TROTSKYIST SERIALS BIBLIOGRAPHY 1927-1991

With Locations and Indices

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The Trotskyist Serials Bibliography 1927 - 1991 is a unique compilation of the serial publications of both national and international organizations, parties, and other groups which claim adherence to the theories and politics of Leon Trotsky and to the traditions for which his authority stands. In keeping with the nature of the Trotskyist movement, which has suffered from innumerable splits and internal ideological struggles, the bibliography records both mainstream and dissident Trotskyist literature, produced by an extremely diverse range of Trotskyist organizations over the whole period during which Trotskyist serials have been in circulation.

Trotskyist organizations have naturally produced many different types of serials over the decades. These different genres are all represented in the **Trotskyist Serials Bibliography**, and include: newspapers for agitation, theoretical papers, press service serials, educational bulletins, translation services and scholarly journals. The user will also find some publications which, strictly speaking, are not serials. Internal bulletins, for instance, produced normally for internal use only, are of great relevance for serious research on the politics and history of Trotskyist organizations.

Trotskyism has found followers worldwide. In order to serve the needs of an international readership therefore, the bibliography lists serials published in a total of 28 languages from altogether 38 countries. Languages include English, French, German, Spanish, Catalan, Italian, Portuguese, Dutch, Flemish, the Scandinavian languages, Hungarian and the Slavonic languages. Regions of publication include Europe, North America (including Mexico), Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa.

Altogether some 900 Trotskyist organizations, individuals, libraries and research centres were contacted for source material. The information collected was then entered into a database, using software especially created, and therefore particularly suitable, for bibliographic and/or library concerns.

The Trotskyist Serials Bibliography is divided into a Main Part (Bibliography Proper), three indices and two appendices. Entries contain a full bibliographical description of the serial as well as numerous cross-references of variant titles, parallel titles, abbreviated titles etc., and are filed alphabetically according to the Latin alphabet. The user's access to the main part is by serial title, or by corporate body's

name. Further access is provided by the *Index of Organizations*, which alphabetically lists all Trotskyist groups mentioned in the main part, the *Index of Affiliations*, which alphabetically lists international bodies to which Trotskyist groups are affiliated, and the *Index of ISSN* which provides access via the International Standard Serial Number if available. Two appendices provide the user with further useful information: a *List of Abbreviations and Symbols* and a *List of Literature, Sources, Persons and Groups Consulted*. An extremely comprehensive *Introduction* providing a background history of the Trotskyist movement and Trotskyist serials, detailed explanatory notes on the material used, and sug-

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gestions for further reading provide the user with invaluable additional information.

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