The communists' support for Hitler lasted for almost two years, and there were regular Soviet deliveries of raw materials necessary for war to Germany, until June 22, 1941, the day of the attack on the Soviet Union.

Then, the communists loyal to Moscow had to change their spots again, becoming "anti-fascists" again:

- The Communist Party in England, had massively campaigned against the "imperialist" war (the Labour Party was split over this question and was shaky for a long time);
- In France, only the former crown prince of the Communist Party, Jacques Doriot, then boss of the newly founded fascist French Populist Party, stood on the side of collaboration with the Germans, together with Marcel Deat, who

in 1941 had founded the National Populist Movement. The key example of communist adaptability was Maurice Thorez, general secretary of the Communist Party of France before the war, who deserted from the French Army, hid in Belgium, and escaped to Moscow. During 1945-47 he was Resistance minister of state, and later became deputy prime minister in France. The future CP chief Georges Marchais worked during the war voluntarily in the German armaments industry and lived in a boarding house in Augsburg.

Today the communists throughout the world have spread the view that they were the true "anti-fascists" of the resistance, the leading fighters against the Nazis.

Message to political prisoners in the U.S.

The following message was sent by the conference to LaRouche associates unjustly imprisoned in Virginia: Mike Billington (77 years); Anita Gallagher (39 years); Paul Gallagher (34 years); Laurence Hecht (33 years); and Donald Phau (25 years).

From the conference in Lyon, "The Resistance Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow," we are sending you our warm greetings of solidarity.

Our discussion here convinced us that "resistance" is not a theoretical question on paper, but that those people fighting for freedom and justice do so risking their health, life, and freedom.

It is in the sense of this understanding, that we assure you that we will do everything to free you from unjust prison as soon as possible.



Anita and Paul Gallagher



Mike Billington



Laurence Hecht



Donald Phau

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