



DECLARATION

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The earthquake and tidal wave that struck on March 11 in Japan caused a catastrophe whose extent is still not known, since the authorities of that country lie and hide revealing data. This raises more sharply than before the problem of nuclear energy, of power plants that are being built in many countries of the world. A month after the beginning of that catastrophe, it has still not been controlled and

continues to dump into the ocean enormous quantities of radioactive particles, which have ruined the lives of hundreds of thousands of human beings and the fishing on all those coasts. It is still unknown how far the contamination that the ocean waters carry can go.

This April marks the 25 anniversary of Chernobyl. An international conference on this was held in Kiev, at which the government of the Ukraine distributed a document whose data need no commentary. According to this the soil around Chernobyl is contaminated with cesium 137, strontium 90 and plutonium 238, 239 and 240. It warned of contamination with americium 241 until **the year 2056**, due to which **“between 1,500 and 2,000 square kilometers will never be fit for life [...] because there are radioactive isotopes with a period of disintegration of 24,000 years...”**

Considering that the radioactive leaks in Japan are or may be much greater than those of Chernobyl, the consequences will also be much greater. All this shows that in spite of what we are regularly told, at the present time one cannot state that nuclear energy is totally controllable, with total safety. This is because the operation of nuclear power plants, financed by the States with public money, is in the hands of financial groups whose main objective corresponds to their essence: to increase their profits more and more, leaving safety in second place, that is, the costs go to the people, the profits to the capitalist, imperialist sharks.

We must insist, once again, that the governments must strive to develop “clean” energy such as water power, solar or wind energy, for example, as a priority over nuclear energy. This is a problem that goes beyond the demands of the ecologists, since it has a political basis of vital importance to the peoples.

We the workers, youths and peoples of the world, demand to make the defense and preservation of the planet a proposal forcefully integrated into the objectives of the struggle for democracy, progress and freedom.

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