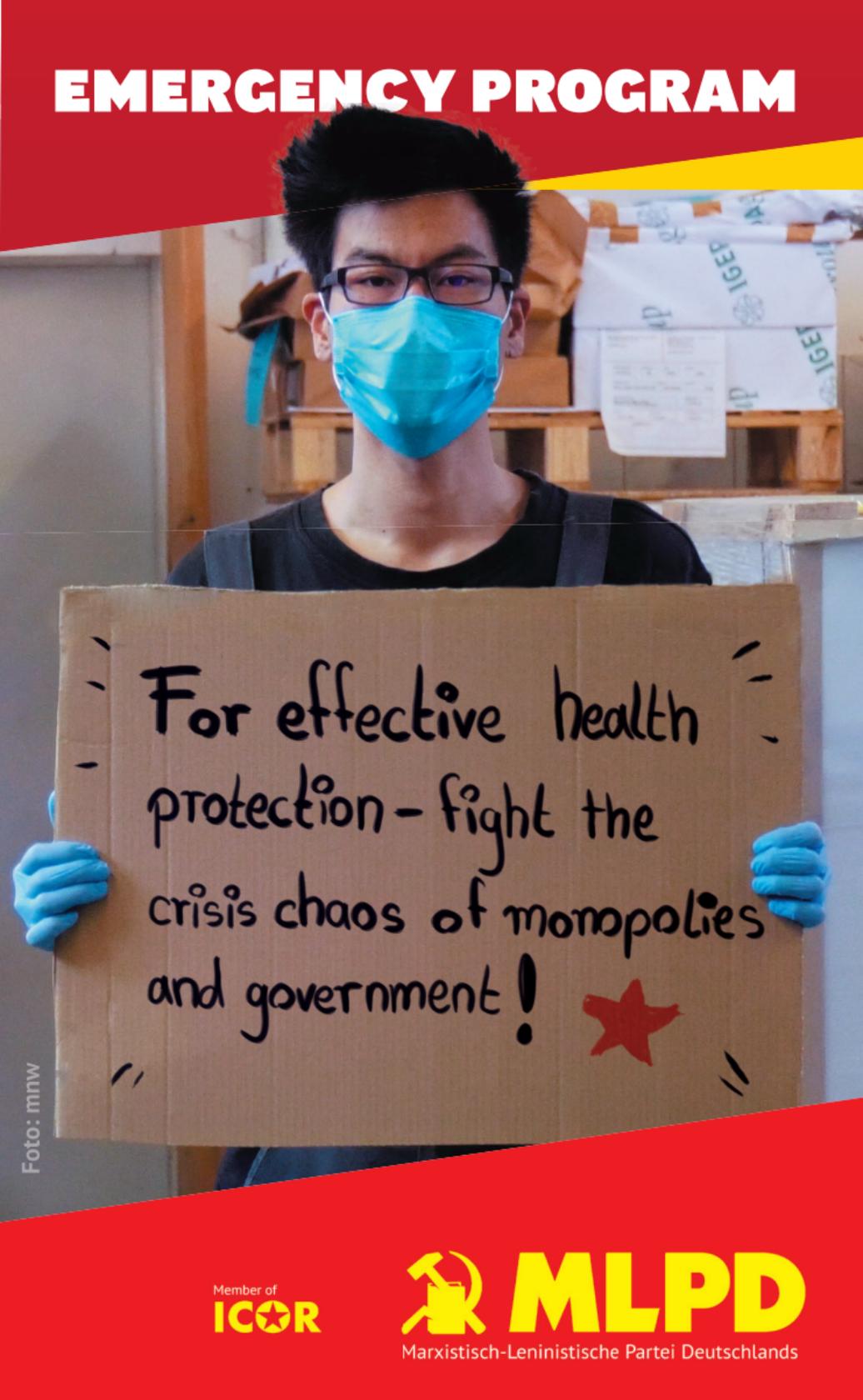


EMERGENCY PROGRAM



For effective health
protection - fight the
crisis chaos of monopolies
and government! ★

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NEGLIGENT CRISIS MANAGEMENT

On 2 May, in the form of an ultimatum the “Federation of German Industries” called for restarting social life. What it is primarily concerned about is the exploitation in the factories. Since then, a competition to outdo each other in relaxing restrictions has broken out. Hundreds of thousands have already died worldwide in connection with the coronavirus. The virus has not yet been fully researched. This kind of relaxation is very negligent.

Since 2012, the World Health Organization (WHO) has had a concept for the prevention of a corona pandemic. The German Federal Government has deliberately not adhered to it! To date, there are not even enough protective masks – and testing capacities are not being used. Since the 1990s, the health care system has become increasingly profit-oriented. The imperialists’ competition prevents the necessary international action against the pandemic. The monopolies and the government want to control the loss of confidence in bourgeois politics with the slogan “Together against the virus”.

We demand:

- Comprehensive testing!
- Free mouth and nose protection masks for all!
- FFP2/3 masks for risk patients and nursing staff!
- Creation of 150,000 jobs in nursing and intensive care units!



THE MONOPOLIES SET THE PACE

as “supreme employer” of the
government!

- ▶ ■ Fight against hospital closures!
 - International cooperation for drugs, therapies, vaccines, and for protective masks/clothing for all countries!
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If you believe the federal government, the source of all problems is corona. However, there has been a global economic and financial crisis since the summer of 2018, though it has experienced an abrupt downturn with the corona pandemic. Chronic over-accumulation of capital on the one hand – increase in the exploitation of workers, environmental destruction, poverty and misery on the other. This is not the fault of a virus, but of the capitalist profit economy! The Chairman of the Board of Management of VW, Herbert Diess, openly calls for “stimulating the economy” and more subsidies for the big corporations. VW made a profit of 19.3 billion euros in 2019. It is a fallacy if those in power pretend that the economic crisis is over when they have corona under control. As the crisis continues, mass unemployment, insolvencies and poverty threaten. The price of economic ramp-up is the threat of a second pandemic wave. A general societal crisis of the imperialist world system is looming!

MERKEL, SCHOLZ & ALTMAIER :

Strengthening monopolies, shifting the burden of the crisis onto the workers

Millions of workers in the factories had to go to work without adequate protection for the sake of profits. Others are in short-time work for 60 or 67 percent of their wages. The monopolies do not pay a cent. 600 billion euros are thrown down the throats of the largest German corporations by the resolutions of the Bundestag. And the small craftsman goes bankrupt! The workers have to do their own calculations. Justifiably there are strikes worldwide for consistent health protection, most recently around May 1st with 900,000 strikers in Italy.

- Fight the shifting of the burden of the world economic and financial crisis and corona crisis onto the workers, white-collar employees, small self-employed, their families and the environment!
- All areas of society must first ensure the rules of hygiene before they are ramped up!
- Short-time working allowance only for small and medium-sized companies!
- Large corporations should, as provided for in § 615 of the German Civil Code, pay the full wage costs for such plant closures themselves (100%)!
- 30-hour week with full wage compensation!
- Employ the fighting power of the trade unions and develop independent struggles!

ENVIRONMENTAL CRISIS –

out of sight, out of mind?

Suddenly nobody should talk about environmental crisis anymore. And yet: the highest death rates from corona are where the greatest air pollution is, for example in Lombardy, Italy. The increase in epidemics and pandemics is itself a consequence of the transition to a global environmental catastrophe. Its characteristics are even intensifying. However, the monopoly associations, together with AfD and parts of the CDU, are already demanding that all environmental regulations that have been fought for be put to the test.

- Consistent environmental protection at the expense of profits!



OTHER SUFFERERS:

Women, refugees, small self-employed, small and medium-sized farmers, elderly people

Millions of women must continue to work in factories, supermarkets, from home, or in nursing jobs – and provide a substitute for lessons, school canteens and kindergartens at home. Families and especially the mothers are on the verge of collapse. School children are in chaos, students are losing their jobs. Elderly people in need of special protection are even particularly at risk in nursing homes. Thousands of small independent existences will not survive this crisis. Supermarket chains use the situation to push down producer prices for small farmers. Refugees live in conditions that are a mockery of all decisions on corona precautions.

- State aid and emergency care for families to look after children and the elderly!
- Immediate evacuation of all refugee camps and mass accommodations!
- Admission of seriously ill patients from other countries!
- State aid for small self-employed people and small and medium-sized farmers!

MAY DAY 2020

set an example in the fight for democratic rights and freedoms!



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Without a doubt, comprehensive health protection measures are justified! But in their slipstream, the government also decided to restrict democratic rights and freedoms to a large extent. On May Day, demonstrators in over 100 cities – often on the initiative of the MLPD and with numerous allies – showed how disciplined health protection can be. Fights against hunger and misery are unfolding worldwide – an urgent necessity in view of the imminent drastic shifting of the burden of the crisis. A clear “No” to rightist fascist con men, who deny the danger of corona.

- Health protection yes – undemocratic emergency measures – no!

Fate without alternative?

DON'T GIVE ANTICOMMUNISM A CHANCE!

Donald Trump even blames communism for corona. That has the same “corrosive” truth to it as his recommendation to inject disinfectant. So this crisis chaos is supposed to be normal for future generations? No! High time for an open social debate about – and struggle for – a liberated society, genuine socialism/communism

- Don't give anticommunism a chance!



UNITED SOCIALIST

states of the world could solve humanity's problems

Hundreds of millions of people are currently demonstrating solidarity, selflessness, discipline, the greatest abilities. In a socialist planned economy there are no more economic crises, because the contradiction between social production and private appropriation is removed. The most advanced ideas and achievements in medicine, environmental protection, production, science, the worldwide discussion about the best solutions, food supply etc. would be purposefully applied. But this requires an international socialist revolution led by the working class in alliance with the billions of oppressed people of the world. We can and must learn from the achievements as well as from the mistakes and betrayals of socialism in the former socialist countries.

- Time to give new momentum to the fight for genuine socialism!
- Become politically active: organize yourself in the MLPD or in the youth league Rebell!