效,于一九三九年十一月十二日在河北唐县逝世。
- [2] 参看斯大林《論列宁主义基础》(一九二四年四——五月)一文的第六部分《民族問題》。

NOTES

- 1 The distinguished surgeon Norman Bethune was a member of the Canadian Communist Party. In 1936 when the German and Italian fascist bandits invaded Spain, he went to the front and worked for the anti-fascist Spanish people. In order to help the Chinese people in their War of Resistance Against Japan, he came to China at the head of a medical team and arrived in Yenan in the spring of 1938. Soon after he went to the Shansi-Chahar-Hopei border area. Imbued with ardent internationalism and the great communist spirit, he served the army and the people of the Liberated Areas for nearly two years. He contracted blood poisoning while operating on wounded soldiers and died in Tanghsien, Hopei, on November 12, 1939.
- ² See J. V. Stalin, "The Foundations of Leninism", Problems of Leninism, Eng. ed., FLPH, (5) Moscow, 1954, pp. 70-79.

① The distinguished surgeon ['sə:dɔøn]: 著名的外科医生. 比較: physician 內科医生. ② at the head of: 率領. ③ Imbued with: 充滿着. ④ contracted blood poisoning while operating on wounded soldiers: 在对伤員施行手术时血中毒. ⑤ FLPH = Foreign Languages Publishing House (苏联) 外国文书籍出版局.