

How Chinese Communists Fell In Love With The Russian Revolution

The Chinese Communist Party (CCP) and the Russian Revolution are two of the most important events in the history of the 20th century. The CCP was founded in 1921, just four years after the Bolsheviks seized power in Russia. From the very beginning, the CCP looked to the Russian Revolution as a model for its own revolution in China.



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There were many reasons why the Chinese Communists were attracted to the Russian Revolution. First, the Bolsheviks had successfully overthrown a powerful autocracy and established a socialist state. This was a major inspiration to the Chinese Communists, who were fighting against a similar autocratic regime in China.

Second, the Bolsheviks had developed a powerful ideology that appealed to the Chinese Communists. Marxism-Leninism provided a comprehensive explanation of the world and a clear path to revolution. This ideology gave the Chinese Communists a sense of purpose and direction.

Third, the Bolsheviks had a strong international organization that could provide support to the Chinese Communists. The Communist International (Comintern) helped to train Chinese Communist cadres and provided financial and material assistance to the CCP.

The relationship between the CCP and the Russian Revolution was not always smooth. There were times when the two parties disagreed on strategy and tactics. However, the CCP always remained committed to the Russian Revolution and to the goal of establishing a socialist state in China.

The Chinese Communist Party's love affair with the Russian Revolution had a profound impact on the development of Chinese communism. The CCP adopted many of the ideas and practices of the Bolsheviks, and it used the Russian Revolution as a model for its own revolution in China.

The CCP's embrace of the Russian Revolution also had a significant impact on China's foreign policy. The CCP aligned itself with the Soviet Union and became a major player in the Cold War. This alignment had a major impact on the course of world history.

The relationship between the CCP and the Russian Revolution is a complex and fascinating one. This book explores the ideological, political, and personal connections that shaped the development of Chinese

communism. It is a must-read for anyone interested in the history of China and the communist movement.

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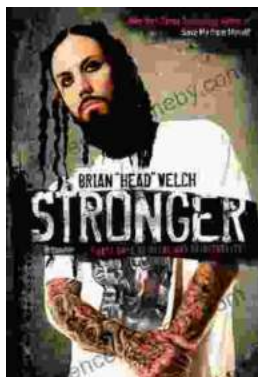
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