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1. Late 50's	Algeria; Hungar; Civil Rights	Sit-downs, Sit-ins, Bus Boycotts, etc.		#1	Provisional Organizing Committee (POC) splits from CPUSA (re: Nat.Q.)	Police Agent expels everyone. "Poof!" (#1)	Long-time Opportunist CPUSA loses the last of its good cadres to: POC, PL, OL, ...
2. Early 60's	Civil Rights; Int'l Polemic VS. Krushchev; Cuba: Revolution & US attacks	Same & Demos & Marches. Congress On Racial Equality, Southern Christian Leadership Conference. SNCC, etc. Fair Play For Cuba	Rbt Williams: "blacks must use armed self-defense"; Students for a Democratic Society; Worker-Stu. Alliance... WSA/SDS (under PL); Venceremos Brigade(?)		Progressive Labor Mvmt		
3. Mid 60's	Civil Rights; Dominican Rep.	Same but more massive & much militant; plus REVOLTS; Rent strikes...	Malcolm X non-PL SDS begins to split - Rev. Youth Mvmt 1 & RYM 2	#2	Prog. Labor Party.		
4. Mid-Late 60's	Vietnam War; Tet Offensive Czechoslovak. Democrat. Conv China Cultural Rev; Police Attacks	Civil Rights...; Berkeley Free Speech; Teach-ins by "Anti-War Mobe" = Liberal bourgeois "defectors" "New Left"	Black Panther Party (sells Mao's "Lil Red Book"; RYM1 = Weatherman; RYM2 = Bay Area Rev. Union; Calif. Communist League; October League; Venceremos Organization; a few Marxist study groups, Detroit Rev. Union Mvmt & other RUM's			1969 (#2) Fall of Lin Piao in China... PLP launches ultra-"left" attack on Stalin & USSR in 30s	PLP = Trotskyite; also national chauvinist
5. Early 70's	Vietnam War; PL's Treason; Defense of Stalin & Socialism in Albania (& "in China")	Anti-war - more massive & much more militant. Stu. Mobilization Comm. San Diego Convention Coalition; Women's Movement; Prisoners' Movement	RU, OL, Black Workers' Congress, "Guardian", Puerto Rican Rev. Workers' Organization, Brown Berets, & many many study (& work) groups, many smaller collectives, Congress African Peoples, George Jackson	#3A #3B	CL & Amer. Comm. Workers' Mvmt, New Voice, LPR & others form "Continuations Comm." for new Party CL forms CL Party; ACWM forms Central Organ. of U.S. Marxist-Leninists	splits up over power struggle for control (#3) COUSML stops trying to win over or unite with others	BPP becomes reformist after assassination of many of its best (Fred Hampton...) CLP flips to right-reformism & USSR "is still socialist" = indistinguishable from CPUSA
6. 1974-1975	Vietnam War; Guinea(B) & Mozambique; spread of Marxism, but also of influence of China's CPC	Same. dozens & dozens of student & youth organizations, African Liberation Day(s)	many many groups, Rev. Workers' League, ALD Comm.'s, Afr. Lib. Support Comm.	#4A #4B #5A+5B	many smaller groups say: "Party-Build. = Main Task"; RU/BWC/PRRWO "Continuations Comm." for new Party RU forms RCP Party; BWC breaks into 4 pieces Workers' August Twenty-ninth Mvmt; Viewpoint I Wor Kuen; Resistencia (LPR); Organ. Rev. Comm. Leage (Baraka's CAP) OL's Contin. Comm.; then CPML	(#4) splits up over RU's white Chauvinism & Spontaneity (& other things) (#5) splits over OL line & control	Guardian "reverts back" to its former reformism/revisionism; RU's spontaneity, chauvinism & anarcho-syndicalism become RCP's Maoist/Trotskyism (CPC's "left" wing) OL's earlier tailism/economism & chauvinism become CPML's Maoist/Revisionism (reformism & "3-Worlds" CPC's right wing)

\* Two points: 1) "Partial History" - we know there are bound to be big gaps, some mistakes & other weaknesses in this; 2) Still, a Complete History is needed & we wrote this exactly, & only, as a contribution towards it... so that we can all begin to learn from it; & to encourage others to help fix & complete it.

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7. 1976-1977	Vietnam War Is Over; Angola; China Attacks Vietnam	rapid decline	fewer groups due to: many joining the larger groups; many being wrecked by larger groups; many more disintegrating	#6	"The Rev. Wing"-ATM, WVO, PRRWO, etc. ATM+IWK=League of Struggle	based on & splits up over narrow nationalism WVO tries "adventurism"	Workers' Congress (aBWC group) promotes "Iskra Plan" of rallying any group which agrees "newspaper (& organiz.) is key". 1-2 grps join; then disintegrate Rev. Workers' Congress (aBWC group) puts out "Movin' On", & moves on over to reformism & disintegrates. PRRWO splits with fist-fites & ultra-left sectarianism, then disintegrates.
8. 1978-1979	Repercussions From Mao's Death, etc. in CPC; Albania's PLA shows the way forward; CPC economic attack on Albania; Ethiopia/Eritrea; Afghanistan Iran			#7 #8 #9	M-L Organiz. Commit.'s (aBWC group) "Contin. Commit.", splits; MLOC forms CPUSAML WVO forms CWP RPO splits from CPUSAML COUSML forms MLPUSA		LS is thoroughly reformist & narrow nationalist. CWP succumbs to Trotskyism, then revisionism "USSR is still socialist" MLPUSA's bourgeois scholasticism leads them to attack Int'l M-L Communist Mvmt; becomes Trotskyite.
9. 1980-1984	Series of Works by Hoxha/PLA, & the IMLCM & Canadian CPC(M-L); Zimbabwe; Central Amer. Poland, Grenada	"solidarity" groups	some Albania Friendship Organizations		Rev. Polit. Organiz. continues U.S. M-L Organiz. forms San Diego M-L Group forms		(OL)CPML disbands (MLOC)CPUSAML more & more "radical" reformist; then disbands
10. 1985-?	Genuine US M-L group(s) publish: 1) Ideo/Polit Line; 2) Plan for all the Work; 3) call for Capable Cadres... Spread this U.S.-Wide; meetings, joint theoretical & practical work begins on this M-L-ist Line & Plan for the first time in 25 (or 50!) years. Thru the struggle...	"Rainbow Coalition"	more Albania Friendship; other "Anti-Imperialist" type of unions... underldshp of existing M-L groups & then the Party.	#10	Genuine US M-L-ists UNITE! not thru a "Continuations..." debating society on "What is Marxism". Instead a scientific Plan, based on the M-L fundamentals, produces a joint Committee that works to implement the Line & Plan, leads in the development of more Capable Cadres & FOUNDS THE PARTY!!! (in & thru all-out struggle VS. Reformism & Opportunism of all hues)		those groups which can not, or will not, unite on & take up: 1) the correct Ideo/Polit. LINE; 2) the correct PLAN for all the Work; & lead in developing 3) the Capable Cadres... all in & thru all-out struggle VS. reformism & all opportunism TO FOUND THE NEW US M-L PARTY... such groups fall by the wayside also.

"LONG LIVE THE NEW U.S. MARXIST-LENINIST COMMUNIST PARTY!"...with the founding of the Party, this entire 25 (or 50) year period ends.

"Our Main Task On This Question", for all of the 5 Burning Questions, continue to be the respective Main Tasks; but with the over-all Main & Only Task of Founding the Party being replaced with a new Main & Only Task of Consolidating & Further Building the Party for the immediate period ahead. Beyond this, we can not say...this will depend on both: 1) Objective Factors - wars & the danger of World War, militarization of the economy, the growing police state fascism, developments concerning the economic crisis at the base, the mass spontaneous movements, world events, & so on; and 2) Subjective Factors - how quickly & how well we found, consolidate & further build our Party, how quickly & how well the masses become class-conscious fighters & recognize our Party as their one & only leading Party, how quickly & how well they are organized into mass organizations led by the Party, how quickly & how well the Party proletarianizes itself further, & unites the class & then the masses in the United Front, & so on. The Party's work will influence the "Objective Factors" greatly.